

CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2023



Cheer on the Teams! 5th Annual Kickball Tournament!

Friday, September 15, 2023 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Grab Lunch

Food Trucks --11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

M HEALTH FAIRVIEW SPORTS CENTER

FIELDS 10-13 4125 RADIO DRIVE

FILL THE SKOOLIE BUS!

Collecting nut-free, individually packaged snacks at the tournament for SoWashCo CARES Educational Foundation.



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BASE RUN SPONSORS







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BOARD CHAIR MESSAGE



Trent Scheidecker Chamber Board Chair ChiroWay

Fall has a beautiful way of reminding us about the cycles of nature. As we witness the changes from summer to fall, let's give attention and reflection to the seeds of intention we planted in the spring. Throughout this year, we, as a community and Chamber have sown the seeds of collaboration, growth, and support. Our efforts in networking have developed fruit in the form of new or stronger connections.

As business owners, this is a season of both celebration and introspection. With winter looming ahead, it is pivotal for us to anticipate the shifts in consumer activity. The festive focus of holidays and the business of travel plans will present both challenges and opportunities. So, I pose this question to you: Are you ready to handle the seasonal transition?

It's time to scrutinize what seeds you planted this spring and determine if they are working for your business. The effective strategies and successful campaigns of today can serve as guiding lanterns for the colder months. As you reflect, I urge you to consider doubling down on those approaches that have yielded the most positive outcomes. Let's welcome fall not just as a period of transition but as a reminder to our collective accomplishments from the seeds and efforts we planted this year.

The Chamber of Commerce remains your partner in this journey. Our local networking events and opportunities as well as our Leadership 360 program are tailored to support, enhance, and amplify your business pursuits. Embrace these avenues of harvest and let's together embrace what's about to be around the corner for all of us. winter.

Warm regards, Trent Scheidecker, DC, CFE



LEADERSHIP 360

This program provides a facilitated sounding board for a group of 10-12 non-competing business owners/top organization leaders to present timely issues on business decisions, HR-related challenges or personal management situations for structured group analysis and coaching. During the six months the group meets, each participant will present their biggest workforce challenge. Attendees will leave the meetings with applicable strategies to solve workplace issues.

Email laurie@woodburychamber.org for more information



NETWORKING EVENTS



Good Morning Woodbury

8:00-9:00 a.m. - Free to attend Thursday, September 7 Host & Location:

SpaceTurtle Construction
710 Commerce Drive., Suite 170



Business After Hours

4:00-6:00 p.m. - Free to attend **Tuesday, September 19**

Sponsor: Woodbury Options for

Women

Location: O'Malley's Irish Pub 1775 Radio Drive, Suite A



Chamber 101

9:00-10:00 a.m. - Free to attend **Tuesday, September 26**Sponsor: ChiroWay

Location: Chamber Conference Room 145, 700 Commerce Drive

HOST A NETWORKING EVENT IN 2024

BUSINESS NETWORKING LUNCH

Luncheons are held throughout the year from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Chamber member banquet facilities with presentations on a variety of topics. Sponsor has the opportunity to speak prior to the program and is allowed to place promotional items at each table showcasing their organization.

\$300 Sponsorship Fee

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

An evening networking event held on the third Tuesday of the month from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Sponsor hosts the event at a Chamber member restaurant with cash bar capabilities and provides appetizers. Sponsor has the opportunity to speak at the event and distribute promotional material.

\$200 Sponsorship Fee

EMAIL MICHELE@WOODBURYCHAMBER.ORG



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

BUSINESS NETWORKING LUNCHEON

The Talent Game Has Changed. How Will You?

September 21; 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

\$25 Members \$35 Nonmembers

Oak Marsh Golf Course 526 Inwood Ave., Oakdale, MN <u>Sign Up</u>

by September 15

We have entered a new era in the labor market and "the easy find" for high quality employees is a thing of the past. Competing for talent now requires businesses to operate at a different level-- re-thinking how you run your business, how you show up in the talent marketplace, and how you engage your people.

Speaker Steve Schad will discuss the current labor workforce and share tips for how small businesses can attract and retain the people they need to operate their businesses. According to Schad, the "nice to have" benefits of yesterday are now required in the workplace. Are you ready to change?



Steve Schad
President
Optimum HR
Solutions

SEEKING 2024 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING APPLICATIONS

Share your area of expertise with other chamber members at a business networking luncheon if the topic is applicable to a broad audience range OR to a smaller group at a lunch and learn if it is a niche topic. Presentations are provided gratis and not a time to sell your product or services.

Submission Criteria Information:

- 1. Explain in two-three concise paragraphs what your presentation will cover and why your topic would be of interest and a benefit to the chamber members.
 - 2. Include name, organization & contact information.

Email application to michele@woodburychamber.org Deadline: <u>September 30, 2023</u>



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.



ADVENT 8401 Seasons Parkway, Suite 300 Woodbury



D-BAT LAKE ELMO
11160 HUDSON BLVD., Suite 200
Lake Elmo



THE HOW COMPANIES, INC.
HOME OFFICE
Woodbury

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YOU'RE INVITED! SEPTEMBER RIBBON CUTTINGS

HELLMUTH & JOHNSON New Location

September 7, 2023 at 3pm 635 Bielenberg Drive Suite 200. Woodbury MN SPINE & SPORT
New Location
September 19, 2023 at 3pm

8360 City Centre Drive Suite 100, Woodbury BUEN CAMINO PROGRAM WOODBURY ENDOCRINOLOGY

September 26, 2023 at 3pm 539 Bielenberg Drive Suite 120, Woodbury



MEMBER NEWS



Windows of Woodbury: City Update

Leasing is underway on two new apartment complexes, which just wrapped up construction:

- Edison Apartments is located at the southwest corner of Hudson Road and Karen Drive. The project includes 174 apartment units and 30 rental townhome units.
- Orville Commons is an income-restricted affordable housing development located on Radio Drive, just south of Hargis Parkway. The project includes 211 apartment units and 24 townhome units, with a range of bedroom sizes including some three and four-bedroom units.

Edward Jones® Financial Advisor: Eric Rislove

MPGA Senior Public Links Golf Champion



Congratulations to Eric Rislove, Edwards Jones Investments, on winning his first Minnesota Public Golf Association Senior Public Links Championship.

Rislove finished with a score 71-72–143 (-1)

The 83rd annual tournament was held in July at Keller Golf Course, Maplewood.



We can do this together

Annual Fundraising Gala Thursday, October 26, 2023 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Lake Elmo Event Center

An exciting evening filled with inspiring messages, lively entertainment, attractive live and silent auction gifts, and opportunities to make a difference for others. Proceeds from the Gala will fund educational workshops, networking groups, recognition programs, and other targeted resources like a spring parents retreat for parents who face difficulties in their parenting journey.

\$100/person or \$1000/table of 8

Purchase online at familyachievementfoundation.org or email info@familyachieve.org.

S BIZRECYCLING | Waste Reduction + Innovation Grant

Get up to **\$50k** in grant dollars for **your business**.

September 13th Online Information Session. Sign Up at BizRecycling.com/InfoSession



MEMBER NEWS



Fall Volunteer Opportunities

Community on Tap Thursday, September 7, 2023

Community on Tap is a fun event that combines happy hour with volunteering! Assemble personal care kits, snack packs, kitchen kits, and dental kits to support local nonprofits. This family-friendly event will be held from 4:00-6:00pm at 3rd Act Brewery in Woodbury.

River Rally Saturday, September 9, 2023

Help support the preservation, protection, and appreciation of the St. Croix River with Community Thread's River Rally; an event engaging local volunteers who love the river, surrounding parks and paths and Brown's Creek Trail. Be part of an incredible day of service and keep our Valley clean and safe for all to enjoy!

More Information

Call Community Thread at 651-439-7434.



Congratulations on Two Association Awards!

Hiway Credit Union was honored with the 2023 Dora Maxwell Social Responsibility Community Service Award for their Black Police Officers Association – Backpacks and Barbers event and the 2023 Desjardins Youth Financial Education Award for their ongoing youth financial wellbeing partnership with St. Paul Schools.

These awards are sponsored by the Minnesota Credit Union Network (MnCUN) and the Credit Union National Association (CUNA).



Award-Winning Workplace

Congratulations to Woodburybased **Ideal Credit Union**, recently ranked in *Minneapolis -St. Paul Business Journal* Best Places to Work.

This is their first "Best Places to Work honor.



RENEWING MEMBERS

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

1-5 Year Members

Monda Goette Photography Member Since 2022

Woodbury Police K9 Fund Member Since 2022

Farrell's eXtreme Bodyshaping Member Since 2021

SoWashCo CARES Educational Foundation Member Since 2021

American Legion Woodbury Post 501

Member Since 2020

Millington Insurance Group Member Since 2020

Sparkle Plenty Professional Cleaners Member Since 2020

Birdi Golf Member Since 2019

Stillwater Area Public Schools Member Since 2019

Sylvan Learning Member Since 2019

DoubleTree by Hilton St. Paul East Member Since 2018

Landscapes Unlimited Member Since 2018

MN Spine and Sport Member Since 2018

6-10 Year Members

Woodbury Days Member Since 2017

Home to Sweet Home Member Since 2016

LaQuinta Inn & Suites Member Since 2016

Engraved Connections Member Since 2015

Family Achievement Center Member Since 2015

Greg Foote Jewelers Member Since 2015

Tamarack Tap Room Member Since 2015

Balloon Artistry by Mandana Member Since 2014

CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Region Member Since 2014

The Waters of Oakdale Member Since 2014

Big Frog Custom T-Shirts of Woodbury Member Since 2013

11-20 Year Members

Edward Jones-Eric Rislove Member Since 2012

Interior Impressions Member Since 2011

Minuteman Press Member Since 2011 11-20 Year Members

Weathersafe Restoration Member Since 2011

Woodbury Options for Women Member Since 2011

Paul Davis Restoration Member Since 2010

Keller Williams Premier Realty-Lisa Boe Member Since 2009

Sheraton St. Paul/Woodbury Hotel Member Since 2008

Williams Divorce & Family Law Member Since 2008

Rasmussen University Member Since 2007

ICC Restoration & Cleaning Services Member Since 2004

Primrose School of Woodbury Member Since 2003

20+ Year Members

Keys Cafe & Bakery Member Since 1996

Old National Bank Member Since 1996

The Oral Surgery Center Member Since 1990

Woodbury Senior Living Member Since 1990

Woodlane Flowers Member Since 1979

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce.

BANK CHEROKEE

(651) 291-6276 bankcherokee.com

BRIGHTPATH FINANCIAL

(651) 374-8590 brightpathfinancial.net

CANVAS COMMUNITIES

(651) 515-2700 canvasatwoodbury.com

CITY'S EDGE DENTAL CARE

(651) 377-1066 citysedgedentalcare.com

CREPE HOUSE & ICE CREAM INC.

(651) 414-1204 Crepehousewoodbury@gmail.com

ECOROOFING

(651) 797-8621 ecoroofingmn.com

MINNESOTA ATHLETIC CLUB

(612) 298-6527 mnathletic.club

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL

(651) 364-6700 twincitieseast.nm.com

SWEET MAGNOLIAS

(612) 386-2950 sweetmagnoliaswoodbury.com wbu.com/woodbury

THE AESTHETIC COLLECTIVE

(651) 760-7880 aestheticcollectivemn.com

THRIVENT-DERICK RITENOUR

(817) 673-3880 connect.thrivent.com/derickritenour

WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED

(651) 900-0652

WOODBURY CITY LIFESTYLE MAGAZINE

(612) 345-2565 citylifestyle.com/ Woodbury

YUM! KITCHEN & BAKERY

(952) 922-4000 yumkitchen.com



COMMUNITY NEWS



CHICK-FIL-A
SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Members Supporting SoWashCo CARES Education Foundation

Thank you to **Chick-fil-A** for sponsoring a "Back to School Supplies Drive" in your restaurant

Thank you to **North American Banking Company** for donating 100 backpacks and organizing a school supplies drive with donation boxes set up at your 6 Twin Cities branch locations.

Thank you to **Bridgeman's** for donating more than \$200 in gift cards for teacher appreciation.



NORTH AMERICAN
BANKING COMPANY
BACKPACK DONATION

If your business would like to contribute gift cards or nut-free packaged snacks, please drop off at the chamber office or bring to a chamber networking event!



FOR MORE INFORMATION CLICK HERE

Saturday, September 30, 2023 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. Ojibway Park, 2685 Ojibway Drive, Woodbury FREE To Attend!

One Woodbury is a new family-friendly community event celebrating the diverse people, perspectives, backgrounds and experiences in Woodbury. Ethnically diverse live entertainment, food trucks, artists, and vendors will be onsite throughout the day.

Community organizations and residents have joined forces to design and produce One Woodbury including the City of Woodbury, South Washington County Schools, Washington County, the Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce, the Woodbury Community Foundation and Woodbury YMCA.