

The April 15th Bremen Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting was opened by President Connie Moyer. The minutes from the March meeting was presented for approval. Pastor Wheatley made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as presented Mark Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Connie advised she attended the Tax Incentive Review Council meeting on March 19th to show Chamber support to Westerman's & Rienschild Gourmet Sausage. Both businesses were approved.

The 664/37 "Welcome Sign" is currently being manufacturing by Gene's Sign. An "Unveiling Ceremony" will be held during the May 20th Chamber meeting. We will meet at the site and then proceed back to the Historical Society for our regularly scheduled meeting. There will be spots drilled at the bottom for professional banners to be placed. However, this will be an area for the promotion of Bremen not individuals like yard sales & election signs. Please contact the Chamber if you are wishing to place a professional banner.

Rose Insurance Agency & Ault Metz Joos were both contacted to give us a quote on the Welcome Sign. The lowest quote was \$230.00 per year for a \$250.00 deductible to insure the sign. Eric Mahler made a motion to approve the purchase of this insurance and David McCandlish seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The "Bremen Happenings" event board is being displayed downtown in a vacant storefront window. Please prepare flyers for your events on 8 ½ X 11 laminated paper for displaying. These can be dropped off in the drop box at the Chamber office for placement.

The State Route 37 Billboard will be installed on April 17th.

Margie Burket from the Ohio Glass Museum was present to invite chamber members to the Erickson Glass event that will be held at the museum on Saturday, May 17th from 7-9 p.m. Reservations are needed at a cost of \$10/person. Jodi Motta from the Bremen Bank won a free ticket that was given to her during the meeting.

Jim Herd spoke about the recent arrest of an individual who has been fraudulently soliciting Bremen businesses for Fairfield Union. He also spoke about the school construction projects and the progress with each site.

Congratulations to Dee Mowry on the celebration of his 50th year as a Mason!

Future Events

Farmer's Market – Will be held from May 17th – September 20th by the Friendly Bremen Bank in their parking lot. It will run from 9:00am – 12:00pm every Saturday. Spaces are available by contacting Jodi Motta at 569-4121 and are still \$10.00 per space. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Downtown Revitalization Program.

Avlon United Brethren Church Fish Fry – April 26th 4:30 – 7:00pm Cost \$7.00 adult, \$3.50 children under 10. Additional information – 569-4419

Featured speaker was Jeff Bazell from Flowers of the Good Earth. Jeff spoke about his many adventures and projects, patents, etc. and especially about his Annual Garden Party scheduled for Sunday, May 4, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. , 231 Marietta Street, Bremen. To make reservations or for additional information, please call 740-569-7288.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annamarie Qualls, Secretary