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Events and Information

March 4, 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

[March 9 - DEADLINE to RETURN YOUR MENTOR FORM to participate in Avon Chamber of Commerce and Avon High School JOB SHADOW DAY 2010](#)

[March 10 - Business After Hours](#)

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

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

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

SAVE THE DATE
AVON CHAMBER ANNUAL
MEETING



**Carmon Funeral Home
& Family Center**



Avon Chamber of Commerce

BLOOD DRIVE

**We Have 50 NAMES!!!
Thank you!**

The first annual **Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center** and **Avon Chamber** blood drive is moving right along. We have turned the list of names over to the Red Cross and are now just awaiting confirmation of a date.

It is our goal to make this one of the largest blood drives in the Farmington Valley and, therefore, to help as many people as possible. 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!

In addition, there will be a special no-cost marketing opportunity for Chamber members available as part of the blood drive.

**Watch this space for additional
details and updates!**



May 2010

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

Country Curtains

On Sunday, March 7, 12-3 p.m. **Country Curtains** will host a **Home Renovation Show**. The



5th Annual Job Shadow Day

Sign Up To Be a Mentor TODAY
Deadline is This Tuesday, March 9

Invite an Avon High School student to spend just a few hours on Thursday, April 29 learning about you, your job and your business. Become one of the many Chamber members who have changed the lives of these students by sharing with them your career experiences through this annual collaboration.

In addition to giving back to your community, your business can benefit from this experience in other ways such as --- Building greater awareness of your business, Finding your next summer intern or employee.

Thank you to the the following Chamber members who have already signed up:

[Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center](#)
[Edward Jones](#)
[Huntington Learning Center](#)
[Koster Family Chiropractic](#)
[Marriott Residence Inn-Avon](#)
[Robert Hensley & Associates](#)
[The First National Bank of Litchfield](#)
[We Care Computers](#)

If you are interested in joining these members and participating in this exciting and rewarding program, **the deadline to return the mentor form is TUESDAY, MARCH 9.**

For more information or to download a Mentor Form
CLICK HERE:
[JOB SHADOW DAY 2010 MENTOR FORM](#)

Business After Hours



[Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center](#)

[Nyren's of New England](#)

show will feature local experts and industry leaders in the field of home renovation. See products and gather information. Bring swatches, paint samples, pictures, or any other ideas for your dream makeover. For more information contact Macil Stang at **860-490-3256** or email to macilstang@yahoo.com

Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra

On Sunday, March 7, 3 p.m., at Christ Episcopal Church, 35 Harris Road, Avon, **Nutmeg Symphony Orchestra** will present *Celebrate Avon* featuring Avon residents pianist Luiz de Moura Castro and composer Larry Alan Smith. The concert features *Schubert's Symphony #3*, *Smith's Symphony #2* and *Beethoven's Concerto #3 for Piano and Orchestra*. Tickets are \$22/Adults, \$10/Students. For more information visit www.nutmegsymphony.org

The Investors Center

On Wednesday, March 10, 6-8 p.m., **The Investors Center** will host an *Art Exhibit and Wine and Food Tasting*. Admission to the event is free. RSVP by Friday, March 5 to Kathi Boratko at **860-677-8808** or email kathib@theinvestorscenter.com

The Chamber now offers Pet Insurance!

Please join us for our March 2010 **Business After Hours**

Take advantage of this exciting monthly networking opportunity, that draws on average 90+ area business people who attend with the expectation of meeting *you* and finding out how *your* business can help them be successful.

For further information or to register **CLICK HERE:**

March 2010 Business After Hours

Hosted by:
Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center
Nyren's of New England

at **Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center**
301 Country Club Road
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10
5:00PM-7:00PM

RESERVATION REQUIRED by Monday, March 8
Members - FREE, Non-Members - \$20

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



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 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

Thank You to Our Corporate Sponsors



This Week's Legislative Update



Bills Affecting Business

Now through 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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stephenc@secadieux.com

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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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