

CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2023

CONGRATULATIONS COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS



Business of the Year
Dorothy Ann Bakery
Educator of the Year
Joan Holper, Red Rock Elementary
Everyday Hero
Matt Johnson

Public Safety Worker of the Year Police Sergeant Chris Donahoe

Nonprofit of the Year
Woodbury Heritage Society

Lifetime Achievement AwardWashington County Commissioner
Lisa Weik

THANK YOU SPONSORS!

PLATINUM

Hiway Credit Union, Wings Financial Credit Union, Xcel Energy

COLD

ChiroWay, Eric Rislove-Edward Jones Investments, Johnson/Turner Legal, Reliable Billing, Woodbury Endocrinology and Diabetes Clinic, Woodbury Magazine

SILVER

CorTrust Bank, Neyens Law, Woodbury Community Foundation, Woodbury Plastic Surgery

BRONZE

Tom Dunn Photography, Wellington Management

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Passing of the gavel--2023 Board Chair Trent Scheidecker with outgoing Board Chair Elizabeth Nevens



2023 Gala Committee
Ashlee Doheny, Meggan Kerkenbush,
Laurie Staiger, Lisa Boe, Elizabeth
Neyens. Quynh McDermott, Michele
Magistad, Anne Blum, Elizabeth Yang
Missing: Angela Ross

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Chamber President

Many thanks to all who supported the chamber's first signature event of the year; the Woodbury Community Awards Gala. We have much to celebrate in Woodbury, especially the incredible business owners, volunteers, civic organizations and the people. Featured videos of each award recipient got to the heart of each winner, their organization and the importance of teams. It took an incredible team to pull off this event. Thank you to the gala committee pictured on the front page.

A key message delivered at the Gala from immediate past chair Elizabeth Neyens, chair Trent Scheidecker and me was "get involved", "show up" and "make a difference". I have heard many of you share stories about the importance of showing up to a chamber event or mixer. Many of the stories start with, "I just didn't feel like going that day, but I made myself go and I am so happy I did." Results included getting a new client to obtaining a key contact to making a friend.

Chamber staff, board and volunteers are working hard to provide you with quality programs, events and education for getting involved. Those who like to meet several people in a short period of time should attend our monthly networking events. Those who prefer a smaller setting with deeper connections should consider Connect groups. Any business to consumer entity should participate in the April Community EXPO. We do look forward to your involvement this year. The board and I are always willing to talk with you about your interest and where you would like to share your time.

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COMMITTEES FORMING NOW

Government Affairs meets January-May and serves as liaison with the cities, county and state on issues impacting business.

Charitable Endeavors enhances the experience of Chamber events by providing giving opportunities through partnerships with charitable member organizations.

Email laurie@woodburychamber.org if interested.



NETWORKING EVENTS



Good Morning Woodbury
8:00-9:00 a.m. - Free to attend
Thursday, February 2
Host & Location: Artis Senior Living
8155 Afton Road, Woodbury



Business After Hours
4:00-6:00 p.m. - Free to attend
Tuesday, February 21
Sponsor: Anew Real Estate Group
Location: Green Mill Woodbury
6025 Hudson Road Woodbury



Lunch & Learn: Network Like A Ninja Speaker: Matt Johnson, Anew Real Estate Group Noon-1:00 p.m.—Free to attend; Bring Your Lunch! Thursday, February 16 Location: Chamber Conference Room 145 700 Commerce Drive, Woodbury

Learn how to effectively network and start increasing your profits today from a seasoned networking pro. This session will cover where to network, preparation, follow up strategies and how to utilize social networking tools. Click Here to register.

Connect: Professional Networking Beyond Lead Sharing New Group Starting This Spring!

Connect is an exciting chamber networking opportunity for members to enhance professional connections with non-competing business leaders in our community. A new group is forming now to begin meeting twice/month this Spring.

Please complete and return application form prior to March 1. Application will be used to match participants in a group with similar objectives. The meetings will have a facilitator and an educational component, based upon the group request. Group size averages 10-12 people. Payment of \$129/person is also required to participate. For more information, email laurie@woodburychamber.org.

<u>Click Here</u> for more information and application.



2023 EXPO



SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023 10 A.M. - 4 P.M.

EAST RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL 4200 PIONEER DRIVE, WOODBURY

Limited Booth Space Available!

Business to consumer focused companies will want to get in front of potential customers at the Woodbury Community EXPO. Booths are selling strong as we approach this year's April 1st event. Member business booths are \$410/non-profit member booths are \$285. Click Here to register.

The EXPO offers entertainment and activities for the whole family. Main stage highlights will feature high energy martial arts demonstration from Master Kim's Tae Kwon Do, Indian classical dance from students of Neelam Malhortra, a raptor show, science demonstrations from the 3M Science Wizards and more! Other activities include kid's area, outdoor vehicle fair and entertainment from local performance groups on the community stage.





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Entertainment

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MEMBER NEWS



Windows of Woodbury: Northeast Section of the City

One of the soon to open residential projects south of Hudson Road is Talamore, a 200unit senior rental housing development expected to welcome their first residents in mid to late February. Talamore provides a full continuum of care from independent and assisted living to memory and skilled nursing care units. Adjacent to that project is the Edison Apartments (207 units) which is also progressing with their construction. Leasing and occupancy for Edison is expected in June, 2023.



Godspell Ticket Sales and Angels of Hope

Open Door Community
Theatre is presenting the
musical *Godspell* at King of
King's Lutheran Church
February 17 - 26. A portion of
the show's ticket proceeds
will be donated to the Angels
of Hope Woodbury memorial
fund, created to honor all
children who have passed too
soon.

Tickets are available at opendoorcommunitytheatre. org.



Black Tie Bingo April 22, 2023 Grand Banquet Hall

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, dessert, cash bar, local celebrities calling BINGO games for fabulous prizes, a mystery prize wall, online auction and photo booth. The event supports Community Thread's mission of maximizing resources and engaging volunteers to improve the quality of life for adults and their families in our local community.

Watch for ticket sales information (sold out last year) on Community Thread's website and on their social media pages in early February!





RIBBON CUTTINGS

The Chamber provides ribbon cuttings for new businesses in the community who join the chamber as well as for members celebrating a 10+ year milestone business anniversary, moved to a new business location or completed major renovation.

JANUARY RIBBON CUTTING



Redline Athletics
707 Commerce Drive
Suite 300
Photo Credit: Tom Dunn Photography

YOU'RE INVITED! FEBRUARY RIBBON CUTTINGS



Central Bark
February 2, 11:30 a.m.
3115 Hadley Ave.
Oakdale, MN



Northwestern Mutual

New Ownership February 23, 3:00 p.m. 8530 Eagle Point Blvd., Suite 200 Lake Elmo, MN



RENEWING MEMBERS

We thank the following members for renewing their membership and for their continued support of the chamber.

1-5 Year Members

SPENGA Woodbury Member Since 2022

Member Since 2021

Sextant Advisors LLC Member Since 2021

A Smooth Move Member Since 2020

Member Since 2020

Fresh India LLC

All Family Dental Member Since 2019

Tribe Fitness

Andiamo Italian Ristorante

Member Since 2020

Member Since 2019

Farmers Insurance - Team Twin Cities Member Since 2018

6-10 Year Members

Fraser Member Since 2017

Culver's of Woodbury Member Since 2016

Nothing Bundt Cakes Member Since 2016

7e's Diner Member Since 2015

Century College Member Since 2013

Comcast Business Member Since 2013

St. Therese of Woodbury Member Since 2013

11-20 Year Members

Woodbury Spine Wellness Center Member Since 2010

20+ Year Members

Xcel Energy Member Since 1994

NEW MEMBERS Welcome to the Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce.

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