

The Tele-Graham Hill City Area



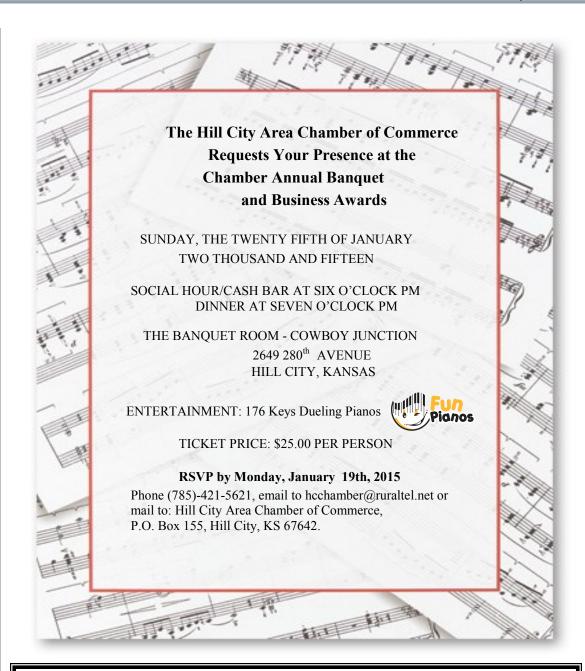
Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

January 2015

Quarterly

Calendar of Events

- January 1st, 2015
 Chamber Monthly
 Luncheon canceled due to the holiday.
- •January 2nd, 2015 Chamber of Commerce Membership Drive for 2015.
- •January 2015
 "Business After Hours."
 Business and date to be announced.
- Sunday, January 25th, 2015 Chamber Annual Banquet at Cowboy Junction. Entertainment is the 176 Keys Dueling Pianos. New Board of Directors elected.
- •January 30th, 2015 Valentine's Day promotion begins.
- •February 5th, 2015 Monthly Luncheon Meeting at Remington's Bar and Grill.
- •February 13th, 2015 Valentine's Day winner announced.
- •February 18th, 2015 "Business After Hours." Business and date to be announced.
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2015 Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce Membership Drive

Look what your Chamber does for your business:

- Supports a Strong Local Economy
- Promotes the Community
- Provides Networking Opportunities
- Represents the Interest of Local businesses.



Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce Business Awards

The following are the categories and criteria for the Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce's annual awards:

Business of the Year Award –The Business of the Year demonstrates success and exceptional performance in business practices, customer service and community involvement. The winner of this award will then be nominated by the Chamber for the Kansas Department of Commerce Award in April.

Entrepreneur of the Year Award – A Chamber businessperson who organizes or takes the risks of a new business project and/or improvements that are especially difficult, complicated or risky, and who launches, manages and assumes all of the risks of that economic venture.

Chamber Leadership Award/Volunteer of the Year – This individual, either independent or associated with a member business, has exhibited strong involvement with the chamber and a high degree of community interaction.

Chamber members are asked to submit one nomination per award to the Chamber office no later than Monday, January 19th, 2015 by email or U.S. Postal Service. Please send your nominations to: hcchamber@ruraltel.net or mail to: Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 155, Hill City, KS 67642.

Those in attendance at the Annual Banquet will then vote upon the nominations received.



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From the Executive Director's Corner

I am so proud of this community for passing the USD #281 School Bond issue. It was a huge step towards improving life for our children and their children. This is a community that cares and wants a healthy infrastructure. I see it everyday in my Chamber members and their constant support in Graham County and the Chamber events.

In a world where communication and transportation become easier and more affordable every day, more people can make choices to live and work in small towns. We are trying our best to provide a place they will want to call home.

Thanks for a great year and I am looking forward to 2015.



ROAD SIGNS

I get a lot of out-of-state visitors to the Oil Well Museum and often they ask me for directions here or there. Now since I am <u>not</u> directionally challenged, my brain works just as dependably as a compass, I usually do not have to think very hard how to guide our visitors. This got me thinking about directions I have received during the last couple of years from Grahamians... or is it Grahamites? Anyway.... here are a few directions I have received over the last few years:

- 1. I had only been here a couple of weeks and did not know Graham County at all. I called the Landfill and asked for directions. "Go to the light and turn south." Now you have to remember I had just moved from Denver where there is a stop light on every corner. Of course I said, "What light?" I was then notified, with a chuckle, there is only one light in Graham County.
- 2. I was once told to turn left where the dead tree branch points the way.
- 3. Turn right on barbed wire corner.
- 4. Deliver these to Cameron's Corner. There is no sign that designates Cameron's Corner. I walked in and said, "Is this Cameron's Corner?" Everybody in there laughed!
- 5. What do you mean take the Red Line?
- 6. Turn right where the ice maker sits beside the road.
- 7. Turn right where the combine **USED** to be.
- 8. Out where I live the roads are as straight as a ruler, but once I was told to take M road. It has more zigs and zags than Lombard Street in San Francisco.
- 9. I was told to go to radar flats and turn north.

I understand there were no road signs for a long time and this is how you got around but I thought I would add a little humor to your day. I am sure you have a few of your own. Send them to me.... They are great stories for me to tell my friends.

Thanks to Leo Cai for the "Ringneck Capital" logo in the header.

We Are Small Business Proud.

Every dollar spent at a locally owned business generates two to four times the economic benefit.

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