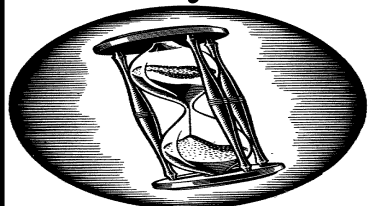


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You and your guests are cordially invited to attend the

## 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

Friday, January 18, 2008

Spring Lake Country Club

375 Spring Lake Road • York, SC

Opening Reception ~ 7:00 PM (Cash Bar)

Heavy Hors D' Oeuvres ~ 7:30 PM

Business Meeting ~ 8:00 PM

Officer and Board Member Recognition

Award Presentations

Music by MoJo Entertainment

*Please RSVP by Wednesday, January 11, 2008*



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# Phil Dibrell Agency ~ Allstate Insurance Company

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***Business of the Month***



The Phil Dibrell Agency offers 13 major lines of insurance through the Allstate Insurance Company. Allstate Corporation is the nation's largest publicly held personal lines insurer. The agency is staffed with a Financial Specialist and Benefit Specialist. They work with individuals and small to large groups with Health, Disability and Supplemental benefits. Phil is also Personal Financial Representative, who is licensed to sell financial products such as IRAs, mutual funds, variable life insurance, variable annuity products and more. The Phil Dibrell Allstate agency is located at 817 East Liberty Street in York.

Please join the Greater York Chamber of Commerce in congratulating Phil Dibrell Agency~Allstate Insurance Company upon being chosen the January 2008 Business of the Month.

Pictured from left to right: GYCC President Maria Duncan presenting the award to Phil Dibrell Owner of Phil Dibrell Agency/Allstate Insurance Company.

## Thank You ~ York Christmas Parade Volunteers!

Bank of York

Tommy Dickson ~ Joe Henderson ~ Mike Hill ~ Marc Lubiato ~ Grier Sandifer ~ Karl Munn

The following York Comprehensive High School students who chauffeured dignitaries: Rick Carver, Cole Greene, Kirbie Hall, Emma Hill, Ruthie Hiott, Corey Knecht, Allison Lanning, Chelsea Moody, Katisha Morrison, Andy Neelands, Mitesh Patel, April Sanders and Shelby Stewart. YCHS students who carried the parade banner: Nadar Alizadeh, Malia Schofield

*Thank you to **Dickerson Ford and Dunlap-Johnson Chevrolet** who provided beautiful parade vehicles.*

*Thank you to **York Lumber Company** for donating the stakes for the lineup.*

## ***Director's Report***

2007 is officially over and in the history books. For the Chamber, 2007 turned out to be a very good year. Summerfest while very hot, still brought a large crowd to the streets of York to shop, eat, check their health, view old cars, and be entertained. Downtown Live in its second year draw amazingly large crowds for each performance that provided a welcome summer relief. The Business After Hours events filled selected months with opportunities for members to meet new members and speak to old friends. Eight new Chamber members were welcomed to the community with Ribbon Cuttings/Grand Openings. The Chamber's web page received a major face-lift increasing the functionality and ease of access, which will prove beneficial to member's business. The final event for the year was the traditional Christmas parade which ushers in the holiday season. This year the parade had 98 entries representing the entire spectrum of life in York County. 2008 is in the wings ready to step forward, the Chamber wishes each of its members a Happy and Successful New Year.

# Events

**January 10th**

4-7 PM

New Office Open House  
& Ribbon Cutting

York County Clemson Extension

**January 17th**

5:30-7:30 PM

Business After Hours  
Yorktowne Village

**January 18th**

GYCC Annual Meeting

**January 25th**

11:30 AM

Ribbon Cutting  
Curves of York

GYCC Board ~ 2nd Tues @ 7:30 AM  
Economic ~ 1st Tues of Jan, Mar, May,  
July, Sept, Nov @ 7:30 AM  
Education ~ 3rd Wed @ 7:30 AM  
Government ~ 3rd Tues @ 7:30 AM  
Membership ~ 2nd Mon @ 5:30 PM

## Leadership York County

Members of the Leadership York County class met in December to learn more about Health and Human Services in our community. The group met with Stefan Magura of Piedmont Medical Center and Kim Keel of the United Way of York County as well as representatives of the Upper Palmetto YMCA. Other sessions during the day included tours of the Children's Attention Home and other human service agencies in the area.

The class members will develop and implement a group service project to benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs of York County. The group will support mentoring efforts of the agency by developing a Young Professionals Board to oversee fundraising and volunteer recruitment, by securing corporate and individual contributions and by laying the groundwork for future expansion of the Club into western York County.

Leadership York County is a program of the chambers of commerce of York County, including the York County Regional Chamber, Greater Clover, Greater York and Lake Wylie Chambers of Commerce.



*YouLead participant Matthew Bledsoe of York Comprehensive High School helped with some heavy-lifting at the Clover Area Assistance Center this month. The group sorted and shelved over 2200 canned goods, filed paperwork for 1500 families in need, set-up new computer stations, and helped out with various other tasks during their "Making a Difference Day". The class will complete their next service project with Keystone Substance Abuse Services in March of 2008.*

Open House  
& Ribbon Cutting  
January 10, 2008

4 PM ~ 7 PM

York County Clemson University Extension  
120 N. Congress Street ~ York, SC  
Join the celebration and tour the new office.

Ribbon Cutting  
Curves of York

710 East Liberty, Suite E, York, SC

January 25, 2008 ~ 11:30 AM

Come celebrate & meet new owner  
Rebecca Beavers!

## Family Trust \$1,000 Volunteerism Scholarship

The 5th Annual Eddie Reeves Scholarship will be awarded to one member of Family Trust who has exhibited leadership in the capacity of being a 'volunteer.' The scholarship is named after Eddie Reeves, a credit union volunteer for over 30-years. A committee that includes members of Mr. Reeves' family will select the recipient of the \$1,000 scholarship. The winner's name will also be placed on a plaque that hangs in the lobby of the main Family Trust office. All nominations must be turned in to Family Trust by February 1, 2008.

The nomination must include the following information: 1. The nominee's name and school, workplace, or retired status, etc. 2. Specific volunteer leadership roles. 3. Describe the nominee's areas of leadership and how he or she leads with excellence. 4. Explain why the nominee is deserving of recognition. You can submit the application one of two ways, visit [www.familytrust.org](http://www.familytrust.org) to complete the application online or download the application and mail to: Family Trust FCU, ATTN: Eddie Reeves Scholarship, P.O. Drawer 10233, Rock Hill, SC 29731. The committee will make their decision and award the scholarship to the recipient at Family Trust's Annual Meeting on April 8th. For additional information, please contact Miesha Wiley at (803) 367-4100 or visit our website at [www.familytrust.org](http://www.familytrust.org).

# Ribbon Cutting

*Edward Jones*

*Robert Winkler, Financial Advisor*

*December 14, 2007*

A Ribbon Cutting for Edward Jones was held on Friday, December 14, 2007. Edward Jones is located at 128-A North Congress Street in York, SC.

Edward Jones headquartered in St. Louis, in one of the nation's most convenient suppliers of financial products for individual investors. Edward Jones is one of the only firms to serve individual investors exclusively. The firm has more than 7 million clients.



*Pictured cutting the ribbon from left to right are GYCC President Maria Duncan, Mayor Eddie Lee, Robert Winkler, and Representative Herb Kirsh. Friends, family, city officials and GYCC members were also in attendance to celebrate the opening.*

# York Christmas Parade



# Holiday Business After Hours

*December 18, 2007*

*Hosted By*

*Greater York Chamber of Commerce  
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At McCelvey Center*



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