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**Premier Ed Stelmach to join in the Celebration of the Lethbridge 2009 ~  
Business of the Year Awards**

**Lethbridge, AB...** The Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce and the Business Development Bank of Canada are honoured to have Premier Stelmach as their special guest, at the Lethbridge 2009 ~ "Business of the Year Awards" Breakfast, to be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2009, 8:00 A.M., at the Lethbridge Lodge Hotel & Conference Centre.

"The Chamber and BDC are thrilled to have the Premier present at this event, to show his support for local businesses in Southern Alberta", states Chamber President Paul Pharo.

"I think the nominees and winners of the Business of the Year Awards will be very proud to have Premier Stelmach at the awards' breakfast to cheer them on," say Pharo. "These awards are about recognizing the efforts of local business people who have excelled in their fields, and to have the Premier there to witness these local success stories, is 'icing on the cake'."

The ***nine categorical awards*** will be presented to the winning recipients, following breakfast and the keynote speaker, **Bruce Tait, Vice President of Agricultural Services, Meyers Norris Penny LLP**. Mr. Tait will speak on: **"Your dream, your business, your passion."**

***\*At the completion of the Awards Ceremony, Premier Stelmach will have a group picture taken with all of the award recipients.***

The Business of the Year Awards' Breakfast is open to the Lethbridge business community to attend. Reservations may be made by calling the chamber at 403-327-1586 or e-mail: [office@lethbridgechamber.com](mailto:office@lethbridgechamber.com).

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