

Our 68th Anniversary Year (1939 - 2007)

Maywood Chamber OF COMMERCE



May 2007

Leaders . . . In the 21st Century

Volume XIII Issue VI

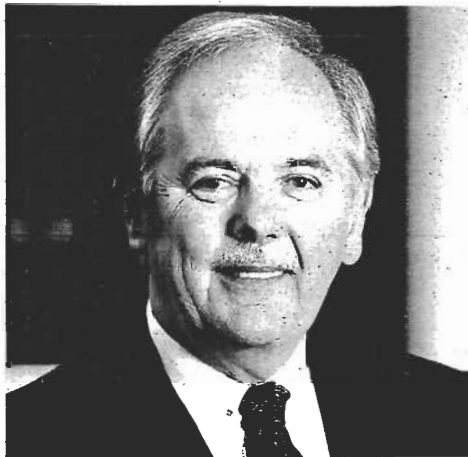
CHAMBER 68TH ANNIVERSARY INSTALLATION & AWARDS BANQUET SCHEDULED ON JUNE 19 AT ELMCREST BANQUETS, ELMWOOD PARK, ILLINOIS

The Maywood Chamber of Commerce will celebrate its 68th Anniversary Installation & Awards Banquet on Tuesday, June 19, 2007, at Elmcrest Banquets, 7370 West Grand Avenue, Elmwood Park, Illinois.

Among the highlights of the annual event will be a Keynote Address by Paul K. Whelton, M.D., M.Sc., President and Chief Executive Officer of Loyola University Health System.

Other highlights include the installation of the Board of Directors, Class of 2009 and the presentation of scholarships to students from Proviso East High School. Kathleen I. Carani, Chairman of the

Maywood Chamber Academic Excellence Program, will present the awards.



Concluding the program will be the presentation of four major awards (Community Service, Business of the Year, Community Youth Enrichment, and Person of the

Year) by President/CEO Edwin H. Walker IV, and Jesse L. Howard, Jr., Board Chairman.

Reservations for the banquet should be directed to the Banquet Committee Chair, Audrey C. Jaycox, at 801 West Washington Blvd., Maywood, IL 60153, Telephone: (708) 681-3813 by Monday, June 11, 2007. Refreshment Hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. and dinner will commence promptly at 7:00 p.m. Cost for the event is \$55.00 per person. The event is also important since it serves as the Chamber's major annual fundraiser.

REMINDER: PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2007 MEMBERSHIP DUES IMMEDIATELY!

Minutes from the Secretary

Minutes of the April 16, 2007, Maywood Chamber of Commerce General Meeting held at and hosted by Triton College.

The meeting was called to order by Jesse L. Howard, Jr. at 12:12 p.m.

President Edwin H. Walker IV gave the invocation.

Board Members Present: Sam Balark, Jesse L. Howard, Jr., Stan D. Huntington, Carolyn Johnson, Robert L. Nelis, Sr., Virginia Olson, Edwin H. Walker IV, and Karen A. Yarbrough.

Members Present: Tony Bell, Katherine Bus, Phyllis Clifton, Barbara D. Cole, Jeffery D. Cooks, Annette Epps, Catherine Flynn, Dominique Garrett-Flowers, Jon Grigalunas, Lela Grimble, Vicki Haas, Irma Harper, Angela Millsap, Gary W. Woll, and Henderson Yarbrough, Sr.

Jon Grigalunas, Director, Continuing Education, welcomed everyone to Triton College. He announced that Triton will be offering a series of classes, targeted to small business owners.

Karen A. Yarbrough moved to approve the March 19, 2007 General Meeting Minutes. Gary W. Woll seconded the motion. All present approved the Minutes.

Henderson Yarbrough Sr. moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, as presented. Gary W. Woll seconded the motion. All present approved the Treasurer's Report.

Introductions were made by all in attendance, before enjoying a lovely luncheon prepared by students in Triton's Hospitality Program.

Karen A. Yarbrough presented the report of the Nominating Committee. The slate of ten members of the Class of 2009 was presented, as follows: Sam Balark, AT&T (B), Jeffery D. Cooks, Triton College (NFP), Steve Fox, First Suburban National Bank (B), Jesse L. Howard, Jr., Howard Properties, Inc. (B), Stan D. Huntington, Maywood Public Library (NFP), Donald A. Offerman, Forest Park National Bank (B),

Virginia Olson, Happy Hounds & Cats 5th Avenue (B), Larry Rassin, Aetna Plywood, Inc. (B), James E. Whitehead, Loyola University Health System (NFP), Karen A. Yarbrough, Hathaway Insurance Co. (B). President Walker asked for nominations from the floor; none were made. Gary W. Woll moved that nominations be closed and that the slate be approved as presented. Stan D. Huntington seconded the motion. All present approved the slate unanimously.

Jeffery D. Cook, Director of Admissions for Triton, thanked the Chamber for coming to Triton and spoke of various programs available for businesses and their employees.

Edwin H. Walker IV encouraged everyone to attend the Chamber's Annual Installation and Awards Banquet on June 19th at Elmcrest Banquet Hall in Elmwood Park.

Tony Bell of the Wednesday Journal reminded members of the approaching deadlines for this year's Community Guide.

All Board Members were asked to remain following the meeting for a brief meeting to elect Officers and for the Board's photograph for the Community Guide.

For lack of further discussion Gary W. Woll moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Henderson Yarbrough Sr. seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria Haas
Secretary Pro Tempore

CHAMBER LEADERSHIP

President/CEO: **Edwin H. Walker IV**
Individual Member

Immediate Past President:
Karen A. Yarbrough (B.C. 07) (B)
Hathaway Insurance

Chairman: **Jesse L. Howard, Jr.** (B.C. 07)(B)
Howard Properties, Inc.

1st Vice Chairman: **Gregory A. Paulus** (B.C.08)(B)
Alechri Properties, Inc.

2nd Vice Chairman: **Audrey C. Jaycox** (B.C. 08)(I)
Individual Member

Secretary/
Treasurer: **Kathleen I. Carani** (B.C. 08)(I)
Individual Member

Class of 2007:

Director: **Sam Balark** (B)
AT&T

Director: **Jeffery D. Cooks** (NFP)
Triton College

Director: **Steven Fox** *(B)
1st Suburban National Bank

Director: **Stan D. Huntington** (NFP)
Maywood Public Library

Director: **Donald A. Offermann** (B)
Forest Park National Bank

Director: **Virginia Olson** (B)
Happy Hounds & Cats

Director: **Larry Rassin** (B)
Aetna Plywood

Director: **James E. Whitehead** (NFP)
Loyola University Medical
Center

Class of 2008

Director: **Dean M. Hobson** (NFP)
Westlake Hospital

Director: **Carolyn Johnson** (I)
Individual Member

Director: **Viola Mims** (B)
Vintage Realtors

Director: **John Murphy** (B)
Cintas Corporation

Director: **Robert L. Nelis, Sr.** (Gvt)
Village Manager

Chaplain: **Rev. Jacques A. Conway**
Individual Member

Honorary Lifetime Director:
Hugh A. Muir (I)
Individual Member

TEN MEMBERS ELECTED TO BOARD, CLASS OF 2009

Ten members of the Board of Directors, Class of 2009, were elected during the April Maywood Chamber of Commerce General Meeting on Monday, April 16, 2007 at Triton College, 2000 5th Avenue, River Grove, Illinois.

The list of nominees submitted by the Nominating Committee and unanimously elected to the Board, included:

Incumbents: Sam Balark, AT&T; Jeffery D. Cooks, Triton College; Steve Fox, 1st Suburban National Bank; Stan D. Huntington, Maywood Public Library; Jesse L. Howard, Jr., Howard Properties, Inc.; Donald A. Offermann, Forest Park National

Bank; Virginia Olson, Happy Hounds/Cats 5th Avenue; Larry Rassin, Aetna Plywood, Inc.; James E. Whitehead, Loyola University Health Systems; Karen A. Yarbrough, Hathaway Insurance Agency.

The Board is made up of twenty members, with twelve representing businesses, four representing not-for-profits, three individual residents, and one representative from municipal government.

Half the Board is elected each year to a two-year term. Meetings are held monthly on the Tuesday preceding the General Meeting (the 3rd Monday) at 4:00 P.M., in the Maywood Public

Library Board Room (Carnegie Building), 121 South 5th Avenue, Maywood.

The board is structured with nine standing committees, who deal with various topics from Administrative (Bylaws, Resolutions, Nominating, Audit), Budget & Finance to Membership, Economic Development, Governmental Affairs, Programming, Marketing & Public Relations, and Health.

The Board Class of 2009 will be installed during the Annual Installation & Awards Banquet on Tuesday, 19 June, 2007 by Past President Donald L. Williams.

INSTALLATION & AWARDS BANQUET INVITATIONS ARE BE- ING MAILED

Invitations are being mailed to our Annual Installation & Awards Banquet, to be held on Tuesday, June 19, 2007, 6:00 P.M., at Elmcrest Banquets, 7370 West Grand Avenue, Elmwood Park, Illinois.

Please submit payment (\$55 per person) with your reservation to the Maywood Chamber of Commerce, c/o Audrey C. Jaycox, 801 West Washington Blvd., Maywood, IL 60153 in the return envelope, enclosed with your invitation, by Monday, June 11, 2007.

Invite your friends and help support the work of the Chamber, since the Banquet serves as our major annual fundraiser.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MEMBERS' DUES MUST BE PAID IMMEDIATELY IN ORDER FOR THE MEMBER TO BE INCLUDED IN THE TWO LISTINGS (ALPHABETICAL & CATEGORICAL) IN THE 2007 MAYWOOD COMMUNITY GUIDE.

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

Corbin Colonial Funeral Chapel, Ltd.
1001 Madison Street
Maywood, IL 60153
Randy C. Corbin, Pres./CEO
708-410-0287
Fax: 708-410-0554
Cell: 708-415-2191
www.corbincolonialfuneralchapel.com

UNITED CONCRETE, INC. BREAKS GROUND FOR A NEW \$5-MILLION FACILITY

On Wednesday, 4 April 2007, Mayor Henderson Yarbrough, Sr., along with Village Manager, Robert N. Nelis, Sr., Chamber President/CEO Edwin H. Walker IV, Chamber Board Chairman Jesse L. Howard, Jr. and other Village residents joined Chris Vene, President, United Concrete, Inc., and Mike Borjas, General Manager, United Concrete, Inc., in breaking ground for a new \$5-million facility at Ninth Avenue and St. Charles Road.

The Company will build a two-story facility, which will be used for the manufacture of dry concrete mix and for the repair and maintenance of the concrete trucks, used to transport the concrete mix, in its wet form, to various construction sites. Thirty to forty jobs will be available for application by residents. The Company plans to have the building up and running by December, 2007.

This development completes the rejuvenation of the old American Can Company site, beginning with Aetna Plywood, Inc. in 2000, followed by Cintas Corporation in 2005.

NOTE: MAY CHAMBER GENERAL MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

The Maywood Chamber of Commerce
Box 172
Maywood, Illinois 60153

POSTMASTER: DO NOT FORWARD

The Chamber Newsletter is published by the Maywood Chamber of Commerce monthly except July and August.

Letters to the editor should be addressed to:
P.O. Box 172, Maywood, IL 60153

Editor-in-Chief: Edwin H. Walker IV

CHAMBER 2007 CALENDAR

- | | |
|---------|--|
| May 15 | Board of Directors
4 pm Maywood Public Library
(Board Room)
121 S. 5th Avenue, Maywood |
| May 21 | Chamber General Luncheon Meeting
<u>has been cancelled!</u> |
| June 12 | Board of Directors
4 pm Maywood Public Library
(Board Room)
121 S. 5th Avenue, Maywood |
| June 19 | Annual Installation & Awards Banquet
6:00 p.m., Elmcrest Banquets,
7370 West Grand Avenue,
Elmwood Park, Illinois |

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS
MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2007.**