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## Zion's Best Cuisine serves up a winner!

The Chamber and the Mayor of Zion presented, "Zion's Best Cuisine" on November 17th at Illinois Beach Resort. Over 150 Chamber members and friends gathered to dine on cuisine generously prepared by *Applebee's, Cake Box Bakery, Culvers, Domino's Pizza, El Lago Restaurant, Hennessey's Steakhouse, Illinois Beach Resort and Conference Center, N & T's Restaurant, Pizza House and Shirl's.*

The fabulous feast was just one of the winners of the evening. The live auction of a barbeque for 20 guests at the home of Chamber president, Dan Shanahan, sold for \$1,380 to the highest bidder, Stan Aron of Sheridan Health Care. This special meal of steak and shrimp will be prepared and served by Mayor Harrison, and members of the City Council next summer. Proceeds of the auction benefited Toys for Tots. In addition, the winner of the 50-50 raffle, Brent Paxton, donated his winnings bringing the total to over **\$1,500 donated to the local Toys for Tots campaign.**

Guests donated toys for the campaign and in exchange received a raffle ticket for a chance to win one of many gift certificates to the featured restaurants. More than 150 toys were collected, making the evening a big win for all! **Thanks to our generous members and friends!**

Mayor Harrison will be showing off his grilling skills.



Bon Appetit!



A feast prepared by Zion's best chefs!



### The Taste of Zion Cuisine

- Oriental Chicken Salad.....*Applebee's*
- Potato Rolls & Pumpkin Pie.....*Cake Box Bakery*
- Sliced Roast Beef & Gravy.....*Culver's*
- Chicken Kickers
- & Chicken Wings.....*Domino's Pizza*
- Steak & Chicken Fajitas, Salsa, Guacamole
- & Chips.....*El Lago Restaurant*
- Shrimp DeJonghe, Cheesecake
- & Tiramisu.....*Hennessey's Steakhouse*
- Appetizers
- & hor d'oeuvres.....*Illinois Beach Resort*
- Spring Rolls, Sweet 'n Sour Wings
- & Green Bean Stir Fry....*N & T's Restaurant*
- Assorted Pizzas.....*Pizza House*
- Chili.....*Shirl's*

Zion Chamber of Commerce also thanks

*Art Below Zero, City of Zion, Paige Turner Books, Rich Signs, Tony's House of Creation, and the staff of Illinois Beach Resort and Conference Center for their help in making the event such a success!*

## New benefit for members in 2006

The Chamber has a new look and we'll be looking even better in 2006!

Last month we changed the format of our newsletter. It is a work in progress. Therefore, please **email or call us with ideas and suggestions** on topics you'd like us to include in future issues.

We are also continuing to improve our website.

[www.zionchamber.com](http://www.zionchamber.com)

In 2006, our Chamber member business directory will include links to your own website. For members who do not have their own website, we will create a simple "web page" for you at **no additional cost.**

Members will be responsible for forwarding information and pictures for inclusion in the new Member Directory.

Please see inside this issue for a **sample** of the new look. You can also view a sample of six business listings by going to [www.goflo.com/zc/](http://www.goflo.com/zc/)

## Chamber information

We want to hear from you,

*BEE involved*, we need your participation and involvement.

We have a new email address, please make a note of it:

**info@zionchamber.com**

The phone and fax number remain the same:

**Phone: 847.872.5405**  
**Fax: 847.872.9309**

The Chamber office is open

**Tuesday -Friday**  
**9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**

Except for out of the office meetings.

If you need to contact us after hours or when no one is in the office, please leave a voicemail. You may also send an email.

We will return your call or respond to your email as soon as possible.

*Please help us by updating contact information.*

Any change of address? Other edits?

If you have a fax machine, do we have the number listed? Email address?

If you have a website, let us know so we can add it to your contact information.

### Zion Chamber of Commerce

2671 Sheridan Road  
Zion, IL 60099



## Mayhem on Pirate Island

### Ahoy mates!

Saturday, January 28, 2006, the Chamber presents its annual installation of officer's dinner. The event will be held at the Illinois Beach Resort and Conference Center. Invitations have been mailed out. If you didn't receive one or know of someone who did not, please contact the Chamber office.

Last year's event was SOLD OUT so get your reservations in early. The cost is \$45 per person, \$400 for a table of 10 if paid by January 15, 2006. After that date the price of a table of 10 will be \$450.

If you need a costume for the event, you might try J J Blinkers at 847.395.3770 or shop online at [www.buycostumes.com](http://www.buycostumes.com)



## Upcoming events

There will **NOT** be a Zion Chamber of Commerce Networking Breakfast in December.

### Festival of Lights

Kringle's Kingdom, Santa's House, Shiloh Drive-thru  
**Final days**, Thurs. Dec. 22 and Fri. Dec. 23  
5:00 - 9:00 pm

### Zion Chamber of Commerce Networking Breakfast

Wednesday, January 25, 2006  
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

El Lago Restaurant, 2216 Sheridan Rd., Zion

### Winthrop Harbor Networking Breakfast Notice

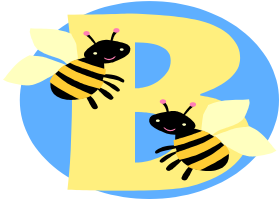
2nd Wednesday of every month

Northern Emporium & Books

1016 Sheridan Road, Winthrop Harbor

8:00 am - Cost of breakfast only!

**Next meeting: January 11, 2006**



## You're hired! "Bee-Prentice"

What's the buzz about "Bee Students?"

One lucky Zion teenager will win a college scholarship and become the "Bee-Prentice". Under the program, a panel of business owners, educators and city staff will review essays written by interested juniors at Zion Benton High School who have average grades of C or better and no pending disciplinary action.

The group will be whittled down to about 40 candidates who will be given tasks such as doing a market study on a new product or film product or filming a commercial for a sporting good store.

Five finalists, who will earn summer internships at local businesses, will be announced at the "Bumblebee Ball" in April. Based on his or her performance, a "Bee-Prentice" winner will receive a college scholarship just in time for the city's "JuliBee" celebration next year. For more information, see the City of Zion's website.

[www.cityofzion.com](http://www.cityofzion.com)

Will Zion trump "The Donald" with its own version of his hit TV series "The Apprentice"?

Stay tuned!

## Welcome to our new members

### AUTOMOTIVE

#### Gene's Automotive

2343 Sheridan Rd.  
Zion, IL 60099  
Phone: 847.746.8401

*"The best little brake shop  
in Zion"*

### HOTELS/MOTELS

#### Country Inn & Suites By Carlson

1100 33rd St.  
Zion, IL 60099  
Phone: 847.746.0101  
Fax: 847.746.0202

[www.countryinns.com](http://www.countryinns.com)

### RESTAURANTS

#### Hennessey's Steakhouse

3077 Sheridan Rd.  
Zion, IL. 60099  
Phone: 847.731.0800

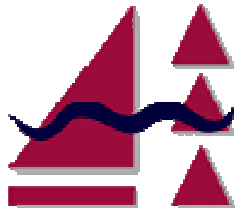
*"Where the elite meet  
to eat!"*

## Support our members!

It's countdown to Christmas and the holidays. As you shop for the friends and family on your list, please support our members. From unique gifts, to hardware, to toys, to restaurant certificates, our local merchants can help you with all your shopping needs.

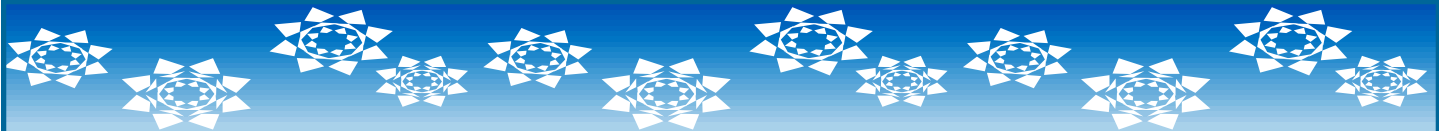


**Please note that the Chamber office will be closed from  
December 26 - 30, 2005  
See you in 2006!**



*Best wishes for a safe and  
happy holiday season!  
Zion Chamber of Commerce*

*"The mission of the Zion Chamber of Commerce is to enhance the economic environment of its local business community!"*



# *Merry Christmas*

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There's no business like snow business  
There's no business like YOUR business!

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'Tis the season to be jolly

**JOY**

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Fa La La La La, La La La La

**HARK**

**CELEBRATE** Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells

*Peace on earth and good will to all!*

