



# WINDMILL

January 2010

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## The Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet

January 19, 2010

6:00 pm General Meeting at Parkhaven

7:00 pm Dinner at Sir Scott's Oasis

\$20.00 per person

The general meeting will be short with a fantastic speaker: Clark Johnson, former Bozeman City Manager and dinner, as always will be delicious at the Oasis. Raffle tickets will be handed out at Parkhaven before the General Meeting and raffle prizes will be awarded at the Oasis. You must be present to win. We are looking forward to a fun, informative evening with plenty of time to socialize and network with area business owners. Invitations are in the mail and if you have not received yours, please contact the Chamber, 284.4162 or [chamber@manhattanareachamber.com](mailto:chamber@manhattanareachamber.com). We look forward to seeing you there!

## Minutes from the General Meeting, November 9.

Meeting called to order by Chamber President Brad Price at 7:30 P.M.  
Present: Brad Price, Dave Hebner, Debbie Jesse, Tammy Olsztyn, Linda Johnson, Wilma Jones, Paul, Roberta Paul, Jim Albrecht, George Hoffman, Ramona Stout, Patty Hebner, Karin Bias and Susan Douma

### Treasurer's Report:

Checking:	\$7,453.13
Savings:	\$7,541.95
CD:	\$11,150.00

### OLD BUSINESS:

**Membership:** Brad reported there are 130 members of the Chamber.

**Potato Festival:** Brad reported there has not been a final financial report on the Festival, as the committee has not yet been able to meet to collate information. The approximately profit is \$7,000. A comment was made that it would be nice to see a comparison made from year to year for the Festival.

**Railroad Avenue Fencing:** Brad stated that we will can look at funding it next

year, but because of our 2009 budget is done that expense cannot be included.

**Harvest Market:** Harvest Market was held Saturday, October 17 at the Gazebo in East Railroad Park. Music was provided by Don and Sharon Murray and was enjoyed by all. We had 8 paying vendors for a total of \$140.00 in booth fees. We had 5 vendors cancel Saturday morning due to the flu.

We had 2 non-profits attend. They were the Clever Clovers 4-H Club and the Manhattan High School Honor Society. This event was a lot of fun but is not self-supporting. There was another show in Bozeman that day and the flu. Potty Princess Portable Rentals donated the use of the toilet.

A benefactor paid the fee for the music. Expenses were all advertising –

Belgrade News-	\$250.00
Bozeman Chronicle-	<u>\$180.00</u>
	\$430.00

The Senior Nutrition Coupon Program is now closed. \$1264.00 worth of coupons has been redeemed through our program. A final report is ready to go to Helena and the log sheets are ready to go to Helena for final reconciliation. After the logs are reconciled, we will be notified of the amount of the administration fees due to our program. The amount will be 9% of the coupons redeemed in our program. The Chamber will then have to refund all remaining monies sent to us back to the state program.

I have submitted the receipts for my out of pocket expenses for the Farmers Market. I will have another small list of expenses directly related to the Senior Nutrition Program, after I mail the logs to Helena.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Chamber Banquet:** Wilma Jones and Patty Hebner have been elected to be on the Banquet Committee. Patty will be committee chair. The date will be either January 18 or 25. A check needs to be made with the school, city and around town to confirm no conflicts. Possible locations were discussed: Oasis, Garden Café, Church Building, School, and Parkhaven. Several speakers were suggested.

**Christmas Stroll:** Brad announced the date for Christmas Stroll – Thursday, December 10. Friday, December 11 is the beginning of the Manhattan Bank Basketball Tournament.

**Nomination Committee Appointment:** Debbie Jessie reported that the entire membership has been contacted. There are 3 candidates: Kelly Miller for Treasurer, Jim Albrecht for Director and Roxanne Pearson. The Secretary will release these names to the membership and then the members will have 10 day to nominate by petition.

**Brown Bag Seminars:** Susan Douma discussed this idea. These would be monthly gatherings (Lunch and Learns)

There being no other new business, President Brad Price called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Dave, seconded by Tammy and passed by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Susan Douma.

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## Minutes from the General Meeting, December 14.

**Wilma Jones called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm.**

**Present: Wilma Jones, Roberta, Jim Albrecht, George Hoffman, Mark Kredit and Susan Douma.**

### **Treasurer's Report**

<b>Checking:</b>	<b>\$2,617.80</b>
<b>Savings:</b>	<b>\$7,541.95</b>
<b>CD (Matures 9/15/11):</b>	<b>\$11,150.00</b>

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Membership:** 132 Members

**Potato Festival Final Report** – The Potato Festival Committee has not meet yet.

**Revitalization Update** – No new information to update.

**Whiskey Barrels/Benches** – This is something that we will work on beginning in 2010.

**Farmer's Market Final Report** - This report was generated by Pat Figgins and read by Wilma Jones. Farmers Market Expenses Totaled \$1,402.89, plus the Senior Nutrition Program expense of \$114.00, for a grand Expense total of \$1,516.89. The Income for the Farmer's Market is \$2,429.00. Our Net profit is \$912.11. This concludes the Final Report for the Farmer's Market.

Pat also asked if the Chamber is interested in sponsoring the Farmer's Market for the 2010 season. A motion was passes to continue sponsoring the Manhattan Farmers Market for the 2010 market season, and Brad appointed Pat as the chairperson of the Manhattan Farmer's Market. **We owe Pat a huge thank you for doing a great job with the Farmer's Market!**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Statewide Publishing** (Phonebook with the Skier) Changes to Advertising – Donates to the Chamber a free Ad in their phonebook. We need to get in our new ad ASAP as they are assembling the new 2010-2011 book. Susan asked if anyone knows a good marketing person who might be able to assist us in keeping all of our marketing efforts unified and with a consistent look and feel. Wilma might have a contact. She will e-mail the chamber this information. George offered the Belgrade News designer to help us with the ad.

**Christmas Stroll Report** – Our tentative numbers are income: \$848.25 and expenses are \$1,502.35, several sponsorship checks have not come in, but we will have a full report at the next general meeting.

**Chamber Banquet** – Patty Hebner will be heading up this committee. The date has not been set, but the committee is currently meeting and working out all the details.

**Nomination Committee Report** – Currently we do not have any candidates for President or Vice-President. Joan Oldenberger is running unopposed for the Treasurer position and three candidates are running to replace 2 Director positions: Jim Albrecht, Pat Figgins and Roxanne Pearson. Ballots will be in your

invitation to the Annual Chamber Banquet and bios of the candidates will be e-mailed.

**Brown Bag Seminars** – Hopefully we will be starting in January with the first Lunch and Learn discussing the Chamber Choices Health Insurance. Wilma offered the bank conference room as a meeting location and possibility also using the Amsterdam-Churchill Bank meeting room as well. Mark said he would serve on the Lunch and Learn Committee and thought he might know some additional people who would like to serve on the committee, too. The seminars will be held quarterly.

**Bozeman Symphony Opportunity** – Small ensembles from the Bozeman Symphony will come to your town and do a free performance. Susan has spoken with the school and they are interested in hosting a performance in conjunction with the Chamber.

**Montana Shakespeare in the Park** – Wilma as if we have a rain out location, although she supports sponsoring this. A question was asked if we could have it earlier in the summer so the school could be the rain out location. The general consensus is that the Shakespeare in the Park is a worthy opportunity for the Chamber to sponsor. It costs the Chamber \$1200 to sponsor it. Tammy Olszty, the committee chair needs to send a letter confirming 2010 sponsorship of the Shakespeare in the Park by December 18.

**Community Garden** – Jim brought this idea to our attention and Wilma commented that she might have a good contact.

The meeting was closed with no further new business.

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## Manhattan Farmer's Market

Yes, it is time again for the organizational meeting of the 2010 Farmer's Market Committee. Have you wanted to get involved with a committee from the Chamber, well then this is your chance. Committee Chair, Pat Figgins would like to have more people on the Farmer's Market committee. They will be having their first meeting in February, please call Pat (284.6574) if you would like to be a part of this very successful group.

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## Senior Center Requests

Do you have some spare time in the afternoons on Tuesday and Thursday? The Senior Center is looking for extra pinochle players. Do not know how to play? No need to worry they are happy to teach you. Also, they need fill-in drivers for Meals on Wheels. If either of these things appeal to you, please contact the Senior Center and speak to Sue or leave a message: 284.6501. Thank you!

# January Calendar

January 2010						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 5:30 pm Board Meeting	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Annual Banquet Parkhaven (6:00) Oasis (7:00)	20	21	22	23
24/31	25 6:00 Potato Festival Mtg. at Parkhaven	26 6:30-7:30 Intentionally Create Your 2010 - Manhattan Library	27	28	29	30

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## February Calendar

February 2010							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	1	2 5:30 pm General Mtg., Board Mtg. After	3	4	5	6	7
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### Lunch & Learn

This is a new idea for the Manhattan Chamber. We are looking to bring interesting topics to the membership over the lunch hour. Our first meeting will be in February on the Chamber Choices Health Insurance Program. This health insurance option is one of the many benefits you can take advantage of because you or your business is a member of the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce. Check on the web for dates and times – we should be posting it soon.

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### Manhattan Community Corner

Would you like your company highlighted in the Business Spotlight section of the Manhattan Community Corner? Then let us know! We are actively seeking businesses and information on community events to put into this advertising piece. The Community Corner comes out on the first and third Tuesdays of every month.

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Thank you

**Manhattan Community Library & Manhattan Area Chamber of  
Commerce**

***invites you to join Certified Coach Tammy Mac Olsztyn to...  
Intentionally Create Your 2010***

**How Hard Are You Willing to Push to Make 2010 Your Best Year  
Ever?**

***What If All You Really Needed To Do Was Simply "Pull"  
Powerful Principles From Your Past Back Into Existence?***

What if having greater success this year doesn't require you to work harder, but rather work smarter?

What if by focusing on a few important things, that if acted upon, would be your roadmap for an incredible coming year?

What if your success in 2010 starts with an intentional look back BEFORE moving forward?

Success does not just happen. Happiness does not just happen. Both are intentionally created! There are disciplines, practices and habits that can be mastered to create tangible, sustainable and intentional results for your life.

If you are ready to make 2010 your best year yet and put three powerful principles into action, you are not going to want to miss this seminar!

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## **Event at a Glance:**

Speaker:  
Tammy Machowicz Olsztyn  
Owner & Principal  
Harvest Coaching

Location: Manhattan Community Library  
Tuesday, January 26, 2010  
Program: 6:30 - 7:30 pm  
Arrive early at 6:00 pm to mingle and enjoy refreshments!

Registration: No Charge  
Registrations are requested for room arrangement.  
Register by January 25th to Susan at [manhattanmontana@yahoo.com](mailto:manhattanmontana@yahoo.com) or call 284-4162.



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## Thank you

Thank you so much for being a member of the Chambe! Please do not hesitate to contact us with your comments and suggestions. We are here to serve you.