

**Divide Chamber of Commerce
 Monthly Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, May 12, 2010
 John Wesley Ranch, Divide, CO**

ROLL CALL	MEMBER
Present	Lisa Lee, President
Present	David Martinek, Vice President
Present	Jodi Mijares, Secretary
Absent	Tami Romano, Treasurer
Present	Joe Kain, Director
Present	Beverly Stiles, Director
Present	Andy String, Director
Present	Lee Taylor, Director

Attendees: Carmon Stiles, Kenny Funk, Karen Casey-Svetich, Darren Thornberry

ITEM	DISCUSSION
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Roll Call	Roll was called at 6:15 pm
Minutes	The minutes of the April meeting were approved by email prior to the meeting.
Welcome	Lisa Lee led introductions and welcome.
Kite Flight	The date for this year's Kite Flight will be Sat. Aug. 28 from 9am – 1pm. This is the 1 st weekend after school begins, so flyers can be sent home with the kids during their first week back. Teller County Public Health will have a table with free snacks, and Karen thought CPFRC may have a booth with a kid activity. TCPH will allow us to use their electric sign, and Parks and Rec. will hang the wind spinners. Other ideas: Post event flyers in nearby campgrounds, rent a bounce house from the Romanos, live music, have a radio station broadcast live from the event, hire a clown, door prizes- a bike from Wal-mart? David volunteered to see if Wal-mart would donate a bike.
Gold Book Ad.	Lisa presented a revision of our 2-page ad in the Ute Pass Gold Book. Since the Gold Book audience is local, Lisa added a suggestion for folks to "keep \$ local" by encouraging them to check out the many local businesses on the Chamber's new website. All approved the new ad.

- The Depot** A workday is scheduled for May 22. The Chamber may be able to hold monthly meetings at the Depot as early as July.
- John Wesley Ranch** Will be hosting a melodrama by the First Company in Colorado Springs on June 10th. For more info, visit: <http://dividechamber.org/events/>
- Divide Mercantile** Divide Mercantile will be hosting a Summer Art Show on Sat. June 19th from 6-9 pm. This is a free event with live music, appetizers, and a silent auction.
- Ute Country News** Next issue will be out on July 1, 2010.
- Website** Jodi added a hit counter plug in. At the bottom of every page on the website, an odometer will display the number of visits to our website. Doug is still working on fixing the Chamber's email account. Jodi requested historical photos of Divide for the website. Both Lisa and David have some that would work.
- Business After Hours** Lisa suggested we hold a business networking event at Killday's on June 9, 2010. Joe Kain made a motion to approve spending on this event up to \$150. David Martinek seconded the motion. Some ideas: Members can donate door prizes (Joe offered to collect them at Ancestral Arts) and invite a guest speaker. Speaker ideas: Healthy Forest Initiative (Lee has a contact), Divide Community Garden, Wal-mart, Sheriff candidates, Colorado Tourism (Carmon has a contact.)
- Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 9th. Details and location TBA.

Respectfully submitted by:
Jodi Mijares
Secretary, Divide Chamber of Commerce