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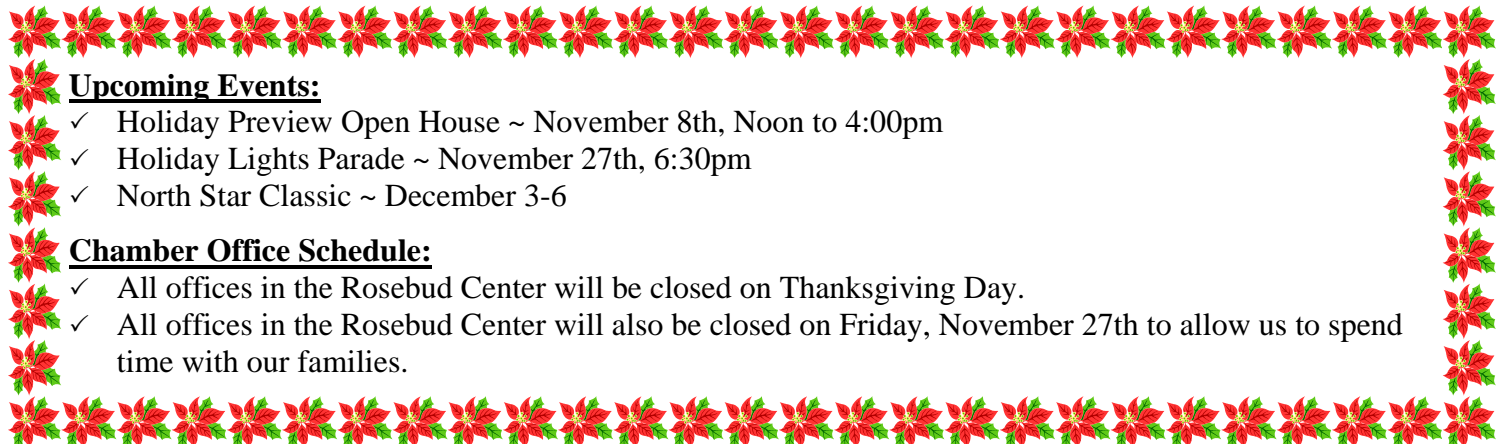
701-845-1891

Christmas

is coming! Are you ready?



- * The Holiday Preview Open House is scheduled for **November 8th** from 12:00 to 4:00pm. Is your business ready?
- * Christmas in the Valley buttons will be on sale starting November 8th. This years winner is Charlotte Huschka, a 6th grader from St. Catherine's School. Charlotte won \$50 in Chamber Bucks for drawing the winning button. Congrats Charlotte!
- * We encourage everyone to shop your local businesses. What better way to get quality customer service and the products you want than by shopping locally?



Upcoming Events:

- ✓ Holiday Preview Open House ~ November 8th, Noon to 4:00pm
- ✓ Holiday Lights Parade ~ November 27th, 6:30pm
- ✓ North Star Classic ~ December 3-6

Chamber Office Schedule:

- ✓ All offices in the Rosebud Center will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.
- ✓ All offices in the Rosebud Center will also be closed on Friday, November 27th to allow us to spend time with our families.

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Greetings From Your President

By Lance Jenison,
State Farm Insurance



In last month's newsletter I mentioned our EVP search. With many very good candidates the Search Committee determined that Melissa Bloom best matched the Chamber's needs. I would like to welcome Melissa on behalf of chamber membership and the board of directors. I also would like to thank the effort of our Search Committee: LouVay White, Doug

Anderson, Dean Sauer and Larry Sayler. Many hours were invested by the committee towards our EVP search. Please welcome Melissa to the Chamber.

With the holiday season fast approaching, let us remember the tough year many of our businesses have endured. Shopping in Valley City is more critical than ever and what better way to express the sentiment than keeping holiday dollars in the community. With the flooding and subsequent construction, many of our businesses have suffered from limited access to their establishments for 7 months and running. The condition of the downtown area can be intimidating to shoppers, but I would encourage those who have avoided the area to reconnect and "go out of the way" to help your fellow businesses through the holiday season. Please make every effort to visit affected businesses and remind them of the value they have to our community.

Congratulations Charlotte!

Charlotte Huschka, a 6th Grader at St. Kate's drew this years Christmas in the Valley Button! Charlotte won \$50 in Chamber Bucks and her design will be on the mass produced Christmas Buttons this year. Pictured here with Charlotte is her mother Kirsten and Chamber EVP Melissa Bloom.



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***EVP Report
Melissa Bloom,
Executive Vice President***



Hello Valley City

I would like to introduce myself to those of you whom I have not yet had the pleasure of meeting. My name is Melissa Bloom, and I recently took on the role of EVP for the Valley City Chamber of Commerce. Although I have only been in the position for less

then 1 week, I have been warmly welcomed by many residents and business owners / managers. Thank you for taking time to welcome me and my family into the community.

My husband, Jeff Bloom and I moved to Valley City in June 2009. Jeff is a Valley City High School and VCSU graduate. We have a blended family consisting of 6 children ages 19 months – 17 years and are expecting a new addition to the family in March 2010. I'm sure many of you think we are absolutely nuts, and depending what day you ask us, we may be in agreement with you. Our house is busy, but a family of 8 going on 9 sure makes for a lot of fun and laughs, as you can probably imagine.

Getting back to business, I can relate to those of you that are business owners, as I am a small business owner myself. I opened Lil' Bloomers Child Care & Preschool in Fargo in July 2007 and have a very dedicated business partner who continues to oversee the day to day operations (which is easier said than accomplished). Then as if my hands were not full enough with the relocation from Fargo to Valley City, I opened Dudes & Divas Children's Clothing and Accessories in July of this year. Due to the store opening, I have met many of the people in the community and been welcomed in with open arms.

A few of my goals as the EVP for the Valley City Chamber of Commerce is to focus on the needs of the community and businesses, while maintaining and improving the communication that takes place between us. I want to bring additional events into Valley City that will benefit and support the local economy. I am going to continue to encourage residents in Valley City and surrounding communities to stay loyal, stay local and patronize the existing businesses. We have been in a sensitive and trying time with the recent flood, and street reconstruction projects that have been taking place and we are all very excited to see the work completed (especially those businesses located at or near the construction areas). We can see a light at the end of the tunnel, and that brings much needed relief.

I am here for you. I am going to listen to your concerns, wishes, suggestions and frustrations. I want to make tomorrow brighter than today and so on and so forth. We can achieve that by working together as business owners and chamber

representatives. I ask you to be patient with me as I learn the ropes of the position and the ways that I can serve you. Don't be surprised to see me out and about, as I want to stop in and meet each and every one of you face to face. You are welcome to call or stop by my office at any time.

Chamber Bucks

Another Benefit of Your Membership

As we approach the holidays, keep in mind that Chamber Bucks are a great gift idea and just one more way to encourage people to shop in Valley City. They're easy for the customer to use and easy for you as a business to redeem.

Here are some things to remember when you accept Chamber Bucks:

- * Chamber Bucks have no expiration dates. State law does not allow gift certificates to have an expiration date.
- * Chamber Bucks are not redeemable for cash. They are available in \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$50 denominations.
- * They can only be redeemed at businesses who are members of the Valley City Area Chamber of Commerce—another benefit of Chamber membership for you. More than \$25,000 in Chamber Bucks were sold this year.

Chamber Bucks are easy to accept. Each of them is printed with the Chamber's account number so you accept and deposit them as though they were the customer's personal check. Just remember to endorse them just as you do with your other checks and deposit them into your account.

Need a gift idea?

Have someone who's "hard to buy for"?

GIVE THEM CHAMBER BUCKS!

They're available in \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$50 denominations and can be used like cash at any Valley City Chamber member business.

Contact the Chamber office to purchase yours today!





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239 Second Avenue NW • Valley City, ND

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Christmas in the Valley

Buy your Christmas in the Valley button for \$3 and you could win any of these great prizes!
Thank you to this year's participants of the Button Promotion!

- ❄ *Bank Forward* ~ \$50 Savings Bond
- ❄ *Bong's* ~ Pair of Women's Sketchers Shoes
- ❄ *Budget Home Furnishings* ~ \$50 Gift Certificate
- ❄ *Cathy's Classics* ~ Miche Bag with 1 Shell of Choice
- ❄ *Central Avenue Pharmacy* ~ 2-\$25 Gift Certificates
- ❄ *CH Carpenter Lumber Co* ~ Black & Decker Wizard Rotary Tool
- ❄ *Dacotah Bank* ~ 2-\$25 Chamber Bucks
- ❄ *Dudes & Divas* ~ \$ 50 Gift Certificate
- ❄ *Enticing Scents Body & Bath* ~ 2 Gift Baskets
- ❄ *First Community Credit Union* ~ \$50 in Chamber Bucks
- ❄ *KOVC* ~ Christmas Toys
- ❄ *Leevers SuperValu* ~ \$50 in Chamber Bucks
- ❄ *Marketplace Food & Drug* ~ \$50 Gift Card
- ❄ *Midwest Business Systems* ~ \$50 Gift Certificate
- ❄ *Nearly Nu* ~ \$50 in Chamber Bucks
- ❄ *Northwestern Industries* ~ Alpen 7x50 Binoculars
- ❄ *Pizza Corner* ~ 3 Large Pizzas
- ❄ *Prairie Frame Shop* ~ Terry Redlin Plate with Holder
- ❄ *Quilted Ceiling* ~ \$50 Gift Certificate
- ❄ *Riverside Gardens* ~ 2-\$25 Gift Certificates
- ❄ *Stop-N-Go* ~ \$40 Gift Card and 3 Pack Car Wash
- ❄ *Three Oaks Guest Inn* ~ 1 Room 1 Night Stay or \$60 off House Rent
- ❄ *Unique Antiques* ~ Jewelry
- ❄ *Valley Drug* ~ Nikon Digital Camera
- ❄ *Valley Gallery* ~ Framed 8x10 Hi-Line Print
- ❄ *Valley Officeworks* ~ \$50 Gift Basket
- ❄ *Valley City Area Chamber of Commerce* ~ Turkey a Day



The Chamber is busy mass producing this year's Christmas in the Valley buttons. They will be available at these participating businesses starting at the Christmas Preview Open House.

Contact the Chamber at 845-1891 if you are interested in or have any questions about the Christmas promotion.

Thank you for supporting your community and Chamber and for shopping locally!

The Chamber wishes to thank local schools for submitting artwork, the Times Record for full page artwork, Sheyenne Printers for printing and punching the cards and everyone who participates in the button promotion.

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GRAND PRIZE

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\$500 in Chamber
Bucks!

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2008-2009 Members

Thank you to all our new and renewing members of YOUR Chamber! Almost every dollar invested in your Chamber stays in this community. Remember that it is the policy of the Chamber an Development Corporation to only refer businesses who are members to those requesting information.

A & B Business Systems	Dakota Rose Floral	Ludvigson, Braun & Co	Stop N Go Tesoro
A & H Transfer	Dakota Silver	Lynn Johnson Construction	Stoudt Ross Ford
ARC Thrift-E-Shop	Dan Smith	Marcil Management Group	Subway
Abused Persons Outreach Center	Deborah A. Bjornson	Marco Business Products	Super 8 Motel
Ace Hardware	Dick Nelson Sales & Leasing	Marketplace Food & Drug	Taco John's
AFLAC	Direct Check	Marketplace Liquors	The Groundsman
After School & Daycare Center	Dr. Steve Shirley	Mercy Hospital	The Legacy Place
AgCountry Farm Credit Services	Drug Plastics & Glass	Meritcare Valley City	The Window Man
Aggregate Industries	Dudes & Divas	Meritcare Valley City Eye Clinic	Thomas E. Goven, Attorney
Allard Trophy	Dutton's Valley Gallery	Midwest Business Systems	Three Oaks Guest Inn
Alliance Pipeline	E & S Antiques	Miller Elevator	Thrifty White Drug
American Family Insurance	Eagle Creek Software Services	Miller Motors	Thunder Football
American General Contractor	Eagles Club	Montana Dakota Utilities	Total Auto Service
American Legion Club	Eagles Nest Bookstore	Moritz Excavating	Total Cellular
AmericInn	Edward Jones—Bob Lemnus	Movieland Video ~ #1 Sun	Tri W-G
AmeriPride Services Inc	Edward Jones—Susan Jorissen	Nearly Nu	Truck & Auto Salvage
Another Time Restaurant	Enterprise Electric	Next Era Energy Resources	Ty Allen Network & Computer Solutions
AP Equipment	Enterprise Sales	Norm's BBQ	Unique Antiques
Appliance City	Enticing Scents Body and Bath LLC	North Dakota Winter Show	US Army Corps of Engineers
Bakkegard & Schell	Experience Works	Northwestern Industries	US Bank—Valley City
Bank Forward	Fair Hills Property	Obsessed Photographers Group	Valley Auto Parts—Napa
Barnes County Ambulance	Farmer's Union Insurance	Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel	Valley City Area Concert Association
Barnes County Extension Office	First Community Credit Union	Open Door Center	Valley City Community Theater
Barnes County Historical Society	Foell Chiropractic	Pain Relief Center	Valley City Education Association
Barnes County Senior Citizens	Foss Drug	Pamida	Valley City Equipment Inc
Barnes Rural Water District	Gerald & Marian Gerntholz	Parker Hannifin Corporation	Valley City Park District
Bay Shore CitySide	Grotberg Electric	Perkins Inc	Valley City Public Schools
Beste Mor Guest Inn	H & R Block	Perry Laub	Valley City Public Works
Bettin's Floral	Hagen & McKibben Dental	Pine Country Nursery	Valley City State University
Bitz Tire & Service	Hair Therapy	Pizza Corner	Valley City Times Record
Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota	Handy Hardware & Rental	Pizza Hut	Valley City Town & Country Club
Bob's Excavating	Henry Bruns	Pools n More	Valley City Traditional Tae Kwon Do
Bong's Bootery	Heritage Insurance Services	Positive Solutions Counseling	Valley City Veterinary Hospital PC
Brenda Laub, CPA	High Plains Water Conditioning	Prairie Frame Shop	Valley Drug
Bridge City Cruisers	Hi-Line Farmers Union Grain Co.	Presidents House Guest Inn	Valley Fashions
Bridge City Dentistry	Hilltop Café	Professional Eyecare	Valley Flooring
Bridges Arts Council	Hospice of the Red River Valley	Prosby Body Shop	Valley Graphic & Design
Broken Spoke Family Restaurant & Saloon	Innovis Health	Quality Auto Body	Valley Lumber
Brothers III	Insure Forward	Quilted Ceiling	Valley Meat Supply
Budget Home Furnishings	Investment Centers of America	Qwest Corp	Valley Officeworks
Burger King	Iron Stallion Cycles	Red Knights Motorcycle Club	Valley Quilters
Cable Services Inc	James Lochow, CPA	Rich Plecity Excavating LLC	Valley Radiator & Repair
Cass County Electric	Job Service ND	Richtman's Printing	Valley Realty
Cathy's Classics	John Deere Seeding Group	Riverside Gardens	Valley sales
Central Avenue Chiropractic PC	John's I-94 Tesoro	RJ's Plumbing & Heating Inc	Valley Service
Central Avenue Health Mart Pharmacy	Kadrmass Lee & Jackson	Roby's	Van Dyke Payloader Service
Central Business Systems	Kathryn RV Park	Sabir's Dining & Lounge	VCSU Bookstore
CH Carpenter Lumber	Kenny's Family Restaurant	Servicemaster of Valley City	VCSU Community School of the Arts
Chinese Palace	KLM Maze	Sheyenne Auto Center	VCSU Music Department
Chuck & Jan Stowman	Kohler Farms	Sheyenne Care Center	VCSU Theatre Program
Chuck Hanson	KOV 1490 AM Radio	Sheyenne Printers	Velkommen Guest Haus
City County Health District	KJSB 600AM Radio	Sheyenne Riverbend Farm	VFW Club
City Lights Supper Club, Lounge & Casino	L & H Shoe Shop	Sheyenne Sno-Drifters	Victorian Charm/Valley Bed & Breakfast
Classified Directories	Lafarge Dakota Inc	Sheyenne Valley Area Career & Tech Center	Viking Room
Congregational United Church	Larry & Mary Lee Robinson	Sheyenne Valley Friends of Animals	Wagon Wheel Inn
Corporate Adventures	Lawn Realty	Sheyenne Valley Soccer League	Wally Kuder
Curves for Women	Leah Helene's Massage Therapy & Reflexology	Skandia Mills	Weber Home Inspections LLC
Dacotah Bank	Lee Isensee	Sky Lanes	Wells Fargo Bank
Dairy Queen	Leevers SuperValu	Snap Fitness	Wells Fargo Insurance Services
Dakota Cat	Lenaburg, Fitzner, Nelson & Hooper	Sodexo	Wendel Auto Body
Dakota Plains Cooperative	Lentz Chiropractic	Sorensen Construction	Wick Construction
Dakota Riders	Lerud Johnson Schuldt Funeral Home	St. Catherine's School	Xtreme Printing
	Liberty Business Systems	Stack Construction	Yellow Book USA
	Lloyd & Bruce Anderson	State Farm Insurance	
	Lorenz Properties	Steve & Mary Lee Nielson	

Thank you

to our members who have renewed their membership in the Valley City Area Chamber of Commerce in October. Remember that it is policy of the Chamber to refer Chamber member businesses first!

AgCountry Farm Credit Services
Allard Trophy
Alliance Pipeline
Appliance City
Bank Forward
Barnes County Historical Society
Barnes Rural Water District
Deborah A. Bjornson
Bloom-N-Crafts Floral
Bob's Excavating
Bong's Bootery
Henry Bruns
Central Business Systems
Dacotah Bank
Dakota Plains Cooperative
Dakota Silver
Dutton's Valley Gallery
Edward Jones—Bob Lemnus
Groberg Electric
Heritage Insurance Services

Lee Isensee
Job Service ND
Kenny's Family Restaurant
KOVIC 1490 AM Radio
Lafarge Dakota Inc
Perry Laub
Lawn Realty
Leever's SuperValu
Miller Elevator
Miller Motors
Northwestern Industries
Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel
Open Door Center
Pine Country Nursery
Prairie Frame Shop
Quality Auto Body
RJ's Plumbing & Heating Inc
Sheyenne Care Center
Sheyenne Printers
Sheyenne Riverbend Farm

Sodexo
Stoudt Ross Ford
Three Oaks Guest Inn
Thrifty White Drug
Tri W-G
Truck & Auto Salvage
US Army Corps of Engineers
Valley City Education Association
Valley City Equipment Inc
Valley City Times-Record
Valley City Veterinary Hospital PC
Valley Drug
Valley Fashions
Valley Flooring
Valley Lumber
Valley Meat Supply
Valley Officeworks
Wagon Wheel Inn
Wells Fargo Bank



Valley City Young Professionals Wine Tasting Wednesday, October 21st



Valley City Young Professionals hosted their kickoff event, Wednesday, October 21st at Sabir's in Valley City. A great time was had by all, with many different wines to sample as well as appetizers to enjoy while getting to know all that attended. Valley City Young Professionals is all about camaraderie, community and connections for people age 21 to the "Young At Heart" in the Valley City area. YP was started as a way for young professionals in our community to get out of the office and meet new people, gain business relationships, and have fun! We aren't going to have mandatory meetings; you can choose what events you want to attend. We're just a group of people wanting to make Valley City a great place to live, work, and play! We are beginning to work on our next event, tentatively set for Beer & Bowling. We would like to again thank all those that attended as well as Sabir's, Bank Forward, Business Revitalization, Sheyenne Printers and the Valley City Area Chamber of Commerce. We hope to see all you "Young Professionals" at our upcoming events!

Your YP Co chairs,
Briana, Luke, Cam, Kara & Kari

Valley City Area Chamber of Commerce September & October Ambassador Visits



Xtreme Printing & Novelties
James, Janet and Jason Thornton
358 N Central Ave
Valley City, ND 58072
701-845-8989



US Bank
Nikki Grebel, Manager
220 4th St NE
Valley City, ND 58072
701-845-4322



Pamida
Scott Schmidt, Manager
727 15th Ave SW
Valley City, ND 58072
701-845-2671



Stop N Go Tesoro
Ellen Johnson, Manager
640 15th Ave SW
Valley City, ND 58072
701-845-1284



Enticing Scents Body and Bath
Val Lorie CarpenterLove &
Peggy Humphries
New Store Location
1140 Main St W
Valley City, ND 58072
701-880-0328

Chamber Newsletter Ad Rates*

Business Card Ads

Looking for the Key to Low Cost Business-to-Business Advertising?



The Chamber Pride Newsletter now offers our members the opportunity to purchase business card-sized ads for the low cost of \$20 per issue.

Insert ads are also available for \$30 per issue. Contact the Chamber at 845-1891 for details. Multi-issue discounts also available!

Business Card Ad Rates

# of Issues	Each	Total
1	\$20.00	\$20
2	\$17.50	\$35
3	\$16.67	\$50
4	\$16.25	\$65
5	\$15.00	\$75

must purchase quantity in advance

Inserts

Insert Ad Rates

Frequency	Each	Total
1	\$30.00	\$30
2	\$25.00	\$50
3	\$22.00	\$66

*Discount received on subsequent purchases
Advertiser supplies 275 copies*

**Contact the Chamber for more information,
845-1891 or chamber@hellovalley.com**

*Advertising available to members of the Valley City Area Chamber of Commerce only. Multi-issue discounts must be placed within one calendar year starting October 1, 2009.

We've heard about Christmas in July, but how about Syttende Mai in December? This year's Valley City Sons of Norway Syttende Mai celebration in May was postponed due to the flooding issues in town and has been rescheduled for Saturday, December 5th. It's a day of ethnic food demonstrations and music starting at 10:00 and going until 4:00 at the Barnes County Museum. Call 845-0966 for more information.



Have an event coming up?

Avoid the date conflict with other events in the community!

Contact the Chamber to have your events listed on the Chamber calendar. The calendar is posted on our website, www.valleycitynd.com and is distributed each month in the *Chamber Advantage*. Contact: briana@hellovalley.com

Do you have news you'd like to share?

The Chamber is always looking for news from Chamber member businesses. Have a success story you'd like to share?

Contact the Chamber today!
701-845-1891 or chamber@hellovalley.com

Chamber Committee Meeting Dates

(dates subject to change)

Tuesday, November 3—2:00pm
Ambassador Committee

Wednesday, November 4— 7:30 am
Ag Committee

Thursday, November 12—3:00pm
Commerce Committee

Tuesday, November 10 - 11:00am
CVB Committee

Wednesday, November 18—7:00am
Business Revitalization/Relations

Friday, November 20 – 7:00 am
Chamber Board Meeting

Friday, November 20 – 10:00 am
Ambassador Visits

Tuesday, November 17 – 12 noon
“Quality of Place” Cornerstone Meeting

Thursday, November 26– 4:00 pm
Image & Beautification Committee

If you are interested in serving on a Chamber committee or have issues for our committees to address, please contact the Chamber at 845-1891



Community Calendar of Events

www.valleycitynd.com



For detailed information, please visit www.valleycitynd.com

NOVEMBER 2009

- November 1 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April
- November 3 - Mercy Hospital Masquerade \$5 Jewelry and Accessories SALE. Experience the Frenzy! Tuesday, November 3, 2009 from 7am-4pm at the Mercy Hospital Health Education Building Cash, Checks & Credit Cards Accepted. Proceeds benefit Mercy Hospital Auxiliary
- November 5 – 11th Annual United Way Harvest Festival Great Food For a Great Cause at the Sheyenne Care Center Coffee Shop from 11am-1pm \$5.00 Suggested Donation Menu: Chicken & Wild Rice Soup, Chicken Tortilla Soup, Bar-B-Que Pork Sandwiches, Apple Crispito and Hot Apple Cider
- November 5 – Senior Center Evening Meal – Ribs – No Entertainment
- November 6 – St. Catherine's Annual Fall Auction at the VC Eagles
- November 6 – VCSU Men's Basketball vs. Dordt College (IA) – 7:30pm VCSU
- November 7 – VCSU Men's Basketball vs. Northwestern College – 4:00pm VCSU
- November 8 – Holiday Preview Open House! Get your head start on Christmas Shopping and stop in to area businesses for great deals and also to purchase your Christmas in the Valley Button!
- November 8 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October - April
- November 9 – VCSU Men's Basketball vs. Montana State (Exhibition) – 7:00pm
- November 12 – Red River Basin Flood Protection Meeting - 6:30-8:30pm at the Hi-Liner Activity Center
- November 12 – Senior Center Dance Day 1:30-4:00pm – Entertainment by Steve Samek
- November 14 – Faith Lutheran Fall Festival Dinner & Bake Sale 10am -1:00pm Contact Connie Peterson at 845-4839 for more information
- November 14 – VCSU Men's Basketball vs. Viterbo University – 3:00pm VCSU
- November 15 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April
- November 17, 19, 20, 21 – VC Sr. High Musical
- November 18 – VCACA Presents Paul Asaro, Ragtime Piano 7:30pm at Vangstad Auditorium
- November 19 - Barnes County Historical Society Lecture Series featuring Ward Wilkins "Seeing America on four bald tires and a tank of gas", 7:30pm, Barnes County Museum. Contact the museum for more information 845-0966.
- November 19 – Senior Center Evening Meal – Turkey & All the Trimmings - Entertainment by "Whoever Can Come Band"

- November 21 – 27th Annual Snowball Festival at Valley City Auditorium, 10:00a.m.-4:00p.m.
- November 21 – VCSU Mens Basketball vs. Peru State College – 3:00pm
- November 22 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April
- November 23 – VCSU Women’s Basketball vs University of Minnesota - Crookston – 7:00pm
- November 24 – Varsity Boys Wrestling vs. Grand Forks Central 7:00pm, Location TBD
- November 26 – Senior Center Dance Day – NO DANCE THANKSGIVING DAY
- November 27 – Valley City Parade of Lights at 6:30pm
- November 28 - Festival of Trees at the Valley City Eagles Saturday November 28th. 6:30pm - Silent Auction and 8:00pm - Live Auction
- November 29 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April

DECEMBER 2009

- December 3-6 - North Star Classic- Largest cattle show in ND, with sales/shows/entertainment. Contact NDWS 800-437-0218.
- December 3 – Senior Center Evening Meal – Ham – No Entertainment
- December 4 – East Region Instrumental - VCHS
- December 4 – Varsity Girls Basketball vs. North Sargent 7:30pm at Hi-Liner Activity Center
- December 6 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April
- December 8 – VCHS Christmas Band/Choir Concert
- December 10 – Senior Center Dance Day – 1:30pm-4:00pm – Entertainment by Steve Samek
- December 11 – Valley City Girls Gymnastics Valley City Invite
- December 12 – Varsity Girls Basketball vs. Oak Grove Lutheran 6:00pm at Hi-Liner Activity Center
- December 13 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April
- December 15 – Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Maple Valley 7:30pm at Hi-Liner Activity Center
- December 17 – Senior Center Evening Meal – Pork Loin - Entertainment by Carol Winter - Christmas Sing-A-Long
- December 17 – Varsity Boys Wrestling vs. Hillsboro 7:00pm at Hi-Liner Activity Center
- December 19 – Varsity Boys Wrestling vs. Lisbon, Wahpeton, Kindred, Larimore, Devils Lake, Breckenridge Senior & Hillsboro 11:00am at Hi-Liner Activity Center
- December 19 – Valley City Girls Gymnastics Valley City Invite
- December 20 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April
- December 24 – Senior Center Dance Day – NO DANCE – CHRISTMAS EVE
- December 27 - Valley City Optimist Roller Skating at the Rec. Center Sundays 6-8:30pm from October – April



27th Annual

Snowball Festival

**Saturday,
November 21, 2009**

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Valley City Auditorium
320 Central Avenue South**

**Arts - Crafts - Gifts - Food
Entertainment - Hourly Door Prizes**

**Admission: Adults - \$2
Children - Free**

*Coordinated by Faith in Action of Mercy Hospital, an
interfaith volunteer caregiver program providing
services to people in need.*

Call 845-6491 for more information.

A big thank you to our sponsors!
**Valley City Visitors Convention Bureau - Bridges Arts
Council - Brothers III - Pain Relief Center - LaFarge Dakota
John Deere Seeding Group - Dacotah Plains Cooperative
Lerud, Johnson & Schuldt Funeral Home - Dutton's Valley
Gallery - Heritage Insurance - Grotberg Electric**

Is your business in the Christmas Spirit?



...or are you more like a Grinch?

The 22nd Annual Parade of Lights is coming up on November 27th. Get those Lights Shining Bright and come and enjoy the fun.

Please return to: "Christmas in the Valley" Parade Committee
PO Box 724, Valley City, ND 58072
By Monday, November 23, 2009

REGISTRATION

**22nd ANNUAL "CHRISTMAS IN THE VALLEY" PARADE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27th, 2009, 6:30 p.m.**

ORGANIZATION _____

CONTACT PERSON _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE _____ DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY _____
