

# RONAN CHAMBER NEWS

July 2009

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## Chamber President Message

Dear Chamber Members,

When something is good and worthwhile, even rain can't put a damper on it.

We saw evidence of that at the June 19 Crabfest. Even though this was the first year in 12 that we've had wet weather on Crabfest Day, event organizer Carlene Bockman never lost faith that the Ronan community would turn out for a good time and some good food. Well, as always, Carlene was right. And before the evening was through even the weather turned beautiful. The Crabfest proceeds will be split between the Ronan Parks Department and the Volunteer Fire Department. In addition, our duck race netted \$246 for the benefit of the Ronan Area Chamber Beautification Committee.

Next up is the Lake County Fair and Ronan Pioneer Days. The chamber provides sandwiches for the exhibitor's dinner on Monday evening, July 27th. Some helping hands are needed to help put together the food on Sunday, July 26th. Contact Adina Fuchs, Events Committee coordinator if you can help.

A reminder of the general membership meeting on Thursday where we will learn about plans for a community wide honoring of servicemen and their families including a Blue Star Banner presentation, concert, and an ice cream social afterward.

See you Thursday,

Wayne



## Chamber Announcement

**Chamber Meeting Lunch \$7 -**

**Please pay upon arrival**

Calling All Chamber Members!

Please send information you would like to be included in the newsletter and website to:

Ronan Chamber of Commerce  
PO Box 254, Ronan MT 59864

Or email: [info@ronanchamber.com](mailto:info@ronanchamber.com)

## Frequently Asked Questions

Redeeming Chamber Bucks and Chamber Gift Certificates

Need to redeem Chamber Bucks or Gift Certificates?

It's easy! Simply call the Chamber at 676-8300 and leave a message as to how many Bucks or Certificates you have to redeem. Please state your Business Name, the date and the exact amount you have to redeem. Then mail the Bucks or Certificates to the Chamber at PO Box 254, Ronan, MT 59864. When we receive them we will call you to let you know we have them in hand. Please note that checks are cut twice a month. Once on the date of the monthly Chamber Meeting and then again on the date of the Chamber Board Meeting.

Chamber Bucks and Gift Certificates are a great way to reward employees and it helps support the local economy!

Chamber Bucks and Gift Certificates are available from the Ronan Chamber of Commerce. Please call 676-8300 for more info.

## General Chamber Meeting Agenda for July 2, 2009

- Presentation—Ed Ganieany, Blue Star Celebration & Patriotic Concert
- Chamber Committee Updates
- Visitors Center
- Website Updates & Newsletter Information Request

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## Chamber Committees

**Beautification Committee** - Ky Bartels, Patty Winter, Tracy Suter, Shane Shima, Shad Hupka, Bob Gauthier, Beth Preston and Elmer Diaz.

**Events Committee** - Adina Fox, Summer Goddard, Tracy Suter, Brennin Grainey, Cheri Houle, Karen Dellwo, Shane Shima, Gayle Wilhelm, Ray Aylesworth, Wayne Fuchs, Sharon Kjørvestad, Ky Bartels, Carlene Bockman, Shane Shima and Rochelle Gauthier.

**Government Relations Committee** - Karen Dellwo, Brennin Grainey, Al Skogen, Robin Nelson, Kim Swaney, Sharon Kjørvestad, Cheri Houle and Shad Hupka.

**Marketing Committee** - Gayle Wilhelm, Summer Goddard, Tracy Suter, Martha Suter, Rob McDonald, Judy Cook, Al Skogen and Trish Sivak.

**Membership Committee** - Tracy Suter, Wayne Fuchs, Beth Preston, Andy Holmlund, Shane Shima, Judy Cook, Judy Preston and Boone Goddard.

## Member Announcements

### Main Street Gallery & Framing First Annual Mission Valley Plein Aire Paint Out July 30th, 31st & August 1, 2009 Reception August 1st 5:00 - 8:00pm

Twelve Montana artists including Ron Ukrainetz, Mark Ogle, Rob Akey, Phil Korell, Mimi Grant, Shirley Cleary, Sue Toppen, Lindy Johnston, Pat Lambrecht-Hould and Gary Schildt will be painting at different locations in the Mission Valley followed by an exhibition of their work at the Gallery on Saturday, August 1st from 5 until 8 p.m. The public is invited to come to the gallery and pick up a map of where the artists are painting and attend the exhibition opening.

### *Blue Star Celebration & Patriotic Concert July 17th at the Ronan Performing Arts Center*

**Ronan Area Chamber of Commerce  
Chamber Members**

Anderson Radio Broadcasting  
Allied Waste  
All-Ways Talking Toastmasters Club  
Arnie's Gas and Tire  
Aylesworth Insurance Agency  
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lake County  
Big Sky Flooring Company  
Bishop Insurance Agency  
Boys & Girls Club of the Flathead Reservation  
Cheri's Kitchen Catering  
Community Bank  
Daily Inter Lake  
Don Aadsen Ford  
Family Health Pharmacy  
First Interstate Bank  
French & Grainey  
Friends of the Ronan City Library  
Glacier Bank  
Grogan's Suds and Duds  
Grogan Funeral Home  
Hanson & Granley-True Value  
Image Quest Screenprinting  
Insty Prints of Polson  
Java Junction  
John's Fuel Farm  
Jore Corporation  
Judy Cook, LLC  
Kicking Horse Job Corps  
Ky Bartels  
Lake County Abstract and Title  
Lake County Leader  
Les Schwab Tire Center  
Lost Creek Ranch Yaks  
Lynn's Drive-In  
Main Street Gallery & Framing  
McDonalds  
Mick Holien  
Mission Foods  
Mission Heating & Air  
Mission Mountain Enterprises  
Mission Mountain Golf Course  
Mission Valley Power  
Mission Valley Riders  
Mission Valley Security  
Mission Valley Vet Clinic  
Montana Ace Hardware  
Mountain West Bank  
Mountain West Cooperative  
Muley Bluz  
Pheasant, Inc.  
Pizza Café  
Pioneer Days Company  
Polson Flathead Historical Museum  
R&R Healthcare Solutions  
Ronan Auto Body Sales & Service  
Ronan Auto Parts NAPA  
Ronan Booster Club  
Ronan Chiropractic Inc.  
Ronan Dairy Queen  
Ronan Dodge, Chrysler, Jeep  
Ronan Eye Clinic  
Ronan Flower Mill  
Ronan Harvest Foods  
Ronan Power Products  
Ronan Professional Center  
Ronan Sports and Western  
Ronan Telephone Company  
Rose Bud Deli & Catering  
S & K Electronics  
S & S Sports  
School District #30  
Second Chance Saloon  
Shrider - Thompson Funeral & Cremation Services  
St.-Char-Ro Floral & Event Rental  
St. Luke Foundation  
St. Luke Community Healthcare  
The Total Home  
Theresa Walter  
Valley Bank  
Valley Journal  
Veterinary Services  
Western Montana New Holland  
Westland Seed  
White Elephant Store  
Windermere Real Estate  
Wright Real Estate

**Welcome New Chamber  
Members****Image Quest Screenprinting****Pioneer Days Company****Western Montana New Holland**

Thank You to all our Members for your continued support!  
Membership application is available online at [www.ronanchamber.com](http://www.ronanchamber.com)

## Crabfest 2009



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## Ronan Roundup - June 11th at Ronan Eye Clinic



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>JULY 2009</b>			1	2 Chamber General Meeting Polson Flathead Historical Museum	3	4 4th of July
5	6	7 All-Ways Talking Toastmasters Meeting	8 Polson Flathead Historical Museum	9 Ronan Roundup	10 City Sidewalk Sale	11 City Sidewalk Sale
12	13	14 All-Ways Talking Toastmasters	15 Chamber Board Meeting	16	17	18
19	20	21 All-Ways Talking Toastmasters Meeting	22 Polson Flathead Historical Museum	23	24	25
26	27 Lake County Fair	28 All-Ways Talking Toastmasters Meeting Lake County Fair	29 Polson Flathead Historical Museum Lake County Fair	30 Lake County Fair	31 Lake County Fair Ronan Pioneer Days 7/31- 8/2	AUGUST 1st Lake County Fair Ronan Pioneer Days

**Schedule of Events**

- July 2nd- Chamber General Meeting - 12 Noon at Mission Mountain Country Club
- July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 Polson Flathead Historical Museum - David Thompson, Explorer with Carl Haywood, author of *Sometimes Only Horses to Eat*. Learn about all the places David Thompson traveled and when he explored our area.
- July 3rd - Friends of the Ronan City Library Meeting - 3pm at the City Library
- July 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th - All-Ways Talking Toastmasters Meeting, 6:30 - 7:30pm at the Agnes Vanderberg Bldg, SKC campus in Pablo
- July 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM Polson Flathead Historical Museum - for ages 3-5. Tales About Toys with Lois Hart. What did children play with 100 years ago? See the toys and learn what kids did for fun. Stay to play in the Kids Korner.
- July 9th - 5 -7pm Ronan Roundup at Ronan Community Center, sponsored by the 4H Council & the Lake County Fair Board
- July 10th & 11th—City Sidewalk Sale
- July 15th - Chamber Board Meeting
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 AM Polson Flathead Historical Museum - for ages 6-8 What the Heck is This? Tim Ryan tells stories about traditional objects used by tribal people, how they made fire, carried their things, caught fish, and tanned hides.
- July 27th - August 1st - Lake County Fair
- July 30th, 31st & August 1st - Main Street Gallery & Framing in Ronan will host their First Annual Mission Valley Plein Aire Paint Out
- July 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM Polson Flathead Historical Museum - Tribal Treaties & Tribulations, Teresa Wall-McDonald will outline the treaties and laws leading up to the opening of the reservation to Homesteaders including the Treaty of Hell Gate and the Dawes Act. She will discuss how the land Allotment impacted the Kootenai, Salish and Pend d’Orielle tribes.
- July 31st - August 2nd - Ronan Pioneer Days

Doing Things Most People Think Just Happen

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Ronan Pioneer Days  
Company Presents

# RONAN

# PIONEER DAYS

FRI-SUN, JULY 31-AUG. 2, 2009

Making  
the  
Pieces  
Fit  
Autism Awareness

COMPLETE SCHEDULE/REG. INFO AVAILABLE AT RONAN VISITOR CENTER & OTHER LOCATIONS  
Ongoing... Arts/Crafts \* Quilt Show at RHS Gym Ongoing... Fairgrounds Exhibits

OPEN  
**RODEO**  
SATURDAY  
& SUNDAY

OPEN  
**BULL  
-O-  
RAMA**  
FRIDAY 7:30 pm

KIDDIE/  
CITY SLICKER  
**RODEO**

SATURDAY 12-3 pm  
**VOLLEYBALL TOURNEY**  
SATURDAY IN THE PARK

**BIG  
PARADE**  
SUNDAY  
12:30 pm

**3 on 3  
"JAM"  
BOREE**  
SATURDAY

**STREET DANCES**  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY

**DEMO DERBY**  
SAT. @ M.V. SPEEDWAY  
FRIDAY, JULY 31

8 am - 12 pm Kids' Fishing Derby at Ronan City Park  
Sponsored by VFW, RSNW & Kevin  
9 am FAIR EVENTS ALL DAY  
9 am - 5 pm Concessions by 4-H Clubs  
10 am - 7 pm Quilt Show at RHS  
5pm-9:30 pm Concessions by Ronan Wrestling Club  
6pm - 7 pm Happy Hour with Pioneer Days Company  
6:30 pm Kids' Games Sponsored by Lion's Club  
7:30 pm Ronan Pioneer Days Bull-O-Rama  
9 pm Street Dance - Sponsored by Pheasant Lounge & 2nd Chance Saloon  
Music by "Blus Onon"

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 1:**  
8 am 3-on-3 "JAM" horse starts Downtown  
8-11 am Pancake Breakfast: 4-H Clubs  
9 am Mission Mountain Classic Run at Community Bank  
9 am - Noon EAA Young Eagles Flights Ronan Airport Ages 8-17

**SATURDAY, continued . . .**

9 am - ? Volleyball Tourney at Ronan City Park  
10am-4pm Quilt Show at RHS  
10:00 am Kiddie Parade on Main St.  
12-3 pm Kiddie/City Slicker Rodeo  
LOTS OF FUN EVENTS!  
3:30 pm Fair Exhibits Leave Fairgrounds  
6 pm Stock Car Racing & Demo Derby at MV Speedway  
7:30 pm Ronan Pioneer Days Open Rodeo & Wild Cow Race  
9 pm Street Dance - Sponsored by Pheasant Lounge & 2nd Chance Saloon  
Music by "Red Moon"

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 2:**

7:30 am Pancake Breakfast by Lake Co Council on Aging at the Senior Citizen Center  
9am-12pm Attend Church of your choice  
12:30 pm Big Parade (Registration 11 am)  
3 pm AUTO Entries meet W of St. Luke's  
Check local newspapers for details  
Ronan Pioneer Days Open Rodeo & Wild Buffalo Ride

### REGISTRATION / INFORMATION

**3-on-3 "JAM" horse:**  
Steve Woll: 406-261-1521/240-3888

**BIG PARADE:**  
Sherrie McBurney: 406-240-3075  
Parade Judging 11:30

**BULL-O-RAMA:**  
Elmo/Niki McDonald 406-676-3125

**BUTTON SALES & TRAILBLAZERS:**  
Sherrie McBurney: 406-240-3075

**DEMO DERBY:**  
www.missionvalleyspeedway.com  
**EAA YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHTS:**  
Mary Ann Wahl: 406-883-1718

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pdc@hotmail.com or check local newspapers for details

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Mary Ann Wahl at 883-1718

**OPEN RODEO:**  
Niki McDonald: 406-676-3125

**VOLLEYBALL TOURNEY:**  
Tasha Sinclair: 406-261-9348

**WILD BUFFALO RIDE:**  
Sherrie McBurney: 406-240-3075

**ALL EVENTS AT  
RONAN FAIRGROUNDS**  
(unless otherwise specified)

For DETAILED Lake Co. FAIR Schedule,  
see Fair Book or call Fair Office 676-8660