



The Tele-Graham

Hill City Area

Chamber of Commerce Newsletter



October 2016

Quarterly

Calendar of Events

- October 6th, 2016
Chamber Monthly Luncheon, Buck's Bar and Grill. Speaker will be Graham County Community Development "First Impressions" - Nadine Sigle, District Extension Agent Kansas State University.
- October 12th, 2016
60th Anniversary of Money Chevrolet. Event is 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Please take a minute and congratulate the Money Chevrolet family.
- October 31st, 2016,
Elementary School Halloween handouts.
- November 3rd, 2016,
Chamber Monthly Luncheon, Buck's Bar and Grill. Program speaker will be Bruce VanLoenen on the 4-H Shooting Sports program that just won state.
- November 17th, 2016,
Decorating the Park.
- November 25th, 2016,
6:00 p.m. Lighting in the Park Event.
- November 26th, 2016
is Small Business Saturday. Support Your Local Community Shop and Buy Local.
- December 1st, 2016
Chamber Monthly Luncheon, Buck's Bar and Grill. Program speaker will be Melissa Atkins, CEO and Administrative Director of the Graham County Hospital. Holiday Open House Updates.

First Responders Appreciation Day

The Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce has declared Tuesday, October 11th, 2016 as a day to stop and thank all of our **First Responders**. We will be delivering snack boxes and water bottles to our Fire and EMT Stations, Police Station, Graham County Sheriffs Office and the State Highway Patrol office.



Presidential Election 2016 Tuesday, November 8



Everyone says the same thing about almost every election—*this may be the most important one in our lifetimes*. Only this time it may actually be true!

What's at stake on November 8? Just about everything. The Supreme Court hangs in the balance. The future of our trading system is uncertain. We could see deepening divisions on crucial issues like immigration. Executive power could be stretched to new limits. A growing and empowered government could raise spending, hike taxes, expand entitlements, and double down on regulations. Our economy could continue to limp along at 1%–2% growth. And America's leadership in the world could falter.

If the polls are to be believed, Americans are choosing between two of the most unpopular presidential candidates in decades. But that cannot be an excuse to sit on the sidelines. Too much is at stake.

GET OUT AND VOTE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016



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Computer Virus Facts

- 40% of US households are affected by computer viruses.
- 90% of emails contain malware
- Viruses are mainly created by people under the age of 30.
- 6,000 new viruses are created every month.
- You can't get a virus simply by reading email. It is only activated when you click a link or open an attachment.
- It is not illegal to write computer viruses in many parts of the world.
- There is a difference between virus developers and hackers. Hackers want to steal information and virus developers want to damage your pc.

From the Executive Director's Corner

One of my favorite phrases is "You have No New Messages." As a director of the Chamber you would think this is a problem, but I would much rather communicate with people face-to-face than through a chain of phone messages. To understand my dread of phone messages you have to understand my career background. I was an IT Operations Manager for a mid-size company located over seven states. I was responsible for 80 computers, printers, main frames, servers and all networking equipment. I was on call 24/7 and believe me I answered the phone at all hours. You can only imagine the phone calls I received regarding equipment and software:

1. *"While I was gone to lunch my pc caught a porn virus."*
2. *"I only spilt a little coffee on my keyboard. (When I tipped the keyboard upside down a whole cup of coffee came pouring out)."*
3. *"I was cleaning out a file drawer and sat all of the files on the keyboard, when I picked them up my desktop screen flipped upside down." (I didn't realize if you hit a combination of keys this happens.)*
4. *"I am going to throw my pc out on the street." (I responded with "Enjoy hand writing invoices.")*
5. *"Every time you stand behind me my pc works correctly." (I must have powers I do not realize.)*
6. *"I received an email that looks suspiciously like a virus, so I forward it on to you." (Oh.... thanks.)*
7. Yes.... I absolutely witnessed people using the cd drive as a coffee cup holder.
8. *"I was too tired to transmit my month-end inventory counts last night, so I am going to tell my boss I had computer problems, OK?"*
9. *I have a friend (you know who you are) who said they never get my emails. When I looked at their account there was 1,647 unopened emails.*
10. *"Diana..... It is Leap Year and the computer says, March 1st." Ok, that was my problem but you get the idea.*



Rules of Leadership

First printed in the August 13th, 1989 issue of Parade Magazine.

These are General Colin Powell's 13 Rules of Leadership. At this time he was the National Security Advisor.

- ◆ It ain't as bad as you think.
- ◆ Get mad, then get over it.
- ◆ Avoid having your ego so close to your position that when your position falls, your ego goes with it.
- ◆ It can be done.
- ◆ Be careful what you choose. You may get it.
- ◆ Don't let adverse facts stand in the way of a good decision.
- ◆ You can't make someone else's choices.
- ◆ Check small things.
- ◆ Share credit.
- ◆ Remain calm. Be kind.
- ◆ Have a vision.
- ◆ Don't take counsel of your fears or naysayers.
- ◆ Perpetual optimism is a force multiplier.

YOU NEVER GET A SECOND CHANCE TO MAKE A FIRST IMPRESSION

We all know that line. Often when you've lived somewhere for a while, you take for granted the great things that may attract someone to your town. Likewise, you overlook the problem spots that a newcomer might find unattractive.

The First Impressions Community Program, is designed to give you insight into the success of your local community development efforts by providing a first time visitor's impressions of your village or city. These insights, provided to you in the form of a written report and presentation, help to evaluate and target ongoing community planning and goal setting. They also can help you prepare and provide data for future planning initiatives. Your community will be paired with another, similar community that is also interested in obtaining information on the effectiveness of their improvement efforts. Each of you will identify a team of volunteers who will visit the other community anonymously and complete a survey of their impressions.

The information provided to you through the First Impressions process will help to:

- Evaluate the success of your past and current development initiatives.
- Fresh perspective on appearances.
- Identify how to strengthen community services.
- Create an enhanced image to the outside world.
- Focus your development efforts.

For more information on this program, please attend the October 6th Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Luncheon and listen to Nadine Sigle, District Extension Agent Kansas State University.

AirMedCare Network Signup Information

Members of the Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce and their employees are eligible to join AirMedCare Network's Membership Program at a special "members-only" discounted rate.

This is a on-going discount of \$10 per year. Enrollment is available through-out the year.

If you would like more information or would like to enroll there will be a session in the Telemed Room at the Graham County Hospital on Wednesday, October 5th from noon - 6:00 p.m.



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**November
 11th, 2016
 Is
 Veterans
 Day**



Save the Date

**Hill City Area
 Chamber of Commerce
 Business Awards and Annual Banquet
 6:00 p.m. Sunday, January 29th, 2017
 Entertainment will be the
 Peterson Farm Brothers**

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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