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Media Release

Billings Chamber/CVB Business Showcase Aims to Connect/Educate Business Owners & Consumers

For Immediate Release:

Billings, MT, September 30, 2008: The Billings Chamber of Commerce/Convention and Visitors Bureau is excited to announce Business Showcase 2008. The Chamber/CVB's Business Showcase is a premiere marketing opportunity for Billings' businesses to display their products and services. This year's event, to be held on Thursday, October 2nd, will take place on the second and third floors of the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Billings. Fifty Billings businesses, all Chamber/CVB members, will be on hand to discuss their products and services with consumers and other businesses, alike. This is a key networking opportunity for Billings Chamber/CVB members and Billings' area residents. Business Showcase is from 10 – 7 p.m. The Chamber/CVB is also hosting no-charge, hour-long business seminars at 10:30, 1:30, 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. Everything from Conflict Management to Employee Retention issues will be discussed. Also, from 11:30 – 1:00 p.m. the Chamber/CVB will host its 2008 Annual Meeting to a sold out crowd in the Crowne Ballroom. Then, at 3:00 p.m., area residents are invited to meet and greet former U.S. Olympian Mary Lou Retton. Biomet Osteo Systems is bringing her to Billings for this free community event at the Crowne Ballroom. The 'After Hours' crowd is invited to stop by for great food served by the Crowne from 5 – 7 p.m. also on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Crowne Plaza. There is no charge for the Business Showcase, to see Mary Lou Retton, or to attend the Showcase After Hours events. **The public is encouraged to attend.**

Business Showcase 2008

10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (2nd & 3rd Floors of Crowne)

No-Charge Business Workshops

10:30, 1:30, 4:00 & 5:00 p.m. 2nd Floor, Board Room #1

Annual Meeting Luncheon

11:30 – 1:00 p.m. **SOLD OUT!**

Mary Lou Retton

3:00 p.m., Crowne Ballroom

Showcase After Hours

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. (2nd & 3rd Floors of Crowne)

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The Billings Chamber/CVB Annual Meeting and Business Showcase are sponsored by Montana-Dakota Utilities (MDU). The co-sponsors include Rimrock Mall, Qwest Communications, Western Security Bank, RiverStone Health and Biomet Osteo Systems, Inc., Billings Gazette Communications, and The Crowne Plaza Hotel.

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Featured Businesses

ABTelcom	Empowering Youth	Rocky Mtn. Hospice
Allied Engineer	Project	Send Out Cards
Avanta Federal CU	Field of Dreams	Solve It
Best Buy for	First Interstate Bank	St. V's Executive
Business	Hilton Garden Inn	Health
Big Sky EDA/EDC	Humana	Summit Home
Big Sky Virtual Tours	Life Launch &	Mortgage
The Billings Clinic	Century 21, Kate	TCT
Billings Hotel &	Hamlin	TeleData Systems,
Convention Center	MRG Marketing	Inc.
Billings	Tools	Thirfty Car Rental
Chamber/CVB	Montana-Dakota	Village Gardens
Champions at Work	Utilities	Vintage Suites
Comfort Heating &	Montana Fun	Western Awards
Cooling	Adventures	Western Security
COR Enterprises, Inc.	Moss Home	Bank
Costco	Accessories	WSI
Crowne Plaza Hotel	NASE	Yellowstone Baptist
Dale Carnegie	Party Poets	College
Training	RC Aerial Imaging	Yellowstone
DEX	Retirement	International Corp.
Tallman Medical Spa	Solutions/Western	Yellowstone
Edward Jones - Lee	States Insurance	Naturopathic Clinic
Humphrey	Rimrock Mall	

The Billings Chamber of Commerce/Convention & Visitors Bureau

“Our Vision is to achieve excellence in community leadership and growth.”

“Our Mission is to develop a strong business climate and vibrant economy by serving the community in a leadership role thereby enhancing the quality of life.”

“Billings is Changing. Your Chamber/CVB is Leading the Way.”

It's in Billings!

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