

Commodore Guidelines 2022-2023

The Commodores are a group of professional volunteers from various backgrounds who serve as a liaison between the Chamber and its members. The goal of the Commodores is to encourage meaningful participation in the Chamber's programs and services for new and existing members in an effort to build member commitment and increase member retention.

Our goal is to make new members feel welcome and fully informed of the benefits of membership, make current members feel valued and appreciated and, at the same time, enhance your own business exposure in the community.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Commodores are as follows:

- Support and actively participate in the goals and action plans set forth by the Board of Directors of the Chamber.
- Welcome and involve new members by encouraging participation in Chamber sponsored events.
- Visit new members to deliver new member packet, to welcome them to the Chamber and orient them with Chamber programs.
- Attend Ribbon Cuttings, greet at Chamber sponsored events, Grand Openings, Ground Breakings and assist at Chamber events.
- Serve as a mentor to new Chamber members by visiting/contacting their business quarterly for 12 months to enhance their awareness of Chamber activities. This also provides a unique opportunity to address any issues that they might have and promote retention as a Chamber member, as well as gain exposure for your business.
- Purchase and wear a black Commodore blazer to all appropriate events.
- Attend Chamber events appropriately dressed and professionally groomed.
- RSVP for luncheons in a timely fashion so that appropriate preparations can be made.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Commodores will be assessed an annual membership fee of \$150.00. Billing for these fees will be completed by the Chamber office and may be paid by the Commodore on an annual basis.

COMMODORE BENEFITS

The benefits of the Commodores are as follows:

- Unlimited opportunities to gain new business contacts and develop relationships with fellow Chamber members and prospective Chamber members.
- Recognition in the community as being one of the most valuable assets to the Chamber.
- Commodore's name, business and photo will be featured on the Chamber website, www.dcc.org.
- Recognition in the June edition of the Chambers' Business Magazine, "Directions."
- Opportunity to display business cards, brochures and promotional information from their business at the monthly luncheon. Speaking opportunities will also be provided upon request prior to the meeting.
- Commodore will be provided a nametag with their business name.