

VIRDEN COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

DOWNTOWN RODEO

It's hard to believe we are only a few months away from one of our largest community events, Virden Indoor Rodeo and Wild West Daze!! Once again the Virden Community Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Downtown Rodeo Events which takes place on Thursday, August 15th from 5pm to 9pm. Virden's downtown area will be filled with kid's bouncers, human chuckwagon races, a fashion show, displays, food and much, much more!! This year we are offering display tables to businesses or individuals for \$20. For more information on this event please contact our Chamber Manager. Sponsorship packages and further information will be sent out in the next month, so watch for it and hope to see you all there!

DIRECTORS

The Virden Community Chamber of Commerce had its Annual General Meeting on May 9th in conjunction with their Spring Luncheon. We had approximately 40 individuals attend and had a interesting presentation given by a company named STARS, which is a helicopter emergency rescue unit. Tundra Oil & Gas proudly sponsored the event and the Central Hotel catered it with a wonderful meal. Election of officers took place at this meeting having Travis Rintoul voted in as our 2013 Virden Community Chamber of Commerce President and Donna Hunter once again taking the seat of Vice-President. Our board of directors consists of Brenda Cameron, Cheryl Porter, Peggy Foy, Tanya Askew, Dave Ternier and Dave Wowk. We are very excited to also include Carla McLean who was voted in at the AGM and Natisha Heath and Linda Sommerville who stepped forward a few days later and were accepted by the board. Once again we are very excited to have this wide range of individuals sit on the board and support it. Year 2013 should be a good one!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 3rd – Settlement Services Advisory Meeting

June 4th – Chamber Board of Directors Meeting

DIVISIONS OF THE CHAMBER

The Virden Community Chamber of Commerce maintains a few offices within our community which helps with employment and community growth. The Virden and Area Settlement Services is managed by the Chamber, but hires an individual to operate its daily functions. Beatrice Norton is the Settlement Officer in Virden and Hamiota. Her office is located in the CP Station and her position helps aid newcomers to our community and its surrounding area. She assists them with documents in which they require to work in our community and country and helps to ensure their relocation is a smooth and enjoyable experience. The Virden Community Chamber of Commerce is also responsible for the Manitoba Youth Job Center. The office is located within the Employments Skills Center and runs from June to September. This individual helps youth within our community find jobs and also offers an Odd Job Squad for those that may only need assistance for a few hours. For more information on either of these offices feel free to contact the Virden Chamber.

