



## Meeting of September 27, 2018

### Board Highlights

President: Linda Burnett, Vice President: Gary Wilkinson, Secretary: Wanda Hawman, Treasurer: Kay Harmon

Board of Directors: Maria Auilar, Christi Arnett, Ken Hamko, Jim Clare, Jim Poston, Jeff Harmon

#### **Events:**

- The Southern Rocky Mountain Ag Conference will be held February 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Vendor deadlines will be December 1<sup>st</sup> to guarantee the same booth space and January 15<sup>th</sup> for all other vendors. The next meeting will be October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 7:00 am @ the Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce.

#### **Community Garden:**

- The community garden had a total of 1,077 lbs of produce, 52 total volunteers that worked 2,645 hours!! The garden made contributions to the community including \$25 to the Farmer's Market, \$50 to Kids Connection, 9 large pumpkins to St. Peter's Lutheran School, and 20 Aloe Vera Plants to Center Middle School.

#### **Holiday Bazaar:**

- This year's annual Holiday Bazaar is set for November 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>. Food Vendors will be available at the Bazaar on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The Chamber will be selling baked potatoes and chili as a fundraiser. The deadline for vendor registration is November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

#### **Home, Garden, & Outdoor Living Expo:**

- The Home, Garden, & Outdoor Living Expo will be held March 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Vendor applications will be mailed out November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Approximately 270 "Save the Date" cards were mailed out to vendors throughout the San Luis Valley, Salida, and Pagosa Springs.

#### **Moonlight Madness:**

- This year's Moonlight Madness will be on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Chamber of Commerce will provide a map of all the businesses participating and have trick or treat bags for the kids.

#### **Taste of the San Luis Valley:**

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Taste of the San Luis Valley is scheduled for June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

#### **Community Organizations:**

- The Conquistadores had a ribbon cutting ceremony two weeks ago for 3 businesses
- Monte Vista Schools reported a successful homecoming week.
- Potato Festival was a huge success, thank you to the community and all the involvement that made it successful.
- Theatre Board will be utilizing the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the old 2001 Video building for the haunted house this year, and they will be having a work day on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting:** The next Chamber Board Meeting will be October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 7:00 am @ the Chamber Office. Breakfast will be catered, and all members are encouraged to attend.