

VIRDEN COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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BOARD

President - Dave Wowk

Vice-President - Donna Hunter

Manager - Felicity Scott

Directors

- Peggy Foy
- Cheryl Porter
- Dave Ternier
- Tony Schneider
- Heather Wiebe
- Christine Winter
- Tanya Askew
- Travis Rintoul
- Brenda Cameron

Safety Tips

Staff Sergeant G. Erickson passed on some useful information to the Virden Community Chamber of Commerce which we would like to pass on to all you business owners.

Some of the "Tips to Keep Your Business Safe" are:

- 1. Consider an alarm system for your business.
- 2. Consider a digital Camera with Motion sensor for your business, they are

not as expensive any-

- 3. Keep the drawer to your till slightly open at the end of the day/night once emptied so it will not be smashed.
- 4. Keep the inside of your store somewhat lit even when closed.
- 5. Do deposits on a daily basis, in daylight hours so there is not an abundance of money in the store.
- 6. When doing deposits,

transport deposits on open streets and conceal your deposit (do not use obvious bank bag.)

- 7. Have a look at your insurance to see if there is a tax break if you have an alarm or camera system on premises.
- 8. Talk about safety with your employees (where alarms are, what to watch for, how to obtain descriptions of people.)

Virden BIZ Committee

The Virden Community Chamber of Commerce, the Town of Virden and local business owners have joined together to form a committee that will focus on improving and revitalizing Virden's Downtown District. This committee met for the first time on October 18th and set up some guidelines and focus areas for this group. It will work as an advisory board for the business owners in this area. Not only is this committee focusing on Virden's Downtown District, it will also spread some of its ideas to other areas within the community. Virden BIZ Committee plans to increase the appearance of our Downtown District with help from the businesses and community, in hopes of creating more business and exposure to our community.

Chamber Christmas Promotions

The Virden Community
Chamber of Commerce is
excited to present many
events and promotions for
this years Christmas Season.
The season will kick off with
our annual Santa Parade and
Light up which will take
place November 29th at
6:00pm. This year the
Chamber has decided to try a

different promotion for our businesses. Instead of the Passport to Christmas we will be hosting a Moonlight Madness on December 6th from 6pm to 10pm. Prizes will be handed out to shoppers throughout the night along with amazing deals. For individuals that shop during these hours, you can

enter your name in to a draw at the participating businesses for \$1000 in Chamber Bucks. Lastly we have set up a family day on December 15th, starting with breakfast, then pictures with Santa and lastly a FREE matinee movie. Watch for further information on all these events.

DID YOU KNOW??? The Virden Community Chamber of Commerce organizes Christmas Promotions for our Chamber Members to participate in only!!