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Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce



4th of July Theme Contest

Thursday, March 15th the Chamber met at noon and voted on the three entries/ideas for the 4th of July Parade theme. Eight chamber of commerce members were in attendance and Rachel conducted the meeting since Mark was out of town. Rachel excused herself from the vote. So, with 7 votes, here is how it broke down: "Let the Good Times roll"-submitted from Linda Egbert; business sponsor-Ashton Community Pharmacy—1 vote; "Into the future we go..."-submitted from Angie Carlson; business sponsor-5-11 Main—1 vote; "America: My Home Sweet Home!"-submitted from B.J. Hatton; business sponsor-Stronks & Sons—5 votes. The winner of our contest is **B.J. Hatton** who will receive a \$30 gift certificate to any 2012 chamber member's business, and his idea, "America: My Home Sweet Home!" will be our theme for our parade this year. Now it is time to get your thinking caps on and start planning those wonderful floats for our historic Ashton 4th of July parade! Thank you for the ideas and sponsors!

Ashton's Easter Egg Hunt

Ashton's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 7th @ 10:30 am **SHARP!** Anyone wishing to help put the eggs out and help redeem the eggs is encouraged to contact Rachel Hatton at 652-0144.

Information deadline for the Newsletter is due by 8 AM on the Saturday prior to the first and third Tuesday of the month. Please email anything you would like posted to info@ashtonidaho.com or leave a message at 652-3355.

Business Spotlight:

Independent Drilling, INC

Back in 1959, Brent Hendricks from Ashton, started drilling. His brother married a driller's daughter and at the time was looking for help, so Brent took the job. Then in 1977 Brent started **Independent Drilling** in Blackfoot. Since the age of 12, Brent's son Rod has been on a cable tool drilling rig and that is how his 35 years experience began. 1995 was the year a partnership was formed between Brent, Rod, and Rod's brother-in-law Kelly. In 2001, they opened a shop on HWY 20 in what locals recall as the veterinarian clinic. **Independent Drilling, INC.** now has three locations: Blackfoot, Soda Springs, and Ashton. **Independent Drilling, INC.** basically deals with anything with the clean side of the water. They do well drilling, pump repair, filtration, water softeners, and have even manufactured a hand pump for EPS (emergency pump system) for all of us that like to be on the prepared side of life's challenges! They are always willing to help with any concerns you may have with your water and offer free water samples of your water if you have concerns. They are open and ready to answer any questions you may have related to water, and are willing to offer any council on water problems. Rod is readily available to assist you with any water questions you may have. **Independent Drilling, INC.** prides themselves of the service they offer and are ready to assist you today. Give them a call at their Ashton office to Mark @ 652-3799, or you can call Rod in Blackfoot @ 684-3788 and you are invited to visit their web site at: www.independentdrilling.com



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City of Ashton News

- ◆ *Kid's Gym is over. Thanks to all who participated.*
- ◆ *Recycle Bins have moved. East of the tennis courts is the new perspective permanent location for the bins.*

**HELP! WE NEED SOMEBODY,
YES! ANYBODY...**

*With it beginning to look like spring one day and winter the next, we still know that right around the corner are the tourists we are anxiously waiting for to help us catch up on those winter bills. We all come out of hibernation and know the sun will soon shine through those gloomy gray clouds. And with the coming of summer one thing on the Chamber of Commerce's mind and Rachel's is the gearing up and planning of our awesome, one of a kind 4th of July celebration. We are needing some fresh minds and dedicated bodies to help us with this work! So this is our plea... **HELP! WE NEED SOMEBODY, YES! ANYBODY...** as the Beatles song might go... We are in need of volunteers to help organize our parade and some other volunteers to help organize the festivities/booths in the park. If you are interested in helping, I (Rachel), or someone else on the Chamber of Commerce board would love to hear from you soon!!! All the festivities will take place on Wednesday, July 4th. Call Rachel @ 652-0144 or Chamber of Commerce office @ 652-3355.*



Community Calendar

- **March 20—First day of Spring**
- **March 24—Distinguished Young Women @ NFHS @ 7pm**
- **March 28—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @ Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.**

The next newsletter will come out on **April 3rd. Please have information to the Chamber by the Saturday before. Thank you!

Item up for auction @ Ashton Elementary now is a Go Phone from Fall River Electric until Friday, March 23rd. Next item will be 2 filled Easter baskets from March 27-April 5. Go bid at the elementary school office during school hours on these fun items!

We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!

Email info@ashtonidaho.com with your events time and description to get your event posted FREE! For more event details visit our on-line Community Calendar at www.ashtonidaho.com
We place events on our community calendars for free!



Attention all businesses! It is time to renew your membership with the Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce. If you have not done so yet it is \$75/business and \$50/non-profit. Thank you for your continuous support and we encourage all businesses input and involvement in our monthly meetings and overall Chamber of Commerce!

Chriswell's Trail's Inn



**Come and enjoy a great Idahoan meal:
Breakfast, Lunch, or Dinner
Open: 6-8 Mon.-Thurs. & 6-10 Fri-Sun.**

Chriswell's Trail's Inn is under new management! Come in and welcome Doug with their Spring Special of 10% off the Trout dinner! Hurry in, this deal ends April 30th!