



**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!

- [4.7.18 Legislative Coffee](#)
- [4.19.18 Revive After Five - DeWitt Lanes](#)
- [4.26.18 DCDC 101](#)
- [5.17.18 Revive After Five - Thiel Motors](#)
- [6.28.18 Year In Review - Annual Meeting](#)
- [8.2.18 Golf Bash Fundraiser](#)

Welcome Kit Refresh

The [Welcome to DeWitt Kit Program](#) is in its 2nd year and this is our 4th refresh of materials. The program continues to grow and it has a dual focus; connecting with new DeWitt residents and new employees to DeWitt businesses (*people that live outside of DeWitt and are first time employees in the community*). The goal of this program is to connect with the new individuals and spotlight all that the DeWitt community has to offer them.

March 2018

Letter from the Executive Director: Advocacy - A Member Benefit



About the time you are reading this, I hope to be arriving in Washington DC to participate in an advocacy trip on behalf of the DCDC. (Keep your fingers crossed my flights are not delayed or cancelled, the weather is predicted to be very unwelcoming!) I'll be traveling with our Mayor, Don Thiltgen, Maureen Miller, President & CEO of the Clinton Chamber, and Jenelle Wolber, Business Development Manager of the Clinton Regional Development Corporation. Our group will join another twenty individuals from the Quad Cities Chamber once we arrive in DC.

It's going to be a fast and furious few days of meetings with various groups to communicate the priority needs of our region and how each Senator, Congressman, department head and staffer can assist in our efforts to grow our region and make it a better place for all of us to live and work. Trips like this are important. I believe that every interaction, conversation and connection builds the relationships that will ultimately make the difference in pushing our priorities beyond being ideas and suggestions, making them the new reality for our community.



If you plan to be a part of the next Welcome Kit, updated materials are due to the DCDC office by Friday, March 23rd.

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Member Spotlight



DeWitt Iowa 563-559-5589

Holst Construction & Rental

Holst Construction has been operating in DeWitt since 1990, adding on the rental side of the business in 2010. **READ**

MORE

DeWitt Ambassadors: First Dollar and Spotlight On Success Presentations



DeWitt Ambassadors presented a Spotlight on Success to Evie Fischer, the new owner of [Hansen Monuments](#), celebrating a transition of ownership from

As a business leader, you may not have the time, or possibly even the desire, to take a trip to chat with these individuals, which is why I am participating, to represent you. It's just one of the many benefits of your DCDC membership. I'll be there through Friday, so email or text me if you have a thought or two on what you'd like me to share.

Thank you for your continued support of the DeWitt Chamber & Development Company!

Thank you!

Angela Breinig

Sponsorship Opportunity - Commit Early & Save 5%!!

The DCDC is excited to offer a yearly sponsorship opportunity for the upcoming 2018 programs and events. Based on member feedback regarding what is most convenient for their budgeting process, we have decided to push out this yearly sponsorship opportunity. The attached document will give you the ability to commit to sponsorships for DCDC events and programs for the entire year in one form. When you utilize this one time sponsorship form,

*you receive a 5% discount
for each sponsorship you commit to.*

[Click here for the sponsorship form.](#) The completed form must be returned to the DCDC by 4/30/18 and payment received by 5/31/18 to receive the discount.

Community Photos Needed

The DCDC will be circulating a new [DeWitt Community Profile Publication](#) this summer. At this time ***we are looking for some great community photos*** to include in the book. Photos can be emailed to intern@dewittiowa.org before March 30th and please title your email "Community Guide Photos".

generation to generation and the continuation of great service to the DeWitt community. Contact them for your memorial and rock engraving needs!

1109 11th St., DeWitt
(563) 659-5006



The DeWitt Ambassadors presented a Spotlight on Success to [DeWitt Operahouse Theater](#) in celebration of new management! Stop in to see a show and enjoy a bucket of popcorn!

919 6th Ave, DeWitt
(563) 659-8213



The DeWitt Ambassadors presented a First Dollar to Corson's Towing and Repair! One call, they do it all!

313 11th St, DeWitt
(563) 659-5411

Read About It! News from our Members

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

Hot Deals!

[Check out the latest Hot Deals](#)

LOCAL CELEBRITIES WANTED!

THE DEWITT CHAMBER & DEVELOPMENT COMPANY IS LOOKING FOR COMMUNITY PHOTOS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE UPCOMING DEWITT COMMUNITY GUIDE PUBLICATION!



WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

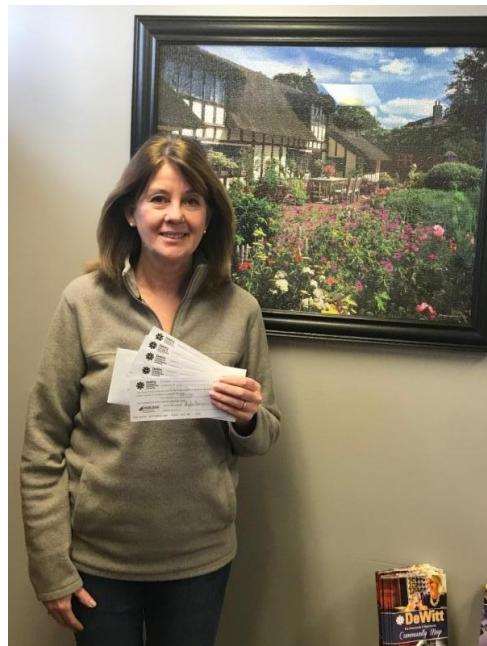
- HIGH RESOLUTION PHOTOS! EITHER TAKEN ON A QUALITY CAMERA OR WITH A HIGH RES SETTING ON A SMART PHONE.
- PHOTOS OF PEOPLE ENJOYING DEWITT'S AMENITIES, ATTRACTIONS, SHOPPING, PARKS, SPORTS, NEIGHBORHOODS, SCHOOLS, THE LIST CAN GO ON...
- SCENERY SHOTS (WITHOUT PEOPLE) FROM AROUND DEWITT.
- SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS BY MARCH 31ST TO INTERN@DEWITTIOWA.ORG

SEND YOUR PHOTOS TO INTERN@DEWITTIOWA.ORG
BEFORE MARCH 31ST AND TITLE YOUR EMAIL
COMMUNITY GUIDE PHOTOS!



Look Local First Update

Thank you to all that Look Local First (LLF) & congratulations to our March winner!



Deb Monroe kept her spending local and it paid off; she won \$50 in Chamber Bucks!

The LLF program will continue throughout

[from our DCDC Members!](#)

Revive After Five



Thank you to [Holst Construction LLC/Holst Rental](#) for hosting the March Revive After Five!!



All employees of a DCDC member are welcome and encouraged to attend these worthwhile and relaxing networking events! Join us and bring along your co-workers!

[RSVP here to attend the April 19th Revive After Five at DeWitt Lanes.](#)

[View more 2018 Revive photos here!](#)

Check out the 2018 Revive schedule here.

2018 with MONTHLY DRAWINGS of \$50 in Chamber Bucks, held on the last business day of each month.

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



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

2018 Legislative Coffees

This is the DCDC's last Legislative Coffee event of the 2018 session. This town hall format allow you to hear from your representatives, ask your questions, as well as to hear the concerns of your neighbors. Take this opportunity to have your voice heard and to build stronger relationships with your elected officials.



The coffee offers an opportunity for Clinton County residents to weigh in on important legislation under discussion in Des Moines.

**April 7th 11am-Noon
DeWitt Community Center, Large Room
512 10th St., DeWitt**

The 2018 Legislative Coffee Program is sponsored by the DeWitt Chamber & Development Company and Clinton County Farm Bureau.



Board Member Nominations Needed!



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 18th – 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



[Click here for the full PDF version.](#)



Thank You!

2017-18 DCDC Investor Members!



Are you hiring? Post your job openings on the DCDC website.

VOLUNTEER

all that's missing is U!

We are looking for a few NEW VOLUNTEERS, specifically for the DCDC Board of Directors.

Do you want to make DeWitt a better place to own a business, live or work?

We are looking for a few NEW VOLUNTEERS, specifically for the DCDC Membership Committee.

Do you have thoughts on how to improve a current member benefit or an idea of what would make a great new member benefit?

If so, NOW is the time to contact Angela to learn more.

Call her at 659-8500 or email
director@dewittiowa.org

Stuff You Should Know!



In case you missed it, a study from U.S. News & World Report has ranked **Iowa as the #1 state** in the country. Iowa was previously ranking of #6 in the Best States ranking. U.S. News & World Report used data from eight categories to compile its ranking of states; those

categories included health care, education, economy, opportunity, infrastructure, crime & corrections, fiscal stability, and quality of life.

Click [HERE](#) to read the complete report or click [HERE](#) to download the pdf.

They'll be posted on our social media pages, included in this newsletter and NOW WILL ALSO BE INCLUDED in our weekly "What's Happening in DeWitt" email that is sent to 1,700+ community members.

[View current employment opportunities here](#)

(Includes positions with Junior Achievement, Skyline Center, Petersen-Hagge Furniture and the DeWitt Chamber & Development Company.)



Get Prepared!

One-Hour Refresher:
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Initial Two-Hour Training:
(For those training for the 1st time)
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

To register for this **FREE** workshop, visit your local IowaWORKS office or call 563.445.3200 and enter Option 2.

Supervisor Drug and Alcohol Training

Wednesday, April 4, 2017
DeWitt Community Center
512 10th St, DeWitt, IA

If your organization has a drug/alcohol policy, then your supervisors must (per DOT Federal and State of Iowa regulations) complete two-hour Initial Supervisor Drug/Alcohol training.

If your organization is in the State of Iowa and has a Drug/Alcohol policy, then your organization is required to offer annual supervisor drug/alcohol refresher training.

Presenter: Nancy Phelps, Qualified Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) brings 16 years of experience and education to the presentation.



IowaWORKS of Eastern Iowa

Dedicated to developing a skilled local workforce to meet the needs of business and industry.



Add your events to traveliowa.com [Calendar of Events](#)! Don't miss the free opportunity to promote your events to travelers planning Iowa vacations! Select events are featured on the site's homepage and shared on the Iowa Tourism Office's social channels and with media. Need help adding your event? [Watch the tutorial](#) or contact [Amy Zeigler](#).

[Joseph's Story](#)

Many of you have probably heard of St. Baldrick's and think of it as an event where people get their heads shave to raise money to help in the fight against childhood cancer. However, there is really so much more to this event and some great success stories of kids with cancer, beating cancer and [...] [...»](#)



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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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