



Chamber Of Commerce 714 Main St. P.O. Box 351 Ashton, Idaho 83420 (208)652-3355



- * Our next monthly meeting will be this **Thursday, January 19, 2017** at noon at the Ashton Chamber office next to the Ashton City Building and Archives. We encourage all our members to attend and help us keep commerce growing in our community!
- * In March we will be having elections for a new board. We would love to have some more of our businesses represented in the decisions and activities that we are involved with. Please consider being on our board. The Chamber of Commerce board is a two year term. We meet every third Thursday and have a board meeting when necessary the week before. If you are interested please start coming to our meetings and/or let one of the current board members know.
- * Our **Soup Challenge** will be during the American Dog Derby once again. So all you wonderful cooks get those recipes out and be ready to compete Friday, February 17, 2017 with your best soup recipe! **Registration is \$5/soup and you must have an Ashton Business sponsor. Please register at Stronks & Sons by February 15th.** Winners will receive a cash prize of 1st-\$75; 2nd-\$50; 3rd-\$25. Questions call Sara@ 652-0134 or Rachel@ 652-0144.



Business Spotlight:

The City of Ashton is proud to provide Ashton with quality water, sewer, garbage, and street services. After removing over 400 piles of snow from the middle of Main Street already, our Public Works crew will surely be the most excited men in town to see the snow come to an end. Thank you guys for your long hours and great job during the winter and for keeping our streets plowed!



On Wednesday, January 11, 2017 Mayor Teddy Stronks delivered his State of the City Address at City Council: *“Albert Einstein said, “Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow.” With the past year being an election year and hearing all the promises being made, we as a City Council will continue with our projects that are in the process as we meet tonight. 2016 was the year of many discussions. We sold buildings that were no longer needed and which helped others in the businesses. After 9 years of service our City Attorney, Joette Lookabaugh retired. She was very helpful and served the City with much energy. With her absence, we as a council advertised and feel that we have chosen a great lawyer who has Ashton in his best interest and in serving the Council and the City. Because of new restrictions on disposal of ammonia, we are encountering a 5 million dollar project. Putting in a new holding pond, dredging the existing lagoons and replacing a lot of old sewer pipe that is in need of replacement.*

We were able to complete our 3rd street project by Reinke Grain. I feel it is much safer and a big improvement. Ashton Urban Renewal played a big part in beautifying 5th street on the corner lot and improved it into a beautiful pocket park. The announcement of refurbishing the old Ashton Memorial Hospital by the Henry’s Fork Foundation was exciting to see it come back to life and be used as a learning center and office space.

We are looking forward to celebrating our 100 year of the American Dog Derby. Thanks to all of you who are making this possible. After 32 years of service in law enforcement, our Chief of Police, Tom Mattingly retired. He will be missed at the City and we wish him the best in the future. Greg Griffel was sworn in as Ashton’s new Chief of Police and we feel fortunate to have Wes Owens as his deputy. My goal is still the same as 2016, to concentrate on Economic Development in the Ashton Area. We will continue to do our best for the citizens of Ashton by following what General Collen Powell said, “There are no secrets to success. It comes from preparation, hard work, and learning from failure.”

So, keep up the good work! —Mayor Teddy Stronks
Other items that fall under the City’s jurisdiction are the Visitor’s Center, Planning and Zoning, Urban Renewal, and the Ashton Archives. The Archives are open Monday and Thursday from 1-4pm. It takes many to help us have a great **City of Ashton**, where we call home. We at the **Ashton Area Chamber of Commerce** are grateful for the association we have with the **City of Ashton** and the many volunteers and employees that help make it great! *Thank You!*
The City Building is open **M-F 8am-4pm** or you may call them at (208)652-3987. www.cityofashton.com



AMERICAN DOG DERBY

Plans are underway for the 100th annual American Dog Derby! During the two days of the **American Dog Derby** booths are invited to line our streets. To register your booth

please call Rachel Hatton @ 652-0144. The cost is \$10/booth each day. If you wish to sell food, you may need to check with District 7 about what type of food certificate you may need. Also, those collectible **American Dog Derby** buttons are available to buy now! They are \$3/button or \$5 for 2 buttons.

The **American Dog Derby** committee is committed to bringing the excitement to our community. Now we need the community to support us through donations and volunteers to help the tradition continue for the **Centennial Celebration!** If you have any questions or need more information, please call John Scafe @ 208-360-0988 or Kathy Scafe @ 208-681-0266.

Mark your calendars for February 17-18 to join us for a Centennial Celebration for the entire family and “Let the Dogs Run!”

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.

City of Ashton News



*Please help keep driveways clear for plowing.
Thank you!*



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Community Birthday Calendars are here!

The North Fremont Boy's Basketball team has revived the much loved calendar with the help of many local sponsors. The calendars are available for purchase at the high school office, and will also be available at all home basketball games. The price is \$6 for one calendar, or \$5 each for multiple calendars. The HUSKIES thank you for your support, and encourage you to support the many advertising sponsors that participated in this calendar issue. See you at the game! ALL IN!

American Legion Auxiliary Girls State

Our Unit Representative, Wanda Tracy, will be contacting the Junior class at the High School within the upcoming month to encourage them to apply to participate in Girls State. Girls State offers training in the practical processes of self government and good citizenship as practiced in a democratic society. Each summer, approximately 20,000 enthusiastic young women participate in Girls State sessions across the nation.

We're hoping to send some young women from NFHS!

Community Calendar

- Jan. 19—Chamber of Commerce Mtg. @ noon
- Jan. 19—School Board Mtg. @ 7pm @ District office
- Jan. 25—N.F. Food Pantry 5-7pm @Ashton Community Center. Picture ID required.

The next newsletter will come out on **Feb. 7, 2017. Please have information to the Chamber by the Saturday before. Thank you!

We encourage all to continually support our Ashton Businesses!!



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

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