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## Events and Information

October 10, 2011



### UPCOMING EVENTS

[October 20 - Education Seminar/Websites 101--What You Should Know About Your Website But Don't](#)

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For a complete listing of all  
**UPCOMING AVON CHAMBER  
EVENTS** [CLICK HERE](#)

### If Your Business Was Impacted by Hurricane Irene --

There is help available! Through the state Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) the state of Connecticut is offering affected businesses assistance, including bridge financing and loans covering uninsured losses. For more information on the programs and funding available please go to [www.DECD.org](http://www.DECD.org) or call **860.270.8215**.



Join Us For Our October 2011  
**Business After Hours**  
Today is your **LAST CHANCE** to Register

### FINAL UPDATE: ONLY 30 SPACES LEFT

Miller Foods is known for its high quality turkey -- but they offer so much more than just turkey. This event will provide you with a delicious overview of the wide variety of foods Miller's has on-hand, ready to cook for tonight's dinner or to help you prepare for those special holiday gatherings. Miller Foods has a subsidiary -- Oma's Pride -- to satisfy the needs of your special pets as well. From raw food to the convenience of yummy



## FEATURED MEMBER BENEFIT

### JOIN A CHAMBER COMMITTEE

Did you know that by volunteering as little as an hour a month you can directly impact the future of your Avon Chamber? Other benefits of getting involved with a Chamber committee include:

- \*Increased visibility within the organization
- \*Greater opportunity for professional networking
- \*Learning new concepts
- \*Leadership skill development
- \*Resume building

Join the committee that interests you the most -- **Education**, **Marketing**, or **Membership** -- and reap the benefits! To learn more about the Chamber's committees or to volunteer -- call Lisa at the Chamber office.

To see **ALL THE BENEFITS** your Avon Chamber has to offer [CLICK HERE](#)

**GOT AN EVENT OR SPECIAL FOR  
WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE  
MEMBERS  
EMAIL -- 50 WORDS OR LESS -- TO  
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**WHAT'S  
HAPPENING  
WITH THE  
MEMBERS**

### FARMINGTON VALLEY VISITORS ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, October 20 & 27, 4-9 PM, Friday, October 21 & 28, 4-9 PM, Saturday, October 22 & 29, 11 AM-9 PM, Sunday, October 23 & 30, 11 AM-8 PM, and Monday, October 31, 4-7 PM, the **Farmington Valley Visitors Association** will be holding their **4th Annual Haunted Miniature Golf** at Farmington Miniature Golf & Ice Cream Parlor. For more

freeze-dried treats, Oma's Pride has it all. Don't miss your chance to see everything Miller Foods and Oma's Pride has to offer you and your family!

**Please note:** Because the venue for this event is the home of the Miller-Stevens family, **attendance is limited to 100!** So sign up early and be one of the lucky ones to taste the hospitality of Miller Foods and Oma's Pride.



## OMA'S PRIDE

### October 2011 Business After Hours

hosted by: **Miller Foods  
Oma's Pride**

308 Arch Road, Avon  
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12**  
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

**RESERVATION REQUIRED** by **MONDAY,  
OCTOBER 10**

Members - Free, Non-Members - \$20



## Education Seminar Websites 101--What You Should Know About Your Website But Don't

You have a website . . . but do you really know what to do with it, or what it can do for your business? Come to this seminar and learn the basics of making your website work for you.



**Conquest**  
CONSULTING

### Education Seminar/Websites 101 -- What You Should Know About Your Website But Don't

presented by: **Conquest Consulting**  
hosted by: **COCC**

135 Darling Drive, Avon Park South, Avon  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20**  
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

**RESERVATION REQUIRED** by **TUESDAY,  
OCTOBER 18**

FREE to Avon Chamber Members

information call **860.676.8878**

### GOLF CLUB OF AVON

The **Golf Club of Avon** is running a **Membership Campaign** for a short time only! All new Golf Members will receive a significant discount on the posted Golf Membership Initiation Fees. Call Gina today to find out more. **860.673.3216**

### ROYAL PROCLAMATIONS

**Royal Proclamations** is now accepting **Registrations for the 2nd Annual Total Woman Conference (TWC) for Girls and Young Women**. The TWC experience will celebrate, applaud, refresh & equip girls and young women with insight and inspiration for success in all spheres of their lives. The conference is slated for Saturday, October 22, 9 AM-5 PM, at Capital Community College, Centinell Hall. To register call **860.967.1094**

### TALCOTT MOUNTAIN SCIENCE CENTER

On Friday, October 14, 6-8 PM, **Talcott Mountain Science Center** will be holding an **Evening of Astronomical Observation**. The evening will begin with watching the Sun set, then becoming acquainted with the autumn sky and using the wide array telescopes to observe the planets, another galaxy, and many more celestial gems. Cost is \$5/Members, \$8/Non-Members. No private cars may drive to the Science Center. Transportation for the event will leave the Walmart Commuter Lot in Avon at 5:45 p.m. For more information call **860.677.8571**

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## Join Us For Our November 2011 Morning Business Network Connection

This group provides an excellent opportunity to network with other Chamber members and guests in a more intimate setting. All attendees have the chance to briefly introduce themselves and their business. So stop by, promote your business, and exchange ideas and referrals.



**Another Great Reason to Attend** -- At the conclusion of the networking portion of this event a different Avon Chamber member is featured and has the opportunity to offer a **3-Minute Presentation**. A new member is chosen each month -- YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO BE CONSIDERED

November's Presenter is:

**Don Bonner** of  
**Bonner & Company**



**We are also collecting  
non-perishable food every month at  
this event to be given to the Avon  
Food Bank**

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR FOOD  
DONATION!!!**

**November 2011 Morning Business Network  
Connection**  
hosted by: **COSI**

385 West Main Street/Route 44, Avon  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2**  
8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

Members - Free, First-Time Guests - Free



Education Seminar  
Websites 200--Search  
Engine Optimization  
Demystified

Come to this seminar and





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understand the secrets of optimizing your business' website to achieve top search engine rankings and increase your sales.



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135 Darling Drive, Avon Park South, Avon  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10**  
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

**RESERVATION REQUIRED** by **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

FREE to Avon Chamber Members

## Information on **New** Chamber Insurance Programs

### Aetna Small Group Health Insurance for Chamber Members

We are pleased to announce Aetna is now offering Chamber members **SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE**. These plans include several consumer-directed, HSA-compatible options.



With any of the plans available, Chamber members will receive access to Aetna's industry-leading online tools, as well as other Aetna resources specifically designed for small businesses, including: the **Small Business Tax Credit Calculator** that quickly helps you determine if your company is eligible for a tax credit through the Affordable Care Act, along with the **Aetna Resource Connection** that gives participants access to discounts on a variety of services.

Also, this insurance may be integrated with Aetna's new **Chamber Hospital Indemnity Plan**, an exclusive opportunity for Chamber members that provides a flat-dollar payment for a hospital stay plus a per diem payment for each day in the hospital.

To learn about these new health insurance options

**click on the Aetna Logo above**

## Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Affordable Dental Benefits for Chamber Members

**Chamber Dental  
Prime and Chamber  
Dental Complete** are



competitive insurance programs with one of the largest dental PPO networks in Connecticut. Three core plans are available -- VALUE Dental Plans that include coverage for basic services such as cleanings, x-rays, and fillings; CLASSIC Dental Plans that include coverage for basic services and most major services, all with high annual maximum benefit levels; ENHANCED Plans that offer the greatest level of coverage and include even higher annual maximum benefit levels and lower co-insurance amounts. In addition, VOLUNTARY Dental Plans are available that allow employers to offer dental coverage to their employees at no additional cost. For more information click on this link:

**[Chamber Dental Prime and Chamber Dental Complete](#)**

**\$100 Off  
First  
Month's  
Rent**



This and many other offers are available to Avon Chamber members and their employees as part of our **ACBD (Avon Chamber Business Discounts) Program**. To take advantage you **MUST HAVE AN ACBD CARD**. Cards are available at all Chamber events or you may contact the Chamber office.

Offered by: **Avon Executive Offices \* One Darling Drive \* Avon Park South \* Avon, CT 06001 \* 860.677.8300 \* [avonexecutiveoffices@comcast.net](mailto:avonexecutiveoffices@comcast.net) \* [www.AvonExecutiveOffices.com](http://www.AvonExecutiveOffices.com)**



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