



Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Advantage

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- October 7
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- October 10
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with Sgt John Ordway
Ft Union
- October 11
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- October 13
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Confluence
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Johnson Hardware &
Furniture B.A.H.
- October 21
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- October 23 & 26
Sidney High School pre-
sents "Canterbury Tales"
- October 17
Ft Buford
Cemetery Walk
- October 30
Moonlight Madness

Happy
Halloween!

"MOONLIGHT MADNESS" Fall Promotion

The Trade Promotion committee has set October 30 as the date for "Moonlight Madness". The festivities are very similar to previous years; members are challenged to dress in costumes this day and judges will select the best dressed store or business. Judging will begin at 4:00 pm to allow regular closing hour businesses to be considered and participate fully. Please let the Chamber know by the 28th if your store wishes to participate.



Businesses are also encouraged to stay open until 8:00 pm. This is considered an opportune time to feature a product or have a sale.

Enclosed in this newsletter is a jack-o-lantern poster which can



be used to welcome trick or treaters into your business on Moonlight Madness or Halloween day. News releases will be published in both papers explaining that stores displaying their welcome poster want youngsters to stop in. Hopefully this is good for store activity if members choose to participate.



Meet Our New Board Member

It is an honor for the Sidney Area Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's Officers and Board to announce the appointment of David Seitz as a new board member and Second Vice President. David has been working in this position since August 1st. David is a vice-president of the Seitz Insurance Agency and a life-long resident of Sidney.



Sidney Chamber 2009 Board of Directors

Past President:	Ben Larson	Richland County Extension
President:	Lisa Aisenbrey	Sidney Health Center
1st V.P.	Marci Albin	The Lucky Buckle
2nd V.P.	David Seitz	Seitz Insurance
Treasurer:	Lorilee Norby	Mitchell's Oilfield Service

Raleigh Peck	ElectricLand	Cheryl Olson	Mustang Run Gallery
Greg Miller	Millers' Corner	Leona Colvin	Foundation for Community Care
Rowdy Cvancara	1st Bank	Nick Lonski	Edward Jones Investments
Jodie Leland	Wells Fargo Bank	Idelle Badt	R.S.V.P.
Sharon Rau	Honorary Member		
Staff:	Wade J. VanEvery, Executive Director	LaVanchie Starkey, Administrative Assistant	

Welcome the Chamber's Newest Member!

High Plains Veterinary Clinic Inc. co-owned by Dr. J. J. Hovde and Dr. Gary Schieber became Chamber members in September. High Plains is a mixed animal clinic for medicine and surgery treatment. They do in-house Coggins Tests for horses, and also specialize in reproductive & carcass ultra sound. High Plains Vet Clinic is located at 966 10th Ave. SE, which is straight south of Yellowstone Livestock Yards. Their phone number is (406)433-1413. Congratulations to Dr.'s Hovde and Schieber on becoming part of the Chamber Ag group.



You Are Invited!

Johnson
Hardware &
Furniture
B.A.H.

*Come indulge your dreams for
your home in their new Home
Design Center, enjoy refreshments
and networking with other
Chamber members!*

Main Store - 111 South Central Ave

October 20th, 2009

4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Don't forget your business cards!

Sidney to Host Volleyball Tournament

The Eastern C Divisional Girls Volleyball Tournament will be hosted by Sidney High School on November 5-7. Players and fans from a big area of Eastern Montana will be in Sidney that weekend. The Sports and Recreation Committee has joined forces with the High School to help host this event.

The Chamber invites volunteers to help with ticket selling and ticket taking. Only eight to ten people are needed to handle this duty. A sign-up sheet is at the Chamber, please call and let us know when you could help. A hospitality room is being coordinated by Cara Nelson, Chairman of Sports & Rec.

Christmas Stroll & Parade of Lights

Trade Promotion is excited to be planning the up-coming Christmas Stroll and Parade of Lights for November 27th this year, which is the day after Thanksgiving. There are many ways that members can participate in this event. Groups or individuals that would like to perform are needed and can now be scheduled. There is also a need for non-profits that would like to set up and have food and beverages available also. Locations for most activities are currently in the planning stage.

There is one change this year with that being that the parade of lights will begin at 7:00 P.M. from the Reynolds/Pamida parking lot and travel north on Central Avenue. Groups are encouraged to enter a float in this festive parade.



2009 Coupon Project

Visitor shopping will be stimulated and promoted for the next twelve months with coupon packets which were published and stuffed by Crystal Clear Designs as a project of the Trade and Promotion Committee. A total of thirty six businesses participated, and are listed below. The Chamber looks forward to having these packets for visitor and relocation mailings, trade shows, meetings, and business favors.

Please contact the Chamber if you have an event that could use visitor packets.

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| • Cattle-Ac | • NAPA Auto Parts | • Sidney Liquor Agency |
| • CHS Farmer's Elevator | • Nutt 'n Better | • South 40/Winners Pub |
| • Club Royale Casino | • Pamida | • Stepping Stones Massage |
| • Duramed Plus | • Party Central | • Stockman Bank |
| • East-Mont Enterprises | • Pizza House | • Sunny's Family Restaurant |
| • ElectricLand | • Planet Hair | • Taco Johns |
| • Finnicum's Furniture | • ProBuild | • The Depot |
| • Footers | • Reynold's Market | • The Regal Eagle |
| • Johnson Hardware & Furniture | • Richland Federal Credit Union | • The Wild Outdoorsman |
| • Lone Tree Inn | • Richland Motor Inn | • Triangle Nite Club |
| • M & M Cafe | • Sidney Country Club | • VFW Post#4099 |
| • M3 Meats | • Sidney Health Center | • White Drug |



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Richland Opportunities Inc B.A .H.

Richland Opportunities Inc. had a great B.A.H. providing a barbeque to approximately 150 people to celebrate their 30th Anniversary on September 15th. A great spread and a beautiful day provided for outstanding networking both inside the workshop or in the picnic area outside. Cindy Eleson and her staff are greatly appreciated for the work and care they provided to special needs people in the community. It was an honor for the Sunrise Ambassadors and Chamber to be a part of this celebration. The ROI headquarters is located at 1100 Silurian Lane.



Thanks to Our Renewing Members

The following members re-invested in the Sidney Chamber during September. Thank you for continuing to support the Sidney area. We look forward to putting your dollars to work supporting the business and agricultural community throughout the year!



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