



WINDMILL

News and updates from the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce

May, 2009

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Potato Festival is starting to take shape. I appreciate all who have offered their assistance, but we still need a lot of help. We are starting our sponsorship drive, so if you would like to be a sponsor of something specific in the Potato Festival, or would just like to make some kind of donation, please contact the Chamber office. Please plan to attend the next Potato Festival Meeting @ 303 Spruce St on May 19th, 6:30 PM. The Manhattan Corner in the Belgrade News is going very well. People are calling in information for the Calendar, the Event Spotlight and we even have businesses requesting to be spotlighted.

The next big event will be the Garage-A-Rama on June 6th. To be a part of this event, please call 284-6447.

Just a reminder, a Dumpster will be placed in town on the Railroad property from 8 AM to 3 PM this Saturday, May 9th. Let's all work together to make it a great summer.

Brad Price

MANHATTAN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING MINUTES

April 13, 2009– 12:00 PM
Manhattan Bank

Brad Price called the meeting to order

Present were: Brad Price, Dave Hebner, Debbie Jesse, Roberta Paul, Karen Lauersdorf, Wilma Jones, Pat Figgins, Paul Jones, Linda Johnson, Jim Albrecht, Ramona Stout, George Hoffman, Patty Hebner, Bob Wetzell, Laura Niemi.

Treasurers Report: Checkings: \$9549 Savings: 7542 CD: \$11,150

OLD BUSINESS:

- Belgrade News – George reported that the first issues of the Manhattan Community Page have gone very well. He will add "paid for by the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce" to the bottom of the page.
- Directory – Go with UPS store even if they are not trimmed.

- Membership: Current membership is 102
- Potato Festival
 - o 2 meetings so far
 - o Booths: 50 reserved to date
 - o Committee Chairs needed: Booths, Clean Up, Dress the Spud & Chamber Booth Chairs are still needed.
 - o Theme: Manhattan, Montana – We're no small potato as the theme for the 2009 Potato Festival.
 - o Logo Contest: The logo contest will be posted in the local papers with entries being accepted thru May 31st. The logo will be voted on at the June Chamber meeting.
 - o Meeting: The next Potato Festival meeting is Tuesday, April 27th, 6:30 pm at 303 Spruce.
- Easter Egg Hunt: The Easter Egg Hunt had over 1000 kids. The Legion distributed over 5000 eggs and went through 22 cases of soda. Next year it would be nice if the hunt could be included on the chamber web page. New this year, the Legion sold raffle tickets to raise funds to buy the candy and prizes. It was suggested to promote local businesses with sandwich boards.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Special Olympics – Murdoch's is hosting the 2009 Montana Special Olympics at the MSU Field House on May 12, 13 & 14th. Patty Hebner is collecting names of people interested in volunteering to help with the event.

The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Monday, May 11th, 12:00 pm.

NEXT CHAMBER MEETING

Monday, May 11th
12:00-1:00
MANHATTAN BANK

TATER TIMES POTATO FESTIVAL UPDATE

OFFICIAL THEME

MANHATTAN MONTANA WE'RE NO SMALL POTATO!

LOGO CONTEST

The Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce announces a logo contest for the 2009 MANHATTAN POTATO FESTIVAL. The winning artist will be awarded \$100. The theme for the festival is **Manhattan, Montana, We're No Small Potato!** The logo must be designed using only one color. Mail logo designs to P.O. Box 606, Manhattan, MT 59741 or email entries to manhattanmontana@yahoo.com Entries must be received on or before received May 31st, 2009. All entries become the property of the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce. The Potato Festival, State Chili Cook-Off and Car Show will be held on Saturday, August 15th. Contact the chamber at 284-4162 for more information.

MANHATTAN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President, Brad Price	284-3400	Pat Figgins	284-6574	Linda Johnson	284-3174
Vice President, Paul Jones	586-8581	Dave Hebner	599-7456	Tammy Machowicz Olszty	284-3909
Treasurer, Roberta Paul	284-3255	Debbie Jesse	282-9111	Wilma Jones	284-3255



Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce

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May 2009						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	6	7 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	8	9
10	11 Board Mtg. 11:30 Chamber Mtg. Noon at Manhattan Bank	12 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	13	14 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	15	16
17	18 POTATO FESTIVAL Meeting 6:30 303 Spruce	19 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	20	21 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	22	23
24	25	26 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	27	28 Chamber Open 11:30-1:30	29	30
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POTATO FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING

The next
Potato
Festival
Meeting is
Thursday,
May 18th,
6:30 pm,
303 Spruce.



NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

Broken Arrow
Jones Painting
Lehrkind's Coca Cola
McDermott Financial Services, PC
Montana Climate Control
Montana Medical Bill Review, LLC
Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply
Pizza on Broadway
Plaza Bar & Casino
Qualified Bookkeeping
Ressler Chevrolet
TD Hamilton Excavation, Inc.
TLC Septic Service
Westervelt Transportation
Woolbaugh, Bridget, LCPC

JOB POSTING

The Chamber has several probable job openings as a Visitor Center Host for the Visitor Center located inside of the Manhattan Museum. This part-time position is available for various days of the week beginning Saturday, May 23 and ending on Monday, September 7th. This is a volunteer position with the possibility of converting to a paid position.

For additional information & to apply for the positions contact Brad Price at 539-9347. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, May 20th.

MANHATTAN GARAGE-A-RAMA

Saturday, June 6th • 8-3