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Hoffman Estates

CHAMBER of Commerce and Industry

NEWSLETTER

September 2010

'Try on The Time of Your Life' Fall Fashion Show/Scholarship Luncheon

Friday, October 29,
2010
Stonegate Conference
and Banquet Center

We are continuing to use all local fashions and local models for the show again this year. The featured fashions will be from Cabelas, Chicos, and Dressbarn.

There are great opportunities to get involved with the show. Sign up to be a sponsor, donate an item for our silent auction, take out an ad in the program, or purchase a ticket for the show for \$49 or a table of 10 for \$450.

All sponsored tables will have an option to have someone from their company be a model for the show.



Single tickets or tables of 10 can be purchased through the Chamber website. Please call the Chamber office if you would like to be a sponsor. Additional information on ad sells and sponsorships will be posted on the Fashion Show event page on the website.

A portion of the money raised at this event goes to sponsor our three higher education scholarships.

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Member News

The Little Gym of Hoffman Estates, (847) 496-5432, introduces children to physical activity through a curriculum-based core program of gymnastics and other programs to promote coordination, balance, rhythm and flexibility. Children experience success at their own pace in a fun, caring and non-competitive way, while developing their listening, social and cognitive capacities.

The Little Gym's model has ranked it among the best in the industry. The company was recently named the No. 1 Birthday Party destination by Parents magazine and ranked No. 1 in the Children's Fitness category in Entrepreneur Magazine's Top Franchises List, also known as Franchise 500.

For more information about The Little Gym of Hoffman Estates, contact Bill Walenda at (847) 496-5432 or visit www.TheLittleGym.com.

WINGS, (847) 884-7411, will be hosting its Purple Tie Ball, the organization's premier gala fundraising event, on Saturday, September 11 at the Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel. This year's event will feature cocktails, dinner, a live auction, and a lively performance by nationally renowned pianist, Randall Atcheson. Proceeds benefit WINGS' Safe House domestic violence shelter.

Harper College, (847) 925-6000 is offering a Toolkit for small businesses that provides owners with an assessment tool that prioritizes the likelihood of potential risks, ranging from business (customer, competition, financial, etc.) to natural, technological, and other hazards. You will learn how to recognize critical risks that threaten business survival, know how to adequately plan and prepare for these risks, and competitively position your business to thrive in the current business environment.

Call (847) 925-6520 to schedule an appointment with a business advisor to get your FREE Business Continuity Plan Toolkit (\$39 value), and increase your competitive advantage in the

marketplace by utilizing solid risk management practices, and ensure business survival.

Harper College is also offering a leadership training and networking opportunity through a series of seminars. "Building an Environment of Trust" is scheduled for Wednesday, September 15 from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the Wojcik Conference Center. Trust is a key ingredient of employee engagement and loyalty, yet it's easy for leaders to inadvertently fall into trust traps. Because of the crucial link between trust and business success, leaders must realize the power of trust as a business tool. In this course, leaders learn how to avoid the trust breakers and take action to create an environment in which people take risks, identify and solve problems, and work together to create and sustain high levels of trust. The \$149 registration fee includes breakfast and all seminar materials. You may cancel or reschedule 48 hours prior to the seminar at no charge. Questions? Call (847) 925-6640, or email training@harpercollege.edu; Web: harpercollege.biz. Seven other seminar topics are scheduled for future dates.

AT&T announces the expansion of its mobile broadband network in Illinois. Plans call for more than 80 new cell sites and the upgrade of nearly 300 additional cell sites to third-generation (3G) throughout the state.

The announcement comes on the heels of the state's new modern telecommunications law that is designed to attract private sector investment in broadband and wireless to meet consumer demands and attract jobs across all sectors of the Illinois economy.

Over the last month, AT&T expanded 3G mobile broadband into new areas of Illinois including the Decatur, Kankakee and Pontiac areas.

AT&T also announces the launch of a Wi-Fi hotzone in Chicago that will complement the mobile broadband experience for AT&T customers who use Wi-Fi enabled devices while in Wrigleyville — the neighborhood of restaurants and shops surrounding Wrigley Field. The new Wi-Fi hotzone provides coverage along the streets and in the outdoor areas of Wrigleyville on the south, east and west sides of the stadium.

Illinois Legislative Update Luncheon Set For September 24

The Hoffman Estates Chamber's Government Relations Committee will host Senators John Milner, Matt Murphy and Michael Noland, as well as Representatives Suzie Bassi and Fred Crespo at its annual Legislative Luncheon on Friday, September 24. The event will be held on the 4th floor conference room at St. Alexius Medical Center, 1555 Barrington Road.

The cost is \$20 per Chamber member; \$30 for non-members. Payment must be made when registering; Visa, MasterCard, Amex, and Discover, as well as personal checks are accepted. Registration deadline is September 20, 2010. Registration is available online at www.hechamber.com; click on the calendar.

We regret that no cancellations or refunds will be made after September 20, 2010.



Reap rewards with business opportunities at the Progressive Networking Luncheon

Sponsored by the members of Biz 6+:Arlington Heights, Buffalo Grove Area, Des Plaines, Hoffman Estates, Mount Prospect, Greater Lincolnshire, Palatine Area, Rolling Meadows, and Wheeling/Prospect Heights chambers of commerce. This is a business card event only – no brochures or giveaways.

DATE: Wednesday, September 29

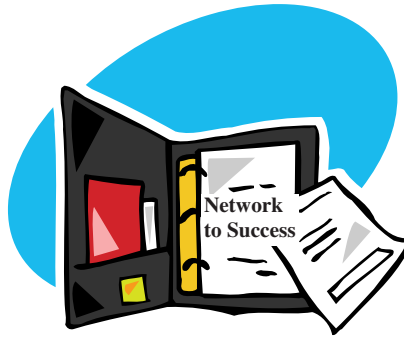
TIME: Registration 11:15 a.m.
Networking and lunch 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

LOCATION: The Cotillion Banquets
360 S. Creekside Drive, Palatine

COST: \$25 participating chamber members; \$50 non-members

RESERVATION DEADLINE: Payment by September 20. No walk-ins and no refunds
Seat not guaranteed after 11:45 a.m.
Register online at www.hechamber.com; click on the calendar.

NETWORK to SUCCESS



Looking for new business leads and referrals? Then be sure to take advantage of the second annual multi-Chamber Women's Network to Success. The event is hosted by the Hoffman Estates Chamber, Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce, Cary Grove, Lake Zurich and Wauconda Chambers. The event includes multiple rounds of face-to-face networking designed to maximize your opportunity to make contact with prospects, develop new referral sources and enhance your visibility.

Mark your calendar and make your reservation today!

DATE: Thursday, September 30

TIME: Registration 11:30 a.m.
Open networking 11:30 a.m.-12:00 noon
Organized networking 12:00 noon-1:30 p.m.

LOCATION: The Onion Pub & Brewery
22221 Pepper Road
Lake Barrington, IL 60010

COST: \$35 per person or 2 tickets for \$60
Price includes sit down lunch which is served at 12:00 noon

RESERVATIONS: www.hechamber.com to register online; or call the Chamber office with questions or to register as a luncheon sponsor.

Happy Anniversary!!!!

Please join us in recognizing the following organizations and individuals who are celebrating the anniversary of their membership in the Chamber during the month of September.

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| American Cancer Society | 20 years* |
| RE/MAX Suburban/ Terri Hunt | 20 years* |
| Red Roof Inn | 20 years* |
| Barrington Lakes Apts. | 19 years* |
| Chicago Cornea Consultants | 19 years* |
| Forest View Foot & Ankle Center | 19 years** |
| School District 54 | 19 years** |
| Alfred Campanelli YMCA | 17 years |
| Clearbrook | 16 years |
| Palatine Public Library | 16 years |
| Travelex International, Inc | 14 years |
| Congo River Adventure Golf | 13 years |
| Robin Realty & Mgt. Co. | 13 years |
| Hoffman Estates Park District Foundation. | 11 years |
| J.F. McKinney Assoc. | 9 years |
| House Doctor's Home Inspections | 8 years |
| Furniture Medic | 6 years |
| Jjanusz Custom Jewelry Design | 4 years |
| Poplar Creek Village Senior Apartments | 4 years |
| Tom Rivera & Associates LLC | 4 years |
| Village Park of Hoffman Estates | 3 years |
| Great Northern Kitchen & Bath | 2 year |
| Interface Financial Group | 2 year |
| Wingate by Wydham | 2 year |
| Blueprints by Design, Inc. | 1 year |
| Echo Investigations & Security | 1 year |
| Golden Companion Dog Training | 1 year |
| Kumon Math & Reading Center of Schaumburg Central | 1 year |
| Superior Staff Resources | 1 year |
| Tastefully Simple | 1 year |
| The Little Gym | 1 year |
| ZUA International | 1 year |
| *Charter member | |
| **Platinum member | |

Chamber Officers to be Elected for 2011

The Chamber's nominating committee has met and the Board of Directors has approved the following slate of candidates for 2011.

Directors for the class of 2013

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| Cyndi Alexander | St Alexius Medical Center |
| Keith Evans | Key Financial Insurance |
| Mike Kies | Hoffman Estates Park District |
| Georgeanna Mehr | Hoffman Estates Community Bank |
| Jeff Miller | Divine Signs and Graphics |
| Mary Anne Muscat | Milestone Mortgage |
| Jim Norris | Village of Hoffman Estates |
| Jeff Terry | Sears Holdings Corporation |

Nominating by Petition

Additional names of candidates, but not officers, can be nominated by petition as provided by the Executive Director, and that petition alone, bearing the genuine signature of at least 20% of the qualified members of the chamber's designated representatives. Such candidate must meet criteria set forth in Article IV, Section 2 of the Chamber By Laws. Such petition shall be filed with the Executive Director in the Chamber office, during regular business hours, by Monday preceding the scheduled October 25, 2010 Board meeting. The determination of the Nominating Committee as to the eligibility of the petition(s) shall be final. The nominee by petition shall be required to designate whether they are running for a resident or non-resident Board position.

Qualifications

A Director shall be required to either reside in Hoffman Estates or be employed by or own a business located in Hoffman Estates. Each candidate must be an active member in good standing; have actively served on one committee; have the recommendation of a Board member and must also agree to accept the responsibility of the directorship. (A list of committees is maintained by the Executive Director and distributed to the Board of Directors annually).



Hoffman Estates Lives Up To Its Slogan

Hoffman Estates' slogan is "Growing to Greatness" and yes, we are still growing. In a time of economic retrenchment, another Japanese precision toolmaker is moving their American headquarters to Hoffman Estates at the Huntington 90 Business Park in the foreground of the AT&T campus.

NSK America will build a 25,000 square foot building just west of BIG Kaiser (they had their grand opening in April 2010), also in the Huntington 90 Business Park.

NSK America was founded in 1984 as a 100% subsidiary of Nakanishi, Inc. of Japan. Nakanishi, Inc. is a manufacturing company specializing in dental hand pieces and industrial high speed spindles and hand grinders. NSK America's mission is to distribute the dental and industrial products manufactured by Nakanishi throughout North America and to support the customers that purchase and use their products.

Currently, NSK America covers the United States for the sale and distribution of industrial products, and Canada for both the sale and distribution of both dental and industrial products. They plan to expand their market coverage to Central and South America by mid-2011, and to begin dental operations within the U.S. by 2012.

For more information, please visit the following websites:

NSK America Corporation www.nskamericacorp.com
Nakanishi, Inc. www.nsk-inc.com

Tools for Success 2010

Thirty-six recycling bins of new school supplies were sorted and packed at the Schaumburg Township District Library on Saturday August 14. Many thanks go out to Charirman John Ericson who organized this very successful event.

We also want to say thank you to our wonderful friends at the Schaumburg/Hoffman Estates Rotary who donated over \$300 in gift cards to purchase school supplies; Groot Industries for dropping off and picking up the collection bins for distribution; Sears Holdings Corporation for 7 cases of back packs; and to our 30 locations that sponsored collection bins. This is truly an example of how our community comes together to support each other.



Students receiving school supplies distributed by Sara Shackelford from First American Bank who donated \$250 worth of supplies.



Welcome New Businesses!



Thursday August 5 was the ribbon cutting for **iChef** at 1752 W. Algonquin Road. Mayor McLeod welcomed Steve Gao to Hoffman Estates. The restaurant offers a wonderful Chinese buffet at affordable prices. Go to YouTube to see the iChef Grand Opening video.



The Chamber welcomed **Thumka Indian Bar & Grill**, 2336 W Higgins Road, with a ribbon cutting on Saturday, July 17. Mayor McLeod and Village Trustees Jackie Green and Anne Newell were on hand for the ceremony to welcome Sandeep Chowdhary. Go to YouTube to see the video. Stop by and enjoy the great Indian cuisine buffet.



The ribbon cutting at **Edward Jones**, 2300 W Higgins Road, was held Wednesday, July 14. We welcomed Becky Jahnke to Hoffman Estates and the Chamber of Commerce. Trustee Jackie Green was on hand to help with the ribbon cutting and the presentation of the key to the Village.

Have Scissors, Will Travel

If you are planning a grand open or if you are a new business who would like to plan a ribbon cutting please contact the Chamber office. We will help to get your event published and bring out the giant scissors and the red ribbon!



Welcome our newest chamber member, **Kripa Montessori School**, in Hoffman Estates. The ribbon cutting was held on August 26 at the school located at 1015 W. Golf Road in the Hoffman Center Shopping Center. The school, which is owned and operated by T.R. Raveendran, is now taking enrollment for the Fall 2010 school year.

LET'S SHOP!

From diamonds to doggie needs, Chamber members have just what you're looking for! And check out the services for your pet as well!

Check out what's available from these Chamber members!

Pet Supplies/Services

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|------------------------------|----------------|
| Forest View Animal Hospital | (847) 934-0207 |
| Golden Champion Dog Training | (224) 622-9452 |
| Wizard of Pawz | (847) 882-9894 |

Arts/Crafts

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| Sand Art Creations | (847) 490-1504 |
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Jewelers

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| Black Box Diamond | (847) 705-5006 |
| Elegance Galore Bridal Boutique | (224) 353-6090 |
| Jjanusz Custom Jewelry Design | (847) 975-4765 |
| Rahl Jewelers | (847) 765-3000 |

Gifts/Gift Baskets

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| PartyLite Candles & Gifts | (847) 542-2113 |
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Wholesale Merchants

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| DirectBuy | (847) 885-3508 |
| Sam's Club | (630) 213-8964 |
| Valli Produce of Hoffman Estates | (847) 252-7200 |

Appliances/TV/Audio

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|------------------------------|----------------|
| Grant's Appliance TV & Audio | (847) 310-1800 |
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Retail/General Merchandise

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| Arboretum of South Barrington | (847) 426-6200 |
| Cabela's | (847) 645-0400 |
| Epco/JC Licht | (847) 991-0300 |
| Facelogic Essential Skincare Spa | (847) 844-3223 |
| Tandem Promotions | (630) 969-9241 |
| Woodfield Mall, LLC | (847) 330-0220 |

Apparel/Accessories

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| Cutting Edge Apparel LLC | (847) 421-8536 |
| Tandem Promotions | (630) 969-9241 |
| Wings Resale | (847) 884-7411 |

Art Gallery

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|-------------------|----------------|
| Black Box Diamond | (847) 705-5006 |
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Electronics

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| Technic Consulting | (630) 479-8606 |
| Verizon Wireless | (847) 645-0190 |

Florist Fresh/Silk Plants

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| Fabbrini's Flowers | (847) 885-2000 |
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Retail Merchants Headquarters

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| Claire's Accessories | (847) 765-1100 |
| Sears Holdings Corporation | (847) 286-1535 |

Video Productions/Services

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| Studio 2 Photography & Video | (847) 707-9490 |
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Animal Hospitals

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|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Forest View Animal Hospital | (847) 934-0207 |
| Hoffman Estates Animal Hospital | (847) 310-8668 |

Pet Supplies/Services

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|-----------------------------|----------------|
| A+ Pet Massage and Training | (847) 854-036 |
| Forest View Animal Hospital | (847) 934-0207 |
| Wizard of Pawz | (847) 882-9894 |

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Thanks, Platinum Members, For Investing in the Chamber's Future!

The heart of any organization is its members. No matter how large or how small, forward motion depends directly on the efforts of its volunteers and the income generated by membership dollars. A special group of Chamber members are our Platinum members. These members have made a strong investment in the future of The Chamber of Commerce and its members. Please frequent these businesses and support the people who are investing in your success.

Auto Dealers

Land Rover of Hoffman Estates
(847) 252-7800

Woodfield Nissan
(847) 310-1900

Auto Repairs/Suppliers

Hoffman Estates BP Amoco
(847) 843-0399

Banquet/Conference Center

Stonegate Conference & Banquet Center
(847)884-7000

Banks/Financial/Mortgage/Planning

Affiliated Financing Services, Ltd.
(872) 884-8686

Charter National Bank & Trust
(847)882-1000

Citi Bank N.A.
(847) 645-3998

Harris Bank N.A.
(847) 885-0700 – Gannon Drive, HE
(847) 756-5850 – South Barrington
(847) 756-5766 – Algonquin Road, HE
(847)891-4340 – Schaumburg
(847)885-5858 - Roselle Rd

Hoffman Estates Community Bank
(847) 963-9500
(847) 884-0500 - South

Construction

Leopardo Companies, Inc.
(847) 783-3000

Carpenter's Local Union 839
(847) 490-8839

Consultants/Workforce Education

B&F Tech. Code Services
(847) 490-1443

Building and Fire Code Academy
(847) 884-4969

Education/Non-Profit

The Illinois Institute of Art –Schaumburg
(847) 619-3450

Engineering

W.T Engineering, Inc.
(224) 293-6333

Healthcare Facilities/Supplies/Service

Active Foot & Ankle Center
Dr. Robert S. Steinberg DPM
(847) 885-8806

Alden Poplar Creek
(847) 884-0011

Alexian Bros. Behavioral Health
(847) 882-1600

Chicago Cornea Consultants
(847) 882-5900

Dr. Thomas J. Hoover D.D.S.
(847) 310-9600

*Leyden Family Service/
S.H.A.R.E Program.*
(847) 882-4181

LifeSource Blood Services
(847) 884-7766

St. Alexius Medical Center
(847) 884-3759

Hotel/Motel

Chicago Marriott NW
(847)645-9500

Comfort Inn
(847) 882-8848

Hampton Inn & Suites
(847) 882-4301

Hilton Garden Inn
(847) 277-7889

Holiday Inn – Schaumburg/HE
(847) 310-0500

LaQuinta Inn
(847) 517-8484

Landscaping/Snow Plowing/Valet Services

VIP Services Group
(847) 760-5080

Lawyers

Cary J. Collins, Attorney at Law
(847) 519-0010

Merchandise/Retail/Wholesale

Claire's Boutique, Inc.
(847) 765-1100

Sears Holdings Corporation
(847) 286-1535

Newspapers

Chicago Tribune/Triblocal
(847) 755-7988

Daily Herald
(847) 427-4640

Not For Profit

Hoffman Estates Park District Foundation
(847) 885-7500

Office/Business/ Support/Secretarial

Admin and Beyond, LLC
(800) 850-3907

Real Estate/Leasing/Sales/Service

Hamilton Partners
(847) 884-2800

Robin Realty & Management
(312) 642-9510

Ryland Homes
(224) 293-3100

Stonegate Properties
(847)882-3300

Restaurants

Red Robin Gourmet Burgers
(847) 645-1455

Retirement Housing

Brighton Gardens Assisted Living of HE
(847) 755-0735

The Devonshire of Hoffman Estates
(847) 490-5800

Poplar Creek Village/Senior Apartments
(847) 885-1444

Signs/Graphic Design/Exhibits

BT&D Big Graphics
(847) 428-5990

*Sign*A*Rama*
(847) 844-1162

Sports Arena/Entertainment

Sears Centre Arena
(847) 649-2222

Sports & Recreation

Hoffman Estates Ice Arena
(847) 885-7500

Hoffman Estates Park District
(847-885-7500

Midwest Elite Gymnastics Academy
(847)428-3200

Telecommunication

AT & T
(847) 248-2312

U.S. Cellular
(815) 289-7921

Temples/Churches

Beth-Tikvah Congregation
(847) 885-4545

Transportation

303 Taxi
(847) 368-8933

We'd Like You to Meet ...

Each issue of the Chamber newsletter includes an interview with two Chamber members whose names were selected at random. It's our way of helping our members become more acquainted and of saying "Thanks for being a part of the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce." If you would like to be featured, please call the Chamber office.



Name: Susan Begy,
Co-owner with husband Ray Begy,
A1 Trophies & Awards, Inc.

Phone number: (630) 837-6000

How long in business: A1 was
incorporated in 1983, we've
owned it for 10 years.

Born in: Elmhurst, IL

Professional background: Owned
and operated our own business for 25 years prior to A1.

I'd like you to know: We offer a complete array of corporate recognition awards including plaques, glass, crystal and acrylics. We also offer signage, name badges and custom built trophies for all occasions. We have recently expanded into our current 5,000 square foot location as well as merged our business with Allen Awards, formerly in Schaumburg. We feel the rapid growth of our business is due to our firm belief in providing quality products and workmanship and putting customer's needs first.

Interesting facts: Many people don't realize that IRS regulations allow businesses to deduct up to \$400 per employee per year for the cost of Achievement Awards. We offer many unique services such as outdoor cast metal plaques, laminated documents mounted on plaques as well as crystal awards.

The best business advice I ever heard: If you believe in an idea, don't be afraid to act on it.

The best business advice I could give: Customer service should always be the first priority.

My first job: Counter help in a donut shop when I was 15.

The way I plan to participate in the Chamber is: I look forward to the many networking and social activities hosted by the Chamber.

The best advice my mother ever gave me: The true measure of a person's wealth is not their material possessions but their character.

Nobody knows I: Know how to play the organ.

My idea of a great meal is: Having an outdoor cookout with family and my husband cooking on the grill.

My prized childhood possession was: My Nancy Drew Book collection.

If I've learned one thing in life, it's: That the people in your life matter more than anything.

If I won the lottery I would: Pay off all bills, travel in Europe, and help others.

If I could drive any vehicle it would be: A monorail in Japan.

Three words that describe me: Outgoing, hard-working, caring.



Name: Demos Revelis,
President/Mortgage Broker,
Active Mortgage

Phone number: (773) 395-3566

How long in business: 10 years

Born in: Chicago

Educational background: Loyola
University-Business School of
Management

I'd like you to know: My business is signed up with a variety of lenders and offers financing for your home—whether it's a refinance or a new home purchase. We are your # 1 source!

Interesting facts: We have a "perfect " Certificate of Good Standing" for over 10 years in a row! We handle the ENTIRE loan process for you.....to make the process as simple as possible.

The best business advice I ever heard: By refinancing, I can show you how to save you hundreds of thousands of dollars in unnecessary mortgage payments.in the life of your mortgage.

The best business advice I could give: Take advantage of these historically low rates now.....these are amazing times, and amazing opportunities....don't wait or procrastinate....it wont last forever.

My first job: Restaurant manager when I was 18 years old.

The way I plan to participate in the Chamber is: To help bring our community together through honest business practices that everyone can benefit from.

My idea of a great meal is: "Greek Village Taverna" in Schaumburg.

The best advice my mother ever gave me: Be honest.

Nobody knows I: Sing in the shower.

The last good movie I saw was: *Inception*

My prized childhood possession: My little league baseball trophy.

My goal in life is: Offer honest business and advice to people needing financing.

If I won the lottery I would: Continue doing what I'm doing...I LOVE it.

If I've learned one thing in life, it's: Live life to its fullest.

To me, a really good day is: A good day's work, followed by dinner with friends.

If I could drive any vehicle it would be: I'm am modest guy...I don't need a flashy car.

I have always wanted to: Go to the gym and exercise.

Three words that describe me: Passionate, honest, knowledgeable



Business After Hours at the Sears Centre on August 18.

Board of Directors

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| Tony LaFrenera, Chair Hoffman Estates Park District | (847) 781-3634 |
| Karen Mills, Vice Chair Barrington Square Improvement Assn | (847) 885-1157 |
| Linda Scheck, Secretary Village of Hoffman Estates | (847) 781-2664 |
| Kathy Musial, Treasurer BIK & Co., LLP | (847) 358-1170 |
| Wanda Piccolo B&F Technical Code Services, Inc. | (847) 490-1443 |
| Jim Norris Village of Hoffman Estates | (847) 882-9100 |
| Jeff Terry Sears Holdings Corp. | (847) 286-9495 |
| Cynthia Alexander St. Alexius Medical Center | (847) 490-6969 |
| Dave Strahl AT&T | (847) 248-8616 |
| Dr. Robert Steinberg Active Foot & Ankle Center | (847) 885-8806 |
| Ginny Roncoli Harris Bank | (847) 885-3366 |
| Mayor Bill McLeod Village of Hoffman Estates | (847) 882-9100 |
| Jim Cook Daily Herald | (847) 427-4380 |
| John Haniotes Hoffman Estates Community Bank | (847) 842-7981 |
| Mike Hanson Alliance for Affordable Health | (847) 401-6049 |
| John Moser The Stonegate Conf. & Banquet Ctr. | (847) 884-7000 |
| Keith Evans Key Financial Insurance | (847) 874-7016 |
| George Moser, Dir. Emeritus Charter National Bank and Trust | (847) 882-1000 |
| Allen Gabe, Legal Counsel Gabe • Calzaretta LLC | (847) 241-5000 |
| Cheri Sisson, Executive Director Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce | (847) 781-9100 |

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The Chicago Slaughter Professional Indoor Football Team And the Sears Centre Arena Announce Grand Prize Winners

The Chicago Slaughter Professional Indoor Football Team co-hosted the Business After Hours Event along with the Sears Centre Arena on Wednesday, August 18th. A fantastic time with a feast of arena food and drink provided by Levy Catering was had by all. In attendance were the Hoffman Estates Chamber members, the Chicago Slaughter's EOS Salon Redken Elite Dancers and mascot, Sarge.

The Slaughter and Sears Centre Area also announced the Chamber's grand prize winners of the event as Mona Morrison of Magic Moments by Mona winning four tickets to the September 10th Chicago Bliss Game; Brad Graham of Comcast winning four tickets to the November 13th Chicago Bliss Game; Eileen Rathford of Dinner By Design winning four tickets to the 5th Annual Chicago Invitational Challenge on November 26th and 27th; Jack Donahoe of Pride Windows and Siding winning a luxury suite for ten at a 2011 Chicago Slaughter game; Marla L. Hart of Medieval Times winning a #34 Chicago Slaughter jersey to be signed in person by Jarrett Payton; Mary Anne Muscat of Milestone Mortgage Solutions, Inc winning a #76 Chicago Slaughter jersey to be signed in person by Head Coach and '85 Bears Champ Steve McMichael; and Sue Salach-Cutler of Aging Info USA winning a #9 Chicago Slaughter jersey to be signed in person by Chicago Slaughter co-owner and '85 Bears Legend, the Punky QB, Jim McMahan.

Opportunity Knocking: Calendar of Upcoming Chamber Events

September 2010

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| Mon., Sept. 6 | Labor Day – Chamber office closed | |
| Tues., Sept. 7 | Expo Committee Recap | 8:30 A.M. |
| Tues., Sept. 7 | AM Business Connection Committee | 10:00 A.M. |
| Thurs., Sept. 9 | The Exchange | 7:30 A.M. |
| Thurs., Sept. 9 | Chit & Chat/iChef | 11:30 A.M. |
| Fri., Sept. 10 | Ribbon Cutting PNC | 11:00 A.M. |
| Mon., Sept. 13 | Chamber of Commerce Week Begins | |
| Mon., Sept. 13 | Membership Committee | 8:00 A.M. |
| Wed., Sept. 15 | Business After Hours/Prairie Stone Sports and Wellness Center | 5:00 P.M. |
| Thurs., Sept. 16 | Fashion Show Committee | 12:00 noon |
| Thurs., Sept. 16 | Marketing Committee | 3:00 P.M. |
| Wed., Sept. 22 | Radio Advertising Presentation | 7:30 A.M. |
| Thurs., Sept. 23 | The Exchange | 7:30 A.M. |
| Fri., Sept. 24 | Legislative Luncheon | 11:30 A.M. |
| Mon., Sept. 27 | Board of Directors meeting | 7:30 A.M. |
| Tues., Sept. 28 | AM Business Connection/ Hoffman Estates Park District | 7:30 A.M. |
| Wed., Sept. 29 | Biz 6+ Progressive Luncheon | 11:15 A.M. |
| Thurs., Sept. 30 | Multi-Chamber Networking Luncheon | 11:15 A.M. |

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