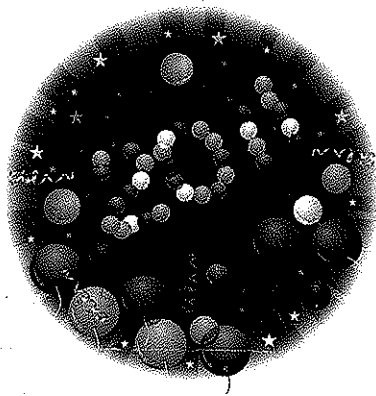


# Butler Area Chamber of Commerce

7 W. Dakota - Butler, MO 64730 - 660-679-3380

## FEBRUARY 2011



OOPS! January has come and gone, thank goodness, and your "temp" help is behind. This is the year for **POSTIVIE THINKING** and **WORKING TOGETHER** and let it begin with me! Contact the Chamber office with any questions or concerns 679-3380. You may also drop by 7 West Dakota. Our office is open three days a week 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. Days and times are posted on our window and telephone. This may vary due to scheduling.

*Thanks for your help and patience. Happy 2011.*  
*Sally, Interim Executive Director*

## WELCOME

### NEW CHAMBER DIRECTORS

Paula Schowengerdt ..... X-Group  
Doncella Liggins ..... Bates County Memorial Hospital  
Christy Bunch ..... Community First Bank  
Jody Welston ..... Bates County Health Center  
Danny Robinson ..... American Family Insurance

New directors will join, President-Elect Kelli Schapeler, Schapeler Farms; Misty Brooks, Medicalodge; Jan Rush, EBT Furniture; Pam Martin, Bates County Industries; Chad Anderson, Bates County Sheriff; Carmin Gregory, Osage Valley Electric; Steve Hubbard, Butler RV High School Principal and Michelle Schroeder, FM 92 News.

A very special thanks to retiring directors, Kelly Freeze, Atmos Energy; Julie Mader, Postmaster; Jack Wagner, Adrian Bank; Tracy Nelson and Dr. Andy Minor, Family Chiropractic Clinic. Your tireless efforts for your Chamber are noticed and appreciated.

### COUPON BOOKS

are available. Purchase yours TODAY. If you would like to sell "books" in your place of business, call or drop by the Chamber office. They are great this year! Books are available at Chamber office, EBT Furniture, Community First Bank, Bates County Veterinary Clinic, Jo Bonneville Designs, Outback Hairshack.

## WELCOME

### NEW MEMBERS

Marlene Wainscott, Bates Co. Clerk  
Kent Long, PC Technologies  
Barbara Craft, KB's Attic  
Toni Abramovitz, Penmac,  
Lee's Summit

## THANKS!

City of Butler employees for clearing the streets as soon as possible, getting the huge snow under some kind of control so all of us could get to work. Except for a few impossible days everything was up and running.

**Sweet**  
**DISCOUNTS**

## President's Message:

Happy New Year! I hope 2010 was a profitable year for each of you. I am looking forward to a new year and hopefully it will be a year of growth and new journeys within your Chamber organization!

Let me start by saying, I have enjoyed being your Chamber President and look forward to the coming months as we have many changes in store with our new President-Elect, Kelli Schapeler taking over the President duties the first of March.

The Chamber is still in search of a new Executive Director and we have been taking applications and will begin interviewing within the coming weeks. Our executive board will be handling this process and will be carefully selecting someone we hope will serve you and your business.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming February Chamber meeting on February 24th. Shanon Edge, Blue Springs chamber with Midwest Outdoor Media will be the featured speaker.

You will be receiving your formal invitation to the annual Chamber dinner March 27. The committee promises a great evening.

Andy Minor, Chamber President

## THANK YOU!

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS...

Memberships are the life blood of your Chamber.  
Your business is appreciated!

Butler Glass	Farm Risk
Glory Realty	Sage Animal Clinic
Sonic	Osage Pecan
Westward Gifts	El Charros
Ash Grove Aggregates	Butler County Club
Bates Co. Broadcasting	X-Group
Get Fit Fitness Gym	Vit-A-Zine
LeNeves	District III Area Aging
Friedrich Law Office	Daniels Plumbing
Tiona Enterprises	Butler Saddle Club
Baldwin & Associates	Heiman Agri-Service
Butler Music	What To Wear
Casey's Ft. Scott St.	Bristol Manor
Sutton Construction	Umstattd Investments
Thorco	American Family Ins.
EBT Furniture	Days Inn
Walmart	Flaming Lantern
Bates Co. Industries	Ghere Realty
Cook Insurance	John & Carla Keough
H&R Block	Principal Financial Group
Casey's - Orange St.	Country Mart
Osage Valley Electric	Atmos Energy
Barney Fisher, State Rep.	

If we have not listed your place of business as a member, PLEASE

CONTACT THE CHAMBER OFFICE

## Annual Dinner News...

This year Neil and Lincoln reserved the east room of the Flaming Lantern for us. Dinner will be catered by the Lantern. You will be asked to make a choice of Grilled Chicken Breast or BBQ Brisket. Cash bar available. Appetizers courtesy of Chad Anderson. Reserve your place to see the "Faces of Butler" and a Special Tribute round out the evening along with special awards. Special thanks to Misty Brooks and Miranda, Medicalodge for the invitations and programs.

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### \* BATES COUNTY FAIR

July 9 - 16

• KASINGER BASIN Regional Planning Commission is hosting a Board Member & Elected Official Training Workshop on April 12 in Clinton, Mo The session is free. If you would like to attend call 660-885-3393.

\* DAYLIGHT SAVINGS begins March 13.

Q & A of the Month...

\*Do you think your Chamber should keep events on the same day as last & previous years?

I.E.: Car Show - Christmas Parade

IDEAS FOR CHAMBER???