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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK !

There are so many changes happening in our business community this year, it has been very difficult to keep up. This month I would like to officially welcome Karen Griffin to our Chamber. Karen is the new owner of Ulla-La Boutique. Welcome Karen and congratulations on your expansion. We have a new liquor store, Cloud Nine Liquor, and of course the law firm of Martinson & Harder is now officially open in their new offices downtown. There are some other changes in the works, which will be reported on next month. If you are aware of any other changes that we may have missed, please contact me at meward25@telus.net.

Last month saw the success of our Annual Small Business Week Gala. Our entertainer Sheldon Casavant was fabulous, we had a lot of fun at the auction and the food was wonderful as usual. A special thank you to Rod Neufeld who agreed to once again M.C. our event, to Millie Lennox who gave the blessing, and to Diana Steer for chairing this year's committee. 50% of the proceeds of the silent auction will be given to the Peer Support Service for Abused Women, our chosen charity for the year.

Congratulations once again to the winners of the Small

Business Week Awards, full details appear later in TGIT.

With the Gala behind us it is time to turn our attention to Country Christmas and the Christmas Light decorations for downtown. As the new lights have finally arrived, there will be a work party at the Train Station this Sunday, November 7th to get the new lights put into the new garland ready for hanging. This work party saw a great crew show up last year and we were done in about 2 hours. Coffee, tea, cake and pop or water will be served. This is a great time to meet some of the other business people in town in a casual atmosphere and we encourage our new businesses to take part as well. Because this work can be done inside, this work party will take place regardless of the weather.

There will be another work party next Sunday, November 14th to put up the lights downtown. Please come out and help. This is a huge job, but can be achieved quite quickly if we get lots of help. Last year we had great people out and we were pretty much done in 4 hours. This work party will start at 11am since we have more to do. If the weather does not cooperate we will have to postpone to the following Sunday.

The information for Country Christmas has gone out by e-mail to members and by personal delivery to non-members. Please remember that to be included in the advertising we must have your response by no later than November 17th. Please contact Deana at the office if there is anything you need.

Our next General Meeting is on November 10th at 6pm. The meeting will be at the Elks Hall, with a meet and greet at 6pm followed by supper at 6:30pm, the meeting at 7pm and our speaker to follow. Our speaker this month is Trina Lonsberry from the Peer Support Services for Abused Women. This was the charity that we chose to support at the Gala and we have asked Trina to attend our meeting to give us more information about their group and services, since there was just not enough time at the Gala. Please attend to here what great work this group is involved in. We will be presenting Trina with our donation that evening.

Well that's it for this month. Remember Country Christmas is December 3rd; let's make this one the biggest and the best ever.

**Congratulations to the
2010 Small Business Week Award Winners!**

Small Business of the Year - House of Hair



New Business/New Owner - A Ray of Insight



**Not For Profit Registered Society - Didsbury & District
Historical Society**



Noteworthy Dates:

Christmas Lights/Garland Work Party	November 7th
Chamber of Commerce General Meeting	November 10th
Christmas Lights/Garland Hanging Work Party	November 14th
Chamber of Commerce Council Meeting	November 23rd
Country Christmas	December 3rd
Didsbury Art, Travel & Trade Expo	April 9th & 10th, 2011

Upcoming Events



Christmas Lights Work Party
Sunday, November 7th
Train Station
2:00 pm

Come help put the lights into the
garland ready for hanging!
We need your help!



Christmas Lights/Garland
Hanging Work Party
Sunday, November 14th
Train Station
11:00 am

Volunteers needed to put up the Christmas
Lights/Garland for our beautiful town.
Any questions please call the chamber
office at 403-335-3265

Remembrance Day Luncheon
hosted by
Didsbury Elks Lodge #514
Thursday, November 11th
Didsbury Elks Hall
Doors Open at 12:00
Lunch at 12:30



Sandwich and Soup
Everyone Welcome!

Chamber General Meeting
November 10th
Didsbury Elks Hall
6:00 p.m.
Supper, Meeting & Speaker
Please RSVP by
November 9th at
403-335-3265

Didsbury Museum Floral
Workshop Presented by
Victoria's Flowers
Tuesday, November 23rd
\$50.00 All materials supplied
Net proceeds will be donated to
the Didsbury Museum
Contact the Museum at
403-335-9295 to prepay and
reserve a place at the workshop