



**Pulling Together for Growth and Support**

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## January 2010 Newsletter

### Upcoming Events:

#### **January 28 at 6:00pm at the American Legion is the Annual Banquet**

This year a new president, vice president, and two trustees will be elected. We have a great line-up of speakers who will share how they have weathered the economic storm. In addition, entertainment will be provided while the food is being served. The American Legion will also be having their popular Stuffed Pork Chop as an option. The price will remain the same at \$20, which includes everything! **If you are still interested in coming and have not returned your invitation, please call me ASAP because we want everyone to attend who possibly can.**



### The ballot this year:

President: Linda Walton

Vice President: Jim Ludban

Trustee: (There are only two positions available but three choices)

Cinda Bretz-Wallace

Joshua Gerber

Marty Sowers

### From the Director:

We (the trustees and I) are tossing around some new ideas, and we want your input. First: The after-hours have not been as well attended lately, and we would like to know if there is something that you would like to see done different. One option is having guest speakers come. We are currently looking to have a guest speaker in the Spring at the Depot (Railroad Museum) concerning some new jobs that may be coming our way.

Second: We are looking to have coupon deals that are exclusive (eventually made public) to Chamber Members. For example, your business has an upcoming sale or promotion and a coupon would be sent out ahead of time to Chamber Members so that members can take early advantage of the deal and pass the word out.

Third: We would like to see a community calendar.

Fourth: We would like to see some new events and activities take place in the Willard Area. For example, maybe next winter having a temporary man made ice-skating ring.

Fifth: I would like to give our current newsletter look a face lift.

Ricky Branham  
Executive Director