

Cutlerville-Gaines Chamber of Commerce

DECEMBER 2008

RSVP TODAY FOR DECEMBER 11 MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

**THURSDAY, DEC 11, 2008
PINEREST POSTMA CENTER**

**Holiday Luncheon
PineRest Presentation
Giving Project Presentation
South Christian Madrigals**

**PLEASE RSVP BY:
Monday, December 6, to 890-1378
or to info@cutlervillechamber.org.**

Thurs., Dec. 11 @ Noon, will be our final luncheon event of 2008. It will be a time to celebrate our community's efforts to provide Christmas for the underprivileged at Pine Rest Mental Health Facility. All of our donors will be recognized and thanked at this luncheon and PineRest will be presented with donations made. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for this festive business lunch!

THANK YOU . . .

FLAGSTAR BANK

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HUIZINGA SPRINKLING

for underwriting this event!

CUTLERVILLE-GAINES CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Now is the time to renew your Cutlerville-Gaines Chamber of Commerce Membership! (Due December 15!)

All members should have received a membership packet describing membership benefits. Each packet also contained an invoice and an information sheet. Please take time to fill out that information sheet and return it to the chamber office so that we can keep our files updated and serve you better.

Questions on membership or other events taking place in the upcoming

year can be directed toward Robin at 890-1378. Members of our Board of Directors would also be happy to assist in answering any questions.

2009 Board of Directors:

John Huizinga, President (Huizinga Sprinkling)
Mike Brock, Vice President (AFLAC)
Roger Oppenhuizen, Treasurer (Monroe, Sweeris & Tromp)
Jamie Liby, Secretary (Flagstar Bank)
Scott Halquist (Metro), Past President
Sharon Chapin (PineRest)
Stacy Gustafson (Chemical Bank)

Joel Hondorp (Byron Township)
Crystal Osterink (Gaines Township),
Chris Tallarico (Boardwalk Subs)
Cindy Varney (Macatawa Bank)

We also have many opportunities for you to use your gifts and talents on a variety of committees that service and benefit the community.

Help us to grow a stronger Chamber and a stronger community by joining the Chamber today.

\$25 Credit for Joining Referrals!!!

THE GIVING TREE PROJECT 2008

This is the final week for the Giving Project. Please contact the chamber office before 12-11-08 if you have gift cards or items that need to be picked up. Drop off sites are also at Byron, Flagstar, and Macatawa Banks and at An Old Fashioned Christmas.

If you or your business have donated an item(s), please plan on attending the December 11 Membership Luncheon. PineRest and the Chamber would like to publicly recognize those businesses and take a picture for newspaper and website purposes.

All Giving Tree donations will be given to identified residents at PineRest that most likely won't have family support for the holidays. The ages of these residents range from 3 - 60.

Need some gift ideas? . . . Gift cards to our area stores or iTunes, bus tokens, phone cards, stamps & stationery, DVD/CD, books and magazines, games and puzzles, gloves, hats, scarves, toys, slippers, toiletries, games, puzzles, sweatpants & sweatshirts . . .

*An
Old Fashioned Christmas*



**Saturday, December 6
3 pm - 7 pm - Kalamazoo Street
The Crossings Parking Lot**

(Located at the storefronts in front of Celebration South)



Business Open Houses . . . Visit Santa Clause . . . Pictures with Santa
Horse Drawn Hay Ride . . . Music . . . LIVE Nativity
Giving Tree Project . . . Kids Crafts . . . Street Theatre . . . And More!
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The Cutlerville - Gaines Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to fostering growth, development and cooperation to enrich the Cutlerville-Gaines community.

2009-2010 CUTLERVILLE-GAINES BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Want to be "one-step ahead of your competitors" or just "get your name out there"?

The 2009-2010 Cutlerville-Gaines Community Business Directory is a great way for you to accomplish this goal! Use the directory to market your business and let the community know that you support them and appreciate their business.

This Directory and helpful tool will be distributed by February 2009.

Here are some more details . . .

- 28 Page Directory - Size: 8 1/2 x 11 - Full color cover
- 8 color pages - 20 B/W Pages
- 20,000 Copies distributed through the Advance Newspaper (17,500) and in our area businesses (2,500).
- Information on annual area happenings/festivals
- Will contain information on parks, trails, etc.
- Area Demographics, Schools, Churches, Gov't,
- Alphabetical AND Categorical Listing of Businesses
- All CGCC Members
- "Spotlight" on Dutton, Gaines Marketplace, and Cutlerville

Ad space is on sale now! All ad space must be purchased and paid

by January 20, 2009. All ads must be submitted in pdf format on or before the same date. Pricing is as follows:

Back Cover (8 1/2 W x 11 H - Full Color)	\$1000
Inside Cover (8 W x 10 1/2 H - Full Color)	\$ 800
Full Color Page (8 W x 10 1/2 H)	\$ 735
Full Color Half Page (8 W x 5 1/8 H)	\$ 400
Black/White Full Page (8 W x 10 1/2 H)	\$ 535
Black/White Half Page (8 W x 5 1/8 H)	\$ 285
Black/White Quarter Page (4 W x 2 1/2 H)	\$ 175

Please contact the chamber office to reserve or spot or set up an appointment to discuss advertising options.

LEADS GROUP - HELPING YOU MAKE VALUABLE CONTACTS

With Michigan's economy in a troubled state and jobs that are scarce, it is important that our local businesses partner together.

Our community is made up of real people with real needs. Maintaining business comes from helping to meet those needs and building trusted relationships within our business community and with our clientele. This can best be achieved through face to face

marketing, networking, and sharing good referrals.

The purpose or goal of LEADS is to exchange referrals and stay abreast of what local businesses have to offer in the way of both service and product.

CGCC LEADS group will meet one time a month on the third Wednesday of the month at noon. (Location TBA) Meetings will last

not more than one hour and will consist of a semi-structured format that offers each individual opportunity to introduce his/her business. One business per meeting will be highlighted and given a 10-15 minute presentation time.

Have we captured your interest? For further information or to join this group for 2009, contact Marc Huisman @ The Bank of Holland or contact the Chamber office.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

DEC 1-11	GIVING PROJECT
DEC 6	Byron Hist. Museum Open House KCC Annual Craft Show (10-3)
DEC 6	"An Old Fashioned Christmas" Kalamazoo Ave (3-7)
DEC 11	CGCC Membership Luncheon PineRest (Noon - 1)
JAN 16	January Membership Luncheon Speaker: Vern Ehlers

Chemical Bank is sponsoring the WARMING HANDS & HEARTS campaign throughout the winter months. Throughout the campaign, the bank is collecting new and gently used hats, gloves, and scarves that will be distributed to those in need.

PineRest Postma ...is celebrating their one year anniversary in the new center that offers meeting rooms, banquet facilities, and conference areas. All rooms are equipped with the latest in technology and provide a wonderful place for your holiday gatherings. Call 616-222-3540 for anniversary rates on holiday room rentals or to receive further information.

Christmas Wreaths

FOR SALE . . . PROCEEDS GOING TOWARD THE GIVING PROJECT BENEFITTING THOSE IN NEED AT PINEREST.

Fresh, decorated Christmas wreaths are for sale beginning Saturday, December 6, 2008, at the Old Fashioned Christmas Days (The Crossings on Kalamazoo). Cost for a wreath runs between \$20 - \$30.

Christmas Trees can also be purchased at the Cornerstone Church parking lot. You can choose where you want to direct the proceeds from the tree purchase . . . PineRest Mental Health Facility, the youth group at Cornerstone Church, Mel Trotter, or others. Just fill out a card at the site of the tree purchase and drop it in the box.

This project is made possible by the Giv-ing Tree Project at Proharvest Solutions who works through area agencies to make a difference in our communities.

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