



**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

Member Spotlight



Emma Rae's Antiques & Uniques is an Antique Mall located in the old True Value Building in downtown DeWitt. Emma Rae's was started in 2015 by owners Ted & Janet Papuga as a fun thing to do in retirement. [Read More](#)

Save the Date

[6.15.17 SBDC Counseling Opportunity](#)

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[6.22.17 DCDC Year In Review - Annual Meeting](#)
[Register Here!](#)

[7.20.17 SBDC Counseling Opportunity](#)

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[7.27.17 DCDC 101](#)
[Register Here!](#)

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[7.27.17 DCDC Golf Bash Fundraiser](#)
Registration opening soon!

Welcome New Members!

May 2017

Letter from the Executive Director: "Launching a Summer Promotion"



For most, Memorial Day weekend seems to be the unofficial kickoff to summer. School is over for the year, the weather is getting warmer and Cups & Cones is finally open! The week before and after Memorial Day is also a great time to kick off new projects. At the DCDC, this week included launching the first round of voting for the Member Choice Awards, beginning the planning of the Year In Review and with this newsletter, launching our Look Local First Summer Promotion.

First, let me thank you for your support and participation in the DCDC Look Local First (LLF) Initiative. I'm thrilled with how well the community has embraced the program, your support has certainly contributed to its success! Since it's start last November, there has been over 3,432 completed Loyalty Cards (LC) returned to the DCDC. That's over \$686,400 of LOCAL spending that has been tracked by the initiative.

The momentum is strong, with new DCDC members signing up to participate and positive feedback continuing to be received from consumers and businesses. To build upon our momentum, I am excited to announce that we are launching a Look Local First Summer Promotion. It will be similar to the kick off promotion we had last winter with WEEKLY WINNERS of \$30 in Chamber Bucks and one winner of a Grand Prize Package comprised of gift cards and goodies from participating DCDC Members.

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Coming Soon!



The [DCDC Golf Bash Fundraiser](#) never disappoints when it comes to having fun! Save the date and golf with us at [Springbrook Country Club](#) on **Thursday, July 27th**. In the upcoming months watch for information to come to you via email about our Early Bird Registration discount. [Check out photos from last years Golf Bash here!](#)

Revive After Five



Thank you to [Emma Rae's Antiques & Uniques](#) for hosting the May Revive.

Remember, the LLF Initiative strives to promote local expertise, products and services. When we Look Local First we create jobs, grow businesses and contribute to a thriving DeWitt community. Our goal is to encourage DeWitt area residents, employees and visitors to think of DeWitt first when making their purchases, especially this summer!

Thank you for your efforts to promote and encourage our Look Local First Summer Promotion!



Look Local First Update

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



Congrats to Casey Walker, our latest [LOOK LOCAL FIRST](#) monthly winner! Casey won \$50 in Chamber Bucks by keeping it local! Nearly 600 completed LLF loyalty cards were turned in during the month of April! Continue turning in your completed loyalty cards! Our next monthly drawing will be on May 31st at noon. Keep Looking Local First DeWitt! #LLFDeWitt





Revives will be on a summer break until September. [Country Acres Dog Boarding and Grooming](#) will host the September 21st Revive.

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!

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

[View the 2017 Revive schedule!](#)

DCDC Office Closed

The DCDC office will be closed Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day. We wish you a safe and fun holiday filled with family and friends. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 30th.



Please be sure to take a moment to remember all the men and women



Make your *splash* in DeWitt this *summer!*

The DeWitt Chamber & Development Company (DCDC) encourages you to make a splash this summer by Looking Local First for products and services. Discover how DeWitt Delivers as you 'Look Local First'!

Fill your Look Local First Loyalty Cards to be entered to win weekly drawings of \$30 in Chamber Bucks. A Grand Prize Package comprised of gift cards and goodies from participating DCDC Members will go to one winner at the end of the summer!

Weekly Chamber Bucks drawings will be held every Friday from 6/7/17 - 7/28/17 and the final drawing for the Grand Prize Package will be on 8/4/17. For more program details and a complete list of rules and regulations visit dewittiowa.org.

Thank you for your continued support of local businesses!



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DCDC Year In Review - Annual Meeting & Member's Choice Awards



DCDC Year In Review - Annual Meeting June 22, 2017

The DeWitt Chamber & Development Company (DCDC) invites you, your guests and business associates to attend the DCDC Year in Review! We are excited to celebrate and reflect on another great year supporting the growth and vibrancy of our businesses community. It is only through the support of our membership that we are able to impact our community

who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving our country.

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.

Clinton LumberKings DeWitt Day



The DCDC is again partnering with the Clinton LumberKings for ["DeWitt Day"](#)

Sunday, June 4 2:00 PM
Ashford University Field
Clinton LumberKings vs. Peoria Chiefs.

The DCDC office has 100 FREE general admission tickets available for the game. There is a limit of 4 tickets per person. Check out the entire LumberKings schedule on the [LumberKings website](#)

DeWitt Ambassadors Present First Dollar

in meaningful ways. We look forward to celebrating with you at the upcoming Year in Review! [View photos from last year's event here.](#)

Social hour 4:45-5:45PM

Dinner 5:45PM

Year In Review Program 6:15 - 7:00PM

Post Event Networking on the Patio 7:00-9:00PM

(Optional but encouraged)

Interested in sponsoring this great night?
[See the sponsorship opportunities here!](#)

[Find out more about the Year In Review](#) or
[REGISTER HERE](#)

DCDC Member's Choice Awards



The DeWitt Chamber & Development Company (DCDC) is excited to bring you the 4th Annual DCDC Member's Choice Awards! Initiated to honor and bring awareness to DCDC members for their successes and overall support of our community's vitality!

Vote for your favorite DCDC members in five unique categories. The nomination period closed on May 25th. The top 5 nominations in each category will be presented to the community for a final vote between June 1st and June 8th. [Click here to see past winners and come back on the 1st to vote!](#)

Also NEW this year is the category for Best Workplace. [If you would like to nominate your employer for the Best Workplace award please click here to nominate before May 31st.](#)

Business Education Coordinator Update

The last day of school!

The last day of school! As your students are getting



The DeWitt Ambassadors recently presented a First Dollar at [GTN Self Storage](#). They offer ten acres of self storage perfect for boats, RV's, and mini storage. Safe and secure, 24-hour drive up access with digital video surveillance. Great customer service with an on-site manager.

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ready for their last day, I hope that you can enjoy it as much as the are. The excitement of **summer** activities, family time and sunshine start to be a reality. As I look over the past school year, it is fun to remember all of the events along with all of our supportive business volunteers. The DCDC and all of the schools appreciate your time and enjoy hearing the feedback from our future job seekers.

Aviation & STEM Day

Our first event went over swimmingly with 183 students (7th & 8th Grades) from Central DeWitt, Calamus-Wheatland & Northeast. Thank you to ISU Extension, Brett Hoben with the FAA, Pete Evans with ISU FLEx Trailer, AmeriCorps, Pioneer Ag Jason Spain, and Skyshare LLC.

SUCCESS Roundtables

This annual event keeps getting better each year. Over 236 students were impacted by the inspiring leaders in the community. The real life stories from successful people right here in Clinton County, show that life is an adventure and there are many paths one can take to achieve success.

Mock Interviews, Debates & Shark Tank

Impressive is the first word that comes to mind with these events. As a participant in all these events, it was great to experience first hand what volunteers (100+) are taking time out of their day to help our students accomplish. A round of applause to all involved.

Fall 2017

Looking ahead to Manufacturing & STEM Day 2017! If you have any interest in this event, please contact me as we are starting to plan this great experience for our students and businesses! - Erin Niemann, Business Education Coordinator, becoordinator@dewittiowa.org.

Read the latest DeWitt Delivers Community Blog entry!

[It's Not Just A Day Off: The Meaning of Memorial Day](#)

What does Memorial Day mean to you? Brats, burgers, beverages, and time spent with friends and family. We look forward to the long weekend, shorts, and flip flops, but the reason behind the celebration may often be overlooked. My grandfather would wake up each morning and raise his flag. He would pull on the rope, [...][...>>](#)



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Stay Connected



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

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