

- **Chambers of Commerce and Visitor and Convention Bureaus**

- **Definitions:**

Chamber of Commerce - an association of businesses in a city, region, or state, devoted in part to promoting the business interests of its members. Chambers of Commerce are often active in promoting tourism to their areas.

- **Visitors and Convention Bureaus** – an association of businesses in a city, region, or state, devoted to the promotion of tourism.

- **Area Chambers of Commerce**

- **Baraboo Area Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: ribbon cutting—free publicity, relocation packets, membership based organization, great opportunity to meet others, listed on website, membership directory, advertising opportunities in directory, other advertising in chamber newsletter available. Business after five, referral program, calendar of events, and direct people to SCDC. Networking with area businesses.

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- **Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: Networking with area businesses.

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- **Cambria-Friesland Area Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: feature articles on new businesses in the area, membership fee helps with advertising on the site and other perks of being a member, is an agriculture community, a lot township involvement, and is two communities in one chamber, Cambria and Friesland. Networking with area businesses.

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- **Fall River Chamber of Commerce**
Services provided: features an article in the Columbus and Daily Citizen. The Chamber gives direction to businesses of where to go. The Fall River Chamber is working on getting health insurance for the chamber members. For little money there is a huge amount of advertising that is done and offered. The big festival, Shiverfest is not to be overlooked, excellent networking opportunities and fun to be had. The Chamber's mission is to serve the entire membership by providing a united voice to address the needs and goals. Intends to move our business community forward and remain current and competitive. Networking with area businesses.

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- **Lake Wisconsin Area Chamber of Commerce**
Services provided: membership benefits include:
Co-op advertising brochure with a map which is distributed at various travel/trade shows that are voted on by the members. Member brochures are also distributed at these trade shows.

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- **Lodi Chamber of Commerce**
Services provided: discount co-op advertising in key markets, free listing on chamber city of Lodi map, involvement in many special events, quarterly chamber newsletters, support of local causes and community-building projects, exclusive referrals for your business or organization, business listing and site link on the chamber web page, networking with other local business people, and bulk rate postage for special mailings. Networking with area businesses.

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○ **Portage Area Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: seminars/workshops, visitor information, meeting/seminar assistance, mailing labels, research services, tourism development, networking opportunities, advertising window space, monthly newsletter, annual visitor guide, new business guidance, meeting room, literature display space. Annual events include: annual banquet, business to business exchange, annual golf outing, concert in the park, taste of Portage market fair, Pumpkinfest, holiday festivities, and educational seminars. Networking with area businesses.

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○ **Poynette Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: ribbon cutting which promotes a new business in town. First year membership is free of charge. Membership entitles free advertising on the web. Monthly meetings are held at different business locations. Once a year, there is a potluck with business card exchange. Networking with area businesses.

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○ **Randolph Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: ribbon cutting which promotes a new business in town. Membership entitles free advertising in chamber brochure, and website advertising. Networking with area businesses.

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○ **Reedsburg Area Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: referrals, ribbon cutting, business after five, membership enhanced advertising, networking, business education forums, packets of information to start up in Reedsburg from SCDC, general information about Reedsburg, and several festivals in and around Reedsburg

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○ **Sauk Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: ribbon cuttings, our networking consists of business after five, annual meeting, golf outing, and other networking opportunities. We will initiate breakfast mini-seminars for small businesses once a quarter or so. We also allow them to look at our Tapestry CD here in the office which has Market Potential Indices which can be very helpful. Networking with area businesses.

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○ **Spring Green Area Chamber of Commerce**

Services provided: membership fee includes: a free listing the Spring Green website and more. Publishes the Spring Green Area Guide every year with the opportunity to have the new business included. Have social events that include a golf outing. There are after hour socials with Dodgeville & Mineral Point Chambers of Commerce about two to three times per year. Networking with area businesses.

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- **Visitor and Convention Bureaus**

- **Columbia County Visitor Bureau**

Services provided:

With tourism promotion as its mission, the Columbia County Visitor's bureau (CCVB) promotes existing businesses, assists in new business promotion, and brings a new and expanded customer (tourist) base to all businesses.

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- **Wisconsin Dells Visitor and Convention Bureau**

Services provided:

The Wisconsin Dells Visitor & Convention Bureau is a private, not-for-profit membership organization that offers marketing support to those businesses who commit to support it. In addition, a wide variety of opportunities, from employee recruitment and education to innovative marketing programs, are offered to the membership. By working together to effectively maximize resources, the strength of the entire Wisconsin Dells community grows.

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