



# RM Chamber

**"The Connector"**

January 2006

## A Preview of 2006 RMChamber Events

Mark your calendar now for these coming *Special Programs, Annual Chamber Events, Networking Opportunities and Professional Development Workshops*. For a comprehensive and up-to-date listing of all chamber events view our website calendar at [www.rmchamber.org](http://www.rmchamber.org).

### **January 17 - Executive NetworX**

A bi-weekly networking group of decision makers providing peer-to-peer business leads. Meets first and third Tuesday of each month.

### **January 24 - Taking Care of Business**

RMChamber has assembled a panel of well-informed speakers to disseminate critical information that is available to local businesses. Tap into a network of local business resources, including educational, financial, governmental, international and workforce related information to supplement business practices already in place. Business owners and decision makers are invited to attend this **FREE** business resource event. Refreshments included.

### **February 21 - Smart Business Workshop**

"10 Steps to Finishing Your Business Plan"

### **March 7 & 21 - Smart Business Workshop**

"Create a Surefire Marketing Plan" (Sessions I & II)

### **March 10 - Congressman Mark Kirk Luncheon**

Attend a luncheon where U.S. Representative Mark Kirk will share his Washington D.C. perspective on current business issues.

### **May 6 - Derby Day Gala**

A social gathering held at the world-famous Arlington Park Race Track creates an unforgettable afternoon to interact with your business associates and other guests. Enjoy the racing and take part in a gourmet brunch and silent auction benefiting Special Leisure Services Foundation (Special Olympics) and District 214 Community Education Foundation.

### **May 17 - Women's Networking Luncheon**

Marilyn Miglin, the highly successful and world renowned beauty authority and author is the keynote speaker. [www.marilynmiglin.com](http://www.marilynmiglin.com)

### **May 25 - "Circle of Success" Recognition Dinner**

Community leaders and chamber members get together to honor and recognize those business leaders who have provided innovative and visionary leadership to Rolling Meadows and surrounding communities to make this a better place to live and conduct business.

### **June 21 - Legislative Luncheon Update**

U.S. Senator Barack Obama has been invited to speak at this lunch.

### **August 9 - RMChamber Golf Outing**

One of the best golfing events of the Summer! It brings together Chamber members and their business associates to enjoy golf, prizes, raffles, contests and lots of food and refreshments making this an event you won't want to miss.

### **September 28 - Business Harvest Showcase**

Meet hundreds of prospects and join over 100 exhibitors from seven participating Chambers in this annual event.

(Look for additional events on [www.rmchamber.org](http://www.rmchamber.org) and in upcoming newsletters)

## New Names for the New Year

**SBC changes to AT&T**  
**Bank One changes to Chase**  
**Park Plaza (Raddison) now Double Tree Hotel**  
**Double Tree Palatine now Hotel Indigo**

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### Rolling Meadows International Business Center

February 15 - "How to link into the \$45 billion Homeland Security opportunity and other Valuable Resources and Employee Training Dollars". Presented by Andrea Wassel, Business Services Manager, Arlington Heights One Stop. 8:00 am at DePaul University's Rolling Meadows Campus, 2550 W. Golf Rd, #255. Call 847-437-9522 or go to [www.internationalbusinesscenter.info](http://www.internationalbusinesscenter.info).

#### 2006 Proposed Slate of Officers

**President** - Chris Cameron, *Kutchins, Robbins & Diamond, Ltd.*  
**Past President & Interim VP Programs** - Jacky Cartwright, *Harris Bank*  
**VP Public Relations/Marketing** - Rand Haas, *MRH & Associates*  
**VP Membership** - Paul Friedman, *Monarch Technical Services/Synergy*  
**VP Business Resources** - Sherry Prause, *Special Leisure Services Foundation*  
**VP Finance** - Bill Doering, *Platinum Community Bank*  
**Executive Director** - Linda Liles Ballantine, *Rolling Meadows Chamber of Commerce*

#### Top 12 Rolling Meadows Employers

**Northrop Grumman Corp.**  
**Argent Mortgage**  
**Pepsi Americas**  
**Country Wide Full Spectrum**  
**Meijer**  
**Sara Lee Foodservice**  
**Harris Bank** (Regional Processing Center)  
**Fifth Third Bank** (Regional Headquarters)  
**A.H. Management Group**  
**Komatsu** (Spring 2006)  
**Aon**  
**Kimball Hill Homes**

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