



Focusing on the future...

Pocahontas Chamber of Commerce

February 2010

Our mission is to create a community
that assists in the promotion of business and quality of life.

Board Members Needed

We want to thank JoAnne Booge, Kathy Brownfield and Leslie Petri for their time on the board and reluctantly accept their resignations. If you are interested in being part of a group that has a great vision for our Chamber and our community please contact Mary Sturtz or any board member. Contacting us doesn't commit you – we will give you information about the position and then let you decide. Your appointment has to be voted on by the board. We have two – one-year seats and one – three year seat available on the board.

Ex-Officio Board Member

At their January meeting the board decided to create an ex-officio board member position that would be filled by the City's Economic Development director. It is a non-voting position. We welcome Alissa O'Connor to the Chamber Board and we look forward to establishing a strong bond between Chamber and Economic Development.

Join a Committee

Anyone who has served on Chamber Board before knows that the Board cannot accomplish everything that Chamber needs to accomplish by themselves – **they need your help**. Your 2010 Board has created six committees and asks you to consider joining one of them. If you received this newsletter via email just hit "reply" and state which committee you want your name added to or contact the Chairperson of the committee.

- Communications** – Chp. Kevin Brandt
Public relations, Newsletter, Notices, Website
 - Economic Development** – Chp. Bob Donahoo
Opportunities, Networking, Vision for our business community
 - Membership** – Chp. Sandi Bollard
Recruitment, membership benefits, ribbon cuttings
 - Leadership** – Chp. Diane Jackson
Leadership development opportunities, Career Fair
 - Heritage Days** – Chp. Mary Sturtz
Parades, Concerts, Carnivals - all the fun stuff!
 - Retail Trade** – Chp. Alissa O'Connor
Education, promotion and support for business owners
- Present these opportunities to your employees who are also Chamber members through your Business membership.**

Chamber Officers & Board Members

President: Mary Sturtz (Mary's Bookshelf)
 Vice-president: your name could be here!
 Sec/Treas: Sue Gould (Pocahontas Pharmacy)

Sandi Bollard (At-large)	Kevin Brandt (Pocahontas State Bank)
Bob Donahoo (City of Pocahontas)	Diane Jackson (Prairie Lakes AEA)
Angie Point (Pizza Ranch)	Sandy Rutherford (Record Democrat)
Dan Paulson (Pocahontas Community Hospital)	

Chamber Calendar

- February 1-28
POKY PENNY DAYS!!!
Pennies collected will be donated to the Public Library – Toss in YOUR pennies!
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- February 16 7:00 PM - Library
Heritage Days Planning Meeting
Anyone interested is invited to join us.
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- February 22 5:30 PM - City Hall
Chamber Board Meeting
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- March 2 Noon - Library
Retail Brown Bag Lunch
Topic: Energy Efficiency in Your Business
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- March 8 5:30 PM - Library
Membership Meeting
Sponsor: Murphy's Flooring Gallery
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- March 16 7:00 PM - Library
Heritage Days Planning Meeting
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- March 22 5:30 PM Pizza Ranch
Chamber Board Meeting
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- April 6 Noon - Library
Retail Brown Bag Lunch
Topic: Marketing Plans
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- May & June**
Button, Button Who's Got the Button?
Heritage Days Button Retail Promotion
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- June 25, 26, 27 HERITAGE DAYS!!**
Get involved now!
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- July 4th Fireworks!** Thank you for putting your cans in the KENNEL!
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- December 1st-5th Hometown Christmas!**
Be thinking about your lighted parade entry.

**We do the things that
most people think just happen!
Be involved!**