



ACTON COC NEWS

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**Don't Miss The Last Chamber Breakfast of the Year!
Friday, October 28th, 7:30 am at Sue Bee's Cafe
Holiday Potluck Dinner is coming December 2nd**

Message from the President

The newly elected board of directors for the Acton Chamber of Commerce (currently 11 members) met on October 12th for the first time as a group. As we worked through the agenda of Reports, Old Business, New Business, and specific future projects the intensity of the meeting grew and new ideas began to take shape.

There are specific projects that we want to continue to support including: The 4th of July Parade, Car Show(s)/Dances, Royal Court, Community Education, Networking Functions and the Farmer's Market to name a few. But we also want to look at new opportunities and listen to the ideas coming from the new members.

One of our major focuses for this board will be internal and external communications so that all members know what is going on and so that we can better understand and react to the needs of the local business community.

This year we want to rejuvenate and restore the Chamber's office to a working office that will support the needs of the community. To that end we need volunteers to man the office at least ½ day per week to answer the phones and take care of incidental requests. If you have time, please volunteer.

By the time of our next meeting, we hope to have a calendar for the year with all of our proposed events mapped out. Committees will be formed to formulate plans for each event to make this year, the year of Acton's 50th Anniversary 4th of July Parade, one of the most successful in the history of the Acton Chamber.

Our first goal is to plan and host the annual Holiday Party on December 2nd, details will follow, but you won't want to miss this one.

I hope to meet you there,

Gary H. Lubben,
President

Membership Drive

In order to increase our membership, the Chamber is now offering any new membership* for only \$50.00 now through January 31st, 2012. This will include membership good through December 31, 2012. For existing Chamber members, if you renew your membership during this period, you will also have your membership benefits extended through December 31, 2012. However, the offer only holds good until January 31st, 2012; so, if you don't join or renew during this offer period (now through January 31, 2012), you will lose the opportunity for this great membership price.

We are still offering existing members the 10% discount for signing up new members. Current members who recruit a new business will get 10% off of their next renewal fee. Recruit five new members and get your next year's membership for FREE!

Benefits of joining the Chamber include, a listing both by company name and by business category on the Chamber website; networking opportunities with other Chamber businesses; business promotions through Chamber Mixers and Breakfasts; and more! So what are you waiting for? Join today! Applications can be downloaded from the Chamber Website, at actoncoc.org.

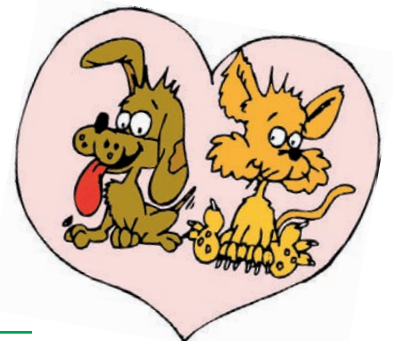
*New members will not receive a membership plaque. If a new member wants to have a plaque, the cost will be an additional \$25.00 to pay for the plaque's cost.

The Royal Court is Busy



The 2011 Acton Royal Court is having two great fundraisers! The first event is "Family Fiesta", their annual fundraiser dinner on Saturday, November 5th from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the Acton Community Center. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children ages 3 through 10. The night will be fun filled and include a dinner of Tacos, Rice and Beans, dessert, entertainment and a silent auction. For information, please call (661) 733-9759 or email teenmissacton2011@gmail.com. **Tickets purchased before October 21st will receive a \$2.00 per ticket discount.**

The Little Misses of Antelope Valley are feed the homeless pets at the Lancaster Animal Shelter Thanksgiving Dinner. Zara Moore and the community queens are seeking donations of cans of wet dog or cat food. If your business can place a donation box at your business location, or you want to help the girls by making a food donation, please contact Zara at 661.713-1742.



The Farmer's Market

The Chamber's last Farmer's Market will be on Tuesday, October 25th. If you haven't had the opportunity to see it, stop on by. It will be the last one until next May. We appreciate the community for supporting the market and give a big "thanks" to the vendors that participated. The Chamber is looking for interested parties to volunteer to staff and oversee next year's Farmer's Market; and, the Chamber will continue to seek new vendor's for next year's market. If you can help or would like to be included as a vendor next year, contact Stan Main, (661) 478-9604 or Gary Lubben, (661) 269-2258.

Holiday Decorating Contest

Our Christmas House Decorating Contest is back! Applications for entry can be found on our website on the [Upcoming Events](#) link. Entries must be received by December 14th to be eligible for judging which will take place on Dec. 17th.

Free Spay/Neuter Clinic for Dogs

Angel Dogs Foundation's Mobile Clinic will spay or neuter your dog for free on Sat., November 5th, by reservation only, in the parking lot of the Presbyterian Church on the corner of Crown Valley & Gillespie in Acton. Dogs undergoing surgery will also receive free vaccines and a microchip, if required. Walk-ins may attend for low cost vaccines and microchips between 9 and noon. Contact Angel Dogs at 1-888-504-7729 to make your reservation today! www.angeldogs-foundation.org, www.2ndhomedogboarding.org

Holiday Party Sign-up

Please don't forget to mark your calendar for the Annual Holiday Party on Friday, December 2nd. This year the party will be at Gary Lubben's home. Drinks start at 6:00 pm with dinner at 7:00. Call Pam Gram at (661) 269-2866 to RSVP and let her know what you will be bringing to the potluck: Appetizer, Salad, Side Dish, or Dessert. The Chamber will be providing the Turkey, Ham and Drinks! ***So, let us know today!***

This year we are doing the raffle differently than in the past. This year, if you would like to donate a raffle prize, get your prize to Teresa Spencer by Monday, November 28th. Instead of having a lot of individual raffle items, she will be making gifts baskets to be raffled off. The gift baskets should be a lot of fun! Contact [Teresa](#) at (661) 269-1375 to make arrangements to get your donations to her.

Save These Dates For Upcoming Chamber Events...

October 28th, Chamber Breakfast — Sue Bee's Cafe, 7:30 am, 3807 W. Sierra Hwy., Acton

NO November Chamber Breakfast due to holidays

December 14th, Entries Due for Holiday Decorating Contest

December 17th, Holiday Decorating Contest Judging

December 2nd, Chamber Holiday Potluck Dinner & General Membership Meeting — Details forthcoming

NO December Chamber Breakfast due to holidays

To keep track of everything from Mixers and Networking Breakfasts to our upcoming events, you can now find everything on the website at www.actoncoc.org/special_events.html.

Now available online are the following flyers and application forms:

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Application for Membership

Class of Membership

- Business (Primary): New, \$50 Renewal, \$50
 Business (Secondary**), \$50 Associate Member, \$50 Non-Profit, \$50
 Booster Member, \$20

PAYMENT METHOD: Check Cash Credit Card (The Chamber Office will call you.)

New Discounted Membership does not qualify for a plaque. If you want a plaque, check here and include an additional \$25 with your membership fee.

A qualified Secondary Membership is a business operated part-time from home, or other non-commercial location, and cannot be the primary source of income for the owner/operator. This business is also not qualified for plaques. **Exceptions—additional location and independent contractors that work for the primary business member.

An Associate Member is an individual not actively engage in commercial activities with the Acton Trades Area. This business is also not qualified for plaques.

Booster Members are supportive of the Chamber. **These members do not have voting privileges.** This membership is also not qualified for plaques. Please complete lines 1 - 5 of this application and sign the back.)

Membership Information

Business Name: _____ *

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ * Fax: _____ *

Mobile: _____ Email: _____

How do you wish to be contacted by the Acton Chamber of Commerce?

- Email (preferred method) Mail Fax

How do you wish to receive the Newsletter?

- Email (preferred method) Mail

Contact Person: _____

Business Address: _____ *

Website Address: _____ *

I want to be listed and linked on the Chamber Website: Yes No Initials _____

By initialing you are authorizing the (*) information to be listed on a public website.)

Hours of Operation: _____ * Date Business Started: _____

Date started at this location: _____

Please describe products and services offered:

Personal Information

(This information is for Chamber records only.)

Owner Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Other Contact Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

What you can expect when you join the Acton Chamber of Commerce:

- Monthly Newsletter
- Business Referrals
- Monthly Business Mixers and Networking Breakfasts
- FREE advertising in our "Welcome Resident Bag". This item is FREE to residents. You may donate advertising material in the bag, such as coupons, flyers or little give away items.
- Website Listing and Link. Your business information can be found on our website and a link will be placed on the Chamber website that will take visitors directly to your site and/or email address.
- The Chamber hosts the annual 4th of July Parade. Members can join the parade and advertising is available to members.
- Events will be available and hosted by the Chamber where our home-based businesses, as well as our commercial members, can come setup a booth and be seen by the public.
- A Plaque* showing your Chamber support and a new member gift bag. *The plaque is not available with the Discounted Membership. If you want a plaque, please check the appropriate box the first page and include an additional \$25 with your membership fee.
- Advertising opportunities are available at reasonable rates for inclusion in our monthly newsletter, to keep your name in front of Chamber members.

I hereby pledge my support for the Acton Chamber of Commerce and its efforts to promote, Commercial, Agricultural, and Civic Progress of Acton and its Trades Area.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

This application is subject to review and approval by the Acton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.



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Advertising Rates:

We are now providing your business the opportunity to advertise in the Newsletter. If you would like to advertise, the rates are as follows:

Full Page Ad	\$50.00/issue
1/2 Page Ad	\$30.00/issue
1/4 Page Ad	\$20.00/issue
Business Card Ad	\$60.00/year

Ads must be paid in full before they will appear in the newsletter. Checks should be made payable to: Acton Chamber of Commerce and can be delivered to Wendy Moore at Keller-Williams or mailed to P.O. Box 81, Acton, CA 93510.

For advertising information, contact Pam Gram: webmaster@actoncoc.org or call (661) 269-2866

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