

A Message From the Chairman

Dear Chamber Member,

The Chamber has been very active in recent months working for small businesses, manufacturers, and all of our members for priority issues and programs that you have identified.

If you would like to suggest a person to be considered as a potential member for the Board of Directors, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your interest and your membership in the Chamber.

According to the By-Laws, voting members of the Chamber have the right to petition for names of candidates as Director in addition to those to be named by the Nominating Committee. Each Petition must bear the genuine signatures of at least forty (40) qualified members of the Chamber. Such petition must be filed with the Nominating Committee by August 17th, 2006.



Sincerely,

Willis Potts

Chairman, Board of Directors

Berry College Ranks in the Top 8 Percent

The Berry College Campbell School of Business joined the **top 8 percent of business schools internationally** by earning accreditation in April 2006 from the gold-standard business school accrediting body, the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). Berry is now one of only about 442 institutions in the U.S. and 526 in the world to hold this global hallmark of excellence. For more information, contact **Krishna S. Dhir**, Dean. ■



Ruth Demeter, Ruthink! Creative Communications, led a seminar at the Chamber for its members. During the seminar, Demeter discussed creating rapport in the workplace. To find out more about Ruthink!, contact 706.295.4154.

Ms. Ruth Demeter, *Ruthink! Creative Communications*, recently presented a seminar titled "Creating Rapport" to Chamber of Commerce members. Twenty members attended the three-hour session. Topics covered included how to quickly connect with others; how to identify common ground using language; and modifications to your language, tone, movement and breathing that allows others to relax. Concepts were explained, demonstrated, practiced, and then discussed. Ms. Demeter has been working in the adult training field for several years. She has her B.A. in English from Wilfrid Laurier University. She is a Distinguished Toastmaster and a Master Practitioner of NLP (Neuro Linguistic Programming), a system of identifying and learning patterns to increase goal achievement – identifying the "differences that make a difference." To schedule your own session or for more information, please contact Ruth Demeter at 706-295-4154 or at ruthink@comcast.net. ■