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Events and Information

March 25, 2010 Edition

As a courtesy to your fellow members, if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, we ask that you not attend Chamber events until you are well. Our first priority is the health of our members and of the business community. Thank You

Join the Avon Chamber Group on



Upcoming Events

[April 6 - Business After Hours/6th Annual BRING A NON-MEMBER BUSINESS Event](#)

[April 7 - Morning Business Network Connection](#)

[April 20 - Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center AND Avon Chamber of Commerce BLOOD DRIVE - Schedule Your Appointment TODAY!](#)

[April 28 - A Combined Business After Hours with Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce](#)

SAVE THE DATE
45TH ANNUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Golf Club of Avon

Business After Hours/6th Annual BRING A NON-MEMBER BUSINESS EVENT



You'll Always Come Back For More™

Please join us for our April 2010 **Business After Hours/6th Annual Bring A Non-Member Business Event**

This annual event is *your* opportunity to introduce other area businesses to your Avon Chamber of Commerce. All current Chamber members are encouraged to bring at least **ONE** non-member business guest with them to this exciting networking event.

AS A THANK YOU ...

Unlike our other *Business After Hours*, only members who bring a non-member business guest with them to this event are eligible to enter to win the fantastic prize package created especially for this event (*no other drawings will take place at this event!*). [Go to the Chamber's web site to see what is in this year's prize](#)

For a listing of all Upcoming Avon Chamber of Commerce Events [CLICK HERE: Avon Chamber of Commerce Calendar of Events](#)

Featured Member Benefit

RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER PROGRAM

Did you know that by simply recruiting one new Avon Chamber member you can substantially reduce your own dues for a period of one year?

It's easy - simply sponsor a New Avon Chamber Member. Once their application is complete and their dues are paid in full, the next time you are billed you will see your own dues reduced by the amount of the new member's dues for the ensuing year.

To learn more about this great new benefit click on the link [Avon Chamber Recruit A New Member Program](#)

Questions? call Lisa at the Chamber office.

To see all the benefits your Avon Chamber has to offer

[CLICK HERE: Avon Chamber of Commerce Membership Benefits](#)



What's Happening with the Members

package. Remember, THE MORE NON-MEMBER GUESTS YOU BRING, THE MORE CHANCES YOU HAVE TO WIN!

For further information or to register [CLICK HERE:](#)

[April 2010 Business After Hours/6th Annual Bring A Non-Member Business Event](#)

Hosted by:
Ninety Nine Restaurant

315 West Main Street/Route 44
TUESDAY, APRIL 6
4:30PM-6:30PM

RESERVATION REQUIRED by Friday, April 2
Members and Guests - FREE

Morning Business Network Connection



Join us for our APRIL 2010

Morning Business Network Connection

This group provides an excellent opportunity to network with other Chamber members and guests in a more intimate setting. So stop by, promote your business, and exchange ideas and referrals. Be sure to bring plenty of business cards!

[NEW!](#)

Each month, at the conclusion of the networking portion of this event, a different Avon Chamber member will have the opportunity to conduct a 3 Minute Presentation on a topic of interest to businesses. A new member will be drawn each month (*you must be present in order to be considered!*)

April's Presenter is:

Chip Janiszewski of



"Changing Lives... One Card at a Time"

[ALSO...](#)



For the next several months we will have a box available at this event for donations of **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD** that subsequently will be given to the Avon Food Bank.

UPDATE - Since January you have donated 16 Food Items to

Avon Education Foundation

On Saturday, April 10, join the **Avon Education Foundation** at their *Twenty-Ten Gala* at **Avon Old Farms Hotel**. Celebrity MC Trey Wingo, Host of ESPN's *NFL Live*. Open Bar Reception, Auctions, Three Course Formal Dinner, Dancing. All donors listed in event program. For details go to www.avonedfoundation.org

Avon Volunteer Fire Department

The **Avon Volunteer Fire (AVFD)** and **Avon Police Departments** will host a *Battle of the Badges Blood Drive* -- a friendly competition to see which Department can bring in the most donors - on Friday, April 2, 1:00-5:45 p.m. at AVFD Company 1 on Darling Drive. Visit www.redcrossblood.org or call **1-800-REDCROSS** to make an appointment. Walk-ins are always welcome.

The Chamber now offers Pet Insurance!



the Avon Food Bank - *Thank You!*

For further information **CLICK HERE:**

April 2010 Morning Business Network Connection

hosted by **Cosi**

385 West Main Street/Route 44, Avon
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7
8:30AM-9:30AM

Members - FREE, First-Time Guests - FREE



Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center



Avon Chamber of Commerce

BLOOD DRIVE

We Have A DATE!!!
Tuesday, April 20, 1:15-6 p.m.

The first annual **Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center** and **Avon Chamber Blood Drive** is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 1:15-6 p.m. at Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center.

As part of this Blood Drive the Carmon Family has generously agreed to donate **\$15 for each first-time donor AND \$5 for each returning donor** to an Avon-based charity OR Avon Chamber member charity of the donor's choice! A list of eligible charities will be given to you when you check-in for your appointment

ATTENTION Chamber Member RESTAURANTS, RETAILERS

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We would like to create a thank you 'bag' for all donors containing one-time **COUPONS** and/or **DISCOUNTS** to various Avon Chamber member businesses. If your business would like to take advantage of this unique marketing opportunity, you need to have 90 copies of your Coupon or Discount to the Chamber office by no later than Friday, April 16!

If you would like to schedule an appointment please **EMAIL** (no phone calls please) the Avon Chamber at avonchamber@sbcglobal.net Appointments run every 15 minutes, starting at 1:15 p.m., with the last appointment at 6 p.m. **PLEASE NOTE - 1:15 AND 1:30 TIME SLOTS ARE NOW FULL!**

**Thank You to Our
Corporate Sponsors**



In your email please include:

- Your Name
- Your Telephone Number
- Preferred Time of Your Appointment
- Whether You Are a NEW or RETURNING Donor
- If you are an Avon Chamber member - the Name of the Company You are Representing

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT CLICK HERE:
[Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center and Avon Chamber
of Commerce Blood Drive](#)

at [Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center](#)

301 Country Club Road, Avon
TUESDAY, APRIL 20
1:15PM-6:00PM



5th Annual Job Shadow Day

**Thank You to our Avon Chamber Mentors
for 2010**

[Avon Free Public Library](#)
[Avon Senior Center](#)
[Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center](#)
[Edward Jones - Peter Vignati](#)
[Huntington Learning Center](#)
[Klein & Babbitt, Attorneys at Law](#)
[Koster Family Chiropractic](#)
[Marriott Residence Inn-Avon](#)
[MW Financial Group - David Gillard](#)
[Robert Hensley & Associates](#)
[Shear Artistry Day Spa & Salon](#)
[The First National Bank of Litchfield](#)
[The Salvation Army-Southern New England](#)
[The Shoppes at Farmington Valley](#)
[We Care Computers](#)

This Week's Legislative Update



Bills Affecting Business

Now trough the end of the 2010 legislative session in May we are posting the **Monday Morning Group Minutes** from CBIA on

your Chamber's web site under the **Government Affairs and Economic Development** page, which can be found by clicking on *COMMITTEES* on the left navigation bar.

Now it is easier than ever to keep abreast of what is happening at the state capitol to bills that may affect your business. The Minutes give you a brief summary of business-related proposals and who you can contact to make your voice heard.

For further information **CLICK HERE:**
[Monday Morning Group Minutes 2010](#)

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To take advantage of this offer please contact:
**The Ink Store, Selina Derungs, 106 Powder Mill
Road, Canton, CT 06019 860-284-9417**
selinad@theinkstore.com

This and many other offers are available to Avon Chamber members and their employees as part of our **ACBD (Avon Chamber Business Discounts) Program**. In order to take advantage of this or any of the other discounts available **YOU MUST HAVE AN ACBD Card!** Cards are available at all Chamber events or you may contact the Chamber office.

To see all the other offers available **CLICK HERE:**
[Avon Chamber ACBD Program](#)

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