



# Altona & District Chamber of Commerce

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## Altona Community Foundation Sets Goal of \$1,000,000

The Altona & District Chamber of Commerce held a business luncheon on March 24<sup>th</sup> featuring guest speakers from the Altona Community Foundation.

It was announced that the foundation hopes to reach \$1,000,000 in its funds by 2010. Several plans were in place to reach this goal. Board members Chad Friesen, Don Wiebe and Robert Martens spoke on having businesses offer automatic payroll deductions for the foundation as well as asking current donators to double their amount for 2010 and invite three friends to donate.

Donating to the foundation is a life time legacy because the donation is never spent, rather it is invested and grants are given out on the interest earned.

The Foundation has awarded grants to many projects in the community.

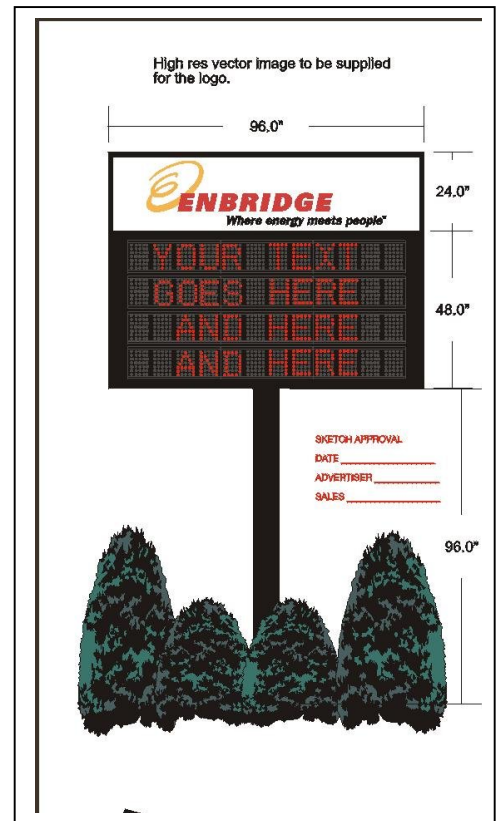
The luncheon which was sponsored by BDO Dunwoody had about 30 people come out.

## Electronic Community Sign To Be Located on Centre Ave.

The Altona & District Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that a new electronic double sided community sign will be installed this spring on Centre Ave. near the four way stop facing East and West.

Enbridge Pipelines has partnered with the Chamber on this community initiative by giving \$16,000 towards this project and will have their name displayed at the top of the sign. The remainder of the funding came from seventy five local Chamber businesses who committed a one time levy equal to their membership. The total project will cost approximately \$22,000.

The Chamber believes the new location will provide more exposure for community events being promoted. Chamber Manager Susan Yakabowich said the Chamber Executive is very excited about this new project and believes it offers a



great opportunity to showcase all the events taking place in our area.

## Annual Awards Banquet

Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> Rhineland Pioneer Centre

Reception at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Presentation of the 2008 Citizen of the Year: *Ray Loewen*

Presentation of the 2008 Volunteer of the Year: *Leona Nickel*

Presentation of the 2008 Youth of the Year: *Talitha Calder*

Entertainment by the *W.C. Miller Jazz Choir*

Tickets \$40 per person.

Available at IGA or Sun Valley Co-op Foodstore

or call the Altona & District Chamber @ 324-8793.



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## **New Chamber Members**

### **AGR Photography**

*Giles Ringer  
324-8101*

### **Amishland Furniture**

*Claire & Ruthann  
Weaver  
Altona Mall*

### **MannaPlus**

*Marianne Braun  
324-6261*

### **SK Eagle's Electric**

*Sergej Kanke  
324-7884*

## **The Chamber of Commerce's Group Insurance Plan**

Guaranteed Participation  
Stable Rates  
Wide-Ranging Benefit Options  
**Kathy Klassen,  
CGA  
324-9497**

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## **Thank You To The Following Businesses Who Have Pledged Their Support For The New Electronic Sign**

- A&A Real Estate
- A & I Products/Loewen Manufacturing
- Accents Flowers & Gifts
- ADAMH
- Altona Credit Union
- Altona Curling Club
- Altona Family Resource Centre
- Altona Farm Services
- Altona Farmers Market
- Altona IGA
- Altona Mall Diner
- Altona Mall Travel
- Altona MCC Gift & Thrift Shop
- Altona Memorials
- Altona Mobile Homes
- BDO Dunwoody
- Berry Hill Farms
- Border Real Estate
- BSI Insurance
- Bunge
- Choice Tech Business Services
- Conquest Manufacturing
- D3 Excavating Ltd.
- Dean's Pharmacy
- Don Braun
- Domo Gas Mart
- Dr. Ken Kliewer
- Ebenezer Home
- Four Winds Motel & Restaurant
- Friesens Business Machines
- Friesens Corporation
- Gary Gilmour Law Office
- Gislason Targownik Peters
- Golden West Broadcasting
- Hairway Studios
- Herbal Lifestyles
- Home Entertainment Centre
- IPC Investment Corp.
- Kalshea Trading
- Kiddie Sunshine
- KLM Roofing
- Manitoba Agr., Food & Rural Initiatives
- Magna Lite
- Manitoba Hydro
- Martin Friesen
- McDonalds
- MLA Cliff Graydon
- Movie Haven/Pizza Haven
- Page Print
- Pembina Valley Real Estate
- Pete's Plumbing
- Pioneer Homes
- Portfolio Strategies Corporation
- Prairie Insurance Brokers
- Prairie Sky Promotions
- Precious Angels Daycare
- Precision Design
- Red River Valle Echo
- Red River Valley Mutual Insurance
- Rhineland Car
- Rhubarb Roots
- R.M. of Rhineland
- Sawatzky's Appliances
- Sawatzky's Furniture
- South Forty Café
- Sun Valley Co-op
- The Cotton Cottage
- The Source by Circuit City
- Wayne's Auctioneering Service
- West Park Motors
- Wiebe Funeral Home
- Winner Circle Automotive

