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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year fellow chamber members! The dawning of a new year allows us both personally and professionally to reflect back upon our accomplishments and to look forward to new opportunities. An immediate look back takes us to our annual holiday party on December 9th. This year's celebration was held in the beautifully decorated Green Garden Country Club. The festivities began with the musical renderings of the Lincoln-Way Area Youth Strings led by Joyce Pacheco and ended with the distribution of raffle prizes. We would like to thank the following for their generous prize donations; The Basket Bar, First Bank of Manhattan, Lincoln-Way Central High School, McHugh Insurance, Manhattan Public Library, Manhattan Park District, Silver Cross Hospital, HomeStar Bank, Illinois Eye Associates and Harris Bank.

Another highlight of our holiday party was the "Angel Tree". I can't mention the "Angel Tree" this year without thanking the Borgo family. Mayor Bill Borgo and wife Tina started what they have announced will be an annual tradition of asking their guests to bring a toy to their holiday party. The toys were then donated to the "Angel Tree". Kudos go to the Borgo's for such a great and successful idea and to all of their guests for their generosity. For those of you who are unfamiliar with the "Angel Tree", this is a project sponsored by the chamber under the direction of Dianne Berthold from the First Bank of Manhattan. The premise of the "Angel Tree" is to make sure that local children, whose families may be struggling, have a memorable Christmas. Wish tags are placed on the tree and are then selected by community members. By the day of our holiday party not a single tag remained on the tree. It is heartwarming to live and work in a community that demonstrates such a giving spirit.

As we look ahead, don't forget to sign-up for this year's Business Expo. The Expo will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2007 at Manhattan Junior High School. Registrations must be in by January 17, 2007. Please contact Executive Director Glenna Johnson for more details via the chamber website @ www.manhattan-il.com or by phone at (815) 478-3811.

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In closing, I'll leave you with the words of Oprah Winfrey, "Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right."

Pam Davis, Silver Cross Hospital
President, Manhattan Chamber of Commerce



BUSINESS EXPO - FEBRUARY 17, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The second annual Manhattan Chamber Business Expo is fast approaching. Applications for the expo are due January 17, 2007. Contact Glenna at the chamber office 815-478-3811 for an application. Let Manhattan residents and the surrounding communities know what your business has to offer. We are in desperate need of food/beverage vendors! This is a great opportunity for non-profit organizations to make a buck!

FSZ CONSTRUCTION

Frank Zacek (owner of FSZ Construction) made a huge scissors that we can use for ribbon cutting ceremonies. If you are in need of any remodeling, he can be reached at 815-478-5066. Thank you Frank!



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LAST ISSUE OF NEWSLETTER?

Have you renewed your chamber membership? If not, this could be your last issue of the Manhattan Chamber newsletter! You can download an application from our website <http://www.manhattan-il.com/manbus.htm> and click on membership application. If you would like to receive one by US Mail, give Glenna Johnston a call at 815-478-3811.

REEL DEAL PROGRAM

Did you know the Mar Theatre in Wilmington offers quality G-rated movies for your families to enjoy, while also providing financial support to our local schools? The program consists of four new G rated family movies, one of which will play every weekend for the next year at 3:30 PM on Saturday and 12:30 PM on Sunday. Each of the shows will run consecutively for ten weeks with a three week repeat run in the summer to make sure every one who wants to attend has that opportunity. An annual pass can be purchased by each family at a cost of \$10.00 per person to see all four movies. (A savings of \$2.00 for kids and \$6.00 for parents over the regular matinee price.) Families can purchase the passes online at www.visiplex.net or for \$3.00 per movie at the MAR.

Their goal is to raise \$20,000.00 annually for the school districts participating in this effort and at the same time make sure the families in our area have positive, uplifting films which strengthen the home and the community.

If you have any questions please contact:
Visiplex Family Entertainment
www.vivplex.net
www.corporationsforcharacter.org

MAR Theatre
www.The-Mar.com
815-773-9936

CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT - BOARD MEMBER

Business: Prairie Rock Foot and Ankle Clinic (formally Manhattan Foot and Ankle Clinic)
 25630 S. Gougar Road in Manhattan
 815-478-0338
 email: footdocs@sbcglobal.net

Owner: Dr. Elizabeth Hoffmeister

Brief history: Previously know as Manhattan Foot and Ankle Clinic. Established in 2003. Recently opened in a new location. Formally located at Riverside Community Health in Manhattan. Three podiatric physicians in practice - Dr. Hoffmeister, Dr. Hodulik and *Dr. Robert Martin*. All doctors are board certified in foot surgery.

What people would be surprised to find out about your business: Serving the Manhattan community since 2003. Specialize in all aspects of foot and ankle care, both surgical and nonsurgical treatment.

What do you like best about doing business in Manhattan: Family and friendly environment.

CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT - MEMBER

Business: Catering For You
 19009 S. Lynn Parkway in Mokena
 708-805-7999
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Owner: Jim Wisnasky

Brief history: I started in catering in the mid 1990's working for local businesses. I also taught myself to cook.

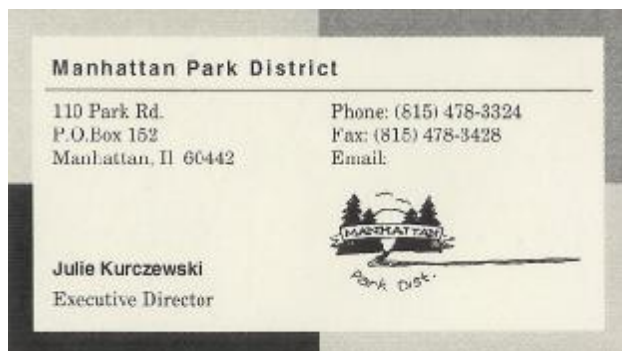
What people would be surprised to find out about your business: My cousins and their children are my staff.

What do you like best about doing business in Manhattan: The friendly nature of the community.

Business accomplishments you are most proud of: I have been complimented many times by guests of my clients and that is a good feeling.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Think about this! Business After Hours is a great way to network with other business owners. Showcase your services. Flaunt your goods. If you are interested in hosting please contact Glenna Johnston at 815-478-3811.



WELCOME BAGS

Welcome bags are distributed around the 15th of the following months: January, March, May, July, September and November. The cost to you is only \$100 per year or \$20 per welcome bag. Volunteers are always welcome to help assemble and distribute welcome bags! Contact Angela Szeman at 815-464-8000 x208 for details. A relatively inexpensive way to advertise!

STATE OF THE VILLAGE LUNCHEON

Come and join us for our first annual State of the Village Address luncheon on Feb. 6, 2007, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Speaker will be Manhattan Mayor Bill Borgo. Mayor Borgo will recap the highlights of 2006 for the Village of Manhattan and offer a preview of what is to come in 2007. The luncheon will be held in the community room at First Bank of Manhattan, 500 W. North Street.

INVOLVEMENT = SUCCESS

Let's get this chamber rockin' and rollin' in 2007! Do you know of any businesses that would be interested in joining the Manhattan Chamber? Do you have any ideas for events? Fundraisers? Fun activities for member? Guest speakers? How about hosting a business after hours meeting? Business before hours meeting? Volunteering? Please share your ideas with us!



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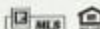
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CHAMBER CALENDAR

February

- 6 - State of the Village luncheon. First Bank of Manhattan, 500 W. North from 11:30 - 12:30.
Village of Manhattan Board Meeting. Manhattan Junior High, 15606 W. Smith Road at 7:00 pm
- 7 - Manhattan Chamber Board of Directors meeting.

17 - Business Expo

- 20 - Village of Manhattan Board Meeting. Manhattan Junior High, 15606 W. Smith Road at 7:00 pm
- 27 - Joliet Rotary Luncheon at Renaissance Center in Joliet. Doug Whitley, Illinois Chamber President and CEO, is guest speaker.
Contact 815-724-3913 for more information.
- 27 - Village of Manhattan Planning Commission Meeting. Manhattan Junior High, 15606 W. Smith Road at 7:00 pm

March

- 2 & 3 - Irish Fest
- 6 - Village of Manhattan Board Meeting. Manhattan Junior High, 15606 W. Smith Road at 7:00 pm
- 7 - Board of Directors meeting
- 20 - Village of Manhattan Board Meeting. Manhattan Junior High, 15606 W. Smith Road at 7:00 pm

April

Quarterly meeting—date and time to be announced

July

Quarterly meeting—date and time to be announced

August

September


2 & 3 - Fun Days at Manhattan Park

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