



Chamber Connection

Wellington Area Chamber of Commerce/CVB

January 2010

Mark Your Calendars NOW!!!!

January- Annual Meeting and Celebration
Thursday, January 21,
Theurer's Marketing Center, 6pm

February- Wichita Home Show
February 4-7,
Century 11, Wichita

March - We are planning a Ladies Night Out (formerly the Women's Expo)
Date and Location
TBD

April- The Wellington Chamber Golf Classic
Saturday, April 24,
Wellington Golf Course

July - 110th Annual Wheat Festival
July 7-11, 2010

Hawaii comes to Wellington for Annual Celebration

If we can't all jump on a plane to Hawaii to escape the cold then why not bring Hawaii to Wellington! We're having a luau for the Wellington Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting and Celebration. The celebration will be on Thursday, January 21st at Theurer's Marketing Center. The social begins at 6pm followed by the dinner and awards ceremony. Local musician and former chamber director Carter Green has agreed to polish off his ukulele to provide some island sounds during the social. The Chamber Ambassadors will once again

host the social and the spirits are being provided by your Chamber Board. Dinner is served at 7pm and will be catered by Penny's Diner. The menu includes Hawaiian Chicken, Burgundy Beef Tips, salad, sides and two desserts! After dinner we will honor incoming and outgoing board members and then top the night off by recognizing our Business of the Year and Distinguished Service Award recipients. This celebration really sets the tone for the rest of the year so we hope to see all of our members there. So go now and pull out your

grass skirts and coconut bras...ok, khakis and a Hawaiian shirt will do and get ready to party! For reservations, call the Chamber office at 326-7466. Tickets are \$20 per person, \$25 for non-members. After January 11th, tickets will go up to \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members.



Chamber Awards to Top the Nights Festivities

The announcement of the Chamber's Business of the Year and Distinguished Service Award recipient will be the highlight of the Annual Meeting and Celebration. This year's honorees are exceptional and you will not want to miss being a part of honoring these very deserving members. The DSA recipient

was selected by the DSA committee which was made up of Dr. Larry Anderson, 2008 DSA honoree and Jan Korte, 2009 DSA honoree and the last three past Presidents of the Chamber, Colby Zeka, John Cook and Greg Renn. The Business of the Year was selected by the Chamber Board of Directors

from a slate of tremendous nominations from the general membership. Thank you to everyone who nominated a business or individual for these awards. We are very blessed to have such wonderful businesses and civic minded people in our community.

(New and Hopefully Improved) Chamber Coffees
Every Thursday of the Month 10am – 10:30am



This quick and informative coffee is held every Thursday at the Daylight Donut Shop starting at 10am. This weekly get-together gives our members and the public a chance to come together to hear what is going on in the community and to meet and hear from one of our great members. This coffee will only last 30 minutes so that our members won't have to take any more of their day to get caught up on what is happening.

Please Contact the Chamber for more details and to reserve your date. The cost is \$60.

January Coffee Hosts

January 7-**Daylight Donut Shop**

January 14th- **City of Wellington**

January 21st-**Kelli Barton of Edward Jones**

January 28th-**Sterling House of Wellington**

February Coffee Host

February 4th - Open, February 11th - Open,

February 18th **St. Francis Community Services**, February 25th - Open

Week In Wellington



Each week, we try to send out a listing of all the Wellington Community Events. We also like to include the surrounding communities! If you have an event, sale, special meeting, anything you would like the public to know about, please send us the information.

Going Green



In efforts to Go Green and Save some green, we are converting the information we send out, i.e. Member notices, newsletters, announcements etc, to electronic transfers.... Also know as Email !

This helps us reduce the amount of paper we use and saves on postage. If you are currently not receiving our emails, that means we do not have an email address listed for you. If you would like to start receiving our emails, please be so kind as to contact us by phone or by emailing your request to dmartens@sutv.com. If you wish to receive notices by regular mail, Please let us know this also.

Shelley Says...

It's great to be back at the Chamber!! You never know how much you miss something until you have to give it up. It was good for me personally to have a year off to re-group and I truly enjoyed working for Sterling House. However, the Chamber is where I belong and I am so very blessed to work at a job that I love everyday. Thank you for the opportunity to serve this organization.

Now it's time to get back to work. We have a lot ahead of us and we need you to help us take your Chamber to the next level. I can't say enough about what a great job Dena Martens has done to keep this Chamber moving ahead smoothly. She deserves all the kudos in the world and hopefully she knows how very much I appreciate her and all the work she does on a daily basis. We are a good team.

I hope many of you will try and make it to the Annual Celebration. I am looking forward to a casual night to celebrate our organization, our community and the people and businesses that make it such a great place to live, work and play. Until next month...Live Well...Live Wellington!!!

Shelley Hansel-Williams

*Focus on the positive and you will flourish.
From Shelley's Fortune Cookie a couple of weeks ago.*



KOA Ribbon Cutting

On December 4th the Wellington Chamber proudly attended the Grand Opening of one of Wellington's newest Business.

Chad, Jodie and Cameron Bartelson showed off all their hard work and discussed future plans for the KOA Wellington Campground.

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