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“BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARDS” BREAKFAST

presented by
The Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce
&
The Business Development Bank of Canada

Tuesday, October 16, 2007, Lethbridge Lodge Hotel & Conference Centre
7:30 A.M.: Registration 8:00 A.M.: Breakfast and Award Presentations

Topic: “A World Without Boundaries – Open to New Markets”!
Keynote Speaker: Dale Martin Jr., Martin Bros. Funeral Chapels

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Schools Support Student Award Program that Benefits Local Kids

Everyone is invited to find out more by attending the *Adopting A Citizen of Tomorrow* Open House:

October 11th, 2007
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Lethbridge School District #51 Board Office
433-15 Street S
Information, presentation and refreshments will be available

The Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce invites teachers, parents, administrators, students and the community to learn more and celebrate the third season of the award-winning *Adopting a Citizen of Tomorrow* program.

This program, a joint initiative launched by the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce in partnership with local school districts and independent schools, will be featured in an Open House held at the Lethbridge District #51 board office October 11th, 2007 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm.



Adopting A Citizen of Tomorrow acknowledges and rewards students for good habits, traits and behaviors that go beyond academic performance. Students are nominated by their peers, teachers, librarians or others within their school who want to recognize them for things like good manners, helpfulness, good effort or a cheerful attitude. Business partners provide gifts in kind (\$10 value), certificates, and attend presentations as a way of honoring those behaviours that we believe are so important as kids grow to become contributing adult citizens.

Currently there are 57 existing partnerships operating in Lethbridge schools, grades 1 through 12. The Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce Adopting a Citizen of Tomorrow student recognition program has been honored by Alberta's Promise and both the Alberta and Canadian Chambers of Commerce for innovation and a strong commitment from local businesses.

For more information and to register contact:
Brian Carlson: Board Office: 380-3002
or email: brian.carlson@lethsd.ab.ca
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*Please see page 8 for more information on the “Adopting a Citizen of Tomorrow” program



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Wednesday, October 17th, 2007
 * 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. *

Location: Antons, Lethbridge Lodge Hotel & Conference Centre



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Lethbridge 2007 - "Business of the Year Awards"

Presented by the:
 Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce
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During the "Business of the Year Awards" Breakfast, awards will be presented to nominated local businesses or business people, in the following categories –

Business Leadership Award

Eligibility: A business or business person that deserves special recognition for their impact on enhancing the community through exceptional leadership in business practices, building or changing, champion of a project, fund raising endeavour(s), social change, or community undertaking. This award may not be presented every year given its eligibility criteria. *Sponsored by Scotiabank*

Business Legacy Award

Eligibility: A special award not always presented, the Business Legacy Award will recognize a business or business person in business for over ten years whose efforts have accomplished extraordinary things that have benefited Lethbridge and area in unique and meaningful ways. Inspirational role model for the community. (Could be awarded posthumously.) *Sponsored by the Switzer Group*

Change & Innovation Award

Eligibility: Any business that has successfully executed a change within their organization or produced or created an innovation. *Sponsored by the University of Lethbridge*

Dalton Jordan Memorial Award for Business Excellence

Eligibility: Any business with 11 or more employees that had demonstrated performance excellence. *Sponsored by the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce and the Business Development Bank of Canada*

Estelle Botfield Memorial Award for Customer Service Excellence

Eligibility: A business that provides exceptional customer service on a consistent basis. *Sponsored by the Lethbridge Lodge Hotel & Conference Centre*

Small Business of the Year

Eligibility: Any business that has been operating a minimum of three years and has less than 11 employees. *Sponsored by Runner's Soul*

Spirit of Lethbridge

Eligibility: A business or organization (non-profit, educational/health institutions, society, auxiliary) who serves and promotes the community through time involvement, energy and volunteer hours spent. This award will be given to a business or organization whose example demonstrates excellence in the enthusiastic support and promotion of the community. *Sponsored by East Side Mario's*

New Venture/New Business

Eligibility: A new business that demonstrates great potential for future success with products and/or services. *Sponsored by Economic Development Lethbridge*

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Nominations for the Lethbridge 2007 "Business of the Year Awards"

The Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce and the Business Development Bank of Canada congratulate this year's nominees for the "Business of the Year Awards". The winner of each award listed on page 3 will be announced at the Awards Breakfast on October 16th.

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*The deadline for nominations was Friday, September 21, 2007

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Congratulations to these Chamber Members for their exceptional records in workplace health and safety!

Martin Brothers Funeral Chapels Ltd. recently celebrated 100 years of business in Lethbridge. The family funeral business began with Dale Martin Jr.'s grandfather, Benjamin Martin in 1907. Martin Brothers Funeral Chapels is the oldest family-own funeral home in the province run by the same family.

Congratulations to Martin Brothers Funeral Chapels Ltd. on their 100th anniversary - this business has also been a member of the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce for 100 years.

*If your business is a member of the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce and has received recognition for a special achievement please contact Jody Nilsson at the Chamber:
Phone: 327-1586 or e-mail: office@lethbridgechamber.com*

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- **MasterCard:** preferred electronic Merchant discount rate starting at 1.65%; \$0.10 per debit transaction
- **Visa Discount Rates:** starting at 1.75% debit transaction fee, \$0.10 per transaction
- **Esso Fleet:** \$0.03/litre discount on fuel, discounts on oil, top-up fluids, and car washes (with Esso Business card)
- **Husky/Mohawk:** \$0.02/litre discount with no minimum volume requirements (with Husky/Mohawk credit card)
- **Petro-Canada:** discount of \$0.02/litre on all grades of gas and diesel, 20% discount on car washes, #5 discount on vehicle propane
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- **Member to Member (M2M) Benefit Program:** discounts at 31 Chamber member businesses
- **Free Link** for your business from the Chamber's website to your website (www.lethbridgechamber.com)
- **Advertising opportunities** in Chamber News
- **Member discounts** for various Chamber events
- **Inquiry referrals** to member business (all Chamber members are listed alphabetically and categorically on the Chamber's site)

If you would like to know more about the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce, please call 327-1586 or e-mail us at office@lethbridgechamber.com. Also, check out the Chamber's website at www.lethbridgechamber.com.

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