



# Chamber Matters

## January 2010 Newsletter

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**Step Smartly,  
Lovin' My Loafers!  
A New Year, A New You!**

Year three is approaching for Elements and we are celebrating!

To show our appreciation and thank all of you for your support, generosity and patronage, we are throwing a combined 2nd Year Anniversary Party and Mount Prospect Chamber After Hours on **Thursday, January 21, 2009 from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.** here at Elements(tm).

We will start our 2010 transformation with a wine, champagne toast and nibbles sponsored by local businesses, and Barefoot Wine, and continue to enjoy an evening of foot fashion, golf, friendship and more. The infamous Pink Carpet Walk themes this year are "Stepping Smartly In Your Stilletos" for the ladies and "Lovin' My Loafers Leisure Walk" for the men. Of course, we can't forget about the putting contest and and golf tips with Gary March, PGA Pro. Prizes will be awarded for top performers!

Other sponsors so far include; Carson's, L' Oreal Designer Fragrances, Dr. Peter Johnson, Heartland Spa and more! If you'd like to donate a raffle prize, let us know!

Call today to RSVP! 847.222.7870.

### Greetings!

It will be my honor to serve as President of the Chamber of Commerce in 2010. While the economic storm has swirled around us, our leaders have kept the Mt. Prospect Chamber a dynamic, viable, and-perhaps most importantly-financially stable organization heading in to the New Year.

Thank you to all who have volunteered to serve.

Thank you especially to Bob Koren for his leadership. You've served well and I realize I have some big shoes to fill.

I have a friend who often likes to look at things from "the 100,000 foot level."

I will follow his lead and lay out our goals for 2010 from this viewpoint:

- To provide benefits to our members that will make it easier for their businesses to survive the current economy and thrive in its apparently slow recovery.
- To work more closely with the Village of Mt. Prospect to attract new business to the area and help those that are already here.
- To improve communications with and between the non-profit and service organizations throughout the Village as this economy makes their efforts all the more critical.
- To continue to stay abreast of the political and legal issues that have the potential to impact our business community.

2010 brings hope. Personally I can't wait for the New Year to begin. It's like that first day of sunshine after a long rain, or the first warm day of spring after a long winter. After this long economic downturn, the New Year and the hope it brings just can't get here soon enough. Bring it on!

Sincerely,  
Michael Putz

CFO HarneTech LLC  
Chamber President 2010



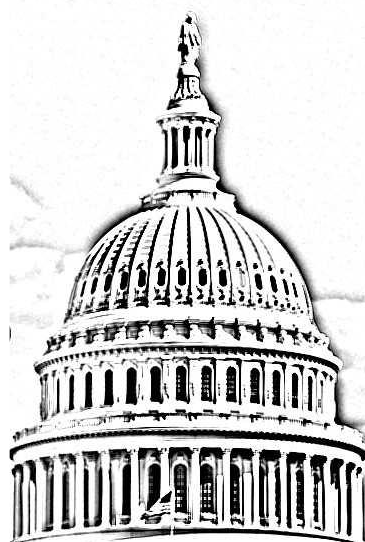
Sponsor of the JumpStart series at the MP Public Library

Next up: Feb. 23rd : Brian Hamm, Edward Jones talks On Retirement Plans for your business! 8:30am

Featured Article



Congratulations to our newest member at Randhurst Village ... Chipotle Mexican Grill! Please stop in and tell them you are a member of the chamber as well and welcome them to the community!



Mount Prospect Chamber Members Travel To Springfield on

January 25, 2010!

SAVE THE DATE!!

2010 Legislative Summit is scheduled at the Lincoln Hotel in Springfield, IL.

Cost: \$20.00- Lunch included

President Abraham Lincoln Hotel; 701 E. Adams Street, Springfield, IL

As the unifying voice for businesses in the state, the chambers have spent the last year fighting a number of tax policies that would have been devastating to businesses. Local Chambers play an integral role in educating their members on the policies and proposals in Springfield that could have tremendous ramifications on Illinois businesses. Participating in the annual Legislative Summit in Springfield will help prepare you and your staff for what lies ahead for businesses in Illinois. The Illinois Chamber's governmental affairs staff and IACCE's Government Affairs Committee will provide an indepth session of current and future concerns chambers need to come together on.

Cost: \$20 before the day of the event, \$25 at the door - per person with lunch provided

We'd like to invite you to join us.

RSVP by calling 847-398-6616 for car pool information.

Champagne and Chocolate Thursday, February 4, 2010 4:00 to 6:30 pm



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## Chamber Chatter



Vic Giovannini, **Bogies Ale House** accepts the **Business Leader of the Year** award from incoming president Michael Putz at the annual Holiday Luncheon. Jeff Martinez and Vic are very community minded and support many fundraising activities for local non-profit organizations. They have also been very supportive to the Chamber.

Other awards went to **Innate Concepts Chiropractic** as **Small Business of the Year** for Dr. John and Mary Carleton's community service and innovative Kid's Day event in May. And **Walmart's** Keith Richards accepted the **Large Business of the Year** award for their contributions to the community, their store redesign and attractive landscaping, and their support of the chamber.

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