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CHAMBER CHATTER NEWSLETTER

HEMINGFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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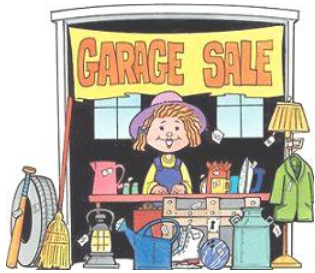
Message from the Chamber President, Kathy Gettert!

Hemingford Chamber of Commerce held our regular quarterly meeting last week and took a look back at 2016 and all the things we as a community and Chamber have to celebrate!

First and foremost, Hemingford is a great community and a great place to live! Our business owners and managers work very hard to provide quality goods and services to the folks in our community. New and newly expanded/renovated businesses (just in the last year) can be found up and down our business row.....Dave's Pharmacy, Treasured Grounds, AJ's Sports Bar & Grill, The Body Shop, Hometown Heroes and Subs, Table Top Meats, Farmers Coop Store, The Beauty Shop, Village Oasis Villa, Roan River Retail and Hemingford Volunteer Fire Department. Wow, what an awesome number of new and upgraded businesses to complement a *lengthy* list of *long-time businesses* that have been around to serve this community for many years! Of course, we also want to give a big shout out to folks in our community who shop local and support these hard-

working businesses! It is a team effort and we all need to work together for the benefit of each other!

In 2016, the Chamber was comprised of 53 member businesses and individuals, paying dues totaling \$3,025.00. The Chamber sponsors or supports numerous events and projects throughout the year. In addition, it is our goal to use those dues dollars and invest back into our local community by supporting as many local groups and non-profit causes as the budget allows. We are extremely excited to report that in 2016 in addition to the events we sponsored and supported, we gave back \$2,470 to our community! *Thank you to each and every one who supported this community by being Chamber Members!* Membership letters for 2017 were sent out recently....we thank you in advance for your continued participation. If you want to support our community by being a Chamber member and have not been contacted, please give me a call at 487-5578. Let's see what we can do together in 2017 to make the Hemingford community even better!



Community-wide Yard Sale

Saturday - May 6, 2017

Mark your calendars for Hemingford's upcoming Community-wide Yard Sale! You may now sign up for this year's Community-Wide Yard Sale Day in Hemingford! Signup sheets are available at The Ledger and the Hemingford Community Federal Credit Union. The cost to participate in this event is \$15 for a single yard sale. For a multi-family yard sale, the cost is \$15 plus \$10 for each additional family. This year's Community-Wide Yard Sale in Hemingford is Saturday, May 6. We will see you then! Remember – the early bird gets the great deals!

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

- Table Top Meats
- Farmers Co-op Store
- The Beauty Shop
- Village Oasis Villa
- Hometown Heroes and Subs

NEWLY REMODELED

- Dave's Pharmacy
- Treasured Grounds
- AJ's Sports Bar & Grill
- The Body Shop
- Hemingford Volunteer Fire Department



HEMINGFORD SWIM TEAM



The Hemingford Swim Team will host its second Swim Meet with numerous surrounding schools participating and families visiting Hemingford. Make sure to watch for the Swim Meet date and come support the Hemingford Bobcat swimmers!

DIORAMA FOOD BOOTH

The Diorama Food Booth continues to be a major fundraiser for the beautiful Diorama that is displayed during Christmas. All proceeds raised during the Box Butte County Fair assist with the maintenance and upkeep of the hand-painted art displays. Lori Dannar is looking for someone who would be willing to help with the booth during the Fair. If interested, please contact Lori at 308-487-3888 or 308-760-1302.

DON'T WAIT--JOIN TODAY AND BE A PART OF THE HEMINGFORD CHAMBER!

Kathy Gettert, President

Amber Ningen, Board Member

Sally Minich, Board Member

Joni Jespersen, Secretary/Treasurer

Julie Lawrence, Newsletter



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 26, 2017 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Be watchful for kids playing and riding bikes in town

**HIGH SCHOOL
REUNION**

Saturday - May 27, 2017

65th Annual Hemingford High School Alumni
Alumni Women's Volleyball Tournament
Alumni Men's Softball Tournament

Sunday - May 28, 2017

Alumni Banquet
Alumni Co-ed Softball Tournament
Contact: Taryn Wood (308) 629-7331

Dates/times to be announced - Alumni events

Community Potluck
Hemingford High School Tours
Hemingford American Legion Memorial Day Service
visit www.hemingforevents.com



Saturday - August 12th

Box Butte County Fair Parade
A Day in the Park Craft Show
Antique Tractor Displays

August 6 - 13, 2017

Box Butte County Fair

THANK YOU - PINE RIDGE JOB CORPS

The Pine Ridge Job Corps youth traveled to Hemingford on Friday, Feb. 11 to take down the Christmas Diorama. The weather was thankfully favorable that day as the youth helped take down and haul panels back to their storage area. For several years now the youth of the Pine Ridge Job Corps have helped with putting up and taking down the Christmas Diorama. A big thank you also goes to the Minich family who has spearheaded the Diorama project for several years now, as well as the youth of Hemingford Schools for their contributions in putting up the Diorama and to Lori Danner for spearheading the Diorama food booth at the County Fair.



Hemingford Community Foundation established

Tonya Mayer, Joni Jespersen and Jessica Davies are the visionaries that would like to announce the establishment of the Hemingford Community Foundation! The Hemingford Community Foundation will be a community catalyst which ignites ideas and inspires a future; specifically to strategize, foster and create legacies for the future of the community of Hemingford.

The HCF has been a vision for many, many years and the framework has now come together to officially announce the establishment of the Hemingford Community Foundation. The HCF became an affiliate with the Oregon Trail Community Foundation. OTCF is a corporation organized under the nonprofit corporation laws of the State of Nebraska. HCF will be establishing charitable giving avenues and be formulating plans to make the Hemingford Community Foundation the catapult to give back to the community you love!

You can accomplish more together than alone; nothing is more inspiring than knowing you make difference.



CONGRATULATIONS!

**CLASS
of 2017**



Box Butte County
Fairgrounds

OCTOBER 14, 2017
Saturday
9AM - 5 PM



www.hemingfordharvestmoonfallfestival.com



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