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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Happy New Year to all! I hope that everyone enjoyed a prosperous Holiday Season and quality time with family and friends, and are now ready to for the challenges of another year.

For those who may have missed the article in the Review, our winners of the Christmas Light Decorating contest were 26 Westpoint Drive for the best Small Yard, 1422-22 Ave. for the best Large Yard, and the Meyer's farm 1 mile west on the Westcott road and ½ mile south on Range Road 2.1. I hope everyone had a chance to get out and view these displays as they were marvelous. We would like to thank all the residents of Didsbury and District for the wonderful light displays that they do every year. The judges always have a very difficult time picking the winners.

I would like to extend a hardy welcome to Canadian Pizza King, who opened their doors late in December and are the most recent addition to our business community. I encourage all our members to drop in for a visit and make them feel welcome. Hopefully we will all have a chance to meet them at our January meeting.

Our downtown lights looked great as always and

I thank the volunteers who made this all possible. It is now time, however, to get the lights taken down which will be happening in the next few weeks, as soon as we get a break in the weather. Thanks to Ron Townrow, of Through the Grape Vine, the lights on the Didsbury Inn are down; this is the most difficult building because of its height. The rest we can get to with ladders as soon as it warms up. We will be sending out a call for volunteers as soon as we are ready, and I do hope we can have a good turnout. Taking down is the easiest process, so if there are enough volunteers the whole thing can be done in a few hours. Please come out and help, especially if you were not able to help with the putting up of the lights.

Our next General Meeting will be on January 19th at the Golden River Restaurant. It will start at 6pm as usual with a bit of social time followed by dinner at 6:30 and then the meeting and speaker. This month we will have Sergeant Jacobson, from our local R.C.M.P. detachment to give us an update on local law enforcement in Didsbury and area along with information on the Didsbury & District Policy Ad-

visory Committee which was formed last year. Come here what is happening and bring any questions you may have on crime or crime prevention in Didsbury. Should be a great time to visit and recap stories from the Christmas Season. Please book for supper with Deana at the Chamber office, 403-335-3265.

The Trade Expo Committee is well underway for 2011. Dates for this year are April 9th and 10th, 2011. Book now if you want your favorite spot! Our Art Travel and Trade Expo is the best trade show in central Alberta with the exception of Red Deer, perhaps, and bookings are coming in very quickly. Don't miss out! Bookings are being handled by the Chamber Office, so please contact Deana at 403-335-3265 or e-mail at info@didsburychamber.ca.

Our next Chamber General Meeting will be held on March 9th. More information will follow in the February TGIT.

Noteworthy Dates:

Chamber of Commerce General Meeting

January 19th

Chamber of Commerce Council Meeting

January 25th

Book Your Booth Now for the 2011 Trade Expo!

The Didsbury Art, Travel & Trade Expo is well known as one of the best Trade Shows in all of Alberta and this year will be no exception.

The 2011 Didsbury Art, Travel & Trade Expo will be held on April 9th & 10th at the Didsbury

Memorial Complex.

The Didsbury Art, Travel & Trade Expo offers an excellent venue to showcase your business, products or services. The 2010 show sold over 125 booths and had over 4,000 visitors.

If you are interested in purchasing a booth, sponsorship opportunity or donating a door prize please contact the Chamber Office @403-335-3265 or info@didsburychamber.ca.



Christmas Lighting Winners!

Small Yard: 26 Westpoint Drive

Large Yard: 1422 22nd Ave

Rural Yard: South on 23rd to Westcott Rd

1 mile west on Westcott Rd

1/2 mile south on 2.1

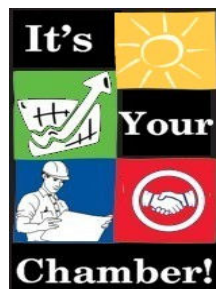
Congratulations to the Homeowners!



Mission Statement

The Didsbury & District Chamber of Commerce is a community-based volunteer business organization, whose purpose is to support, promote, nurture, and educate for the improvement of our business community

Get
Involved
Volunteer
Today!



Chamber Office Hours

Monday—Friday

9:00 am—1:00 pm

Upcoming Events

Chamber General Meeting

Wednesday, January 19th

Golden River Restaurant

Meet & Greet: 6:00 pm

Dinner: 6:30 pm

Meeting: 7:00 pm

Speaker: Sgt. Jeff Jacobson

-Briefing on Didsbury & District

Community Policing Committee

-Questions and Answers

Contact the Chamber Office to confirm
your dinner reservation (\$15.00/person)
403-335-3265 or info@didsburychamber.ca



Everyone Has a Story: Get Yours Published!

Workshops:

Saturday, January 22, 2011

Word of Life Centre

Olds, AB 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Saturday, January 29, 2011

Didsbury Municipal Library

Didsbury, AB 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Saturday, February 3, 2011

Olds Koinonia Christian School

Olds, AB 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Contact Chamber Member

Laura Crowe at 403-518-5858 or

laura@imagineitwriting.com or
visit www.imagineitwriting.com

Workshop Cost: \$49

Rosebud Run Sleddog Classic

January 29 & 30, 2010

Mushers and dog teams from across
North America take part
in a series of dog sled sprint races.

1/2 mile east of Didsbury

Races begin at 8:30 am

For more information contact

Bill Windsor @ 403-335-9445 or
bill@rosebudrun.ca

Didsbury Museum

Wednesday, January 26th, 2011

1:00 - 3:30 pm

Coffee & Conversation

Guest Speaker: Ray Arie from the
Radio Control Fun Flyers



ACC Group Insurance

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce members are eligible to enroll in the Alberta Chambers Group Insurance Program. The program itself is far too extensive to cover in a small medium like TGIT, however, if you are interested in obtaining more information about the ACC Group Insurance Program, please contact the Chamber office at 335.3265 OR call ACC directly at 1-800-984-2658