

# Montcross Area Chamber Programs & Services



Members of the Chamber have access to a wide array of programs and services.

**Networking After Work** is a series of after-hours receptions hosted by member businesses, with an emphasis on making business contacts. Some morning networking events also are being scheduled. Sponsorship is available for members only.

**Ribbon-Cutting** ceremonies are offered for members' new or expanding businesses.

**Let's Talk Business** gives member business owners opportunities for confidential consulting sessions with the director of the Small Business Center at Gaston College.

**Entrepreneur Roundtable & Summit** helps start-up businesses and those planning to start a business learn from experienced business owners and connect with mentors and sources of information.

**Business Buzz @ Breakfast** events are morning sessions combining networking and information on important local issues.

**Workshops & Seminars** address issues most requested by the membership. Presenters usually are provided by the Small Business Center at Gaston College and sometimes by fellow members of the Chamber on topics in which they have experience and expertise.

**Community Forums**, planned periodically to address issues important to Chamber members and the community, feature an expanded program with a speaker or panel discussion and question-and-answer session. Sponsorship available for members only.

**MoneySaver Member- 2-Member Discounts:** save money when you buy products and services from participating Chamber members and offer your own discount to fellow members.

**Referrals** are made to member businesses when newcomers or visitors come to the Chamber office or request information by phone or email.

**Chamber Office Displays** are available for members' business cards.

**Advertising Discounts** for new members by the Gaston Gazette and Banner News.

**Sponsorships** are available for Chamber events and programs including major annual events:

- ***Annual Banquet***
- ***Golf Tournament***
- ***Entrepreneur Summit***
- ***Christmas Parade***

**The Chamber Directory** includes a free listing of all member businesses and is distributed to more than 25,000 readers of the Gaston Gazette and used as a reference throughout the year.

**Annual Visitor & Newcomer Welcome Guide**, a full-color magazine featuring the cities and towns of eastern Gaston County and distributed year-round to visitors and newcomers.

**The Chamber Website** includes a free listing of all member businesses and individuals and provides a vital link to newcomers and visitors seeking services.

**Advertising Opportunities** are available to Chamber members on the website, in the Chamber directory, annual visitor and newcomer Welcome Guide and other publications.