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Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce



- ◆ *Our Membership Drive has begun! Come and be involved with your Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce! Come and learn the benefits of membership and involvement! Membership dues are \$75/business; \$50/non-profit; \$25/individual.*
- ◆ *The Ashton Chamber of Commerce Newsletter has become a great asset for our community! To advertise it costs \$20/ad each issue for non-chamber members or \$10/ad each issue for chamber members. The Chamber Newsletter is printed twice a month, the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. Information is needed by the Saturday before. To purchase an ad and get your information in on time, please contact Rachel Hatton, leave a message at the Chamber office @ 652-3355, or email your information to our Chamber email @ info@ashtonidaho.com.*
- ◆ *The Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce would like to send our deepest sympathy and thoughts to our Ashton Chief of Police Tom Mattingly and his family for the loss of his dear sweetheart and their dear mother and grandmother! We are so sorry and she will be very missed in our community!*



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:

It is our pleasure to spotlight the **Targhee Ridgerunners**. If you are not familiar with this group or about snowmobiling then this will be fun to learn about! The **Targhee Ridgerunners**, founded in 1968, are more than just a social group or snowmobile club. They are behind the scenes promoters of our area and are our voice in the Idaho State Snowmobile Association (ISSA). Visiting with a past president of the club who served for 6 years, Kevin Schultz, really shed some light on the club and their activities. Beside spending time going "sledding" in the area, the snowmobile club really tries to give a lot back to the community! Every spring they give away 4-\$250 scholarships to only North Fremont Seniors and another 2-\$250 scholarships for continuing education. They also donate money to the Search & Rescue each year and adopt a family from the Red Hats during the "Giving Tree" season. They also have adopted Highway 47 down through Warm River to clean up yearly. You can see the club works very hard! They are the voices that are instrumental in helping improve bridges, have input into trail maintenance and area closures, and really stress safety by providing workshops on avalanche and snowmobile safety. They also work very hard to encourage all who own snowmobiles to register them. If you register your snowmobile in our county the money goes toward keeping the trails well groomed. Because of their efforts, Fremont County has the most registered snowmobiles in Idaho, totaling over 10,000. Where Teton, Jefferson, and Madison counties combined only total 1,730. They recently had their Steak Fry/Membership Drive where they raise the money they donate back to the community. When you attend their steak fry, your payment for dinner is also your membership fee. Like other groups, there are many members, but only the few who keep the club going and work hard at doing the work and fulfilling the vision of the club. **Targhee Ridgerunners** recently held their elections of new officers. The new president is Suzelle Burch, Vice-President is Ryan Funke, Secretary is Karisa Phelps, Treasurer is Delona Shultz, Activity Coordinators are Varley Sanford & Faydale Fisher.



For more information about the **Targhee Ridgerunners** please visit www.IdahoSnow.org or you are welcome to call Suzelle Burch @ 709-1989 or Ryan Funke @ 351-5874 and maybe you will want to be a part of the stewards of this sport in our beautiful area!

City of Ashton News



State of the City Address given January 8, 2014:

As I think of this past year and what has transpired, I think of all the people who have helped make all of this happen. I want to thank them for their diligence in sticking to the goals we had set for 2013.

- The completions of our water project including street repairs will be a great asset and future for our citizens.
- Upon the completion of the construction, the streets were crack sealed and then about 1/3 of the streets were chip sealed. This has been a commitment to keep the City Streets in good condition.
- The summer was busy. The Park and Swimming Pool were used to the maximum. It was a great summer. We are hoping to raise enough money to heat our pool with solar power. It is going to save the City a lot of money.
- The Ashton Urban Renewal Agency amended the original district and added a second district after two years of working on the plans. These plans will give them room to improve our City in a positive way.
- The Ashton Archive is moving the right way and we still will not forget all those who have given their time and talents in its continued success.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission has updated the development code including work on the sign portion.
- Ashton is cleaning up and I personally want to thank our citizens for their positive response and making Ashton a better place to live.

Last year I spoke about not looking in the rear view mirror but looking ahead through the windshield. I will take just a moment to look back to thank our outgoing Council members; Stacey Dexter and Brad Rankin. The City will miss their time and input. Now looking forward, we are happy to work with new Council members Becky Harrigfeld and Tadd Atchley who I'm sure will be of great assistance in helping to shape the future of our City, the City of Ashton.

In closing I would like to quote Walt Disney who said, "Around here, we don't look backwards for very long...we keep moving forward, opening up new doors and doing new things." *~ Mayor Teddy Stronks*



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Community Calendar

- **Jan 20—Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- **Jan. 22—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.**
- **Every Thursday the American Dog Derby Committee is meeting @ 7pm to plan for the Dog Derby this year. The races are scheduled to be Feb. 14th & 15th. Any volunteers are welcome to join them at the Senior's Citizens for their meetings!**

**The next newsletter will come out on Feb. 4th. Please have information to the Chamber by the Saturday before. Thank you!

We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!



Good Luck to our students with their studies and activities this winter!

Go Huskies!



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!



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