BIDCO Update



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our August board meeting featured a guest from Alliant Energy, Mr. John Ziegenbusch. John is familiar with Belmond as he used to cover this territory several years ago. The reason I bring this up is that he made a comment that now more than ever it's important to have all your systems updated and covered so your ready for the next inquiry.

He has seen cases where a company will be looking to locate in an area. They get so many requests that they start to weed them out by any conceivable reason. These reasons often include looking for towns that lack either services, manpower or simple items like LOIS systems that are up to date.

I can assure you that we are staying on top of these issues to make sure that Belmond is always ready for a prospect visit.

Dan Lovgren

Community Event



See page 2 for details on the school open house

FEATURED BUSINESS

Hogan - Hansen P.C., Certified Public Accountants

Hogan-Hansen, P.C., Certified Public Accountants and Consultants, recently acquired the accounting and income tax practice of Schnell Associates, P.C.

of Belmond, Iowa. "Clients should expect the same excellent service they have received in the past. Char Rokke, Linda Kehrt, Jaci Gansen and Kathy Dorr have all agreed to join Hogan-Hansen and serve at the Belmond office" stated Dennis Muyskens, a shareholder of Hogan-Hansen who will have the oversight responsibility of both the Mason City and Belmond locations.

Belmond staffing will also be shared by CPA's Rachelle Thompson and Kristi Wick. In addition to Belmond and Mason City, Hansen-Hogan has offices in Cedar Falls, Cedar Rapids and Waterloo, Iowa. The new firm will be expanding service offerings to the Belmond area to include auditing as well as pension design and administration. In fact the firm is auditor for the City of Belmond. BIDCO is pleased that a well-qualified CPA firm will continue to operate out of 303 E Main Street.

For more information on Hogan-Hansen you may find on the web at www.hoganhansen.com or email Dennis at

belmond@hoganhansen.com or call 444-3274.

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You are cordially invited to attend the

Open House

Richard O. Jacobson

Elementary School

1004 7th Street NE, Belmond, Iowa

Sunday, August 23, 2009

2 to 4 p.m. - Program at 2:30 p.m. Please join us for a celebration of the new elementary school.



for your support of the Belmond-Klemme Building Project!



Community Open House Invitation

Hogan-Hansen Team





Char Rokke, Linda Kehrt, Dennis Muyskens, Deb Davis, Rachelle Thompson, Kristi Wiek, Jaci Gansen, Kathy Dorr