Welcome New Board of Directors

First I would like to say Thank you to Carolyn Bunger, Amy Fuqua, Kevin Krull & Riley Space for serving on the Chamber Board of Directors. Welcome to our four new members, I look forward to working with you.

Erica Hansen, Spencer Isaacson, Joelle Knoll, Kevin Krull

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1 mile at 8:30am—5K run 9:00am

**Free will pancake & sausage breakfast will be served by the Minden Rotary Club**

5k Run/Walk
$25.00 race registration

Little Elves 1 Mile—FREE
(Shirts will be available for purchase)

Call Chamber Office, 832-1811
or download the registration form at mindenne.org

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2015 Board of Directors

President
Kevin Krull
Krull Agency

Vice President
Marcy Brandt
Minden Opera House

Carol Loschen
First Bank & Trust

Carolyn Bunger
Windmill

Dena Beck
REAP

Amy Fuqua
Big John’s Ford

Janene Hill
Jensen Memorial Library

Jeanne Jons
Individual

Jordan Patterson
Patterson Chiropractic

Sally Jurgensmier
Sculptures by Sally

Don Phillips
Joy’s Floral & Gifts

Riley Space
Mason’s Market

Administrator:
Marcia Davis
308-832-1811
mindenne@gtmc.net
www.mindenne.org

Office Hours
Tues. 9:00am-1:00pm
Wed. 9:00am-1:00pm
Thurs. 8:30am-12:30pm

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Century of Lights-
100 years of Gleam in 2015

www.mindenlights.weebly.com
For a printable schedule.

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Lights & ICE
Skate under the Lights!
Mon-Fri 5-10pm
Sat & Sun 1-10
Nov. 27-Dec. 13

Art on the Square
Dec. 4, 5-10pm, Shawn Cole entertains, 7-11pm
Dec. 5, 1-10pm, Dave Larbakken entertains, 7-11pm
Minden Country Club will host cash bar
Dec. 6, 1-10pm
Dec. 10, 5-10pm, Dave Larbakken entertains, 6-10pm
Dec. 11, 1-10pm, Gracie’s Uncles entertains, 7-11pm
& Wine Tasting
Dec. 12, 5-10pm, Bobby Jacobs entertains, 7-11pm
Hi-Way Liquor will host holiday cheer

Truckin Tuesdays
Dec. 1st & 8th
5:00pm
No need to cook on Tuesdays, Come have dinner on the square.
Cozy Corner will also be open.
Trying skating & Shop while you are downtown too.

Special Nights at the Rink
Dec. 2 Roast Marshmallows
Dec. 4 Wear Red, White & Blue
Concessions: Hot Dogs,
Cider, Hot choc & Bomb pops
Dec. 5 Frozen Characters, 1-3pm
Dec. 6 Frozen Characters, 1-3pm
Dec. 8 Ugly Sweater Skate Night
w/Storm Hockey Players
Dec. 11 Holiday Pies for sell by MOPS
Dec. 12 Glow Party & Live Music

Christmas City Tour of Homes 2015
Saturday Dec. 5th  *  4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Five local homes are open and decorated for the holidays...please enjoy!

Minden Chamber of Commerce

PANCAKE FEED
& bake sale

Saturday, December 5th
Westminster Presbyterian Church
8:00am - noon
Proceeds will go to fund Minden Rotary Club’s local
service project, “Dictionary for 3rd Graders”!
Every 3rd grade child in Laramie County will receive a free
picture dictionary.

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Christmas at the Farm
Celebrate 100 years of Hospitality
1915-2015
Reserve our Special Event Venue for your
Holiday Family and Business
Gatherings as well as for Seminars,
Weddings and Receptions
Join Us for an Open House with
Wine and Cheese
December 11, 2015 3-6 pm
Gift Certificates for Lodging and/or Dining
MAKE RESERVATIONS NOW
Like us on facebook at Burchell’s White Hill Farmhouse Inn

Burchell’s White Hill
FARMHOUSE INN
308-832-1333 • 1578 35th Road • Minden, NE 68959
burchellfarmhouseinn.com
**Christmas Gift Idea??**

How about Minden Chamber Bucks? They make great stocking stuffers, last minute gifts or Employee gifts. Chamber bucks are available for purchase at the Chamber Office, 325 N. Colorado or call 832-1811.

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**Get Caught Shopping in Minden**

Shopping in Minden pays!

Shop the following stores and you might get “caught” shopping and win $20.00 in Christmas City Cash.

- 4th Street Hair
- Anderson Jewelry
- Big John’s Ford
- First Bank & Trust
- Jeanne Jons
- Joy’s Floral
- Mason’s Market
- Minden Exchange Bank
- Minden Opera House
- Minden Hardware
- Pedley Drug

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**Residential House Decorating Contest**

Sponsored by Minden Lions

Residential properties only—Entry forms available at the Chamber Office. Entry forms due by Monday, Dec. 7 (return to Chamber Office)

Winners will be announced on Saturday, Dec. 12, 7pm at the Ice Rink

Category winners will receive $25 in Chamber Bucks!

Categories include:

- Griswold House (Unique)
- Animated
- Elegant (White Christmas)
- Religious

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**Century of Lights T-shirts, Mugs & Ornaments**

Are available for purchase at Joy’s Floral, Minden Opera House, Krull Agency and Chamber Office

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**Light of the World Pageant**

7:00pm

On the square

Sun., Dec. 6
Sun., Dec. 13

Bring your Family, Friends & blanket/chairs and enjoy the last two performances of the 2015 season.

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**WINTER BASH**

Come join us in welcoming the band Fly-over!

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**Amahl and the Night Visitors**

Presented by The Minden Community Players

**December 4-6 & 11-13**

- Fridays at 7:30 pm
- Saturdays & Sundays at 2:30 pm

Dessert reception following:

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**Date**: December 12, 2015

**Place**: Minden in Minden, NE

**Times**: Band starts at 9 pm to 1 am
Doors open at 8 pm, $3 cover
Upstairs Country and Rock
Letters to Santa

Kids & Kids at heart drop your letters to Santa in our special delivery box by the Ice Rink and we will mail them to Santa.

Need a Santa Suit?
The Chamber has a Santa Suit for rent. Suit includes coat, pants, belt and hat. Beards are also available for purchase. For more information call 832-1811

100 years of the Light Candlelight Prayer Vigil
Hosted by the Kearney CO Ministerial Association
Sunday, Dec. 20
5:00pm
Post Office Steps

The Community Choir will start the evening with carols then will move to the Courthouse Square for a unique candle lighting around the Courthouse & ending with the lights coming on.

Ice Rink Schedule
Come Skate & Support the Volunteers
Dec. 1 FBLA
Dec. 2 Presbyterian Youth Club
Dec. 3 Ambassadors
Dec. 4 Boys Scouts, Red White & Blue Skate w/ Hot Dogs, Hot Chocolate & Bomb Pops
Dec. 5 1:5:30 Girl Scouts
5:30-10 Methodist Youth
Dec. 6 1:5:30 Art Club
5:30-10 Minden Lions
Dec. 7 First Bank & Trust
Dec. 8 South Side of Square, Ugly Sweater Skate w/ Storm Hockey players.
Dec. 9 Family Physical Therapy
Dec. 10 Be the Gift
Dec. 11 MOPS – Holiday Pies for sale
Dec. 12 1:5:30 Anna & Kurt Nelson
5:30-10 Just Dance, Glow Party, Live music
Dec. 13 1:5:30 Anna & Kurt Nelson
5:30-10 St. John’s CYO

Get your insurance paid to a Minden Ambassador or the Minden Chamber Office or you might find the Courthouse float in your yard.

Insurance is $25.00 if the Courthouse ends up in your yard it will cost $50.00 to remove the Courthouse.
Christmas Traditions, 2015

Jensen Memorial Library
Holiday Quilt Show
Nov. 25 – Dec. 8
Quilts made by many local quilters on display, come add a stitch to our Century of Lights quilt.

Breakaway Bar & Grill
Opening Dec. 10, 2015
Opening Special
Burger, Fries & a Draw $6.50
Hours:
Thurs, 3:00pm-11:00pm
Fri, 3:00pm-1:00am
Sat, 3:00pm-1:00am
Bartenders, Cooks & Wait staff needed, call Aaron, 308-293-6808

2015 PREMIUM Partners

Platinum

First Bank
Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co.
Glenwood

Silver

Gold

Bronze Partners

Anderson Jewelry
Bill’s Plumbing
DT Nielsen Kids U-Pick Sweet Corn
& Pumpkin Patch
Highland Park Lawn Company
LandMark Implement
Mason’s Market
Minden Opera House
Rhyndals Auction & Realty
Royal Engineered Composites
Sculptures by Sally
Stadler Implement
Minden Optimist Club
Youth Basketball Tournament
January 23-24
5th –8th Grade Boys’ & Girls’ teams
Registration forms and more information available, www.mindenoptimist.com

Thank you Miss Christmas City, Emma Jons for leading the parade around the square and all the businesses that participated. It was great day for the parade.

Calendar of Events
Dec. 1 Truckin Tuesday, on the square
Dec. 4 Art on the Square, open 5-10pm, special music—Shawn Cole, 7-11pm
Dec. 4-6 Amahl & the Night Visitors
Dec. 5 Rotary Pancake Feed, Westminster United Presbyterian Church, 8:00am-12:00pm
Christmas City 5K & Little Elf Run, Westminster United Presbyterian Church
8:30am Little Elf Run & 9:00am 5K Run/Walk
Picture with Anna & Elisa, 1:00-3:00pm, Ice Rink
Christmas Tour of Homes, 4:00-7:00pm
Art on the Square, open 1-10pm, special music—Dave Larbakken, 7-11pm
Dec. 6 Light of the World Christmas Pageant, 7:00pm, on the Square
Pictures with Anna & Elisa, 1:00-3:00pm, Ice Rink
Community Concert & Soup Dinner, 4:30pm, Westminster United Presbyterian Church
Art on the Square, open 1-10pm
Dec. 7 After Hours, Minden Opera House, 7-9pm
Dec. 8 Trucking Tuesday, on the square
Ugly Sweater Skate Night w/Storm Hockey, Ice Rink
Dec. 10 Art on the Square, open 5-10pm, special music—Dave Larbakken, 6-10pm
Dec. 11-13 Amahl & the Night Visitors
Dec. 11 Wine & Cheese Open House, 3:00-6:00, Burchell’s White Hill Farmhouse & Inn
Art on the Square, open 5-10pm, special music—Gracie’s Uncles, 7-11pm
Dec. 12 Winter Bash, The Windmill, 9:00pm-1:00am
Art on the Square, open 1-10pm, special music—Bobby Jacobs, 7-11pm
Dec. 13 Light of the World Christmas Pageant, 7:00pm, on the Square
Dec. 19 Joseph Hall as Elvis, Minden Opera House, 2:30pm
Dec. 20 Polar Express Storytelling & Movie, Minden Opera House, 2:30 & 6:00pm
100 years The Light Candlelight prayer Vigil, 5:00pm Post Office Steps
Dec. 22 Trucking Tuesday, on the square
Dec. 25 Merry Christmas
Dec. 31 New Year’s Eve SnowBall Dance, Minden Opera House, 8pm-12am

Bethany Home Invites You to:
Dec. 1, 2:00pm Memory Tree, Decorating & Angel ornaments
Dec. 6, 2:00pm Annual Christmas Tree Walk
Dec. 24, 2:00pm Christmas Candle-light Service
Dec. 31, 2:00pm New Year’s Party

MOPS
4th Annual Chili Cook Off & Cinnamon Roll competition
Jan. 24
11:30-2:30
Kearney CO Bair Building
Live & Silent Auctions
Competitors needed
Contact Toni, 832-7520 or Jenny, 308-440-7413

Halloween Parade, 2015
November Board Meeting

Roll Call: Marcy Brandt, Sally Jurgensmier, Kevin Krull, Jordan Patterson, Don Phillips, Marcia Davis

Meeting called to order 12:20

Minutes from last meeting and Treasurer’s report were not approved, as a quorum was not present. Approval of minutes & reports was tabled until the next meeting.

Old Business:

2015 Budget – Changes were highlighted and explained. 2015 brought some major non-budget items with the addition of Blue Jeans & BBQ and the Century of Lights. For 2016 the budget is higher, but also projected a higher income. Marcia was excused and a pay increase for her was discussed. No official action could be taken, so further discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

Membership numbers are up, but we need to connect better with member and find out what is important to them. We will explore doing face-to-face visits in the coming year. Also of concern is how to get information about the Chamber (and events) to the front-line employees in the community.

Board Nominations – outgoing members are Carolyn Bunger, Amy Fuqua, Kevin Krull & Riley Space. Nominees are Erika Hansen (Big John’s Ford), Joelle Knott (Krull Agency), Spencer Isaacson (Runza), and Kevin has agreed to serve a second term. Ballots will go out next week. Nominees will attend the December meeting. Dena Beck has expressed that she does not feel that she is able to attend often enough to be an effective board member. Sally said that she will mention this opening to Kathy Myers. This position could be filled by appointment if it occurs after the election.

Century of Lights/Christmas Traditions – plans are in full swing. The Century of Lights committee needs more funds. No quorum was present, so there was no approval to move funds to that account. Don moved to dismiss, Marcy seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 1:03 pm.