



Trade Winds



The Voice of the Camrose Chamber of Commerce

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Promoting and Maintaining a Proud and Prosperous Business Community

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The Chamber of Commerce Office will be closed from
December 22 to January 1 Inclusive
MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM THE CHAMBER STAFF AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chamber General Meeting

Wednesday, December 6th, 2006

Location: Norsemen Inn at 11:30am - 1:00pm



Festive Carols Performed by:
CCHS Chorazz! 11:30 - 12:00
Augustana Quartet 12:15 - 12:45

Tickets: \$13.00 per person
RSVP to 672-4217 by noon **Mon. Dec 4/06**

Upcoming Meeting Highlights:

January 3: **GUEST SPEAKER, ADRIAN MEASNER,**
CEO of the Canadian Wheat Board
Speaking on: The Canadian Wheat Board
Location: CRE Time: 11:30-1:00
Call to Register by December 21, 2006

February 7: **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

March 7: **State of the Union Address**
Mayor CLARENCE MASTEL -
City of Camrose

April 4: **State of the Union Address**
Reeve JACK LYLE -
Camrose County

After Hours Business Mixer

December 13th at Pedersen's Florists

Hosted by: Pedersen's Florists
4936 - 50 Street
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Great opportunity to...
meet new people...do a little networking...
pass your business cards around!..make a new friend.
Drop by for a snack & refreshment!!!

Camrose Community Events - December

- 2 Senior Centre Potluck - Senior Centre
- 2 & 3 Augustana Choral Advent Festival Concert - AUC Chapel
- 2 Solo Club Dance - Senior Centre
- 5 International Volunteer Day
- 6 **Chamber of Commerce Luncheon - Norsemen Inn**
- 6 Senior Centre Wednesday Night Dance - Senior Centre
- 7 Hot Breakfast Topics - Senior Centre
- 7 Christmas Shopping "Drop Off Your Kids" Night
-Augustana
- 13 **Chamber Business Mixer - Pedersen's Florists**
- 13 CRE Annual General Meeting - CRE Red Room
- 14 Annual Christmas Dinner and Program - Senior Centre
- 15 Rose City Swingers Xmas Dance - Sparling School
- 15 Camrose & District Annual Christmas Dinner
-Senior Centre
- 15 **Chamber of Commerce Corporate Christmas Party**
- CRE
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- 28 Blood Donor Clinic - Norsemen Inn
- 31 Rose City Swingers New Years Eve Dance
- 31 New Years Eve Dance - Senior Centre

CAMROSE RAILWAY STATION & PARK MUSEUM



COOKIE WALK - December 2, 2006
FROM 1:00 PM TO 5:00 PM
Camrose Railway Station & Park Museum
Pick up an assortment of cookies to leave on the mantle for Santa Claus this year.
Come buy your Christmas entertaining and gifts for this holiday season.



CAROLING - December 17, 2006
7:00 pm
Hot Apple Cider will be served after caroling at the Railway Station

For more information on either of these events, contact
Glenys at 672-3099.



President's Perspective

Diane Hutchinson

Season's greetings! It's wonderful to see our retail stores brimming with decorations and bustling with shoppers. May you also find time in this prosperous season to step back from the busy-ness and enjoy a bit of festivity and a moment or two of peace, as well.

Speaking of busy-ness, festivity and peace, we've got it all this month! December highlights for the Chamber include our December 6 general meeting, the December 13 business mixer at Pedersen's Florists and the Corporate Christmas Parties on December 15 and 16. The office will be closed December 22 to January 1, to give our staff a well-deserved rest.

But we're back in full force on January 2 and are very pleased to welcome the CEO of the Canadian Wheat Board, Adrian Measner, as our speaker on January 3. No matter what you feel about the future of the Wheat Board, it promises to be an interesting presentation. Be sure to join us.

December 31 marks the end of the Chamber's fiscal year, which means we also start a new membership year in January. You'll be receiving renewal information shortly and we hope you'll be back with us in 2007.

Our membership numbers were higher than ever in 2006. We're proud to represent the community at the provincial level and share a local perspective on issues such as labour shortages and rural development. In addition, we're finding that more businesses are taking advantage of the member benefits like group insurance and discount programs. If you'd like more information on these, please contact our office.

All of us at the Chamber of Commerce extend best wishes for this season and for 2007.

The Camrose Open Door

Would like you to join them for coffee and snacks At their Open House

December 5th, 2006
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
4929 - 50 Street, Camrose



Camrose & District Crime Stoppers

is seeking volunteers to sit on their board. They meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Camrose Police Service boardroom.

Interested ?

Please call Sergeant Foreman at 672-4444 or Elaine Pennington at 672-4421



CORPORATE CHRISTMAS PARTY

at the Camrose Regional Exhibition

Featuring: ~~The Drastics~~ with The Tributes impersonators
Elton John & Johnny Cash.

The Drastics play a variety of dance music - 1950's and 60's to present

DEC 15th OR 16th

Waiting list bookings available.

Call 672-4217

or stop by the Bill Fowler Centre



Busing from the CRE to your door (in Camrose) will be available for only \$1.00 from 11:00 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.

CITY CENTRE CAMROSE and DUGGAN MALL MIDNIGHT MADNESS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

Come and join in the fun of Midnight Madness at City Centre and the Duggan Mall. Horse and wagon rides will be available as well as a chance to meet Santa Claus as he walks about. Free hot chocolate and carolers will help to create a festive and fun family evening.

The Kinsman Radio Auction will be held Downtown and broadcast on CFCW

Many businesses will be offering Midnight Madness specials while others are offering discounts which will progressively get larger as the evening gets later. Contact Robert Earley, Manager, City Centre Camrose 672-5191 for more details

Share Advantage Program

All Chamber members and staff can receive discounts from participating area businesses. Chamber members can pick up their SHARE Advantage Cards from the Chamber office.

Current Sponsors include:

A Fine Balance * Accessories Edge * Adrenaline Gym & Fitness Club * Camrose Stationary * Canadian Tire * Creative Bedrooms * Dairy Queen * Lube-X * Mary Kay Consultant * Panago Pizza * Reflexology By Diane * Vital Effect Inc.