

Chamber Calendar

Tuesday November 9
Chamber of Commerce Luncheon Meeting
Uptown Banquet Room 11:45 a.m.

Monday, November 15
Successful Staffing, a Human Resources workshop sponsored by Sunrise Community Futures and Moosomin Chamber of Commerce.
1-4:30 p.m. Moosomin Community Hall
Cost: \$20 per person

Saturday, December 4
Santa Day sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and organized by the Moosomin RBC

branch. The day will include photos with Santa and a free matinee at the Community Theatre.

Saturday, December 11
Moosomin Chamber of Commerce Small Business Christmas Party, featuring hypnotist Blacksalt and music by party band Shameless. Tickets are \$40 each or tables of six for \$225. Only a few tickets left. Call 435-2445 for tickets

Tuesday, December 14
Chamber of Commerce Luncheon Meeting
Uptown Banquet Room 11:45 a.m.
Guest Speaker from VBlne Energy

The Board of Directors

We are your Chamber of Commerce and we're here to serve you. If you have any ideas, suggestions, questions, concerns, or criticisms, please feel free to contact any member of our Board of Directors and express your views.

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Talk to us!

Please give us your feedback

- I would like to join the Chamber of Commerce
- I would like to sign up for the Chamber's Greetings Program
- I would like more information on a Chamber program: _____
- I have an idea/suggestion for the Chamber of Commerce: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Drop off at the World-Spectator office or mail to Box 819, Moosomin, SK S0G 3N0

Our last meeting

Funk speaks about Bridge Road project

BY KARA KINNA

Harry Funk with Bridge Road Developments was the guest speaker at the Moosomin Chamber of Commerce meeting held last Tuesday.

Funk talked about Bridge Road's plans to build a 24-unit apartment complex in Moosomin across from the Communiplex on Wright Road. Bridge Road has an option to purchase the land from the town of Moosomin.

Funk told the Chamber that his own family situation led to the creation of Bridge Road Developments after he retired.

"What I did after retirement came out of frustration with our own family," he said. "My mother who was getting older did not have a place to retire in her own community."

Funk says Bridge Road's focus on senior's housing is inspired by a shortage of seniors' housing across the Prairies that is only going to get worse.

"As we looked at the demographics in Manitoba, about 489,262 people are going to be turning into seniors in Manitoba, and the numbers are similar in Saskatchewan," he said. "That is a huge problem. But what little we can do is partner with towns and help somewhat with this situation."

Funk explained that Bridge Road's projects are a partnership between local investors, tenants, and Bridge Road building facilitators. "Everyone who buys a share gets one vote and is on the board of directors," he said. "We are not going to tell you how to run this, we are not telling you what is good for Moosomin. We are asking you to tell us."

"I have a vision for Moosomin that we will probably end up in that 70 to 84 unit system over time." Funk said that Bridge Road had already received five deposits from tenants, even though they have not asked for deposits.

Snowbirds show discussed

Bill Thorn made a presentation to the Chamber on behalf of the Moosomin Shrine Club regarding the Shrine Club's plans to bring the Snowbirds to Moosomin for a show next year.

Thorn said the Shrine Club had tentatively booked the Snowbirds for a show in Moosomin on June 22, 2011, and is presently putting together an organizing committee to start planning for the event. He asked if the Chamber would be willing to support the event and participate in its planning, and wondered if any Chamber members would like to join the organizing committee.

"To bring them to Moosomin would be quite an attraction, to have that sort of a show in our town," said Thorn.

Thorn added that Brock Andrew, a retired Snowbird who lives in Virden, has agreed to be part of the organizing committee for the event, and has chaired two events with the Snowbirds in Virden in the past.

He said the Snowbirds are not willing to bring their show to a community unless they know that community has the ability to host an event of that magnitude.

Thorn, who is a Chamber member, made a motion that the Chamber support the event in principal. The motion was carried.

Two Chamber members—Devon Taylor and Rick Beckett—agreed to work with the committee.

Chamber supports Christmas car giveaway

The Chamber passed a motion to be a major sponsor in the World-Spectator Christmas Car Giveaway again.

This is the Chamber's fourth year supporting the promotion, in which local businesses work together to give away a car just before Christmas.

As a major sponsor, the Chamber will put \$2,000 toward the promotion.

Three new members join Chamber

Chamber president Ed Hildebrandt presented free Chamber memberships to three new members at the meeting.

Darrellynn Fair with Canalta Hotel, Patti Shepherd with A&W, and Greg Faul with My Lord's Bed and Breakfast were all presented with a free, one-year Chamber membership.

Santa Day will be Dec. 4

Moosomin RBC manager Deanna MacDonald told the Chamber that it was RBC's year to host Santa Day in Moosomin.

She said that Santa Day is booked for Dec. 4, and photos with Santa will be taken by Franson's Custom Photo from 10 a.m. until noon at the Moosomin Community Theatre. RBC will sponsor a bag of treats for children, and a free movie will be shown at 2 p.m. Children will also receive a free drink at the movie.

Tickets selling for Christmas party

Kevin Weedmark gave a report on the small business Christmas party being hosted by the Chamber on Dec. 11.

Weedmark said that the hypnotist Blacksalt had been booked, and following supper and the show, the band Shameless will be performing.

He noted that tickets have already begun selling for the event, and encouraged businesses to buy early.

Volunteers sought for Bethlehem Live

It was mentioned that the Bethlehem Live committee is still looking for volunteers for the event. A volunteer signup sheet was passed around at the meeting.

Our next meeting

Tuesday, November 9, 11:45 a.m. Uptown Banquet Room

Agenda:

Chamber Small Business Christmas Party • Kevin Weedmark
Sunrise Community Futures • Human Resources Workshop
Discussion of Thursday night opening
Discussion of Christmas tree

Guest Speaker:

Ken Shackel, Southeast Regional College

Chamber of Commerce services

The Moosomin Chamber of Commerce offers many services for its members and for the wider community

Moosomin Bucks

The idea behind Moosomin Bucks is simple. Anyone can purchase Moosomin Bucks from the Chamber of Commerce and anyone can redeem them at a business, which is then reimbursed by the chamber.

Purpose: The Moosomin Bucks program is offered so that businesses have a way to offer prizes and reward customers and staff with a cash-value certificate they know will be spent locally.

To participate: Purchase and redeem Moosomin Bucks at Conexus Credit Union. We encourage all businesses in Moosomin to accept Moosomin Bucks as cash, and bring the Moosomin Bucks to the World-Spectator office for redemption.

Moosomin Chamber of Commerce Greetings Program

The Moosomin Chamber of Commerce operates a greeting program to welcome newcomers to our area, and to congratulate new businesses and new parents. Individuals receive a visit, a basket of offers and gifts from local businesses, and a freshly baked pie.

Purpose: This service is operated to welcome and congratulate people at important times in their lives, and to introduce them to participating businesses.

To participate: Participating businesses are expected to Contact Carey Moore at 435-2268.

Moosomin Sign Corridors

The Moosomin Chamber of Commerce operates sign corridors on the east side and the west side of Moosomin, along the Trans-Canada Highway.

Purpose: These sign corridors are in place to promote local businesses to highway travellers.

To participate: Chamber members may place signs within these corridors. There is currently a waiting list, but the corridors may be extended. Contact Wayne Beckett at 435-4143 to get on the list.

Reusable Bags

The Moosomin Chamber of Commerce has reusable shopping bags available for purchase. The bags were purchased by the Chamber of Commerce with assistance from the Rocanville Wildlife Federation and are available at cost.

Purpose: The reusable bags are environmentally friendly and contain a Keep Moosomin Green message

To participate: Bags are available in boxes of 50 for \$50 per box. See the World-Spectator office.

Christmas promotions

The Moosomin Chamber of Commerce encourages people to do their Christmas shopping in Moosomin. The Chamber participates as a major sponsor in the World-Spectator's Christmas Car Giveaway, provides a treat for the kids with the Santa Day promotion involving a free matinee at the Moosomin Community Theatre and organizes Men's, Women's and Youth Shopping Nights in December.

Purpose: All the Christmas promotions are designed to encourage shopping in the local area during the important Christmas retail season.

To participate: Contact the World-Spectator office if you are open Thursday nights in December and want to participate.

Home, Farm, and Leisure Show

The Moosomin Chamber of Commerce organizes an annual Home, Farm, and Leisure Show each April

Purpose: To showcase local businesses and what they have to offer

To participate: Watch for information in on the 2011 show coming up in April.

Chamber of Commerce Group Insurance

Chamber of Commerce members are eligible to participate in the Chamber Group Insurance Program.

Purpose: The group insurance program allows small businesses to participate in group insurance.

To participate: Contact Darcy Stasiuk at 306-757-6999 for more information.



Moosomin Chamber of Commerce

November newsletter

President's Message

The weather may feel like spring. You may wonder: "Where did the summer go?". According to the calendar the season is fall. Confused? The real season is harvest time for retailers. Let's ensure a good harvest by shopping here in Moosomin.

Be sure to attend the Chamber meeting on November 9, 2010. We will again have a full and interesting agenda.

Thank you for your continued participation and support. Together we can make a difference

Ed Hildebrandt

Discover new ways to Find & Keep Valuable Employees

Attend the session:

Successful Staffing

Learn how to successfully develop your company:

- job descriptions
- recruitment methods
- interviewing techniques
- training and mentoring methods
- compensation options . . . and more!

Date: November 15, 2010

Time: 1:00pm - 4:30pm

Location: Moosomin District Community Hall
801 Birtle Street, Moosomin, SK

Fee: \$20.00 per person

Call Sherri to register: 1.877.851.9997

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