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Chamber Members is
Good Business!**



August Downtown Live Kicks Off Summerfest with *Flashback*

Flashback returns to kick off Summerfest at the August Downtown Live.

The Friday, August 26th concert will feature the six-piece group playing a mix of Beach, Oldies, and Classic Rock music. The group is a perennial favorite of Summerfest and draws a huge crowd with its high-energy show.

Downtown Live is a series of free public concerts in the parking lot of Whitesides Cleaners located at the corner of Madison and North Congress Streets in historic, downtown York.

Palmetto Fresh Market is the food vendor for the evening, and the Chamber will offer soft drinks and adult beverages.

Of course, Downtown Live would not be possible without the help of our sponsors or the volunteers that serve beverages, sell raffle tickets, haul ice, place signs, and clean up.



Flashback performing at the 2010 August Downtown Live.

Special Thanks to Our 2011 Downtown Live Series Sponsors

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Greater York Chamber of Commerce Selects *First Citizens Bank*

as its August 2011
Business of the Month



Greater York Chamber President Nancy Warren is flanked by First Citizens Senior Vice President Billy Arthur and Assistant Vice President Lee Youngblood at the presentation of the August 2011 Business of the Month award.

The Greater York Chamber of Commerce selected First Citizens as its August 2011 Business of the Month in late July.

With roots dating back to 1913, First Citizens serves customers in South Carolina and Georgia through an extensive network of branches and ATMs.

In addition to offering a

wide range of banking services for individuals and businesses, First Citizens offers brokerage and investment services through First Citizens Securities Corporation.

First Citizens also provides wealth management, trust and retirement services for their customers.

With these capabilities,

First Citizens can offer the products and services of a large institution while maintaining a focus on competent, personal, and urgent attention to customers' needs.

Headquartered in Columbia, SC, First Citizens is a subsidiary of First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc., a bank holding company with more than \$8 billion in assets.



Summerfest T-Shirts Arrive August 4

Come celebrate summer with the 2011 Summerfest t-shirt commemorating the 28th year of the festival.

The t-shirts will be available for purchase from the Chamber and at other fine York establishments, including Bank of York, First Citizens, Clover Community Bank, Medicap Pharmacy, Jasmine's Cafe and Gifts and Hummingbird Forest.

Cost of the shirt is \$10 and are available in sizes small to extra, extra large.

Summerfest Showcases Members

Over 40,000 people are expected in downtown York on August 27, 2011. Where will your business be?

Summerfest gives Chamber members the opportunity to provide information and offer promotional items to festivalgoers, but only if members participate.

Get your Summerfest General Vendor application at the Chamber website: GreaterYorkChamber.com.

The 28th Annual Summerfest will be held on Saturday, August 27, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Made Changes Lately? Check out the Chamber's Business Directory
www.greateryorkchamber.com

Director's Report

The South Carolina Chamber of Commerce is bringing its Grassroots Network Meeting to York County. You are invited to attend the York Regional Grassroots Network Meeting on

Wednesday, August 23rd, from 12:00 noon-1:30

p.m. at the City Club in Rock Hill. South Carolina.

Join the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce and Chambers of Commerce of York County and make your points.

The meeting is an open-forum session where attendees identify issues of importance for their business and community to the group for possible inclu-

sion in the State Chamber's 2012 Competitiveness Agenda, the business community's annual list of legislative priorities. The meeting will begin with a review of the 2011 legisla-



tive session from the South Carolina Chamber's Public Policy staff before moving into an open discussion of legislative issues.

South Carolina is faced with some very important issues that will have a significant impact on the business community in York County. With an economy still struggling to recover, high unemployment, a tight

budget, education funding problems across the State, natural resources under attack, rising cost of energy, food, and gas, and transportation infrastructure needs, these are clear indications

we should all sign up and attend this meeting. Your input is critical if the issues facing our state and the business

community are going to be dealt with.

Mark your calendars today for the York Regional Grassroots Network Meeting on Wednesday, August 23rd! To register, visit www.scchamber.net or contact Julie Scott at 803-799-4601 or grassroots@scchamber.net.

There is an \$18 charge at the door for lunch.

Welcome New Members

Please take a moment and join the Chamber in welcoming our newest members. A quick phone call or even a personal invitation to an upcoming Chamber event can make all the difference in helping new members feel welcome.

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The Men's Club of York

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Nominations Needed for Board of Directors

The Greater York Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for the Class of 2014 Board of Directors.

The nomination form is an

insert in this month's issue of The Partner.

Please submit nominations by August 15, 2011. Members may call in their nomi-

nation to 684-2590, fax the nomination form to 684-2575, email to info@greateryorkchamber.com, or mail the form to PO Box

97, York, SC 29745.

A slate of six candidates shall be voted on at the October Board of Directors meeting and take office January 2012.

Calendar

Vote Yes

Pennies for Progress

Tuesday, August 2, 2011

Townhall Meeting with

Senator Wes Hayes

Thursday, August 11, 2011

5:30 ~ 7:30 p.m.

Glennon Center
15033 Molokai Drive
Tega Cay, SC

Grass Roots Meeting

Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Noon to 1:30 p.m.
City Club, Rock Hill

Downtown Live

Featuring *Flashback*

Friday, August 26

5:30 p.m. ~ 9:30 p.m.

Whitesides Cleaners
Madison & Congress
Streets

28th Annual

Summerfest

Saturday, August 27, 2011

9 a.m. ~ 5 p.m.

Downtown York

GYCC Board ~ 2nd Tuesday

7:30 AM

Economic ~ 1st Tuesday

7:30 AM

Education ~ 3rd Wednesday

8:00 AM

Government ~ 4th Thursday

7:30 AM

Membership ~ 4th Thursday

5:30 PM

Summerfest ~ 4th Tuesday

6:30 PM

Adult Enrichment Centers of York Hosts July Business After Hours

Adult Enrichment Centers of York hosted the July Business After Hours at its York facility on Pacific Avenue. The agency is comprised of three facilities in York, Rock Hill and Ft. Mill that provide respite care, social care, medical care, Alzheimer's care and full-service care, including transportation, family counseling, rehabilitation and therapy, nutritious meals and snacks and fun activities for adults during the day so their caregivers can go to work, run errands, or simply take a much needed breather.



City of York Mayor Pro Tem Charles Johnson and Councilman Harmon Merritt are front and center at the July Business After Hours.



From right, Adult Enrichment Centers of York Director Dee Curran, York lawyer Jim Bradford and Chamber Administrative Assistant Leah Vesselov enjoy a bit of punch at the July Business After Hours.

D&B Jewelry and Pawn Celebrate Grand Opening

The Greater York Chamber of Commerce hosted a Ribbon Cutting ceremony to celebrate the grand opening of York's newest downtown business, D&B Jewelry and Pawn on Wednesday, July 20, 2011.

York Mayor Eddie Lee and Chamber Representative Robert Winkler of Edward Jones was on hand to help Debbie and Bobby Overstreet cut the ribbon.



The Board of Directors of the Greater York Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the following businesses for their sponsorship of the 2011 newsletter.

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