



# chamber chat

NORTH SCOTT AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Event Spotlight  
*features*

## Power Lunch Series Nutrition and Weight Loss

January 20, 2010  
Noon to 1 PM

**Location:**  
Scott County Library

**Cost:**  
**\$10 Members**  
**\$15 Potential Members**

To make your reservation,  
call 285-9965 or email  
info@northscottchamber.com  
by Tuesday, January 18, 2011

### **Mission Statement:**

To provide leadership  
to assist growth and  
development of  
business and enhance  
the community as a  
desirable place to live,  
work, and raise a family.



*Secrets to get Lean! Fat loss is an energy game...*

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2010-2011  
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# Young Professionals Luncheon



**January 25, 2011**

**Are you 40 and younger!  
Have you thought about saving  
for your retirement!  
Do you know where to start?**

Take part in our first  
Young Professional Luncheon  
and receive valuable information  
regarding investing in your future.

Noon to 1:00 PM  
Scott County Library

**Cost: \$10**

**RSVP by Friday, January 21, 2011**

# Some Like It Hot Chili Cook-Off



**Calling All Chefs!!**

Mark your calendars for Thursday,  
February 24th.

The North Scott Chamber will host its  
annual "Chili Cook-Off".

If you would like to take part contact  
Brenda Drummond at 285-2033.

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# new members

## The Ridge House Restaurant & Catering

1151 E Iowa Street  
Eldridge, IA 52748  
563-285-8882

We are a casual/family dining atmosphere serving breakfast, lunch and dinner in our newly remodeled "rustic" facility. We have seating for 80 in the restaurant and a banquet room that provides a private setting for up to 50-60 people. In-house catering is provided for all parties, company business meetings, outings etc.

Hours: Mon-Thur 8 AM - 8 PM, Fri-Sat 8 AM - 9 PM,  
Sun 8 AM - 6 PM

# member news

## Countryside Community Theatre

Countryside is looking forward to a wonderful 2011 season with two classic productions. Our June production is Gypsy and our July production is Wizard of Oz (RSC version).

Auditions for these two shows will be held Saturday, January 8 (12-5pm) and Sunday, January 9 (12-4pm). Those auditioning will need to prepare 16 bars of a musical theatre song. Please bring sheet music, an accompanist will be provided. The use of cds or singing without accompaniment will not be allowed. The directors have asked that those auditioning NOT sing any selections from the two shows.

# 2010 Chamber Holiday Mixer

Over 75 Chamber members gathered at Lancer's Grille on December 7th for the annual holiday get together. Members enjoyed appetizers and beverages, as the 2010 Moonlight Chase grants were awarded that evening (see insert).

The Chamber would like to thank the following members for sponsoring this event:



## Payroll Tax Cut to Boost Take-Home Pay for Most Workers; New Withholding Details Now Available on IRS.gov

IR-2010-124, Dec. 17, 2010

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service today released instructions to help employers implement the 2011 cut in payroll taxes, along with new income-tax withholding tables that employers will use during 2011.

**Millions of workers will see their take-home pay rise during 2011 because the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010 provides a two percentage point payroll tax cut for employees, reducing their Social Security tax withholding rate from 6.2 percent to 4.2 percent of wages paid. This reduced Social Security withholding will have no effect on the employee's future Social Security benefits.**

The new law also maintains the income-tax rates that have been in effect in recent years.

Employers should start using the new withholding tables and reducing the amount of Social Security tax withheld as soon as possible in 2011 but not later than Jan. 31, 2011. Notice 1036, released today, contains the percentage method income tax withholding tables, the lower Social Security withholding rate, and related information that most employers need to implement these changes. Publication 15, (Circular E), Employer's Tax Guide, containing the extensive wage bracket tables that some employers use, will be available on IRS.gov in a few days.

To view the complete notice go to the following link: <http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=232590,00.html>



# 2010 Moonlight Chase Grant Awards



**Park View Neighborhood Watch** received \$1,000 to create educational materials for their new neighborhood watch program. Pictured are Grant Committee members Brenda Drummond and Tracy Harris. Accepting are Deputy Ken Koehler, Tina Searle and Bryan Searle.



**Long Grove Police Department** received \$500 to purchase a speed monitoring sign. Accepting the check from Tracy Harris and Lynelle Anderson is Rick Heppe.



**North Scott Music Boosters** were awarded \$600 to purchase a directors podium. Accepting from members Brenda Drummond and Tracy Harris is Bill Kessinger and Jennifer Kolwey.



**North Scott Chamber** received \$1,200 for flowers along LeClaire road. Accepting the award is 1st Vice-President Seth Porter and Chamber President Matt Briehl. Presenting are Brenda Drummond and Lynelle Anderson.

## 2010 Moonlight Grants Congratulations to the 2010 Grant Recipients

- North Scott Post Prom Committee \$1,500.00
- Alan Shepard Elementary School \$400.00
- North Scott Music Boosters \$600.00
- Flowers along LeClaire Road \$1,200.00
- Park View Neighborhood Watch \$1,000.00
- Eldridge Volunteer Fire Co, Inc. \$1,300.00
- Boll's Community Center \$750.00
- City of Eldridge \$2,500.00
- Long Grove Police Department \$500.00
- Hometown Holidays \$1,250.00

**Total \$11,000.00**



**Eldridge Volunteer Fire Co, Inc.** received \$1,300 to enhance the departments current locker system. Accepting from members Lynelle Anderson and Brenda Drummond are Tyler Schmidt and Tony Rupe.



**Boll's Community Center** received \$750 to set up a website and create marketing materials to promote the community center. Accepting the check from Lynelle Anderson and Tracy Harris are Steve Suiter and Pam Opolka.



**North Scott Chamber** received \$1,250 for the Hometown Holiday event. Accepting the award is Chamber Board Member Kim Wilkins. Presenting are Brenda Drummond and Lynelle Anderson.



**City of Eldridge** received \$2,500 to place refuse and recycling receptacles along city bike paths and two parks. Accepting from members Lynelle Anderson and Brenda Drummond are John Dowd and Mayor Marty O'Boyle.



**Alan Shepard Elementary** was awarded \$400 to continue to build their Level III program with materials and motivating toys for kids. Accepting the check from Brenda Drummond and Tracy Harris are Linda Johnson and Sherri Marceau.

We would like to thank the members of the 2010 Moonlight Grant Committee for their hard work in awarding this year's grant winners:

**Julie Anderson; Central Scott Telephone  
Brenda Drummond; First Central State Bank  
Lynelle Anderson; US Bank  
Tracy Harris; Eldridge Post Office  
Matt Wilson; Molyneaux Insurance**



**North Scott Post Prom** received \$1,500 for their after prom event. Pictured are Post Prom committee member Lisa Cawiezell and Grant Committee members Tracy Harris and Lynelle Anderson.

*Snapshots from the 2010 North Scott Chamber*

# Recipe For A Hometown Holiday



Grinch 2010  
Wendy Henzen

Thank you to our 2010 Grinch Candidates: Wendy Henzen, American Family Insurance; Marty O'Boyle, Mayor of Eldridge; Tricia Campbell, Eldridge Spine & Wellness and Lynelle Anderson, US Bank. The four collected \$7,114.49 for the North Scott Food Pantry.



Children wrote and mailed letters to Santa.



Buttons Sparkly Toes was at The North Scott Press this year along with Snappy Mistletoe and Dusty the Drywall Elf.

Santa and Mrs. Claus visited with youngsters at the fire station.



The evening featured carriage rides.



A live nativity was at Wiese Park.





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upcoming  
business  
events

1/20/2011 Nutrition and Weight Loss

Thursday, January 20, 2011, 12:00 to 1:00 PM  
Scott County Library  
Cost: \$10 members, \$15 potential members

1/25/10 Young Professionals Luncheon

Tuesday, January 25, 2011, 12:00 to 1:00 PM  
Scott County Library  
Cost: \$10 members, \$15 potential members

2/24/2011 Chili Cook-Off

Some Like It Hot! Come vote for your favorite chili!  
Thursday, February 24, 2011, 5:00 to 7:00 PM

3/17/2011 Power Lunch

Thursday, March 17, 2011, 12:00 to 1:00 PM  
Scott County Library  
Cost: \$10 members, \$15 potential members

4/8/2011 Dinner, Dollars & Dice Night

Look for upcoming information in the next newsletter.



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To register for events email  
[info@northscottchamber.com](mailto:info@northscottchamber.com)  
or call 285-9965.

## 2011 Standard Mileage Rates

Beginning Jan. 1 the standard mileage rates are:

- 51 cents per mile for business miles driven
- 19 cents per mile for medical or moving purposes
- 14 cents per mile in service of charitable organizations