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NuVita Health & Wellness Clinic was organized in 2009 as a medical clinic specializing in weight loss. The primary focus for the medical providers at NuVita is to prevent the development of disease and illness that can be associated with excessive weight and improper nutrition.

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Pine Village is a Continuing Care Retirement Community offering gracious living for adults 62 and older with active and independent living for today in a supportive Christian environment. Plus, the community offers the added security of quality, compassionate care for tomorrow. The campus offers several lifestyle options to serve the needs of those in search of independent or assisted living, plus skilled nursing, health care, and special care for those with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia. Every resident can take advantage of their Wellness Center which offers appropriate, supervised exercise programs, including aerobics, an exercise room with equipment and indoor wheelchair accessible pool.

Pine Village has cultivated a culture of a home atmosphere for residents, allowing them to set their own schedule, and the freedom to participate in programs and activities on and off campus. From choosing when they would like to go to bed or when and what they want for breakfast, to fishing in our campus pond or taking field trips around the state of Kansas to enjoy events, museums and see the site, Pine Village promotes successful gaining through the development of the body, mind and spirit.

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Flippin Hamburgers & Slingin Beans Ag Committee Celebrates 40 Years of Rural Appreciation



If there is one Chamber committee that does not sit idly at any time of the year it would be the Agriculture Committee, which is chaired by Jeff Smith of S & S Farms. For 40 years this dedicated and diverse group of not just ag producers, but also other business people as well have been a driving force to keep the agriculture sector of the McPherson area visible. The Rural Appreciation Hamburger Feed is chaired by Doyle Davidson of McPherson Realty Exchange. Organizing and preparing to feed about 700-800 people is no easy task, but it seems to come together like magic. Thank you Doyle

for the ice freezer!

This past year the Ag committee added to their list of events & initiatives, was the Ag in the Classroom led by Dale Ladd, of the McPherson County Extension and taught by Fran Stucky and Mitz Fawl of McPherson County Farm Bureau. This new initiative brought and will continue to bring agriculture into all the McPherson County 3 & 4th grade classrooms.

August 26 & 27 the Ag Committee will host the 10th Annual When Pigs Fly BBQ Contest & Fly In, a Kansas City BBQ Society sanctioned event, chaired by Nolan Ferguson of Ferguson Production. Funds from this event provide funding for the Agriculture Future of America Scholarship that is awarded to any McPherson County student pursuing an education in an ag related field. Since 2000 there has been over \$34,000 awarded in scholarships and leadership conference tuition.

In January the committee hosts the Farm Forum, which brings the business and ag community together to learn about topics that affect both areas of business. This event also benefits from the leadership of Dale Ladd. In addition awards are presented to Farm Family of the Year and Friend of Agriculture for their contribution in the agriculture field.

Thank you Rural Appreciation Sponsors!

McPherson Industrial Development Corp., Farmers State Bank, McPherson County Farm Bureau Association, Ferguson Production, Johnson Electric Contracting, LLC, The Bookshelf, Zeitlow Distributing, Dale Powell, Sunflower Bank, Ken D. Cotton, DDS, McPherson Realty Exchange, McPherson Veterinary Clinic, The Investment Center - Dan Hervey, First Bank Kansas, Sharp Advertising, Swindoll, Janzen, Hawk & Loyd, McPherson County Abstract & Title, Chemstar, Home State Bank, Michael V. Yowell, DDS, PA, Baldwin Creative Services and PrairieLand Partners

Your Employees Are Members Too!

The McPherson Chamber of Commerce encourages you to route, post and share all Chamber mailings and communications to your entire staff. Or better, yet, let us put them on the list to be included! Many times employees are not aware that they are invited to join in serving on committees, volunteer with events such as Rural Appreciation, Tartan Turkey Golf Tournament, When Pigs Fly, Farm Forum, or attend Chamber Coffees, Business After Hours and Ribbon Cuttings. We also want to emphasize the education

seminars that are organized to benefit not only the business owner, but to provide continuing education for employees as well. Activities, events, programs and committee meetings are all listed on the weekly Chamber E-Newsletter and in the monthly Chamber @ Work, which is published by the McPherson Sentinel.

Just knowing what is going on at the Chamber provides opportunities for business resources, community involvement and networking.

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Mission: to work as an organization of individuals, businesses and professionals to enhance the economic, civic and cultural interests of the McPherson area.

Chamber events

August 2011

Tuesday, August 2nd
12:00p.m. Ambassadors @ Chamber
Wednesday, August 3rd
7:00 a.m. When Pigs Fly @ Perkins
12:00 p.m. Leadership Board of Trustees @ Chamber
Thursday, August 4th
9:30 a.m. Chamber Coffee hosted by YP MAC @ Chamber
Tuesday, August 9th
7:00a.m. Ag Committee @ Perkins
12:00 p.m. Community Development @ Chamber
Wednesday, August 10th
7:00 a.m. When Pigs Fly @ Perkins
Thursday, August 11th
6:00 p.m. Business Plan Writing @ Chamber
Saturday, August 13th
9:00 a.m. 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament @ McPherson High School

Wednesday, August 17th
7:00 a.m. When Pigs Fly @ Perkins
4:00 p.m. Women's Event @ Chamber
Thursday, August 18th
9:30 a.m. Chamber Coffee hosted by The Well
Wednesday, August 24th
7:00 a.m. When Pigs Fly @ Perkins
Thursday, August 25th
9:30 a.m. Chamber Coffee hosted by When Pigs Fly @ Airport
11:30 a.m. Chamber Board @ Chamber
Friday, August 26th
6:00 a.m. When Pigs Fly Opening Ceremony @ Airport
Saturday, August 27th
6:30 a.m. When Pigs Fly Breakfast & events throughout the day

Your Invited to WHEN PIGS FLY BBQ Context & Fly In



Are you ready for some knee slapping, belly scratching, good old fashioned fun? If you are, then the When Pigs Fly event is the place to be! Scheduled for Friday, August 26th and Saturday, August 27th at the McPherson Airport, you will experience a bucket load of fun for everyone! First time ever, Hedrick's Petting Zoo has joined the event with bringing animals to pet and camels to ride! Take a look at all the boot skootin fun line up!

Friday, August 26th
11:00 a.m. BBQ contestants begin arriving!
3:00 p.m. You are invited to come out and show your McPherson hospitality! Vendors are open. Hedrick's Petting Zoo & Camel Rides
5:30 p.m. Belly up to the trough for the Hamburger Feed
6:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony, Pony rides, Farm Maze
6:45 p.m. Air Show
8:00 p.m. BBQ Contestant's Meeting. Kick up your heels with the music from Petty Cash
11:00 p.m. Shhhhhhh Quiet Time
Saturday, August 27th
6:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Rise and Shine with breakfast served by the Kiwanis Club
8:00 a.m. EAA Young Eagles free plane rides for the kiddos (7-18 yrs)
9:00 a.m. Hedrick's Petting Zoo and Camel Rides, Farm Maze, Show & Shine Car Display, Pony Rides
9:15 & 10:30 Repeat Offenders – Motor Cycle Stunt Act
10:00 a.m. Air Show
11:00 a.m. McPherson Black Belt Academy demonstration
11:30-1:30 p.m. Viddles are served-smoked pork sandwich, beans, chips & drink
Official start of the Kansas City Sanctioned BBQ Contest at Noon
3:00 p.m. Winners Announced
Sponsors Wild Hogs: Browns Shoe Fit, Peoples Bank & Trust, Hassman Termite & Pest Control and Ferguson Production
Pork Lion: Midway Motors Super Center, Zeitlow Distributing and Elliott Insurance and Real Estate
Pork Chop: Glidden-Ediger Funeral Home, Kansas Gas Service, Central Plastics, Home State Bank & Trust, McPherson Realty Exchange, S & S Farms, McPherson County Feeders, Hutchinson Community College, Rock'n E Farms, Gary Hess/Edward Jones, Sunflower Bank, PrairieLand Partners, Citizens State Bank, Chenstar, Welco Services, Farmers State Bank and McPherson Dental Care. Additional: Elene McKean & Associates, The Bookshelf/Hidden Closet, Michael Yowell, DDS, PA, Raleigh Insurance Agency, Inc., Hospira, Inc.

YP Mac Invites You!

July Social Coming Up!

At June's YP Mac Social there was a great turnout and the committee hopes to keep the momentum in connecting with all McPherson county young professionals/people. July social will be hosted by Montana Mikes with free appetizers and drink specials!

YP Mac wants to be the platform for the young people (21-40ish) of McPherson County to build relationships, provide opportunities to develop professionally, and be more familiar and active with the area they live.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lunch & Learn
Thursday, August 11th, 11:30-1:00
at The Well
Program: Becky Goss, McPherson Co.

Community Foundation.
RSVP 241-3303 by August 9th
Lunch \$10.00

Monthly Social

Thursday, August 25th, 5:30-7:00 pm
Location to be announced.

Mark your calendar for Thursday, July 28th 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Montana Mikes, 2211 East Kansas. RSVP's to Nikki Allenbach at asstchamber@mcphersonks.org or 241-3303 by Tuesday, July 26th.

To learn more about YP Mac check out www.ypmac.org or find them on facebook.

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McPherson Main Street Report:



Ann Engel
Main Street Executive Director

Main Street Report: Mark your calendars for Thursday, August 4th and EVERY FIRST THURSDAY each month, because these are the dates of "The Main Event" where good times meet great deals. Yes, it's true, McPherson businesses will be open Downtown on the First Thursday of each month from 9-9pm for sales, demonstrations, entertainment, food and just to say "hello-come see what I do". The Main Street Idea Exchange Committee (comprised of ANY business owner/manager) has decided that we need to start looking at extending our hours as a way to connect with the local colleges, daily commuters, and shift workers who cannot typically come downtown between 9:30am and 6pm. The idea is for ALL businesses, retail/non-retail and member/non-member, to work together to "sell" McPherson to anyone who isn't aware of all that we have, and to celebrate with those that are.

Each month will be an opportunity for area talent to perform at various locations while businesses make contacts with people and offer a variety of sales, merchandise, refreshments, demonstrations, and drawings, basically anything they think would be fun and draw a crowd. For those businesses not located Downtown, we will find space if they would like to be part of "The Main Event-First Thursdays" as well. We have no budget set aside for this so we are depending on word of mouth, face book, twitter, newsletters, flyers, posters, signs and individual ads to spread the word. We will be designing a flyer that can be electronically sent out in the hope that businesses will print them out and attach them to daily transactions, include them with employee paychecks and any other opportunity to get the word out. Please contact me for more information or with ideas for promotion, entertainment, etc. at 620-244-7430 or by e-mail at mainst@mcphersonks.org

Ann Engel
Director

From The United Way



Brenda Sales
Director

With August comes back to school, the United Way Triathlon and kicking off our 2011 United Way Campaign.
On Saturday, August 20th, we have scheduled our 4th Annual United Way Triathlon. This is a fundraising event for UWMC. Last year, we reached our maximum of 150 athletes competing in the 200 meter swim, 7 mile bike and 2 mile run. We have the same distances again this year, with events beginning and ending at the McPherson Water Park. We have increased our maximum number of participants to 200 and will be bringing in "chip" timing this year.

edwaymcpherson.org. You can also print off our registration form from the website if you prefer to mail in your registration.

WE ALSO NEED VOLUNTEERS Approximately 40-50 volunteers will be stationed along the bike and run routes helping make sure the competitors are on the correct routes and safe. All competitors and volunteers will receive a free t-shirt. Not a tri-athlete? We hope you will come out and watch the fun!

On Tuesday, August 30th we will have our 2011 Campaign Kickoff Luncheon in the Ball Room of the McPherson Opera House. Speaking this year at our luncheon will be local people with "their story" of how programs receiving United Way funding has touched their lives. Tickets are \$15 and available by calling our office (241-5152) or e-mailing at my new email address: unwc@unitedwaymcpherson.org

Last year, over half our participants were from outside McPherson County. Many were seen dining in area restaurants after the awards ceremony.

It's not too late to register. Registrations can be made by logging onto our website - www.unitedwaymcpherson.org

Don't forget you can always check us out at www.unitedwaymcpherson.org

Brenda Sales
Director

Hoopla Planned to Celebrate

Three on Three Basketball Teams Wanted

To celebrate McPherson's tradition and love for basketball, the McPherson Convention & Visitors Bureau has planned a slam dunkin weekend August 12-14th. In 1936, the Globe Refiner basketball players was the first team to win the gold Olympic medal, so it is only fitting to bring recognition to the 75 year anniversary.

To hit the floor, the celebration tips off at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 12 at the most awesome high school gym in Kansas, the McPherson High School Roundhouse. There will be men's & women's alumni

scrimmages, children's games and special half-time entertainment. Midway Motors will provide free hot dogs to the first 300 guests.

On Saturday, August 13, 3 on 3 basketball tournament is planned for all ages. Teams must pre-register and entry forms are available at the McPherson Chamber of Commerce office.

August 6-14 – Special display at the gold medalist Refiner's home court, the McPherson community building

August 12 – Hoopla events at the McPherson High School



August 13 – 3 on 3 Basketball tournament and free movie

August 14 – 3:00 p.m. reception honoring Globe Refiners at the McPherson Community building with Stuart Naismith, grandson of Dr. James Naismith, keynote authors Rich Hughes and Steve Farney.

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