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**Doing Business with  
Chamber Members is  
Good Business!**



## *Pocketful of Strange* Rocks May Downtown Live Concert



Pete Hicks adds the harp between belting out vocals, as guitarist Rob Carlisle, bassist John Wadsworth, and drummer Jason Bone accompany him at Downtown Live, May 19.

*Pocketful of Strange* rocked Downtown Live's May concert on May 19, with concertgoers getting in the groove and up on their feet to the band's eclectic mix of R&B, Funk, Soul, and Rock & Roll.

The Greater York Chamber of Commerce's Downtown Live Concert Series will return Thursday, June 16, 2011, with additional sponsorship from Lowe's Home Improvement.

The free concert series is scheduled for the third Thursday during May, June, and July from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the parking lot of Whitesides Cleaners at the corner of Madison and North Congress Streets in beautiful, historical, downtown York.

The August concert is the fourth Friday as a lead in for the Chamber's annual Summerfest, on Saturday August 27.

Rain date for the June concert is June 23, 2011.

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# Greater York Chamber of Commerce Selects *YC Magazine*

as its June 2011  
Business of the Month



**GYCC President Nancy Warren presents Bill and Pam Henson with the June 2011 Business of the Month Award.**

The Greater York Chamber of Commerce chose *YC Magazine* as its June 2011 Business of the Month.

Bill and Pam Henson first published *YC Magazine* in January 2004. It was based on an idea of community — covering York County by York County.

“We wanted to provide readers with quality content and lots of it,” said Bill Henson. “The comment we constantly hear from readers is, ‘I read it cover-to-cover, and I read it every month.’”

And that has allowed *YC* to continually grow with a pickup rate that is considered extraordinary by industry standards.

*YC Magazine* was the first publication to capitalize the term “Western York County” because it is viewed as a distinct place, rather than a geographic designation. But the magazine sees the county as a whole, with no favoritism toward either side.

Bill handles the content of the magazine and is well-known for having an outspoken opinion on virtually everything. Pam handles the look and feel of the magazine and designs the majority of the ads. Misty Hall is the sales executive and has more than 11 years experience in helping clients promote their businesses.

Currently, Bill is also handling the upcoming installation of a new disc golf course for the city of York at the Recreation Complex and is looking for savvy businesses to help sponsor the project.

Each month *YC Magazine* features columns on history, medicine, law, politics, senior issues, music, golf, disc golf, business, marketing, life issues, outdoor and recreational activities, horticulture, cars, nature, local libraries, and photography. You’ll encounter funny stories and pithy opinions. “And you’ll always find it to be a good read,” said Bill.



**Immediate Past President Rick Jiran congratulates Kaitlyn Nicole Childress.**

The Greater York Chamber selected York Comprehensive High School’s Kaitlyn Nicole Childress as the recipient of the Chamber’s annual scholarship during the school’s Academic Awards Night on Tuesday, May 23, 2011.

## Business After Hours

Hosted by  
**Oliver Eye  
Associates**

Tuesday  
June 21, 2011

5:30 p.m. ~ 7:30 p.m.  
46 North Congress Street  
York, SC

Join us for refreshments and networking opportunities.

## 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.

Remember, doing business with Chamber Members is good business.

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Dr. Vernon Prosser and  
Teacher of the Year  
LaToya Lowry

York School District One named LaToya Lowry as its Teacher of the Year during a banquet May 10, 2011.

Lowry is a National Board Certified teacher who teaches the second grade single-gender girls class at Jefferson Elementary.

## Director's Report

The South Carolina General Assembly will wrap up this first year of a two year session with several pieces of legislation left hanging on the vine. The Senate has been consumed with the 2011-2012 budget leaving very little time for issues with wide business interest. Left undone is Tort Reform, Unemployment Insurance Tax Relief, Government Restructuring allowing the Governor and Lt. Governor to run on the same ticket and allowing the Governor to appoint the Superintendent of Education, formation of a Department of Administration under the Governor, Business License Fees, Charter Schools, etc. It is very like these issues will have to wait until the legislature returns to Columbia in

January. Between now and the next legislative session the Chamber will develop its Legislative Agenda outlining the issues Chamber Members feel the legislators need to address.

On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Western York County Senior Expo was held at Filbert Presbyterian Church in their family life center. The event was sponsored by the Greater Clover Chamber, ICE-Individuals Caring for the Elderly and the Greater York Chamber. This year 54 exhibitors signed up to offer their products and services to the more than 180 attending seniors and caregivers of seniors. 2011 marks the 4<sup>th</sup> year the event has been offered and each year the number of attendees has grown indicating more seniors and caregivers are seeking information about

available help. Proceeds from the event are divided equally between two organizations one in Clover and one in York for their use to help people in need.

Two issues you should take note of Redistricting and Charleston Port dredging. Thanks to Senator Graham, and Congressmen Clyburn and Scott for obtaining the funds for the port dredging study. With the completion of the 2010 Census, states, counties and municipalities will need to redraw district voting lines due to population shifts. The result of York County's growth is additional representation in both houses of the General Assembly, and for South Carolina, a 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional seat. Redistricting means more representation for the County and for South Carolina.

## Calendar

### Ribbon Cutting

Debra Williams  
State Farm  
Thursday, June 2, 2011  
4 p.m.  
4968 Old York Road  
Rock Hill, SC

### Business After Hours

Oliver Eye Associates  
Tuesday, June 21, 2011  
5:30 ~ 7:30 p.m.  
46 N. Congress St.  
York, SC

### Downtown Live

Thursday, June 16  
5:30 p.m. ~ 9:30 p.m.  
Whitesides Cleaners  
Madison & Congress  
Streets

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

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# Dickerson Motor Company Celebrates 70 Years at the May Business After Hours

Dickerson Motor Company celebrated its 70th year in business during the Chamber's May Business After Hours on Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at its original location on Congress Street in historical, downtown York.

The rain ended just in time for Chamber Members, York City officials and long-time friends and customers of the company to drop in to celebrate and partake of a tasty BBQ, cooked up by Jim Dickerson.



Kip Kohn of Sports Fans Ink and Deborah Baker hit the fruit and veggie bar during the celebration.



James Dickerson is flanked by his sons, Jim and Danny Dickerson at the May Business After Hours.

## Ribbon Cutting Commemorates Expansion of Oliver Eye Associates

Oliver Eye Associates celebrates the expansion of its business with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

GYCC President Nancy Warren, York Mayor Eddie Lee and Dr. Bill Oliver smile just before the ribbon is cut.



## York School District One Teachers of the Year

From left: GYCC President Nancy Warren, District Teacher of the Year LaToya Lowry, Jefferson Elementary; Mary Beth Harper, Hickory Grove/Sharon Elementary; Michele Alston, York Middle School; Ashley Oliver, York Intermediate; Charlene Cathcart, York Comprehensive High School; Stella Magliolo, Floyd D. Johnson Technology Center; Eileen Palmer, Cottonbelt Elementary; and Jennifer Capps, Hunter Street Elementary.

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