



Oley Valley Business Association

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July 24, 2008 Mixer

The next OVBA meeting is Thursday, July 24th from 4:30-6:30PM and will be a mixer. The mixer will be held at Union Jack's Inn on the Manatawny. There will be food and a cash bar. Attendees are asked to bring door prizes. Visit Unon Jack's website for directions:

www.unionjacksmanatawny.com/index.php. Please rsvp by July 21.

Please mark your calendar and plan on attending.

Message from OVBA President July 2008

I hope in the busyness of your lives, you have found time to relax and enjoy some downtime this summer.

The officers continue to press ahead with developing ideas for the promotion of the association and its members. At our last meeting time was given for two of our member businesses to introduce themselves. I want to thank Scott Guldin from Thrivent Financial and Brian Burkhart from Fleetwood Flooring & Lumber for their presentations. Both were very informative.

For our August and October meetings we will be continuing with this opportunity for you to make a presentation. Marianne will be contacting members to ask for their participation.

Don't forget that our next meeting is Thursday July 24th from 4:30-6:30PM and will be a mixer. Frank Morgan asked me to pass this information along to you. The mixer will be held at Union Jack's Inn on the Manatawny. There will be food and a cash bar. Attendees are asked to bring door prizes. If you have questions please get in touch with Frank. Visit Unon Jack's website for directions:

www.unionjacksmanatawny.com/index.php. Frank sent out a mailing about this and you need to rsvp by July 21.

At our last meeting Trish Hartline, Pat Weitzel and Brenda Weil offered their help in planning this year's booth at the Oley Fair. I am grateful for their service to the association. As the time approaches we will be looking for volunteers to staff the booth through the day and evening hours. As always, if you have questions or comments my contact information is on the website.

Best Regards,
Jim Mac Arthur
President

Call To Order

The June 24, 2008 meeting of the Oley Valley Business Association was held at the Bridge Inn. President Jim MacArthur called the meeting to order at 12:15pm.

Attendance

The total attendance for the meeting was 15 with 11 businesses being represented

Minutes & Treasurer's Reports

A motion to accept the Minutes as published in the most recent newsletter was made by Mike McCarthy, and seconded by Pat Weitzel. The motion carried.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Jim Davidheiser and seconded by Trish Hartline. The motion carried.

General Business

President Jim MacArthur discussed the following items:

1. To make the association more beneficial to our members, we need to have more member involvement. The organization is only as good as our membership makes it.
2. Starting today, we will be giving 2 member businesses the opportunity to give 20 minute presentations at every other meeting in order to help everyone promote their business. Networking and word of mouth is a large part of business growth in this area, so please try to participate when invited to speak.
3. We still need some help with an Oley Fair committee. This is a task oriented commitment and not a long term appointment, so please try to volunteer to help out where you can.
4. We have 3 additional members since the last meeting (two new members and 1 returning member).

Members Scott Guldin (Thrivent Financial) and Brian Burkert (Fleetwood Flooring & Lumber) were our inaugural presenters for our new format of having presentations by our members on alternate meetings.

Both gave very informative talks about their respective businesses and also answered a few questions.

Committee Reports

Program Committee

Please submit any suggestions/ideas for future speakers to Stu Kern/Kevin Bieber.

Next Meeting:

July 24, 2008 –MIXER – 4:30 – 6:30pm at Union Jacks Inn on the Manatawny. Appetizers will be provided and a cash bar available. **THIS MIXER IS OPEN TO GUESTS, SO PLEASE BRING YOUR BUSINESS ASSOCIATES AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS!**

Oley Fair Committee

This committee needs volunteers to come up with and implement ideas for this years booth.

New Business

Jim Davidheiser presented his idea to perhaps have a Saturday mini retreat. This would be a brainstorming type session to discuss ways to grow and improve our organization.

Brenda Weil and Shawn Hessinger announced that they would like to find someone who would be willing to write a short community column 4 times per year for the Oley Valley Sentinel and asked for our help in finding a volunteer.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10PM

*Respectfully submitted,
Marianne van der Velde, Secretary*

Treasurer's Report

Deposits

\$ 535.00

Expenses

<i>Incorrect Deposit Amount</i>	\$50.00
<i>Dave Kessler Speaker</i>	\$ 8.50
<i>Peripheral Systems</i>	\$92.35
<i>Peripheral Systems</i>	\$17.48
<i>Oley Valley Fair</i>	\$ 500.00
<i>OVHS Scholarship</i>	\$1,100.00
<i>Insurance (Liability)</i>	\$ 350.00
<i>Berks Mont AD</i>	\$ 401.50

Balance as of 6/16/2008 \$ 3,073.45

***Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Blankenbiller
Treasurer***

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