

**Raymore Chamber of Commerce
General Membership Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2010**

The General Membership luncheon meeting was held at Community Bank of Raymore on Tuesday, February 23, 2010. The meeting started at 11:30 A.M. with networking until 12:01 P.M. at which time President Janelle Biernbaum called the meeting to order and welcome everyone. Dr. James Clark of Calvary Bible College led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome to members and guests: President Janelle Biernbaum welcomed Chamber members attending the meeting for the first time. They were asked to introduce themselves and share their business affiliation.

A special thank you was extended to Price Chopper for catering the lunch and to Community Bank of Raymore for providing a location for the meeting.

President Biernbaum asked that members review the Treasurer and Secretary's report that were available on the tables during lunch.

Following lunch, our President asked those in attendance if they had any changes to the reports. With none noted, they were accepted as presented.

Featured Businesses of the Month were recognized. They were Costentino's Price Chopper, Equine Health Solution, and The Manor Homes of Eagle Glen.

Office Updates:

Our 2009 Chamber Membership total was 178 members. To date for 2010, we have 127 new and/or renewed members. Latest new member is Dairy Queen. For the month of February 2010, the Chamber mailed out 56 new resident packets.

Unfinished Business:

Brent Ewert reminded everyone that the Raymore Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a candidate forum for the upcoming election of Mayor and City Council positions at 7:00 pm on March 24 in the Raymore City Hall Council Chambers.

President Biernbaum announced that this year the Raymore Day at the "K" will be on Sunday, April 25, 2010 with a 1:05 pm starting game time. The choirs from Eagle Glen and Bridle Ridge Intermediate will sing the National Anthem.

Guest Speaker Dr. Jeff Kyle, Superintendent of Raymore-Peculiar School District gave an update on the state of the eleven schools that make up the district. The newest

school will open August 2010. Dr. Kyle also reminded everyone of the upcoming tax levy that will be voted on in April.

The other guest speaker was Joe Rossini of Rossini Management Systems, Inc. who is the designer of the new Raymore Chamber website. His wife and business partner, Brenda Rossini, accompanied him. Joe gave an explanation of the features and highlights of the website and a handout that lists its attributes. He encouraged everyone to go online and view the new site.

There being no further business to be brought before the membership, the meeting was adjourned.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, March 11 – Monthly Morning Coffee hosted by Outdoor Solutions at the Raymore Chamber office from 7:30-9:00 am.

Thursday, March 11 – Cass County Coalition of Chamber Meeting, Creekmoor Golf Club, at 11:45 am.

Thursday, March 18 – Monthly Board Meeting at Country Club Bank Community Room at noon.

Wednesday, March 24 – Mayor/City Council Candidate Forum at City of Raymore Council Chambers at 7:00 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 23 at Community Bank of Raymore.

11:30 am – Networking. Noon – Meeting/Lunch. Speaker: Gary Mallory, Cass County Government.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Noe

Secretary