

Business Guide / Member Directory

The Guides are printed and have been distributed to the motels, the library, city hall and the county clerk's office.

An updated version will be published in April. If you have additions, deletions, corrections, please notify the office.

Annual Dues Statement

Your Statement is enclosed. Please remit by April 1. Dues remain unchanged again this year.

Dues are used to fund the day-in-day-out operations of the office (phone, supplies, mailings, copier, salary, etc.) and are the primary source for all the events we sponsor.

We also act as the Convention and Visitors Bureau and actively promote Seneca in the area of Economic Development.

Ft. Riley Expo

We've booked a booth again at this event, March 17. Last year's Expo was canceled due to weather. At the previous events our booth received a lot of positive comments about what our community offers in the way of attractions and reasons for a visit.

We're preparing a packet of information about Seneca to pass out. If you'd like to include a piece about your business or services, or maybe a coupon, please contact the office.

The Circus is coming! The Circus is coming!

We've booked the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus for a return engagement, Monday, May 17, with performances at 5:00 & 7:30. You'll remember they were here in May '08 and the event was a great success.

We receive a portion of all tickets sold through the office. This goes into our operating account and helps finance our activities. You'll be receiving an order form in the mail and we ask that book all your tickets with us.

Last year a few of our Members bought blocks of tickets for distribution to local organizations for distribution to deserving children. If you'd like to do this, call the office and we'll help you.

If you receive a phone call from the circus's phone bank, we ask that you tell the caller that you've already ordered.

2010 Chamber Calendar of Events

May 17	Culpepper and Merriweather Circus
June 4-6	City-wide Spring Garage Sales
July 24	Cruise Nite
July 24	Mutton Bustin'
July 25	Raffle drawing (at the Car Show)
September 3	Annual Chamber Golf Tournament
September 17-19	Highway 36 Great Treasure Hunt and City-wide Garage Sales
October 23	Annual Spookfest
November 26	Santa Comes to Seneca
December	Kids Movie Matinee
(date to be determined)	

These events are made possible primarily by your dues. Some receive assistance through Seneca Travel and Tourism Advisory Council grants.

Annual Dinner & Board of Directors Election

This year's Dinner and Election will be Wednesday, April 14, at the Windmill Inn Restaurant. The Social will begin at 6:30 and Dinner will be at 7:00.

We have 3 openings: Deb Koch is seeking re-election; Dave Haverkamp's term is expiring and Joe McCarthy, State Farm Insurance, is running for that position; Linda Heinen has decided not to seek reelection and we are asking for nominations for that slot.

A Ballot form will be mailed to all Members next week.

Board of Directors Meeting

The next meeting will be March 10, 11:30 a.m., in the Chamber office. All Members are welcome to attend.

E-mail Subscriptions

If you'd like to receive your copy earlier, in color and help save us copying and mailing costs, please e-mail your request to: seneca_chamber@yahoo.com. Simply type *Subscribe* in the Subject line.

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<p style="text-align: center;">Our Mission Statement</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>To Promote, Encourage, and Improve the status of Seneca as a retail and visitor center of Northeast Kansas; to enhance the lifestyle and future of Seneca for all of its residents.</i></p>	<p>Phone: 785-336-2294</p> <p>e-mail: seneca_chamber@yahoo.com</p> <p>Mail: P.O. Box 135 Seneca, KS 66538</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2009 Board of Directors</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>Deb Koch <i>Chairperson</i></td> <td>Bryan Schmitz <i>Vice Chairperson</i></td> <td>Gena Swart <i>Treasurer</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">Sue Dick, Stacie Eichem, Beth Haug, Dave Haverkamp, Linda Heinen, Dustin Holthaus</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3">Harry Leem <i>Executive Director</i></td> </tr> </table>	Deb Koch <i>Chairperson</i>	Bryan Schmitz <i>Vice Chairperson</i>	Gena Swart <i>Treasurer</i>	Sue Dick, Stacie Eichem, Beth Haug, Dave Haverkamp, Linda Heinen, Dustin Holthaus			Harry Leem <i>Executive Director</i>		
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Member E-Mail List

Occasionally we have information we think may be of interest, or useful to, our Members; reminders we'd like to send Members; and notices we've been asked to forward to our Members.

Waiting to post them in the newsletter has not been the most timely method. Now that we have a more complete list, we've begun sending these items by e-mail. We hope this will be beneficial to all.

Recent mailings have included: a survey of members about the letter of support for Main St. street repairs; KDOT notices of highway conditions; notice of the KDOT meeting on the Hwy 36 corridor plans; Kansas Department of Commerce notices.

Please be sure seneca_chamber@yahoo.com is in your address book so you'll receive these mailings.

Naturally, if you'd rather not receive them, we'll leave you off the list. And if you're on the list and decide later you'd rather not be, just send an e-mail asking to be removed.