

Richland Economic Development Corp.

Fall Newsletter



REDC Annual Meeting 2018

We cordially invite you to our annual meeting banquet. The evening will entail an overview of the 2018 activities that our office has accomplished, as well as a great meal.

We are pleased to have Mr. Dick Vande Bossche, Director of Project Development, for ONEOK featured as our keynote speaker. Dick will provide us with some insight on potential projects and increased activity in our area.

The event will be held on Tuesday, November 6th, 2018, at the Sidney Country Club. The social will begin at 6:00 PM, with the evening programs beginning at 6:30 PM.

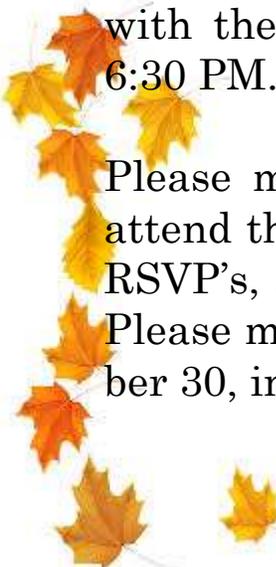
Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this annual event. The invitations, RSVP's, and ballots will be arriving soon. Please mail or fax your RSVP before October 30, in respect for the caterers.



Mr. Dick Vande Bossche, Director of Project Development, ONEOK

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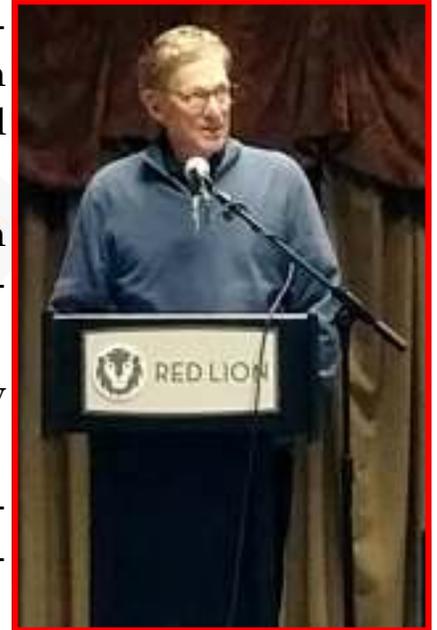
Leadership Montana Confluence

The Confluence is a Leadership Montana event that invites alumni and leaders from around the state to learn about innovations in agriculture, manufacturing, and reinventing a region, all while showcasing the Flathead.

The two day event was packed with presentations on Native American Cultures, economic development, manufacture and tourism information panels.

The crowd of approximately 150 was also entertained by the keynote speaker, Maury Povich.

As a graduate of Leadership Montana, as well as serving governor to the board, Leslie was honored to participate in this event and represent Eastern MT.



Montana Chamber of Commerce Economic Outlook

In August, the Montana Chamber of Commerce made a stop in Sidney on their State Wide tour. The purpose of the tour was to highlight the Economic Study done by the office. In the report, the Chamber highlighted that the Montana economy is still strong and that there is growth, especially in the tourism market across the State. One of the focuses of the study was entrepreneurship. They will be coming back to the Sidney Area in March of 2019 so stay tuned for more information on how you can attend!



LYIP Celebration

The LYIP had a celebration for our local area on Saturday, August 25th, 2018.

The festivities began with a parade through Sidney, followed up by a barbecue at the fairgrounds. There were about 150 people in attendance to enjoy the afternoon and the celebration. A free feed was sponsored by Dynneson Farms, Sidney Sugars, Johnson Hardware, and many more. On hand to give a few brief remarks



were: James Brower, Don Steinbeisser, Sr, Leslie Messer, and Mark Stermitz.

Richland Economic Development Corp was



pleased to work cooperatively with LYIP toward this amazing success for our entire valley.



Sidney Young Professionals

In September, Sidney Young Professionals toured the Sidney Lagoon with Mayor Norby and Public Works Director, Jeff Hintz as guides. The amount of time, energy, sacrifice and money that has gone into getting our community a state of the art facility with room for growth was incredible to learn about! Thank you to the City of Sidney for the opportunity.

In October, SYP will be playing a life size game of LIFE. Participants will have to opportunity to pick employment cards, salary cards, home cards etc., all while speaking with professionals that will help them plan for their home loans, invest for their “children’s” college fund, experience life’s ups and downs!

In December, SYP will be partnering with local elementary schools to “Adopt a Grade”. Each K-5 grade level has submitted requests to SYP of things the teachers and aides often find themselves buying for students as the middle of the school year hits. In an attempt to help offset this, SYP will host a social to allow people to make donations as well as placing other donation boxes around the area for the month of December.

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Thank you to all of our board directors who sat at our fair booth this year. We couldn't do it without you! We enjoyed getting to visit with so many of our members as well as the community out at the Fair this year. We look forward to seeing you all again next August!

