Chamber Chit Chat

OCTOBER 2011



FROM THE CHAIRMAN

It's starting to look a lot like fall! The trees are slowly beginning to change colors and should be beautiful for our 44th Annual Autumn Glory Festival. If you haven't attended the festival, make sure to pick up a brochure to check out

all the great events and happenings during the 5-day celebration.



Oct. 12 – 16, 2011. If you happen to run into Autumn Glory King Nick McGettigan and Queen Corrine Weaver at an event, make sure to congratulate and thank them for representing Garrett County. For more information on the festival, visit www.visitdeepcreek.com.

Things have been busy at the chamber!
This past month we hosted a Business
Before Hours Mayors' Breakfast and
I learned a great deal about the local

municipalities. It is amazing to see the mayors' dedication and volunteers' hard work come together to make their towns thrive. It is great to have such wonderful small town communities in our area. We also had a Business After Hour's at The Local in Accident and they have really done a great job remodeling — it looks like a new place. I heard the Getting to Know Your Chamber orientation went really well and they will be having them quarterly. The orientations aren't just for new members, it is a great chance to learn how the chamber can help your business.

I would like to thank you for taking the time to complete the Chamber's membership survey, it will help us to better serve our members and increase benefits! Speaking of benefits, I highly suggest you look into all the benefits the chamber offers. This month's Benefit of the Month is Premier Power Solutions Electric Cooperative. It is risk free and no cost to you, they will do an analysis to see if they can help lower your electric rate! I've heard from a few members and it has saved them tremendously so it is definitely worth looking into. If you have any questions about benefits, please contact Katie Tasker at 301.387.5237.

This month, we will be having a seminar on "Safeguarding Your Business – Steps Every Owner Should Take." Rodeheaver & Associates will be presenting the seminar as a preventive and proactive measure to protect our members. The event will be on Tuesday, October 25th at 8:30 am at Will o' the Wisp. Please watch upcoming e-flashes for more information.

I look forward to seeing everyone out and about at Autumn Glory!

Tony Doerr, Board Chairman

SAFEGUARDING YOUR BUSINESS

The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a "Safeguarding Your Business – Steps Every Owner Should Take" presented by Rodeheaver & Associates. In an effort to be proactive and preventive, the seminar will focus on ways to protect your assets and how implement internal controls to benefit your business.

The seminar will be on Tuesday, October 25th at Will o'the Wisp Resort at 8:30 begining with a continental breakfast followed by the program. The cost to attend the event is \$10.00 in advance for members, \$15 at the door and \$20 for non-members, please register on-line or contact Charlotte at 301.387.6171 by Friday, October 21. The event is sponsonsored by Premier Power Solutions.

IS YOUR INFORMATION UP TO DATE?

The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce is working on the 2012 Community Profile & Membership Directory. To enusre your information, such as your email, website, address, etc. is correct please visit www.visitdeepcreek.com to verify. If you need to update your information, you can log on to www.visitdeepcreek.com, using your username and password and update your listing. If you need additional help, please contact Charlotte Sebold at 301.387.6171.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

September was a downright fabulous month. I had a great time at the Art & Wine Festival,



and I must admit that my wine collection grew considerably. Congratulations and thanks to the committee for knocking it out of the park! I also want to thank all of the volunteers and sponsors of the event. You all have done Garrett County proud.

I also was lucky enough to attend the Savageman Triathlon dinner last month and hear six-time Ironman, Dave Scott, recount some of his wins. It was an awe-inspiring evening, highlighted by a man who has defeated Melanoma and thanked the Joanna M. Nicolay Foundation for the work it does to raise money for research and awareness. Special congratulations and thanks to Greg and Denise Safko for all of their hard work and for choosing Garrett County for this amazing event.

With September behind us that can only mean one thing...it's Autumn Glory time. The leaves have already begun changing and there's a crispness in the air. It's a great time for a walk/ hike through Swallow Falls or any of our other state parks. Or if you would rather take in the spectacular colors by car, take the Fall Foliage driving tour developed by your Chamber. It follows many of the scenic byways and includes stops for some great photo-ops. More information is available online at www. visitdeepcreek.com/pages/autumnglory or at the Visitors Center. And while you are at the Visitors Center don't forget to pick up your 44th Annual Autumn Glory commemorative poster available for sale at the Chamber or at the Chamber's craft show at the Fair Grounds Exhibit Hall Autumn Glory weekend. The 44th Annual Autumn Glory Festival is October 12-16. Visit us online for full details on all events and activities.

Immediately following Autumn Glory, Governor O'Malley is expected to convene a Special Session. The purpose of the session is to redraw the boundaries for districts of members of the U.S. House of Representatives. Congressional redistricting must be done every ten years following a U.S. Census. Based on the 2010 Census, the General Assembly must establish new boundaries for 8 Congressional districts. Congressman Bartlett's district may change. The session cannot exceed 30 days and all standard rules and procedures apply for General Assembly action.

Even though the primary purpose of this special session is to discuss Congressional Redistricting, the General Assembly may consider legislation on any issue. Some of you may remember that in a 2007 Special Session, 94 bills were introduced on a variety of subjects equaling \$1.4 billion in tax increases. Some bills passed with no hearings including the Tech Tax which would have run tech companies out of Maryland. That tax was ultimately repealed but we do not want something like to happen during this special session. That is why we have asked our legislators to use the special session to only focus on Congressional Redistricting. I also encourage you to contact Senator Edwards and Delegate Beitzel to tell them to keep the special session singularly-focused. Let's save the other issues for the full session which begins January 11, 2012 and lasts for 90 days. That way we will have plenty of time to review bills being discussed, attend hearings and take positions as needed.

Speaking of the 2012 General Session, it is very likely that there will be a lot of focus on taxes due to the ongoing budget woes of the State. At a legislative briefing last month, Kathy Snyder, President of the Maryland Chamber talked to Garrett County Chamber members about what could be on the table. The budget shortfall of \$1billion will generate a lot of focus on taxes and the Governor has

called for legislators to be "open to new revenues". There is also the extreme underfunding of transportation and infrastructure including the diversion of revenues from the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF). Since 2003 \$947.5 million of Highway User Funds (HUR) have been transferred from the TTF to the General Fund to close the budget gap. To date, none of the HUR funds have been transferred back into the TTF.

We will need to be vigilant during the special session and the 2012 regular session to ensure that the tax burden on businesses does not become unbearable. Maryland is a small business state. There are 161,000 businesses in the state - only 31,000 have more than 100 employees and only 60,000 are corporations. Therefore, even increased taxes on high earning individuals would essentially be a tax on entrepreneurs and small business owners. Maryland is already at a competitive disadvantage with neighboring states and placing more of the burden on businesses will not help grow jobs. And as we know, job growth is critical to Garrett County.

Your Chamber is in the process of creating our 2012 Legislative Priorities. This will be our agenda for the General Session however we will monitor all action during the session. Be sure to watch your email for legislative updates and alerts. You should also make plans to attend the Mountain Maryland PACE reception and breakfast January 26-27 in Annapolis. More details will be available soon.

On a lighter note, take time to stop into the new Garrett County Transportation Museum. It is absolutely fabulous and a terrific addition to the many attractions in downtown Oakland. The Transportation Museum is sure to become a popular destination for our many Garrett County visitors. Congratulations to the Historical Society and a big thanks to the Naylor Foundation and all the donors that made the Museum a reality.

ROAD CLOSING FOR AUTUMN GLORY PARADE

Several Oakland roads will be closed before and during the 44th Autumn Glory Grand Feature parade, which begins at 1 pm on Saturday, October 15. "We are grateful to the town of Oakland for working with us to provide these terrific events for our 44th Annual Autumn Glory Festival," said Nicole Christian, President of the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. "To prepare for the parade and to allow people to move freely around town for the entertainment, several roads will be closed temporarily on Saturday."

Second Street will be closed to traffic from Liberty Street to Center Street at 9:30 am. Both Second and Third Streets, from Omar Street to Alder Street, will be closed to all vehicles at 11:00 a.m. Traffic needing to bypass Oakland will be directed to detour along Fourth Street until the parade ends. Center Street will remain open until 12:45 p.m. Memorial Drive also will be closed to through traffic from Fourth to Eighth Street. No one will be able to turn onto Fourth Street from Memorial Drive. Barricades and police officers will prevent access onto Memorial Drive from Fourth to Eighth streets. Emergency vehicles should use Kings Run or Eighth Street to Memorial Drive.

Parking along the parade route, which includes parts of Second, Third and Alder streets, is prohibited prior to and during the parade. Business owners or employees should contact Oakland City Hall at 301.334.2691, Oakland Police Department at 301.334.2100 or the Chamber of Commerce at 301.387.4386 in advance to obtain a pass to gain access inside the parade route, this includes the handicapped parking at the Masonic Lodge on First Street.

Garrett County Deputies, Maryland State Troopers and State Highway employees will be assisting the Oakland Police Department with traffic control during the Autumn Glory parade. Oakland Police Chief Randy Wright encourages anyone coming to the festival and parade to come early to find a good parking space and enjoy the food and entertainment.

Free parking will be available in the town parking lot at the end of Second Street across the railroad tracks. For questions or concerns please free to contact Chief Wright at Oakland Police Department or Oakland City Hall between 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

BUSINESS BEFORE HOURS TOURISM UPDATE

The November Business Before Hours features a Tourism Update presented by the Maryland State Office of Tourism. Hannah Byron, Assistant Secretary of the Division of Tourism, Film and the Arts, and Margot Amelia, Executive Director of Tourism Development, will give an update on the state of tourism in Maryland and what the Office of Tourism has planned for the upcoming year.

The event is Tuesday, November 15th at Will o'the Wisp and sponsored by Premier Power Solutions. The forum begins at 8 am with breakfast and networking, followed by the program from 8:30 am - 9:30 am.

The cost for members is \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. The cost for non-members is \$30. Register online or by calling Charlotte at 301.387.6171 by November 10th to receive the advanced payment discount for members. Space is limited so early reservations are recommended. For more information, see page 9.

The November Business Before Hours is being sponsored by Premier Power Solutions. Premier Power Solutions is a licensed electricity broker who helps commercial and industrial businesses in Maryland and Pennsylvania reduce their electricity cost.

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AUTUMN GLORY FESTIVAL KICK-OFF RECEPTION

Tickets for the 44th annual Autumn Glory Festival Kick-Off Reception, presented by your Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, are now available.

Along with the annual announcement of this year's Golden Ambassador, the reception on October 12th at the Lodge at Wisp Resort, includes the coronation of the Autumn Glory King and Queen and recognizes the festival sponsors. Clear Mountain Bank is the official sponsor of the Autumn Glory Kick-Off Reception. Local music group, The Remedy, will be the evening's entertainment, sponsored by Wisp Resort.

"This prestigious event provides an elegant, yet lively atmosphere to kick-off the Autumn Glory festivities," said Nicole Christian, President of the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce.

Each attendee to the Kick-Off Reception receives a collectible Autumn Glory pin, a 44th Annual Autumn Glory Commemorative Poster, and priority seating on the bleachers near the reviewing stand for the Grand Feature Parade on Saturday, October 15th.

The evening begins with a 6 pm social hour featuring complimentary beer & wine and a cash bar available. The sit-down dinner begins at 7 pm with the program following at 8 pm. The reception ticket includes hors d'oeuvres, sit-down dinner, and first-class entertainment. Admission to the event is \$195 per couple and \$100 per individual. Corporate Tables with reserved seating for 8 are available at a discounted price of \$750. Reservations are required. The reservation deadline is October 5th. To purchase tickets, please call 301.387.6171 or return the reply card being mailed with the invitations.





PARTICIPATE IN THE FALL RESTAURANT PROMOTION

The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a 2 for 1 restaurant promotion at area restaurants Sunday – Thursday, October 23rd–27th and again Sunday – Thursday, October 30th – November 3rd. Participating restaurants include Archie's Barbeque, Brenda's Pizzeria, Cornish Manor Restaurant & Lounge, Jearbryo's Casual Dining Restaurant and Carry Out, Mountain State Brewing Company, Santa Fe Grille, Savage River Lodge, Smiley's Sports Bar and Grill and Trader's Coffee House

Offers range from 2 for 1 entrees, appetizers, desserts, 2 for 1 pasta, 2 for 1 quiche, 2 for 1 burritos, buy one ½ pound Angus Burger, get the second free, buy one Fried Oyster Dinner and get the second one free, 2 for 1 boneless wings and even 2 for 1 bowling with the purchase of any entrée or bake. Tax, gratuity, beverages & alcohol are excluded from all restaurant offers. Specific menu items and detailed offer information for each restaurant will be available at visitdeepcreek.com by October 13.

HOST A BUSINESS AFTER HOURS AT YOUR BUSINESS

The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce is planning their 2012 Business After Hours Schedule. Hosting a Business After Hours is a great way to showcase your business at a great networking event. Business After Hours are held from 6 pm - 8 pm on a monthly basis (except for October and January).

If you are interested in hosting a Business After Hours, please contact Katie Tasker at 301.387.5237 or Katie@garrettchamber.com to reserve your month!

GRAND MARSHALL MEET & GREET

The Grand Marshal of the 44th Annual Autumn Glory Festival, Baseball player Tobi Stoner, will be holding a Meet & Greet at 11 am during the Autumn Glory Craft & Gift Sale at the Exhibit Hall at the Garrett County Fairgrounds on Sunday, October 16th. The Autumn Glory Craft & Gift Sale is presented by the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by Susquehanna Bank.

A native of Garrett County, Tobi Stoner attended Southern High School where he was a first-team All-Area infielder and pitcher. During his tenure at Southern, the Rams won back-to-back Area titles and had a 43-4 record over Stoner's last two seasons. Stoner played at Garrett College before attending Davis & Elkins College, where he was the Male Athlete of the Year in 2006. In 2006,



Stoner was drafted by the New York Mets in the 16th round and played in Double-A-Binghampton and Triple-A Buffalo. Stoner was called up to the New York Mets in 2009. Since 2009, Stoner has played in Triple-A Buffalo. As Grand Marshal, Tobi will be featured in the annual Autumn Glory Grand Feature parade which begins at 1 pm in Oakland on Saturday, October 15th.

AUTUMN GLORY PARADE APPLICATIONS

Though the deadline has passed, we are still accepting 44th Annual Autumn Glory Grand Feature Parade Applications. If you would like to participate in the Autumn Glory Grand Feature Parade held at 1 pm on Saturday, October 15, please contact sarah@garrettchamber.com. Please note that any application received after the deadline will be added to the end of the parade lineup.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce would like to remind you to submit your memberhip dues. You will be making an investment that will give your business increased visibility, improve your bottom line and give you access to elected officials. Your Chamber continually strives to add new, exciting benefits and offer programs that provide value for your business.

If you haven't recieved your invoice or have any questions, please contact Katie Tasker at katie@garrettchamber.com or call 301.387.5237.

FALL FOLIAGE TOUR

Travel along some of Garrett County's most scenic routes. Enjoy spectacular fall foliage, panoramic vistas, historical landmarks, museums and stunning natural features. Fall Foliage Highlights include: Casselman River Bridge State Park, Spruce Forest Artisan Village, Deep Creek Lake Scenic Overlook, Savage River State Forest, Savage River Reservoir, Dry Run Scenic Overlook, and the Historic National Road, listed by travelchannel.com as one of the nation's top Fall Road Trips. For more information on the detailed tour route, please stop in or call the Garrett County Visitors Center at 301.387.4386 or head to visitdeepcreek.com.

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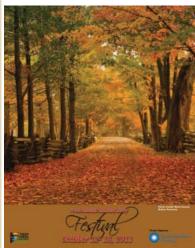
AUTUMN GLORY BUNTING AVAILABLE

As the fall season approaches, more businesses and organization begin to hang the bunting to show their support of the county's largest festival. The colorful buntings add to the festive fall atmosphere and community spirit and invites visitors into local establishments.

"Show your colors," said Nicole Christian, President/CEO of the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. "This is the 44th anniversary of our popular fall festival and we invite your business to be one of the more than 100 area businesses and organizations that fly the Autumn Glory bunting to celebrate the Fall season and remind residents and visitors that Autumn Glory is approaching."

The colorful Autumn Glory bunting is now available from the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce office located in the Visitors Center, McHenry. A set of Autumn Glory buntings cost \$85, tax included. A limited number of sets are available at this time. To order or to request more information, please contact Sarah Duck at 301.387.8746 or sarah@garrettchamber.com.

44th ANNUAL AUTUMN GLORY FESTIVAL COMMORATIVE POSTER NOW AVAILABLE



The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce that the 44th Annual Autumn Glory Festival Commemorative Poster is now available for purchase.

The 22" x 28" commemorative poster, sponsored by Constellation Energy, is a photo of Garrett County Fall Foliage taken by Mark Greene of Bello's Portraits. The poster is available for purchase at the Garrett County Visitors Center in McHenry, MD and also from October 15 – 16 at the Autumn Glory Craft & Gift Sale. The Craft & Gift Sale will be held at the Exhibit Hall at the Garrett County Fairgrounds. Posters are \$10 each and a limited quantity is available.

BENEFIT OF THE MONTH

Garrett County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to highlight our Member Benefit of the Month, Premier Power Solutions Electric Cooperative.

They offer total energy management solutions at no risk to you! They will evaluate your current power bill and if they can save you money by joining their buying pool, great there is no cost to you! Your bills will continue to come through your current provider but you will have a lower rate! There is no cost to you, so definetly take a minute a look in to!

For more information about all member benefits, please email Katie Tasker at Katie@garrettchamber.com.



MEMBER NEWS

Garrett County Fair Dates Released

The Garrett County Fair Dates have been set for the next 5 years:

July 28 - August 4, 2012

July 27 - August 3, 2013

July 26 - August 2, 2014

August 1 - August 8, 2015

July 30 - August 6, 2016

For more information, please visit http://www.garrettcountyfair.org/

OCTOBER CALENDAR

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
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2	3	4 Commissioners Meeting 9 am GC Courthouse	5 GC Municipalities 7 pm Visitors Center	6	7	8		
9	10	11	12 Autumn Glory Kick-Off Reception 6 pm Wisp Resort	13	14	15 Autumn Glory Parade 1 pm Downtown Oakland		
			Autumn Glory Festival	Autumn Glory Festival	Autumn Glory Festival	Autumn Glory Festival		
16	17	18 Legislative Affairs Committee Meeting Noon Mtn. State Brewery Commissioners	19	20 Chamber Board Meeting 8 am Visitors Center	21	22		
Autumn Glory Festival		Meeting 4 pm GC Courthouse						
23	24	25 Safeguarding Your Business Seminar 8:30 am Will o'the Wisp	26	27	28	29		
30	31							

Mark Your Calendar For These Special Upcoming Events

November 15 Business Before Hours Toursim Update

Safeguarding Your Business

Steps Every Owner Should Take

Is your business protected from fraud? How can you safeguard your business?

Date Tuesday, October 25

Time 8:30 am

Location Will o' the Wisp Resort

Presented by Daniel Porter, Rodeheaver & Associates

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Breakfast

Cost \$10 Member In Advance

Includes Continental \$15 Member at the Door

\$20 Non-Member

Join Us!

The Garrett County Chamber of Commerce will be holding a seminar to help business owners protect their assets through internal controls and more. Don't let your company be the victim of employee fraud or embezzlement. Let's be proactive against fraud!

Charlotte Sebold charlotte@garrettchamber.com 301.387.6171

Please RSVP on-line or contact Charlotte Sebold by Friday, October 21, 2011.

Thanks!

We would like to thank Rodeheaver & Associates for presenting our seminar and Premier Power for sponsoring the event.





Business Before Hours Tourism Update

Hear directly from the Maryland Department of Tourism with an update on the state of tourism in Maryland and what the Office of Tourism has planned for the upcoming year.

Date

Tuesday, November 15

Time

8 am Networking 8:15 am Breakfast 8:30 am Program 9:30 am Concludes

Location

Will o' the Wisp Resort

Cost

Members \$15 in advance \$20 at the door

Non-members

\$30

Register

You can register on-line at www.visitdeepcreek.com using your username and password.

Questions?

If you have any questions or need help registering, please contact Charlotte Sebold at 301.387.6171 or Charlotte@garrettchamber.com

Sponsors

We would like to thank Premier Power Solutions for their support of the Business Before Hours.



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 you with a current market analysis for your accounts. We will then show you
 how much money we can save for you.
- If your lowest cost option is to remain with Allegheny Power, we will tell you so.
- There is no cost to you for this analysis to be performed and no obligation on your part to buy anything from Premier if you elect to have this analysis performed.
- In many cases, the savings generated by this energy buying pool alone will be greater than your cost of membership in the Garrett County Chamber

Here are some facts about the existing pool:

- This pool has been in existence for the past 5 years
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- Even if you have had us look at this before and there was no benefit available to you at that time, now is a good time to look again. Given the current state of the economy, prices in the market are as low as they have been in some time.

What do I need to do now?

- All you need to do to become a new member is complete the attached Pool Membership Form and Letter of Authorization and return them along with a copy of all pages of a recent utility bill to us at the fax number shown above. After we receive your completed forms, one of our energy experts will contact you to discuss available options. Remember, there is **no fee required** to join our Pool.
- You will NEVER receive a bill from Premier Power Solutions for our services!
 We receive our fee from the supplier only if we can find you a better rate that you accept.

If you have any questions or want to meet with us in person at your place of business, please feel free to contact Ryan or myself at the number above.

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Date

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To join our Energy Buying Pool complete this form, the attached letter of authorization, and fax them along with all pages of a recent utility bill for all accounts you want in the pool to 724-458-5703.

Garrett County Chamber of Commerce Energy Buying Pool Membership Form

TO: Competitive Retail Electricity Suppliers Serving the Alieg	heny Power Service Territory in MD
RE: Premier Power Solutions Energy Buying Pool	
elect to become of Commerce Energy Buying Pool. As a pool member, we pool manager, to be our single point of contact to shop Please provide Premier Power Solutions with a price quote their review. They will review your pricing and contract alo solicit on behalf of pool members and bring it to us to oprovider will be after reviewing their recommendations.	 authorize the Premier Power Solutions, the the retail electricity markets on our behalt and contract terms for electricity service for ng with other pricing and contracts that the
I understand that Premier Power Solutions receives its fee supplier. The fee is included as an indirect sales cost provides to Premier to give to us. As a result, we will never for services under this agreement. We also understand the retail electricity provider that it represents, thus maintaining	component in the pricing that the supplier receive a bill from Premier Power Solutions at Premier receives the same fee from each
This agreement is confidential in nature and should not be parties.	shared with anyone other than the intended
Either party may terminate this Pool Membership Agreen notice to the other party.	ment for any reason upon 60 days writter
Premier Power Solutions, LLC does not have the right to sign would bind us in any way.	gn or otherwise execute any agreement tha
Signed	Signed – Premier Power Solutions, LLC
Title	Title

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Letter of Authorization

The undersigned certifies that they have the authority to authorize the release of the information described below. The undersigned hereby authorizes Premier Power Solutions, LLC and other licensed Electricity Generation Suppliers to request historical energy usage and billing information from the relevant electric utility so that Premier Power Solutions, LLC may evaluate energy usage patterns and obtain offers for electric service for our company. Additionally, the undersigned authorizes Premier Power Solutions, LLC to sign similar Letter of Authorization forms that individual licensed suppliers in the Maryland market may require so that they can also get relevant historical usage and billing information directly from the utility. Premier Power Solutions, LLC does not have the right to sign any other form(s) or contracts on our behalf.

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	Service Address		Service Account Number				
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Note: Please list additional accounts on separate sheets along with copies of all pages of a recent bill for each account.

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Craft Show & Gift Sale

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

October 15 & 16, 2011 Sat. 10 am - 6 pm • Sun. 10 am - 4 pm

The new Exhibit Hall at the Garrett County Fairgrounds in McHenry

A wide variety of handcrafted items and gifts will be offered for sale.

Refreshments provided by Hospice of Garrett County

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Take a moment to read about the NEW and EXCITING program for Chamber Members

Succeeding in business is about smart relationships. That's why we created the Office Depot Chamber Program, a loyalty program for businesses that have their orders delivered. As a Chamber member you get great deals. You receive award winning customer service. You can shop the way you like (online, by phone, by fax, in-store). As your dedicated account manager, I'm here to help you with smart products at the right prices. Please take a moment to review the information in this email and don't hesitate to call anytime that you have questions. I know that you will find the Office Depot Chamber Program to be a smart way of taking care of your business.

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John Papastefanou

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