



# Chamber News

Keeping members informed

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## Event Highlights



President Mark Lombardi presents a check to the Easton Food Pantry for \$1500.



Susan Lourie of the MA division of the SBA speaks to guests at a Breakfast on 9/19.



The board of directors, members of the Easton Selectboard, and the Director of Planning & Economic Development held a ribbon cutting at the new offices of Halvorsen Orthodontics.

## Upcoming Chamber Events



### NOVEMBER

**Business Networking Lunch**  
Museum of Family Prayer  
Thursday, November 14  
12:00-1:30 pm

### DECEMBER

**Business After Hours & Holiday Food Pantry Drive**  
Ames Shovel Works Apts.  
Thursday, December 12  
5-7:00 pm

### JANUARY

**16th Annual Business Appreciation Night**  
Easton Country Club  
Thursday, January 30  
6:00-9:00 pm

**Breakfast Events**, \$10 for members and \$20 for future members. **After Hour Events**, free for members and \$10 for future members. Guests may pay at the door by cash or check. If you are interested in hosting an event, call (508) 238-2225 or email [kerri@easton-chamber.com](mailto:kerri@easton-chamber.com).

## Membership Updates

### Our newest members:

Burgess Pest Management  
Mansfield Orthodontics  
Museum of Family Prayer  
Newcomb's Environmental Services  
Success Real Estate - Lisa Cranshaw-Eaton

**Join Now** ▶

Not yet a Member?

**ECAT - Consider it Local program:** Check out the local business segments on ECAT's TV channels and on their [website](#). ECAT goes out on location to film monthly spotlights of local business. It's been a great partnership between ECAT and the Chamber, and we'd like to thank our own, Gail Devins of Shoo Geese! Border Patrol for acting as host. Great job, Gail! If you'd like to take the spotlight, let the chamber know. Click [here](#) to watch a Consider it Local episode.

**Email Marketing through Constant Contact:** If you are looking to reach out to your customers and potential customers in a cost effective way, consider using Constant Contact. You can create high-impact, professional emails - quickly and with no expertise. As a member of our chamber, you will receive a 20% discount if you pre-pay for 6 months or a 25% discount if you prepay for the year. For more information on Constant Contact email marketing, click [here](#).

**Exclusive Member to Member Discounts:** Don't forget that your membership in our chamber entitles you to exclusive discounts offered by other chamber members. Visit our [website](#) for a list of participating members and start saving money now!

**Need Insurance?** As a member of the Chamber, you have access to discounted health and dental insurance through our partnership with Health Services Administrators (HSA). For rates and plans, call 888-703-3335 or email [info@chamberinsuranceservices.com](mailto:info@chamberinsuranceservices.com).

## Other News



**"Making it in Easton" - ID Sign Group** was showcased this week on a Channel 5 broadcast of "MADE IN MASS". Check out this 2-minute [video](#). Congrats to Tom, Tim and the whole ID Sign family!

### **Five Corners Sewer Construction Project:**

Phase II of the Five Corners Sewer Project includes installation of a sanitary sewer collection system from Roberts Drive along Route 106 down Foundry Street to the Five Corners area and will result in one-way traffic along Route 106 during most of the construction. The greatest amount of traffic is anticipated to occur during morning commuting hours. To stay connected during construction, please visit the project [website](#) for project information and to sign up for construction updates and traffic alerts. If you have any questions or concerns about this project, you may email [fivecorners@easton.ma.us](mailto:fivecorners@easton.ma.us) or call (888) 527-6797. **Please continue to patronize the businesses located along this route!**

**Differentiating between an employee and independent contractor** - In an effort to bring all Commonwealth employers into compliance, the Mass Department of Unemployment Assistance (MADUA) seeks to clarify the requirements. Unemployment Insurance was implemented to stabilize the economy by providing temporary income assistance to eligible workers that have lost their jobs through no fault of their own. Appropriate contributions by employers is vital to the success of the program. Additionally, misclassified workers do not receive other rights and benefits they are entitled to as employees. Additional information is available [online](#).

## Our Community

**5k Walk for Survivor Safety at D.W. Field Park, hosted by Family & Community Resources: Saturday, October 19, 9 am to 12 pm.** Minimum pledge to walk is \$10. Following the walk there will be Music, Arts & Crafts, Kid's Games, a Cook-Out and Raffle! All proceeds will support their direct services to survivors of domestic violence throughout Southeastern MA. For more information or to sign up online, visit the event [web page](#). This event is sponsored by National Grid, the Brockton Housing Authority, and Bid Daddy Entertainment.

**Boo's & Brews Halloween Party at Queset House: Saturday, October 26, 7:00-10:00 pm** Join the Ames Free Library for their 3rd annual Halloween fundraiser. There will be a DJ and dancing, creative appetizers, a prize for best costume, and a cash bar featuring Shovel Town Brewery, seasonal wines and more! This is a 21+ event. Tickets are \$35 pp and can be purchased [online](#) or in person at the library circulation desk until October 21. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ames Free Library, North Easton Savings Bank and Crescent Credit Union.

**Drug Take Back Day: Saturday, October 26, 10-2 pm at Frothingham Hall.** Turn in your used or expired medication for safe disposal. Over-the-counter and pet medications will also be accepted. Sharps (Needles, syringes) will be accepted but must be contained in a hard plastic container. Thermometers, IV bags, medical devices and personal care products will not be accepted. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. This service is brought to you by the Easton Police, Easton Board of Health and Easton Wings of Hope.

**The Town of Easton will hold TWO Special Town Meetings and a Special Election this fall:**  
**1. Monday, October 28: Special Town Meeting #1 - 7:00 PM** in the Ames Sports Complex, Stonehill College, 320 Washington Street. Debt Exclusion Appropriation and Authorization for the Easton Early Elementary School (EES) Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Project, **this special meeting is Step 1.** The last day to register to vote at this Special Town

Meeting is Friday, October 18th at 8:00 PM. The draft warrant for this Special Town Meeting is available online by clicking [here](#) and then selecting "Town Meeting Warrant Drafts." Hard copies of the warrant are available at the Town Offices. A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING INFORMATION GUIDE is also available with details on parking, babysitting, the check-in process, and voting procedures, as well as a campus map.

**2. Tuesday, November 5: Special Town Election** - Debt Exclusion for the Easton Early Elementary School (EES) Project. 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM at Oliver Ames High School, 100 Lothrop Street. Residents will vote whether to approve funding for the Easton Early Elementary School Project, via debt exclusion override. Local approval of funding for the EES Project is a two-step process in which BOTH votes must be approved by voters of Easton in order for the project to continue, **this Special Election is step two**. The last day to register to vote in this Special Town Election is Wednesday, October 16th at 8:00 PM. For complete information about the Easton Early Elementary School Project visit the project [website](#). Residents can also get information and tax calculations for the proposed debt exclusion override for their property at [here](#).

**Easton Historical Society celebrates 50 years at the HHR Railroad Station: Sunday, November 10 from 1:00-5:00 pm** at Easton Country Club. Tickets are \$50 and include, lunch, a raffle, music and guest speakers. There are sponsorship opportunities in the program book and the deadline to apply is October 28. For more information, or to purchase tickets, click [here](#).

**Free Community Shred Day, hosted by Bank of Easton: Saturday, November 16 from 8:30-12 pm (or until the truck is full)**. Safely shred unwanted confidential documents and records in Shred-it's secure shred truck, for free! Paper documents and records only. Location: rear of the 275 Washington Street branch. For more info call 508-238-1000.

**Easton Festival of Trees presented by the Easton Charitable Trust (ECT): November 30 - December 15** at the Easton Country Club. The ECT is a non-profit organization based in Easton, whose sole purpose is to provide financial support to individuals or groups representing outstanding values or charitable needs. This annual fundraiser draws thousands of folks from surrounding towns to revel in the holiday season through displays of beautifully decorated holiday trees. For information on corporate sponsorships, this year's chosen charities, or general information, visit the event [website](#).

For a **Calendar of Community Events**, visit our [website](#).