

Chamber Developments



Greetings from the Chamber

April 18, 2011

MARTIN COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Chamber Newsletter

Thank you from The Chamber. Our Annual Membership and Industry Appreciation Banquet at Senator Bob Martin Center was quite a success thanks to all of the member businesses that participated. We want to thank Mr. John D. Williams, CEO of Domtar for taking time out of his busy schedule to be our guest speaker. Glenn Williams, owner of The Chuck Wagon Grill and Catering did a fine job of making sure all present had a delightful meal and went home happy. Without your participation and help from our members, none of this would be possible and we greatly appreciate your efforts.

The 1st Annual Roanoke Derby is almost upon us since April 28th is not far away. We plan to have a "good ole time" and have a lot of laughs at the expense of our jockeys. Tickets are only \$10.00 and can be purchased at the gate or at the chamber office. Remember, there are some very valuable prizes and cash at stake here and 9 people are going to go home smiling. Please read the accompanying page for details.

~ David Whitley~

The roots of true achievement lie in the will to become the best that you can become!

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New Member Breakfast

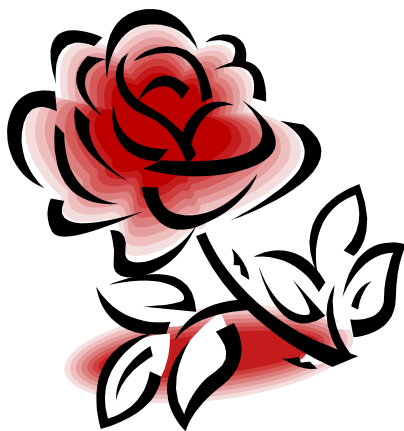
About twenty-five new members enjoyed breakfast at the Shamrock Restaurant on February 14th. It was a good time for everyone to meet other business owners and network about what is going on in their businesses and throughout the county.



Jodi Beauregard, Gay Perry, Mary Anne Crowe, and Christy Richardson are having a nice chat over breakfast.



Steve Lee of Lee Chevrolet in Washington is speaking to a group and Rodney Balance is listening intently!



Rodney Balance is introducing his firm to the group and explaining services offered by "Balance Media Group"

Annual Chamber Dinner

Martin County Chamber of Commerce held its annual membership & industry banquet on March 3rd at the at the Senator Bob Martin Eastern Agricultural Center. John Williams, CEO of Domtar was the guest speaker and spoke about the challenges faced by industry in the current economic climate.



Williamston Fire/Rescue/EMS color guard presented the national and state flags.

Bella & Randy Garner



Jennifer Harris & Claudia Lilley



Sharon & Chris Smith



1ST ROANOKE DERBY

April 28, 2011
at the Senator Bob Martin Ag Center
6:00pm until



Join Your Local Martin County Chamber of Commerce

For Our First Ever Roanoke Derby!

Admission is only \$10 and that includes food and beverages with an open bar!

In the tradition of such grand events as the Kentucky Derby, Martin County is hosting its own "Roanoke Derby" this Spring. There will be hors d'oeuvres, mint juleps and an open bar – and there will be racing! This is the annual fund-raiser for the Chamber, but local charities are also going to benefit from the event. Half of all proceeds go to seven local charities and the other half goes to the Chamber of Commerce. Please come out and support your community and these good causes. All donations are tax deductible.

"Is This Really A Horse Race?"

This "horse race" will feature seven of North Carolina's finest steeds – stick horses, to be exact. Local politicians, riding these stick horses, will compete in seven races on a prearranged race track at the Bob Martin Center, with the final race competing for the grand prize. All seven races are winner take all. Seven fantastic prizes and cash will be awarded to the seven winning tickets for a total of over \$3500!

"How Do I Place My "Bets?"

Tickets are \$5 each and you may purchase as many as you like, for as many horses and for as many races as you like. If your horse wins the race, and you have the winning ticket, you win the prize for that race.

The feature race is an even grander opportunity – if you have the winning ticket for the winning horse in the feature race, the prize is 1/3 of all monies that were placed on that horse for that race. (The Chamber also gets a third, and the Charity gets a third.)

Chapeaux Encouraged!



Diana Roberson

Charities:

American Cancer Society
Relay For Life
American Red Cross
Roanoke Hospice
Martin Community College Foundation
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation
Martin County Chamber of Commerce



Our county commissioners, Derek Price and Tommy Bowen are shown here in "jockey attire" with their steeds, or rather their stick horses. The jockeys will compete in a "Run For The Roses" and is sure to be loads of fun. Come support your favorite charity as well as our Chamber!

Local Politicians

Tommy Bowen
County Commissioner

Derek Price
County Commissioner

Dan Gibbs
Sheriff

Tim Roberson
Businessman and Restaurant Owner

Glen Williams
Businessman and Restaurant Owner

Ron Melchiorre
School Superintendent

Joe Ayers
Businessman

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To:



WELCOME
New Members

1. All About Flowers, Inc. - Robersonville, NC
2. Balance Media Group - Williamston, NC
3. Brown & Wood - Greenville, NC
4. Clean Start - Everetts, NC
5. Dinner Bell - Robersonville, NC
6. Ethical Practices, Inc.- Williamston, NC
7. Furnishing Finds & Treasures - Williamston, NC
8. Gene Revels - Williamston, NC
9. Harris Bros Superette - Williamston, NC
10. Holiday Inn Express - Williamston, NC
11. Jamesville Chuck Wagon - Williamston, NC
12. Larry Whitehurst, Inc. - Robersonville, NC
13. Lee Chevrolet - Buick - Washington, NC
14. Martin County Economic Development - Williamston, NC
15. Nationwide Insurance - Williamston, NC
16. Pecheles Toyota - Greenville, NC
17. Plumbing Services Unlimited - Williamston, NC

MISSION STATEMENT

The Martin County
Chamber of Commerce
is committed to community building
by guiding and encouraging
economic growth.
We serve as a gateway for
county-wide information,
partnerships, networking, and
business opportunities.