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Chamber Inducts Honourary Life Members



Dave Farrell accepts his Honourary Life Member plaque from Executive Director Juanita Polegi. Dave first opened Farrell Agencies in 1974. Committed to the community, he has volunteered for a number of organizations and donated hundreds of hours of auctioneering services to worthwhile community projects.



Tom Seeley was presented with his Honourary Life Member plaque by Vice President Shawn Patenaude. Tom has served on numerous Boards and Committees in the community. Many of these were new initiatives including the Parent Aid Program (now Family Support Program), SIGN Daycare (now Accent on Kids), and the establishment of Habitat for Humanity and Habitat for Humanity ReStore.

Chamber Breaks Record!

The Chamber ended 2015 with 471 members. As of September 22, the Chamber has 475 members!

That's a record! The Chamber is very pleased that its member roster continues to grow and it thanks all its members for the support. Your support through membership fees, attendance at events and sponsorships enables the Chamber to continue to do its job of being "the voice of business in Yorkton".



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Five Yorkton Businesses ABEX Finalists

The Yorkton Chamber of Commerce is extremely pleased that 5 of its members have been selected as Finalists for the Sask Chamber's prestigious ABEX Awards.

Cornerstone Credit Union is a finalist in the **Community Involvement** category; **RH Electric** is a finalist in the **Growth & Expansion** category; and together, **Dustin Nehring and Taylor Lang** of NL Construction, are finalists for the **Young Entrepreneur** award.

CORE Real Estate and **TA Foods** are both finalists in 2 categories each. **CORE Real**

Estate is a finalist in the **Community Involvement** and **Marketing** categories; while **TA Foods** is a finalist for the **Priority Focus** and **Export** Awards.

The ABEX Awards will be presented October 22 in Saskatoon. Each of the Finalists will be profiled prior to the announcement of the Award recipient in each category. Money just can't buy that amount of exposure and promotion. The Chamber wishes its members the very best at the ABEX Awards.



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Old Building to Get Face Lift

At a recent Chamber Business Breakfast, Pat Fiacco CEO of Four Horse Developments, shared the story of Four Horse Developments and its vision

to transform a building on Third Avenue which has been abandoned for 19 years. Phase I of the renovations are complete and Phase 2 will soon begin.



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Fire Department to Build Depth

Fire Chief Trevor Morrissey spoke at a Chamber Business Breakfast about the Fire Department's plans to build its "Depth of Response". It's hoping businesses will enable their employees to serve as Temporary Fire Fighters when the need arises.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

- October 5**
Chamber Business Dinner at St. Mary's Ukrainian Cultural Centre. Guest Speaker Howard Green, Journalist and Bestselling Author. Sponsorship and tickets available from the Chamber office.
- October 18**
Deadline for submitting nominations for the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal
- October 26**
Election Day!
- October 27**
Business Lunch - Guest Speaker: Glenn Stuart - "Now is the Time: Inspire Others to take Action with their Great Idea!"
- October 27**
5:30 - 9:00 PM Business Seminar - Guest Speaker: Glenn Stuart - "Take Action Now! What to do With your Great Idea!"
- November 1**
Noon - Deadline for submitting nominations for Chamber Directors
- November 1**
Deadline for submitting nominations for the Saskatchewan Order of Merit
- November 15**
"Succession Planning Workshop: The Positives of Passing It On" featuring Jolene Brown. This workshop is for every small family business - retail, farm/ranch. To register, contact the Ministry of Ag Regional Office at 306-786-1531

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Each year, WorkSafe Saskatchewan celebrates workers and employers who go beyond their job description to make their workplaces and our province a safer place to be. For more information, visit www.worksafesask.ca/resources/awards



Terriers Take to the Ice



Prior to the home opener for the 2016-17 season of the SJHL, players for the Yorkton Terriers Corwin Stevely (#16) and Shane Sherban (#23) dropped by the Chamber office and presented Sherry MacDonald, Director of Marketing & Administration with a poster to display throughout the season. The first game was a nail biter with the Terriers coming up short in OT. Go Terriers!

5 Minutes for Business

At the recent Canadian Chamber of Commerce Conference and AGM in Regina, Juanita Polegi met Hendrik Brakel, the Canadian Chamber's Senior Director - Economic, Financial and Tax Policy. Hendrik writes a column entitled "5 Minutes for Business" in which he takes topics related to the economy, finances and tax policy and writes about them so they are easy to read, interesting and informative. The Yorkton Chamber will begin circulating these columns to its membership.

