

The Chamber Golf Outing is a great way to thank clients or staff, meet new people, gather with old friends or just tee it up on a (hopefully) sunny June afternoon. Find the sign up sheet in this edition of the Chamber Beacon and sign your team up today. Teams are limited to 25, so get in today!

Businesses who have sponsored the event in the past as Hole Sponsors received a letter asking for their support earlier. We've got some other new, fun sponsorship opportunities available that may help your business. If you have any questions on sponsorships – just call the office at 592-1786.

Get your fearsome foursome entered today!

Limited Time Membership Benefit

Foffun's Online Auctions will be conducting eBay training classes that could help you move old inventory or treasures that you personally don't treasure anymore. If you are a Napoleon/Henry County Chamber Member you will receive \$20 off of each person you enroll.

Right now, 212 million potential buyers of products and services are available to the businesses in Napoleon and Henry County. eBay is growing fast, and buyers now spend \$50 billion a year on eBay. Christina Cousino would like to show the businesses in our community how they can take advantage of this huge marketplace. In just a few hours, they can learn how to add thousands of dollars to their bottom line this year.

Cousino has been trained by eBay to show local business owners how to sell online and to help solve critical business challenges. Shelves stocked with out-of-date merchandise could be a thing of the past. eBay solves many retailer challenges, providing a faster, more profitable sales channel for slow-moving, off-season, returned, and excess inventory. You can discover how eBay can help overcome these challenges. Contact **Foffun's** or email them at service@foffuns.com for more information or to

sign up – make sure to tell them you are a Member of the Napoleon/Henry County Chamber!

The Last Word

Been a little while since I've written a "Last Word" for the Chamber Beacon. My wife would say there were much more important things to put in the newsletter...and she would be right (as usual). The Chamber has been very busy working in a number of different arenas. Our committees are our strength – and the volunteers that lend their time, energy and enthusiasm are the power in those groups.

The Rib Fest Subcommittee has been hard at work on this year's Rib Fest (June 22nd – by the way) since last year. We've got 3 new vendors and are looking to pack the streets of downtown Napoleon again this year.

The Tourism Committee is beginning work on putting an informational packet in all of the hotel and motel rooms here in Henry County. They have been researching other efforts in this area and will be meeting with the lodging folks of the County to get input and guidance from them.

Our Chamber Downtown Committee has been working with the City of Napoleon to place gorgeous banners and beautiful planters in place. The banners are in our office and will be on poles soon and the planters are set to be planted in mid May. They're excited to unveil the efforts.

The Scholarship Ad-Hoc Committee received 16 scholarship applications back from Henry County students and will be working at selecting our initial scholarship recipients. This has been a great experience and hopefully will show our students we support them and would love to have them "show their stuff" after graduation right here at home.

The Golf Outing Committee has been working to come up with some of the new, fun events and opportunities at the golf outing this year.

Pull all of this together with the day-to-day availability of the Chamber office for business needs and the desires of the residents and consumers of the County and you've got a busy office. We wouldn't have it any other way. Let us know how we can help you and your business. Our organization is made up of people who care and want to help. Let's do it together. - **Executive Director Joel Miller**