



# Main Street Guymon District News

Promoting the history, culture, and commerce  
of the downtown district

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## Panhandle Furniture Celebrates 60th Anniversary



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2007 marked the 60th year of success in the furniture business for the Black family. In 1947 Harold Black established Panhandle Furniture and operated the business for 23 years. In 1970 his son, David, returned home from serving in the U.S. Air force and assumed management of the store for 3 years. In 1973 he purchased the store from his father, and later felt the need to expand the business. Therefore in 1984, the store was enlarged to cover the area of 1/3 of city block in the downtown district where it operates to this day.

Panhandle Furniture was the very first awning façade improvement project that Main Street Guymon assisted with. David is currently a director on the Main Street Guymon Board. He is also very active in the Design Committee. Panhandle Furniture is located at 515 N. Main. So come downtown and see the new façade and the beautiful furniture that Panhandle Furniture has to offer. Panhandle Furniture is open from 9-5:30 pm Monday thru Friday and 10-5 on Saturday.

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FROM OCT. 15 - NOV. 15



6th—Design Committee Meeting—MSG Office—6:30 pm

14th—Economic Restructuring Committee Meeting—MSG Office—4:00

15th—Promotion Committee Meeting—MSG Office—Noon (bring lunch)

15th—MEMBERSHIP TAILGATE PARTY AT HUNNY'S 6PM

20th—Main Street Guymon Board Meeting—MSG Office—7:00 pm

22nd & 23rd—Thanksgiving - Office Closed

26th—Organization Committee Meeting —New Dragon —12 noon

## November

## Calendar of Events

### Chamber of Commerce

Business after hours will be at Denise Lunt's Office on Thursday, November 15th, at 5:00.

Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting November 5th, at noon at The Guymon Ambassador Restaurant. Chief of Police Eddie Adamson will be doing the program.



We're on the web!  
[www.mainstreetguymon.com](http://www.mainstreetguymon.com)

## Main Street Guymon Membership Drive is October 15 thru November 15

The 2007—2008 Main Street Guymon Membership Drive is under way. Please seriously consider membership in the one organization that most directly improves the downtown district. It is imperative that we have membership funding to complete the vision.

### Vision Statement 2007-2008

**Our diversity is our strength. We strive to promote, preserve, and revitalize the Main Street Guymon Downtown District. We work together to retain and expand area businesses, improve business facades and the streetscape, and promote the business district. Our goal is to ensure that Guymon will continue to be an enjoyable community in which to live, work, visit, dine, and shop.**

If you are presently a Main Street Guymon Member, then a statement to continue your membership will be sent to you soon. If you would like to change your membership level, then you will need to indicate this to us at that time. Over the last 2 years, MSG has made significant inroads in the downtown district that would not have occurred if the program had not been in existence. Please help us to continue this vital legacy for the benefit community.. We appreciate your participation in this great cause.

**We have chosen a “football” theme for our membership drive and the following team players will be out to score a touch down for their team. We will be having a final tailgate party for the membership drive at Hunny’s on November 15th at 6 pm. Please plan to attend the final event and celebrate with the winning team as well as welcoming the new Main Street Guymon members.**



## MAIN STREET GUYMON RECEIVES NATIONAL MAIN STREET ACCREDITATION

The efforts of Main Street Guymon over the past year have earned it recognition for commercial district revitalization by meeting standards for performance set by the National Trust for Historic Preservation's National Main Street Center. Main Street Guymon joins 650 other Main Street revitalization programs nationally recognized as 2007 Accredited National Main Street Programs.

"The National Accreditation means the Main Street program is meeting our national standards of performance for what a Main Street program should be doing," said Doug Loescher, director of the National Trust's Main Street Center. "The organizations we name each year as National Main Street Programs are those that have demonstrated the skills needed to succeed in Main Street revitalization."

The annual accreditation process evaluates commercial district revitalization programs based on criteria ranging from having an active board of directors and paid professional manager to tracking economic progress and preserving historic Main Street buildings.

"Rebuilding a district's economic health and maintaining that success requires broad-based community involvement, active support from both the public and private sectors, and sound management," said Loescher. "Having a solid organization at the foundation of that revitalization effort is so important to long term success."

The organization's performance was evaluated by Oklahoma Main Street Center, which is the coordinating organization for Main Street programs in Oklahoma.

"Main Street Guymon has had a very successful second year and we are looking forward to the continued success for years to come", said Charles White, program director for Main Street Guymon. "We want to thank the members, volunteers, and community for their great support of the program." Now is the time, We are the people, This is the place. Main Street Guymon.

The **National Trust for Historic Preservation** is a private, nonprofit membership organization dedicated to protecting the irreplaceable. Recipient of the National Humanities Medal, the Trust was founded in 1949 and provides leadership, education and advocacy to save America's diverse historic places and revitalize communities. Its Washington, DC headquarters staff, six regional offices and 25 historic sites work with the Trust's 200,000 members and thousands of local community groups in all 50 states. For more information, visit the Trust's web site at [www.nationaltrust.org](http://www.nationaltrust.org).

### Economic Restructuring Committee

There is a great new benefit that the Economic Restructuring Committee will be offering to the Main Street Guymon Members.

**A free one-page web page included with your membership.**

The page will include photos of your business, a business and product description, and location/contact information.

In order to apply for the page, the business member will need to fill out a simple one page form included in this issue before December 11 and turn it in with your membership. If you desire more information on the web page and also the MSG program attend the lunch session October 23rd. The web page is yours free of charge for as long as your business membership is current and active.

**An RSVP for the free lunch is required by October 19th. Please contact the MSG Office at 338-6246 or email [director@mainstreetguymon.com](mailto:director@mainstreetguymon.com)**

We hope to see all those business members interested in Main Street membership and a new free web page there.

### Promotion Committee

#### *Christmas Parade*

*The Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade will be Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00.*

*Parade forms are available at the Chamber office or watch the Daily Herald for a form.*

*The theme this year is '100 years of Oklahoma Christmas'.*

*The Chamber and Main Street Guymon will be working together to promote a Christmas promotion for Main Street.*

*We will be giving away a limo ride for you and your friends. Be watching the Guymon Daily Herald for details.*

*Santa will be available for pictures after the parade.*



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To:

# Join a committee— Have your voice heard

The success of Main Street Guymon would not be possible without the invaluable assistance of the volunteers. These volunteers are local business owners and individuals interested in helping our downtown district area become as vibrant and successful as possible.

If you, your group, organization, or business would be interested in becoming a part of one of our committees, please call the office at 338-6246.

### Design Committee

Chair—Kara Curtis

Members: Steve Tuttle, David Black, Anna Marie Rhoads, Sam Fouquet, Terri Kalm, Ronda Purvines, Sharon Petty

Meets the first Tuesday of every month at Main Street Guymon office, 6:30 pm

### Promotion Committee

Chair—Jennifer Lovell

Members: Amy Green, Ronda Purvines, Alphonso Mata, Steve Tuttle, Marsha Strong, Nancy Davis, Courtney White, Jeani Boaldin, Becky Robinson

Meets the second Thursday of every month at Main Street Guymon office, Noon—bring a sack lunch!



### Economic Restructuring Committee

Chair—Mike Shannon

Members: Sam Fouquet, Mark Aubrey, Don Rice, Larry Stump, Betty Viljoen,

Meets the second Wednesday of every month at Main Street Guymon office, 4:00 pm

### Organization Committee

Chair—Kari Montgomery

Members: Larry Stump, Tina Adams, Marilyn Stegman, Jeani Boaldin, John Reid, Jay Stanfield,

Meets the fourth Monday of every month at New Dragon Restaurant, 12 noon

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