



CHAMBER CONNECTION

The Monthly Glendive Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Newsletter

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Kari Granmoe was the winner of the Dawson County Advocate Digital Photo Contest. Share your Ag related photos via social media using #dawsoncountyadvocate

CHAMBER MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Bob's Body Shop

Serving the Glendive Community Since -1990

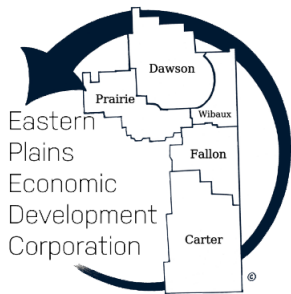
Bob's Body Shop has been chosen for this month's Chamber Member Spotlight and coincidentally won the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Annual Chamber Membership Awards & Social as well. Bob's Body Shop has been in business since 1990 and is owned by Bob Hellman. They specialize in auto body paint and repair, collision repair and auto glass repair and replacement.

Bob is well known for not only getting repairs done quickly and efficiently but also for going above and beyond when someone is in need of help. There are numerous stories of Bob going out of his way to fix or jump start vehicles. He has a way of making a stressful situation better by treating everyone like family.



BOB'S Body Shop
Glendive, Montana





NONPROFIT OF THE MONTH

Eastern Plains Economic Development Corporation

Eastern Plains Economic Development Corporation (EPEDC) is a non-profit, providing technical assistance to local governments, non-profits and businesses. EPEDC was established in 2006 as a public benefit, regional non-profit corporation.

The five (5) counties of Carter, Dawson, Fallon, Prairie, and Wibaux, along with the communities of Baker, Ekalaka, Glendive, Plevna, Richey, Terry, and Wibaux, joined forces to create a means to stimulate and promote economic development in southeastern Montana.

EPEDC has three staff members in two counties. Executive Director Beth Epley and Food and Ag Development Specialist Alissa Miller, both located in Baker and Community Development Specialist Dara Deines, located in Glendive. The five pillars EPEDC works towards are Infrastructure, Workforce, Tourism, Natural Resources and Economy, as well as other sectors.

In 2021, EPEDC grant writing resulted in \$1,050,095 of new grant funding for our communities. Some of the grants written and administered include funding for the Swimming Pool Park in Wibaux, support for Makoshika Wellness projects including their annual "Journey to the Badlands" Triathlon and a CDBG Planning Grant to update the City of Baker's Zoning Regulations. Additionally, EPEDC administered \$5,972,145 of grant funds, which represents \$26,352,253 total project costs that EPEDC managed. Beyond administering and assisting with grant applications, EPEDC hosts various trainings throughout the year ranging from food and ag related endeavors to non-profit needs to social media and Excel training.

Learn more by visiting epedc.com, following ua on Facebook, or reaching out!

2022 Paddlefishing Season is well underway at Intake

Starting May 15th anglers have been gathering at the Intake fishing access to try to snag a paddlefish.

As of the morning of May 31st only 200 fish have been caught at intake. The season will run until June 30th or until 1000 fish are caught.

Yellowstone Caviar has provided for a fish cleaner/cutter at intake. This is done as a free service to the angling community for all the years of support.



2022 Chamber Member Award Recipients



The Annual Chamber Membership Social & Awards was held June 1st at The Bloom and was a beautiful evening recognizing the accomplishments of business owners and individuals within our community. The Glendive Chamber of Commerce was pleased to honor the recipients of the Chamber Awards.



Life Time Achievement Award
Bob's Body Shop
Standing in for Bob Hellman was
Miss Volunteer Montana Alissa Bohle.

Non-Profit of the Year
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Cornerstone Award
Sugar Plum Jewelry

Entrepreneur Spirt Award
Neighbors Helping Neighbors

BUSINESS CULTIVATORS

Trainings & Webinars for enhancing your business skills

June 2 - The Small Business Webinar Series: Business Transition Readiness - Free Online Meeting

June 8 - Business Finance 101: Get to Know Your Numbers and use them to grow your Business
Bozeman, MT \$300

June 14 - Business Builder Workshop: Turn Your Side Hustle Into a Small Business - Free Online Meeting

June 15 - Social Media Small Business 101 -Butte, MT \$25

June 15 - Proud Innovation 2022 - From Ideas to Innovations

June 16 - Business Startup Road Map - Free Online Meeting

June 22 - Proud Innovation 2022 - From Enthusiasm to Entrepreneurship - Free Webinar

To register or find out more information go to the [Glendive Chamber Facebook page](#).