

**Halstead Chamber of Commerce
Quarterly Meeting
August 27th 2009**

Present: Jarrod Panzer, Ed Campbell, Jim VanShaick, Alex Williams, Charles Whitt, Tom Bishard, Beth Ann Kingsley, Bill Charlsen, Robb Reeves, and Mary Lee-McDonald, and approximately 25 chamber members.
Time and Place: 6:00 pm, Halstead City Pool.

Jarrod Panzer gave a special thank you to the sharing and caring committee from the First Mennonite Church for preparing the meal.

Jarrod Panzer called the meeting to order.

Jarrod Panzer reviewed the accomplishments off the Halstead Chamber of Commerce and thanked the membership for helping to make it another successful year.

Review of minutes, Ken Benefiel made a motion to approve, Charles Whitt seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurers report reviewed, Ed Campbell made a motion to approve, Alex Williams seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Retail Committee; Ed Campbell thanked everyone for helping to make Bike Across Kansas a successful event. Upcoming events, sidewalk sale, chili cook off, Halloween Howl, Holiday Open House, and Kris Kringle's Jingle light Parade.

Old Settlers; Jim VanShaick reported that the event went well, and that financially it was a much better year. Jim thanks the Old Settlers Committee, the sponsors and the Chamber secretary for all the hard work.

Membership Committee; Dave Younger reported that the committee is in the middle of the membership drive and that three letters have gone out the current members, possible new members, and civic organizations. A follow up phone call will be made in the distant future.

Oversite Committee; Charles Whitt reported on the current advertising the committee is doing such as the billboard on HWY 50, radio, and television spots. He also reported that Sports Daily is a new direction the committee has chosen to advertise through.

Jarrod Panzer recognized three outgoing members; Tom Bishard, Alex Williams, and Jim VanShaick. Jarrod thanks them for there service. Jarrod also thanked the nominating committee, Ed Campbell, Mary Lou Allison, and Jim VanShaick. The nominees are, Steve Lewis, Dave Younger, and Nathan Simmons. Charles Whitt made a motion to accept the nominations of Steve Lewis, Dave Younger, and Nathan Simmons, Jim VanShaick seconded. Motion carried

Beth Ann Kingsley of the Halstead Fine Arts and Crafts Committee invited every business to participate in the scarecrow contest, and also explained that after the festival there would be an auction of 8x8 canvases to raise money for the festival. The festival will be held on Saturday, October 12th at the Halstead High School.

Mike Hadley of the Masons invited the membership to attended a free cancer screening on October 12th. The screening will be held at the Kansas Learning Center for Health.

Jarrod Panzer announced that Prairie Winds was the winner of the Chamber Bucks drawing.

Jarrod introduced Grant Williams from the City of Halstead recreational Department. Grant Williams presented information about the new pool.

Meeting adjourned 6:55pm

