



CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP & BENEFITS – WHY JOIN?

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MEMBERSHIP & SERVICES

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

- **CHAMBER MIXERS AND BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**
Social events are a valuable resource for making business contacts and advertising your store. Business-After-Hours are hosted by a chamber member nearly every quarter.
- **ALL-MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**
By attending member meetings, you can promote your business to other chamber members and learn valuable information to help support the City of Calvert's local economy. We meet on the first Tuesdays of the month at 6pm and the location rotates at various businesses. In December, our annual year-end party takes the place of our monthly meeting. At this event, we also recognize members and businesses for their contributions to the chamber and the community.

COMMUNITY PRESENCE

- **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING – OPENING SOON AT 300 S. MAIN**
The chamber anticipates opening its doors in late fall 2017 and will feature business members' marketing collateral along and community/visitor information. Members are encouraged to display their business cards, rack cards, menus or any other promotional material. This facility will also be available to all members for small meetings.
- **CHAMBER BUSINESS NUMBER**
We have dedicated business line, 979-364-2559, that is registered to the Calvert Chamber of Commerce and is answered during business hours to field phone calls about our member businesses and the community.
- **WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA**
Our chamber can be found on the World Wide Web, Facebook and Instagram. We use these tools to promote the community and chamber members on upcoming news and happenings that are relevant to you and your business. We list our chamber member businesses and contact information on our website and feature businesses in our member spotlight.
- **KEEPING YOU INFORMED**
The chamber keeps its members informed of news and events through emails and on our website where the area-wide community calendar is published. The website provides regular business updates and information on new and existing members. Members can list their events or request that their fliers be sent to our email distribution list for no charge.
- **EDUCATION**
Our Chamber sponsors educational opportunities and events with special speakers throughout the year on social media, starting a business and other topics of interest to our member.

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PROMOTIONS

- **BUSINESS REFERRALS**
We receive hundreds of inquiries each year requesting information about Calvert and area businesses, professionals, services and establishments. We answer each one promptly, directing business only to our chamber members.
- **SHOP SMALL SATURDAY**
The chamber is a proud partner of the national Shop Small Saturday that follows Thanksgiving and Black Friday in the U.S. We are an approved Neighborhood Champion and promote the community and visitors to shop our local businesses for this special Saturday event.
- **RIBBON CUTTINGS**
For members that have opened a new business or relocated, we host a ribbon cutting absolutely free. Board members, Chamber members and community are invited to participate, and the local media will be on hand for pictures.
- **VISIBILITY**
The chamber provides members the opportunity to display their chamber membership with a plaque and/or window decal. Chamber members are also given the chambers logo and membership graphic to display on their website and/or other social media sites.