



**DeWitt
Chamber &
Development
Company**

Our Mission

The DeWitt Chamber & Development Company's mission is to lead, inform, advocate and advance business interests and promote community growth. Our core focus is to support existing businesses, attract new businesses, and assist in enhancing the quality of life for our community.



lead. inform. advocate. advance.

DeWitt Chamber & Development Company Newsletter

Save the Date!

[12.20.17 Santa Hut Open](#)

[12.21.17 SBDC Counseling](#)

[1.18.18 SBDC Counseling](#)

[1.18.18 Revive After Five - Urban Eats](#)

[1.25.18 DCDC 101](#)

Holiday Hours

We have compiled a list of retail store hours for the last minute holiday shopping week! Click [here](#) for a larger view!

December 2017

Letter from the Executive Director: Wrapping up 2017 and Hometown Christmas.



We've received such great feedback about this year's Hometown Christmas! "What a wonderful event, there were so many people!", "I just loved the Lighted Parade and all the shops looked amazing!", or my favorite from one of our members, "It was a beautiful night, we had so many people coming in to shop and even more returning later in the week to purchase something they saw that evening!"

It truly was a beautiful night, with record turnout and participation from the downtown businesses. Many of them were open, some evening staying late so that shoppers could continue to check off their Christmas lists. We even had some "not yet open" restaurants throw open their doors to allow people a peek inside. (Note: Urban Eats opened yesterday!) We had carolers, bell ringers, Santa (and the Grinch), the Lighted Pick Up Parade and of course all the festively decorated and live windows. (See below for photos.) It was a great kick off to the Holiday Season, which unbelievably will be wrapping up in the next few weeks!

2018 will be here before we know it! I'll be spending the

Holiday Hours	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun	Comments
Durley's Cottage & Gifts	10-5-30	10-5-30	10-5-30	10-5-30	10-5-30	10-3	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day
Emma Rae's Antiques & Uniques	9:30-5	9:30-5	9:30-5	9:30-5	9:30-6	10-5	11:30-4	Closed Christmas Day
Flowers on the Side	8:30-5	8:30-5	8:30-5	8:30-5	8:30-5	Closed	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day
Living Vintage	10-5	10-5	10-5	10-6	10-6	10-5	12-5	Closed Christmas Day
Means To Be With Flowers	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-3:30	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day
Nesker's Jewelers	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-4	9:30	Closed Christmas Day
Peteren-Hage Furniture	9-5	9-5	9-5	9-5	9-6	9-4	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day
Sam's Club	10-9	10-9	10-9	10-9	10-9	10-9	7-6	Closed Christmas Day
Sasholle	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-7	9:30-3:30	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day
Small Sisters Boutique	10-5	10-5	Closed	10-5	10-5	10-3	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day
THE CROSSROADS Inspired Living	9:30- until everyone has left	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day					
Thieser's	8-8	8-8	8-8	8-8	8-8	8-8	8-4	Closed Christmas Day
The Family Tree/DeWitt-Chairers	10-5	10-5	10-5	10-5	10-5	10-3	Closed	Closed Christmas Eve & Day
Unity Boutique	7-5	7-5	7-8	7-5	7-5	8-4	12-3	Closed Christmas Eve & Day

* The above list is of all DCDC members in the Retail & Specialty Shops category. Visit www.dewittcwa.org for a complete listing of all DCDC members. Have a very Merry Christmas!

next few weeks wrapping up 2017 and working on plans for the NEW Community Guide & DCDC Member Directory. Be on the lookout for an email sharing how you can advertise in the publication and how you can make sure your business information is up-to-date.

If you're really ambitious, I'd love for you to take a look at the current publication and send me your thoughts on how we could improve it. We only print these every two years, so give me your suggestions, they're sure to make this publication the best one yet! All the Community Profile content can be found [here](#), or you can stop by the office for a printed copy.

Have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Angela Breitzgau

Welcome to the DCDC's Newest Members!

[Urban Eats](#)

919 6th Ave
DeWitt IA 52742
(563) 659-6363

[Yoerger Towing and Recovery](#)

416 1st St
DeWitt IA 52742
(563) 320-7101

[House to Home Creations](#)

5823 Thor Ave
Davenport IA 52807
(563) 349-3590

First Dollar Presentations



The DeWitt Ambassadors recently presented a Spotlight on Success award to [Sunrise Cafe](#) in celebration of their recent remodel! Both the interior and exterior received a face lift recently.

906 6th Ave,
DeWitt IA 52742

DeWitt's Hometown Christmas Recap



DeWitt's Hometown Christmas

Thank you to those who were a part of this year's Hometown Christmas event on Saturday, December 2nd! We appreciate all those that sponsored, volunteered and the many that attended the event! The festivities included a Children's Christmas Carnival, Family Holiday Movie, Lit Holiday Pickup Parade, and a Live Window Walk! Hometown Christmas is organized by the DCDC with many businesses, organizations and volunteer groups playing a vital role in the success of the day! ***What an amazing community we have in DeWitt, it was great to see the crowds that came out to attend the Hometown Christmas activities!*** [View photos from this year's Hometown Christmas event.](#)

We value your feedback and use it to keep improving upon our DCDC programs and events. We appreciate you taking a moment to complete this short survey and let us know how your Hometown Christmas experience was. [Take the short, 9 question, survey here!](#)

Read About It!
News from our Members

[Ohnward Bancshares, Inc.](#) PAYS IT OHNWARD in a BIG WAY!
[Read more...](#)

[Touch of Bliss Salon & Spa](#) would like to give a HUGE welcome to Phaedra Dewith!! [Read more...](#)

The [DeWitt Referral Center](#) presented with honorary Warren Coleman Award.
[Read more...](#)

If you have news about your business you'd like to share with the rest of the DCDC membership, [submit it here.](#)

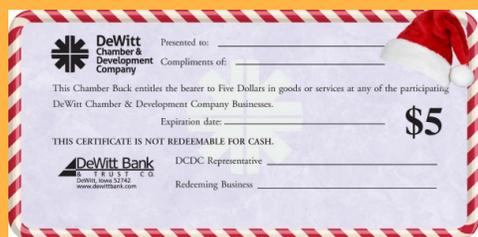


[View employment opportunities here](#) posted by our members!

Hot Deals!

[Check out the latest Hot Deals from our DCDC Members!](#)

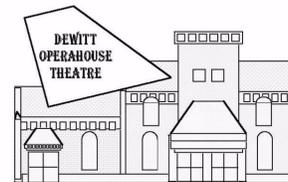
Buy Chamber Bucks!



Chamber Bucks are a great gift! They come in \$5 and \$10 denominations and make an excellent local gift for those hard to buy for people on your list! They are [accepted by 80 DCDC member businesses.](#) (Sorry, candy cane frame and Santa hat not included!)

Thank you Sponsors!

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First Central State Bank • Guardian Industries
Holst Construction LLC/Holst Rental • V.P. Sheridan Insurance, Inc.

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Country Acres • DeWitt Bank & Trust Company • IH Mississippi Valley Credit Union
Iowa Mutual Insurance Co. • KMAQ Radio Station • Kwik Star
Maggie's House Assisted Living • Necker's Jewelers • Randy's Neighborhood Market

Look Local First Update

Thank you to all that have supported and participated in the Look Local First Initiative!



Congratulations to our November LOOK LOCAL FIRST (LLF) winners! Val Betz cooking class keeps their cooking supply purchases local and it paid off!

Chamber Bucks are available for purchase at Emma Rae's, DeWitt Bank & Trust, First Central State Bank and the DCDC office.

Please contact April at 659-8500 for orders over \$150.

Get Involved!



The University of Iowa Venture School is accepting applications from startup businesses across Iowa. One of the available locations for the spring program is in the Quad Cities. Venture School is designed to provide participants marketing expertise and real-world knowledge and skills to help them launch their business ideas. This could be a new business or a new idea within an existing business. The application deadline is Feb. 6, 2018. For additional information or to submit an application, visit www.venture-school.com or contact Angela at director@dewittiowa.org.



Congratulations to our first or four LOOK LOCAL FIRST (LLF) Holiday Promo winner!! [Jennifer Jansen](#) won \$100 in Chamber Bucks for keeping her purchases and services local!

The LLF program will continue in 2018 with MONTHLY Drawings of \$50 in Chamber Bucks, held on the last business day of each month.

Keep getting your cards punched and drop them off at [Randy's Neighborhood Market](#), [Scott Drug Store](#) or the [DCDC Office](#).



[Keep Looking Local First DeWitt!](#)
[#LLFDeWitt](#)

LOOK LOCAL FIRST HOLIDAY PROMOTIONS!

Promo - Weekly drawings of \$50 will be held on Mondays in December. The last holiday Chamber Buck drawing will be held on 12/18.

Multiple Grand Prize Winners

will be drawn at noon on Thursday, 12/21 from all Loyalty Cards returned from 11/24 - 12/21.





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Thank You!
2017-18 DCDC Investor Members!



Revive After Five

Make plans to attend the popular Revive After Five events coming up in 2018!



2018 Revive After Five Schedule

Revive anytime between 5-7PM on the 3rd Thursday of the month and join other professionals for these "open house" style networking events! Enjoy a variety of great food, beverages and prizes in a laidback setting while getting to know other DCDC members and learning about the hosting business.

All DCDC member employees are welcome and encouraged to attend!

- January 19th – Urban Eats
- February 15th - Urbanity Boutique & Urbanity Coffee and Wine
- March 15th – Holst Construction LLC/Holst Rental
- April 19th – DeWitt Lanes
- May 17th – Thiel Motors
- June, July, August - Summer Break
- September 20th - Country Acres Dog Boarding and Grooming
- October 18th - Ruhl & Ruhl Realtors
- November 15th - IH Mississippi Valley Credit Union
- December - Holiday Break



Get Involved!



Are you a DCDC member that would like to get a bit more involved?

Do you have an interest in learning about the different ways you can give your time, ideas and input?

If so, now is the time to express your interest and learn more about becoming a volunteer.

Please contact Angela at 659-8500.

[Check out photos from the 2017 Revives!](#)

Read the latest DeWitt Delivers Community Blog entry!

[Feeling Blessed and Welcomed this Christmas Season](#)

My family just celebrated our first anniversary as DeWitt residents on Sept 18th. That was a special day to be finally living in the community where we planted Cornerstone Baptist Church DeWitt three years previously. It has been a great year. We are very thankful for the transition our two youngest children have experienced from [...].»



Subscribe to the [DeWitt Delivers Community Blog](#) and stay connected with the voices of the community.

Stay Connected



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✠ DCDC Member Challenge: How will you lead, inform or advocate to advance DeWitt?

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