

# My Story

## Chamber



Hello,

My name is Nola Newman and I would like to introduce you to my Berea Chamber of Commerce.

I joined the Chamber to meet new people and others that were in business. I have made lifelong friends and business associates. Being a member of the Chamber and being active in the Chamber has been great for business. Hopefully, it has put my name and business in the running when folks think about buying or selling or renting.

The first time I attended a Berea Chamber of Commerce event was the Awards Banquet in 1997 at Boone Tavern. Donald Pennington was adamant that my husband and I were going. Looking back I should have known something was up! It was such a surprise and honor to receive %Woman of the Year.+I have served on various committees throughout the years and have been

on the Board of Directors for the past 7 years. I currently serve as Chamber President for 2015.

My favorite part of the Chamber is working with my Chamber friends for a better Berea. My husband, Gary, grew up in Madison County and he always wanted to move back. He brought our family here in 1982 kicking and screaming! We have been here 33 years now and it is home to us now in beautiful Berea!

My husband and I both worked at IBM when we first moved here. We drove back and forth to Lexington for years, 10 years for Gary, and 16 years for me. In September of 1993, I went to work for Pennington Realty as Secretary. I loved what I saw and was proud to become a Realtor in 1994. I worked there until 2007 when I opened my own company, Nola Newman Realty.

I encourage all businesses and individuals to become a member of this great organization, Berea Chamber of Commerce!

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