



Darien Chamber Connection

**Darien Chamber of
Commerce
October
Newsletter**

Celebrating 25 Years 1984-2009



Opening Ceremonies Friday, September 11th

Board of Director Jack Mancione takes a moment to summarize eleven months of planning for DarienFest—Committee meetings, meetings with local agencies and people who support us. We can't do it without the help of our vendors, suppliers and sponsors. DarienFest is sponsored by the Darien Chamber of Commerce businesses. However, "it's really all about you," the residents of Darien. DarienFest uses money collected to give back to the community through local service organizations for various programs. Welcome to DarienFest 2009 and Enjoy Yourselves!

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Darien Chamber Women
In Business

Melissa Infusino
Panera Bread

Valerie Karpeck
County Line Properties

Amy Robertson
First American Bank

Kate Sullivan
Neighbors Magazine

Corrine Ganiec
Citizens Financial Bank

Mona Stone
Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP

Shirley Watson
Two Sisters Gourmet

Kim Gallagher
Boundless Energy

Sheila Welsch
Merrill Lynch

Margaret Ali
Citibank

Mary Kay Slowikowski
Slowikowski & Assoc.

Darien Chamber Women in Business Invites you to a

“Putting the ‘Working’ in Networking” Featuring Guest Speaker Deb Knupp

This session is designed to provide practical tools and tips for building confidence and turning networking events into treasure hunts for new relationships that can lead to business over time. This program will deliver positive results if you:

- Feel uncomfortable starting conversation with people you don't know
 - Want to know how to "work a room" without looking like you are working a room
 - Want to better leverage your time to improve your return on effort (ROE) and return on investment (ROI) from networking
 - Want to avoid ending up with a stack of business cards after a networking event without a clear plan for follow-up
 - Want a system for staying in touch that doesn't appear pushy or manipulative
- Deb Knupp, Founding Partner of Akina will be the session presenter. Akina is a national consulting, coaching and training firm that helps professionals rethink relationship building to grow revenue and leadership impact.

Date: Wednesday, October 7, 2009
Time: Registration - 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
 Program - 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
 Networking - 6:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Place: Cornerstone Restaurant
 8025 S. Cass Ave.
 Darien, IL 60561

RSVP: By Monday, October 5, 2009
Register: Online at www.darienchamber.com
Price: \$15.00 Chamber Members
 \$20.00 Non-Chamber Members
 Appetizers Included - Cash Bar





DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT
Saturday – November 7, 2009
Hosted By:
The Perfect Swing
825 I South Lemont Road
Darien, IL



Dear Chamber Member:

The Darien Chamber of Commerce is proud to join forces with The Perfect Swing to help raise money for the Darien Chamber Women In Business Scholarship Fund.

The DWB Scholarship will be awarded annually to a woman, over the age of 25, who lives or works in the Darien community and will be attending college.

With only a \$100 donation your company will receive the following:

- Recognition on the Darien Chamber of Commerce website
- Company name on Custom Drawstring Backpack
- Opportunity to add promotional material to Backpack

This year's event will be recognized in local newspapers, 95.9 The River, Neighbors Magazine, and the Chamber website.

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT DARIEN CHAMBER WOMEN IN BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Name _____

Business _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Convenient Online payment: www.darienchamber.com

For Credit Card Payment by Mail or Fax: Visa MasterCard American Express

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Verification Code (3 digits on back V, MC / 4 digits on front of AE) _____

Cardholder Name _____

Billing Address _____

Signature _____

Please fill out the form above and mail or drop it off along with your check made payable to: Darien Chamber of Commerce - 1702 Plainfield Road - Darien, IL 60561- Phone (630) 968-0004; Fax (630) 968-2474 or online at www.darienchamber.com.

Presented by the Darien Chamber Women In Business and our Generous Sponsors
Deadline for sponsorship October 13, 2009

**Membership Meeting & Luncheon
Tuesday, October 13, 2009
Ashton Place**

Sponsored by:  Clarendon Chiropractic:
A Creating Wellness
Center

The Darien Chamber of Commerce will host its monthly General Membership Meeting and Luncheon on Tuesday, October 13, at Ashton Place, 341 75th Street, Willowbrook. Registration and Networking begin at 11:30 a.m.

Program: **Don't Let a Stranger Steal Your Business!**

Join us Tuesday, October 13th, to learn how to protect yourself and your business from Computer Identity Theft. You will learn the Best Practices that major companies use that now can be applied to all size companies. The program will be presented by Patrick Harbauer, a Senior Security Consultant for Neohapsis, Inc. Neohapsis provides a broad range of services to help organizations address security, information risk management, and Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC) challenges.

The cost is \$18 for Chamber members, \$25 for Non-Members. Please call the Chamber office by Thursday, October 8, to make your reservations (630) 968-0004.



Congratulations to October Member Spotlight Winner Cardinal Fitness.
To learn more about Cardinal Fitness visit the Member Spotlight Page at
www.darienchamber.com



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Friday, October 2, 2009 - 5:30pm

FROOTS, 2121 75th Street in Darien



Join Chamber Members and Mayor Weaver for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at FROOTS located at 2121 75th Street in the Darien Towne Center. Welcome new Chamber Member Rocky Saeta and Family.



Neighbors of Darien Magazine would like to welcome our new Account Manager, Lisa Monaghan. Lisa Monaghan has lived in Darien for the past 18 years with her husband Kevin and twin sons Michael and Nicolas.

Lisa has been a Media Buyer and Marketing Manager since 1987. Lisa's client list included Sylvan Learning Center, Toms-Price Furniture, Walgreen's, Chicago Blackhawks, Procter & Gamble, Nissan, The Chicago Buick Dealers, and Montgomery Ward to name a few. With her media buying background she knows exactly what a business needs to look for when purchasing advertising, and she is ready to put her experience to work for the businesses in the Darien area.

Lisa received her BA in Communications at Columbia College in Chicago. When not working, Lisa likes to spend time at the Darien Swim & Racquet Club where she is on the Board of Directors.

The BLUE DIAMOND Group will host "Coffee with Mayor Weaver" on Saturday, October 17, 2009 from 9am - 10am The BLUE DIAMOND Group is conveniently located at 2871 83rd Street in Darien at the Crossroads Professional Center directly west of Walgreen's. Residents will have the opportunity to come talk with Mayor Weaver regarding any concerns, comments or questions about City Services.



Clarendon Chiropractic:
A Creating Wellness
Center

Eliminating Chemical Stress from your system can do wonders for your health! Clarendon Chiropractic is hosting an important educational program which will enlighten you on potential dangers of Gluten, why it's important to get tested and why removing this negative chemical stressor can improve your overall health. Join them Thursday, October 22, 2009, 6:30pm - 7:30pm at 421 Park Avenue in Clarendon Hills. This program is Free of Charge to the first 15 callers. Samples of gluten-free baked goods, pasta dishes and sandwiches will be available for tasting compliments of the Village Gourmet. For more information call Rob Surrusco at 630.455.0435



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Live, Shop, Dine and Do Business in
Darien
Support Darien Chamber Members



Chamber Member Marty O'Hara (center) & Friends

Your Chamber Membership is
one of the best values in
business today.

Your membership includes:



Networking Opportunities

Business Referrals

Education

Award Eligibility

Website Presence

Community Guide

Ambassador Program

Committees

Board Opportunities

Member Spotlight

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Membership Recognition

Darien Women In Business

Business Offers



Julio Check and Tony Eckert



New Chamber Member Rocky Saeta



*Thank You
for
Your
Chamber
Member
Renewal.
We value
your
Partnership.*

*Do you want to
share news about
your business with
other Chamber
Members?*

If so e-mail

clare@darienchamber.com



Welcome New Members

FROOTS
2121 75th Street
Darien
630.852.2000
Rocky Saeta

Darien A Nice Place
To Live Shop
Dine And Do
Business.

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Chamber
Businesses
Today!



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Tom Sailer

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Chamber Staff

Mary Ann Crooks

Clare Bongiovanni



October 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2 Fruits Ribbon Cutting Ceremony 5:30pm	3
4	5	6 Board Of Directors Meeting 3pm Darien Police Dept.	7 DWB Presents "Putting The Work In Networking" 5:00 - 7:30pm Cornerstone Restaurant	8	9	10
11	12	13 General Membership Luncheon 11:30am Ashton Place	14	15	16	17 Coffee With Mayor Weaver at The BLUE DIAMOND Group 9am
18	19	20	21	22 Clarendon Chiropractic Health Program 6:30pm	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 