



Glendive Chamber of Commerce and Ag

CHAMBER CHATTER

Chamber Banquet

The 6th Annual Chamber Banquet was held on Tuesday, January 11th at the Moose Lodge. The evening started with a social hour at 6:00 pm and dinner was served at 7:00 pm. The guest speaker was Peggy Iba and she shared on what the Greater Glendive Community Foundation has accomplished, what they have planned in the future, and how to give to the foundation. After Peggy was done with her presentation various awards were presented. The first award was presented by Kathy Ackerman and it was the Beautification Award. The recipient was **Electricland** for all of the improvements they have made to their building which inspired other business'

to also start improvements. The next award was the ACT Committees 2010 Success in Progress Award. There were two recipients this year. The first recipient was **American Legion Baseball** and was presented by Peggy Iba. They were chosen for the improvements they made to the bleachers and hosting a tournament which brought visitors to Glendive. The second recipient was **Farm to Table** for all of their work in the community throughout the last year. The award was presented by Kim Trangmoe. Third was the Chamber Member of the Year award which was presented by Darren Hagen and the award went to **Fisher Sand and Gravel**. Next

was the award for New Chamber Member of the Year which was presented by Shelley Harper and went to **Extreme Outlet**. Alisha Sackman was the next presenter and she presented the Jim and Mary Carter Award to **Sandi McGovern**. The final award was for Outstanding Community Leader(s) and was presented by Jim Cargill. The deserving recipients were **Garth and Tracey Clingsmith**. Congrats to all the award recipients and thank you to all those that had a display and to everyone that attended. A special thank you to the Moose Ladies for preparing a fabulous meal and to the Lodge for the use of the lodge.

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Special points of interest:

- Beautification Award
- Two Success in Progress
- Chamber Member of the Year
- New Chamber Member of the Year
- Jim & Mary Carter Award
- Outstanding Community Leaders



February Events

- 1 Community Visioning at DCHS at 5:30 pm
- 6 Gallery Open House
- 6 Knights of Columbus pancake & sausage breakfast, 9:30 am—12 pm Free will offering.
- 7 Ag, GATE, EPEC Committee Meeting 7 pm
- 9 Leadership Glendive Day—Communications
- 9 Lunch & Learn at the Glendive Public Library at noon
- 11-12 G.A.T.E at the EPEC
- 24-26 Class A Boys & Girls Basketball Divisionals
- 24-26 Women's Retreat—Your Relationship with Jesus at the EPEC
- 25-26 Kiwanis all you can eat sausage & pancake breakfast at the Moose from 7 am to 11 am

Regular Meetings

- Monday
- Noon—Noon Lions at YRI
 - Noon—Rotary Club at YRI
- Tuesday
- 5:15—TOPS meets at Glendive Public Library
- Wednesday
- Noon—Kiwanis at YRI
- Thursday
- Noon—Toastmasters at the Coffee Den

Check us out on the web
www.glendivechamber.com



Gallery Open House

Every Woman Matters (EWM), a multimedia exhibit highlighting Montana women and their compelling stories about the importance of overcoming challenges to breast cancer screening. EWM will be on display in Glendive at The Gallery located at 109 North Merrill Avenue, February 6th from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

Every Woman Matters: Portraits of Montana Women Living with Disabilities" features black and white portraits of 12 women living with disabilities from across the Big Sky country



Lunch and Learn

Armchair adventurers can travel to one of the most exotic spots on the earth. Come to the Glendive Public Library Community Room and listen to Ilene Robins tell of sailing to the Galapagos Islands. Wednesday, February 9th, 12:00—1:00 pm at the "Lunch and Learn" sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Kiwanis Breakfast

The Kiwanis will have an All You Can Eat sausage and pancake breakfast at the Moose on February 25th and 26th from 7 am to 11 am. The cost will be \$5.00.



Community Visioning



What is your 2020 vision for Glendive?

What do you want Glendive to look like in 2020, less than 10 years away, we need to start now!

How can we make Glendive the *best place* for everyone? We want to be a Community by Design rather than Default.

Everyone needs to attend this community visioning Feb 1st at the DCHS Cafeteria,

Free dinner will be served at 5:30, visioning will be 6:30 - 9:00, child care is available.

Meeting will be facilitated by Dan Clark, MSU Extension Local Government Director and former mayor of Choteau.

Sponsored by Greater Glendive Community Foundation. Call Peggy Iba for more information 939-7422.

Come to GATE



The premier ag-related exposition in Eastern Montana and Western North Dakota will be at the EPEC February 11-12, 2011. Following in its long and successful 33 year history, GATE again offers a forum for contacting hundreds of people, showing and sharing ideas, and visiting with friends, old and new. The 2011 GATE will also feature the 11th Annual Bull Show and the 6th Annual Bull Show on Friday, February 11. Booths are still available.

The GATE Banquet will be at the Moose Lodge Friday evening. Tickets may be purchased at GATE.

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**103 N. Merrill Ave.
Glendive, MT 59330
(across from the City Parking Lot)
Final Celebration Date to sell or buy:
Sunday, February 13, 1-5 pm**

Dresses are already starting to come in.
Buyers come and have some fun!



The pillar of character for February is RESPECT

Simple rule: Treat others with the respect we want to be treated with.

Follow the golden Rule: be tolerant of differences; be considerate of the feelings of others; use good manners, not bad language; don't threaten, hit or hurt anyone; deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements.

Teach these rules to your children at home and we will not have bullying issues at school or road rage or parental outbursts at sporting events. As adults we are the role models for the children, we are not perfect, but let's work to be the best we can be.



Ways to Improve Your Heart Health for 2011

Montana Chamber Choices Health Insurance Program offers several ways to improve the heart and performance of your business in 2011. The following benefits can uniquely increase collaboration at your worksite, raise the energy level and make you look like the best boss ever.

- **Stop heart disease.** Yes, it's already February the month of cupid hearts and heart disease awareness. Heart disease kills more US men *and* women than any other disease. Luckily you and your employees can take steps to reduce their risk at work and at home.
- **Quit.** 70% of current smokers say they want to quit, are you one of them? Call the Montana Tobacco Quit Line at 1-800-QUIT-NOW to get free cessation counseling, a free personalized quit plan, 6 weeks of free nicotine replacement therapy (gum, patches, or lozenges), discounts on prescription cessation drugs and more.
- **Shape Up Montana.** High cholesterol, high blood pressure, diabetes and excess weight are all risk factors for heart disease and miraculously each of these can be reduced, controlled or resolved by participating in the statewide, team-based Shape Up Montana physical activity (or weight loss) challenge. Montana Chamber and Montana Chamber Choices customers receive a 33% discount off of the \$15 fee to participate in the competition by registering by February 9th at www.shapeupmontana.org/shapeupcc11.html.
- **Get your WellVision exam.** High blood pressure can be detected through a thorough eye exam. Luckily, as of January 1, 2011 all employees covered by Montana Chamber Choices health insurance have a VSP vision benefit that includes a \$10 copay at a VSP provider for an annual WellVision exam and eyewear discounts. Schedule your appointment today.
- **Buy-up.** Help the heart by insuring it. Every Montana Chamber Choices employee health insurance customer has a \$5,000 base life insurance policy and the opportunity to buy-up additional life insurance. Prices are outrageously low (\$1.05 a month for \$10,000 of coverage for a 34-year old, for example) so call your Montana Chamber Choices agent today and help the heart beat more easily.

Did you know?



The NFL Super Bowl is known for its commercials almost as much as it is for the game itself. Of that wide

viewing audience, about 18% will be youth under 21. Alcohol ads placed among the top favorites and most-recalled commercials among middle and high school students.

Studies show that greater exposure to alcohol advertising contributes to an increase in drinking among youth. (Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine, Jan. 2006: 18-24)

*The Chamber Chatter is published by the staff of the Chamber of Commerce every month and can be found at many chamber member locations. To list any of **your** upcoming events please call the Chamber office at 377-5601 or email the information to chamber@midrivers.com. Check out our calendar of community events at www.glendivechamber.com*

Member Highlights...

Koch Furniture

Koch Furniture opened its doors for business in 1919 and have been selling premier furnishings ever since. They take pride in their work and in helping customers with their home décor. Their goal is to provide a great selection of quality furniture and home furnishings at a reasonable price. Some of the brands they carry are Ashley, Simmons, Lane, Best Home Furniture, King Koil, Vaughn Bassett. In addition to home furnishing they have a full line of flooring featuring all the major carpet lines, and usually are able to provide free same furniture delivery! They are located at 320 N Kendrick and are open Monday thru Saturday from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm.

H & R Block

It's that time of year again, time to file your taxes, and the experts at H & R Block would love to help you. They have a total of eight tax preparers this year, and they can prepare business and personal taxes. Why not have the peace and mind of having an expert prepare your taxes for you, and H & R block provides audit assist for up to three years. For a limited time they will prepare your federal taxes for free if you are filing a 1040EZ and your state preparation is only \$41.00. So gather up your tax information and head on over to 210 S. Merrill, they are open Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 6 pm and on Saturday from 9 am to 4 pm.

J & S Feeds

Located at 1000 N Merrill, J & S Feeds has been in business since December 2003. Just as their name indicates they carry feed and specialize in Purina Feed. In addition to carrying feed they have candles, Montana Silversmith, tac, Made in Montana purses and slippers, pet supplies, ropes, vaccine, horse shoeing supplies, bird feed, and the list goes on. So take some time and visit the folks at J & S Feeds, they are open Monday thru Friday from 8 am to 5 pm and Saturday from 8 am to 12 pm.

Robins Service

In need of a tow? Robins Service provides towing for most major auto clubs such as AAA 24 hours a day by calling 365-2040. Need a repair? Well, Robins Service can help with that too, they are a NAPA auto repair center. Exhaust work? They do that! Tires? Yep, you guessed it, they can do that as well. And, as if that wasn't enough to keep them busy, they are Glendive's local U-haul provider; bus depot; they send and receive Western Union payments; and accept utility payments. So if you need to make a utility payment, get some new tires..., stop in and see Darwin and Ilene Stedman at 1302 W Towne, they are open Monday thru Friday 8 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 6 pm and on Saturday from 8 am to 12 pm and 1 am to 5 pm.

If you are interested in becoming a Chamber member please call us at 377-5601 or stop by our office at 808 N Merrill. We are excited about Glendive and what we can do to help your business!