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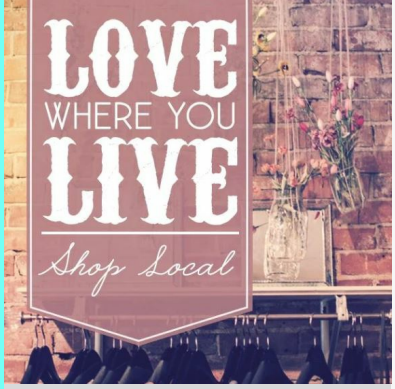
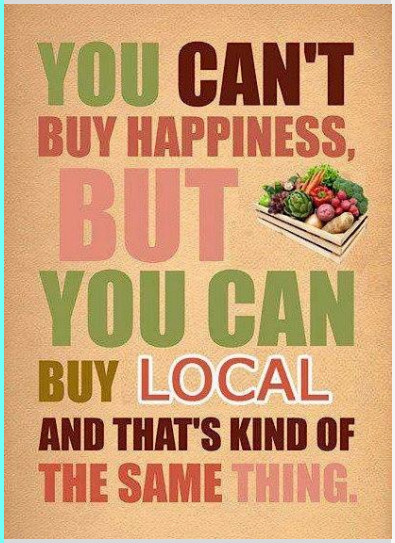
A message from your EVP:

Time to celebrate Summer Valley City style!!! Just around the corner on Saturday, June 18th Rally in the Valley kicks off early with fun activities from early morning until night. Please check out the full details in the poster below. Newcomers and visitors often tell us that we really have something special in the beautiful community nestled our valley. We challenge you to rediscover all that is wonderful about this community that we share and call home – and Rally in the Valley is an easy place to start.

While you're enjoying outdoor fun, gathering with family and friends please also enjoy shopping and taking care of your business needs here in Valley City when and wherever you can. We appreciate our business owners and all those who contribute to providing convenient services and merchandise coupled with delightful feeling of community. You just can't get that online!





We send a sincere thank you to all Chamber Members who renewed their Membership this past month!

Thrivent Financial
Wells Fargo Bank
Jimmy's Pizza
Bill's Eats & Catering
Valley City Town & Country Club
State Farm Insurance
Avid Hawk
Edward Jones-Bob Lemnus
Edward Jones- Nancy Hermanson
Essentia Health
Jamestown Travel
Six D Construction
BeMobile
Blush Boutique
Smith Lumber Company
Heritage Insurance Company
Riverside Gardens

2021-2022 Board of Directors

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Urban Couture
Denise Orthman, Treasurer
James Lochow CPA/Professionals on Main
Penny Wolla, Executive Board
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Dawn Mathias, Director
Lerud-Mathias Funeral Home
Tina Olson, Director
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Trina Lee, Director
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Diane J Hochhalter Studio
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Tamara Jo Taft, Director
Valley City State University
Sarah Pickar, Director
Mobility PLUS Rehabilitation

Chamber Staff

Kay Vinje
Executive Vice President

Tracey Compson
Event Coordinator

Amanda Rowh
DMV Coordinator

2022 Rally in the

Valley

Come out and enjoy lots of festivities in beautiful Valley City!

Rally in the Valley will be Saturday, June 18, 2022

Activities include:

- Breakfast at the Airport 7:30-9am
- Bill Jansen/Optimist fun run/walk 8am
- Parade 10am
- Bridge City Cruisers Car Show 11am
- Food and Art/Craft Vendors 9am-4pm
- Games Galore 11am-4pm
- Duck Race 3:30pm
- Evening Street Dance featuring VC native Tim Heetland's band "Haymaker" - 7pm

Other fun weekend happenings:

- Citywide rummage sales
- VC Saints baseball tournament
- VCHS Class Reunions

[Vendor Registration]

[Parade Registration]

[Car Show Registration]

Ambassador Visits

Customer Service awards were abundant in May. If you feel you have received service that deserves recognition, Please go to our website and nominate that person, persons or business for a Customer Service award. You can also click on the link to the right.

Customer Service Award Nomination Link

Dalene Brock - Dacotah Bank

Dalene's very satisfied customer writes:

"I recently went to Dalene for help with some of my banking business. She assisted me with my needs Expediently and within a matter of hours I had what I needed. It took one phone call to her and she did all the footwork that was necessary and all the business was done online. We had inclement weather that day so it was so beneficial so the online service was very welcome. Dalene helped me with all that I needed to do within a professional manner. The courtesy she extended to me was great customer service and she is a great representation of her employer Dacotah Bank."

Great job Dalene!!

Amanda Rowh - Motor Vehicle Office

"I go into the DMV every week. Amanda is a great individual who is extremely well organized and helpful. She always answers my questions and is very diligent about getting my paperwork done for the dealership I work at. She is very polite and efficient. I couldn't ask for a better person to work professionally with. Thank you for all she does. She deserves this award and more!"

Great service Amanda!

Alana McClellan & CHI Mercy Health ER Staff

"I recently went through a life changing experience. Yes, the unit is there for emergency situations. That is their mission. What I would like to do is to let them know just how appreciated they are. It makes no difference who you are. Their care and concern as to how they take care of your needs is exemplary. They do so with professionalism and to the individual needs of who they are helping. I was rushed to the ER on the morning of February 2, 2022 with no clue as to what was happening. I heard them from time to time reassuring me that they were helping me. I do believe that they saved my life that morning. They were able to determine my medical needs and send me to Fargo to the hospital for the needed treatment. Their professionalism, along with the personal care and concern they demonstrated is customer service personified. Valley City can be thankful to have the CHI ER Unit to help with our medical needs."

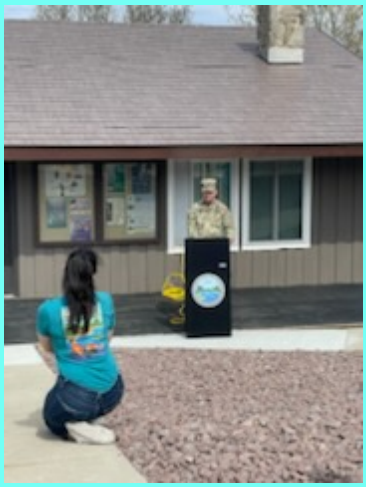
Way to go Mercy Hospital ER!

Vicky's Viking Room

Vicky's Viking Room was recognized by Best Things in North Dakota as one of the top 8 best lunch spots in North Dakota. In 2020 They were also named one of the top 10 restaurants in North Dakota by Only In Your State.

They have been serving customers for 20 years and are open 7 days a week from 7am to 2pm. They are located at 253 Central Ave N in downtown Valley City. You can contact them at 701-845-8909.

Baldhill Damn 70th Anniversary and Visitor Center Ribbon Cutting



The newly renovated visitor center has some exciting informational and interactive exhibits for all ages to enjoy. The visitor center will be open beginning Memorial Day weekend 7 days a week from 8am - 5pm

Wednesday May 18, a 70th Anniversary Celebration and Visitor Center Re-Opening Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held at Lake Ashtabula Baldhill Dam. Remarks were given by Colonel Karl Jansen, St. Paul District Commander, Valley City Mayor Dave Carlsrud and Barnes County Commissioner Cindy Schwehr.

National Donut Day

National Donut Day was Friday June 3rd and Wild Prairie Bakery did not disappoint. Erin and her staff worked all night to produce a HUGE delicious assortment of donuts (she even had her mom and dad there to help!)

Thanks Erin and staff for making this day a delectable day for all!!

Wild Prairie Bakery is located at 142 Main St E in Valley City. You can contact them at 701-490-3393.

NDSU Extension - Barnes County

On Wednesday May 25th, the Ambassadors welcomed new Extension Agent Alicia Harstad along with Administrative Assistant Deb Hochhalter.

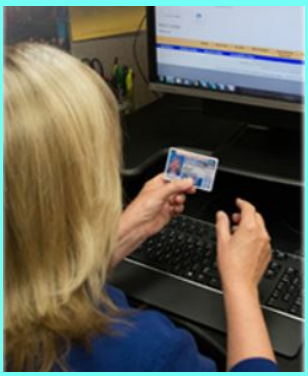
They join current Extension Agent Susan Milender and Extension Parent Educator Amy Tichy.

DMV Corner

The Valley City Motor Vehicle office is a title printing office. What this means is in most situations you will now get your title when you come into the DMV office. It's more important now than ever to have an appointment when you come in for title work.

The Motor Vehicle office is open regular hours from 8am-11am and 12pm-4pm Monday through Friday. Title work is being done by appointment, but renewals can be done on a walk-in basis. To make an appointment, you can call 701-845-3812 or you can schedule online at www.dot.nd.gov.

The Drivers License Division travels to Valley City twice a month on the first and third Wednesday. They are located at the Grand Stay Hotel and do require an appointment. To make an appointment or if you have questions call 1-855-633-6835 or go online at www.dot.nd.gov.



Employment Opportunities

Seeking Employment or know someone who is? For a complete job listing please see the Valley City-Barnes County Development website at: https://valleycitynd.org/pages/vdg-workforce
Workforce Center is also open to assist you in your job search!
Tuesdays & Thursdays: 9AM-12PM & 1PM-4PM, Appointments Preferred.

If you are a business who is hiring and wants to have your job listed on the workforce website, please contact Kara at recruit@hellovalley.com or call 701-490-3536.

Social Media

The Chamber wants to help you boost your business through Social Media! Please tag us on Facebook and Instagram!
https://www.facebook.com/vcchamber
instagram.com/valleycitychamberofcommerce
We would love to share your posts and make your business more visible!

Would you like to promote your business? We would like to help you do that. For only $30 we can add your flyer to our monthly newsletter! Please contact the chamber at chamber@valleycitychamber.com or 701-845-1891

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please let us know if you have any upcoming events that you would like us to add to our weekly Eblast. Please email chamber@valleycitychamber.com
Please view our website calendar for a full listing of events.

Chamber Committee Meeting Dates

Ag Committee
2nd Thursday at 4:30
Commerce Meeting
4th Tuesday at 4:00
Ambassador Visits
2nd and 4th Wednesday's of the

Valley City Sales Tax Collections

2021
February $189,290
March $273,062
2022
February $198,546
March $237,279

month
Board Meeting
June 10 at 8:30am

(Dates are subject to change, please verify with the Chamber for meeting times)