

CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2024



CELEBRATING 15 YEARS!

Saturday, April 6, 2024

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

WOODBURY HIGH SCHOOL

A CAN'T MISS EVENT! NEW LOCATION!

EXPO includes more than 150 local business and organization booths evenly dispersed on two show floors. We are utilizing the main and varsity gyms at Woodbury High School. Interactive activities for all ages and entertainment stages will be located in both areas. Kid's area features bouncy house and face painting.

Food vendors will line the hallway connecting the two gymnasiums. An outdoor vehicle fair with police car, fire truck and construction equipment to explore will be located at event entrance.

LIMITED BOOTH SPACE REMAINS! Click Here!

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Platinum



Gold



Silver



Kid's Area



Main Stage



Dan Wright Agency



Community Stage



Show Floor



Vehicle Fair



Exhibitor



MEMBER BENEFITS:

- Auto-Renewable Dues Available; sign up now!
- Discounted EXPO Booth
- Attend Lunch & Learn Programs

BOARD CHAIR MESSAGE



Brandon Severson
Chamber Board Chair

Our Community Awards Gala triumphantly kicked off the year and the echoes of its success continue to resound two months later. Additionally, we recently hosted our inaugural Advocacy and Access series, focusing on the critical issue of Human Trafficking in Washington County. We eagerly anticipate your participation in forthcoming events as we strive to enrich our community with insights and resources from impactful leaders. Next on our agenda is the eagerly anticipated April 6th Woodbury Community EXPO – taking place at a new venue this year, Woodbury High School. This milestone event commemorates 15 years of harmonizing commerce and community, promising a delightful experience for families with a diverse array of activities all conveniently located under one roof.

A priority chamber initiative this year is amplifying member's voices and addressing your business needs. Your feedback is invaluable to us! Please take a moment to share your thoughts and concerns as business owners in today's dynamic environment. Whether its challenges you're facing or milestones you're celebrating, we're here to listen and support you. Please reach out to me at bseverson@blazecu.com or our dedicated Chamber staff at chamber@woodburychamber.org. We eagerly anticipate engaging in these conversations with you!

Chamber Partners with Charitable Organizations

The Chamber supports our nonprofit community by providing philanthropic opportunities to members. In 2023, we partnered with **SoWashCo CARES Foundation** whose mission includes providing students with basic needs and access to opportunities, staff appreciation and community building. Our partnership success highlights:

- **School Supply Drive** – 100+ backpacks, multiple bags/boxes of school supplies donated
- **Gift Card Drive** – \$540 in gift cards collected and donated for teacher/staff recognition
- **Snack Drive** – Collected 7 large boxes of snacks and \$30 in gift cards
- **Coat Drive** – Collected coats, hats & mittens at Chamber office donation site

Chamber's Charitable Partner for 2024 is Woodbury Options for Women, whose goal is to provide life-affirming resources to anyone facing an unexpected pregnancy or basic health choices surrounding sexual activity. A variety of resources for pregnant women are available including education, ultrasounds, OB, consulting and resources and baby supplies and service clients from pregnancy through their child's second birthday.

This partnership launches with a Diaper Drive! We will be collecting diapers of all sizes **through May 31** at our monthly networking events and the Chamber office will serve as a diaper drop off location. Diapers can also be dropped off at the Woodbury Options for Women office or ordered online at Target or Amazon for delivery.



amazon

SCAN TO ORDER
ONLINE WITH
AMAZON OR
TARGET



NETWORKING EVENTS



March Good Morning Woodbury

8:00-9:00 a.m. - Free to attend

Thursday, March 7

Associated Bank
1835 Radio Drive
Woodbury



March Business After Hours

4:00-6:00 p.m. - Free to attend

Tuesday, March 19

Sponsor: Woodbury Community
Foundation
Location: The Wick Pub & Grill
9555 Wedgewood Drive, Woodbury



Connect Group

New group forming now to start
in April! For an application, email
laurie@woodburychamber.org

LUNCH AND LEARN

Wellness at Work

March 27, 2024 Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Chamber Conference Room 145
700 Commerce Drive, Woodbury

FREE to Attend! Registration Required



Jillian Faber

Wellness at Work: A Blueprint for Health, Happiness, and High Performance!

Speaker Jillian Faber

Owner, Farrell's eXtreme Bodyshaping

Uncover the blueprint for cultivating workplace well-being, elevating happiness, and optimizing productivity. Immerse yourself in a transformative session led by a multi-unit fitness studio owner with a decade of experience helping people unlock their potential. Gain practical strategies for fostering mindfulness, promoting well-being, and creating a workplace culture that radiates health and positivity.

[Sign Up Today--Event is Free!](#)

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.



BERNICKE WEALTH MANAGEMENT
New Business

1625 Radio Drive, Suite 110
Photo Credit: Tom Dunn



WOODBURY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
New Indoor Facility

451 Commerce Drive, Suite 400
Photo Credit: Tom Dunn



BEBE ZITO ICE CREAM & BURGERS
New Business

9000 Hudson Road, Suite 615
Photo Credit: Alissa Coddington



YOU'RE INVITED! MARCH RIBBON CUTTING

BURN BOOT CAMP
New Business

March 14, 2024

11:30 a.m.

10150 Hudson Road, Suite 162
Woodbury

burn boot camp

2024 SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT



38th Annual

WOODBURY CHAMBER GOLF OUTING

PRESTWICK GOLF COURSE

MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024

10 A.M. - 7 P.M.

Early Registration Discount Ends May 9

\$190/Golfer or \$760/Foursome

\$350 Tee/Hole Sponsor

Register Now!

Support Education in Our Community

Proceeds fund higher education scholarships to graduating high school seniors from the Woodbury Area and donation to the YMCA's youth summer programs.

Fun Day of Golf and Networking

- 18 holes of golf and cart
- Course contests & hole sponsored games
- Swag bag with players card & drink ticket
- Box lunch and social hour taco bar
- Raffle and awards banquet

Sponsorships Available!

Business sponsorships available for lunch, social hour, party cart, tee/green and course contests ranging from \$1500 - \$350. [Click Here](#)



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MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations Members Serving on Professional Boards



Image360 Owner Gina Kazmerski

named to Alliance Franchise Brands Advisory Board for a second three-year term. Board members review and make recommendations on policies that affect hundreds of national sign and graphics businesses as well as review the impacts of technology on the latest industry trends.



Dr. Heather Horton, owner of Horton Orthodontics,

was installed for a one-year term as President of the Minnesota Association of Orthodontists at their state meeting in January. She has served on the board for more than 7 years in a variety of roles.

SPACETURTLE CONSTRUCTION

\$10,000 Donated to Woodbury Animal Humane Society



SpaceTurtle Construction recently made a donation of \$10,000 to the Woodbury Animal Humane Society. The business is committed to building beautiful homes for clients while also helping our furry friends to find homes of their own by donating a portion of their profits to the Animal Humane Society.

DEED Expense Reimbursement Funds Available

The Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) has an Employer Reasonable Accommodation Fund (ERAF) available for small to mid-sized Minnesota employers employing people with disabilities. The central fund allows employers to request reimbursement for expenses related to reasonable accommodation provisions for job applicants and employee hires with disabilities.

The ERAF's purpose is to encourage employment of people with disabilities by reducing any perceived or real financial barriers. **Funds are available through June 30, 2025.**

For more information, contact:
Ray McCoy
Eraf.deed@state.mn.us
651.539.2390

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RENEWING MEMBERS

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

1-5 Year Members

Market & Johnson
Member Since 2023

Essentials 4 Life, LLC Health and Wellness
Member Since 2022

Hellmuth & Johnson, PLLC
Member Since 2022

Dan Wright Insurance Agency - State Farm
Member Since 2022

D-Bat Lake Elmo
Member Since 2022

SPENGA Woodbury
Member Since 2022

Success Mortgage Partners Inc
Member Since 2022

A Smooth Move
Member Since 2020

Christie Denson Communications
Member Since 2020

Mindset Chiropractic
Member Since 2020

The Midwest Craft CBD Center of Woodbury : CBD+HEMP
Member Since 2019

6-10 Year Members

Scheel's Catering
Member Since 2015

Edward Jones - Jodi Hassing, Financial Advisor
Member Since 2015

St. Paul Development Corporation
Member Since 2014

11-20 Year Members

American Red Cross Blood Services
Member Since 2013

Angelina's Kitchen
Member Since 2013

Service Ideas, Inc.
Member Since 2013

Woodbury Spine Wellness Center
Member Since 2010

Eckberg Lammers, P.C.
Member Since 2009

Stenseth, Samuelson & Boese
Member Since 2005

20+ Year Members

Oak Marsh Golf Course
Member Since 2001

K & S Conservatory of Music
Member Since 1998

M & H Insurance Agency
Member Since 1994

Wulff Woodbury Funeral Home
Member Since 1991

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce.

BARK & BOND
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scott@barkandbondcc.com
barkandbondcc.com

CITIZENS AGAINST SEX TRAFFICKING (C.A.S.T.)
(651) 335-6921
info@castmn.org
castmn.org

GRAND EXTERIORS INC.
(763) 432-0826
casey@grandexteriorsinc.com
grandexteriorsinc.com

HEARTLAND
(612) 940-8965
theodore.pastoors@e-hps.com
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MOMENTOUS WEALTH ADVISORS
(651) 335-4457
brian@momentouswealthadvisors.com
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NORTHERN LIGHTS SENIOR TRANSITIONS
(612) 208-9270
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PHOENIX STRATEGIES
(619) 865-3395
reid.moehn@wsiworld.com

THE BRONZE HUSTLE
(928) 235-8177
info@bronzehustle.com
bronzehustle.com/

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION: APPLY BY APRIL 9

The Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce will award seven \$1,000 scholarships to 2024 high school graduates from the Woodbury area. One of the scholarships will be awarded to a student who is either employed or has a parent employed by a Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce business member. A second scholarship will be awarded to a student pursuing a certificate or two-year degree.

Criteria:

- Student must be a 2024 graduating high school senior who is either a resident of the Woodbury area or graduating from a Woodbury Area High School.
- Student must be pursuing post-secondary education for a certificate to four-year degree at an educational or vocational institution in the summer or fall of 2024.

How to Apply:

1. Answer the following essay questions (typed, single sided, no more than 500 words each):
 - (a) What have you done to improve your community (volunteer position, job, school)?
 - (b) What are your educational ambitions and how will your future lifestyle (vocation, community involvement, volunteer activities) improve the community in which you live?
2. Complete applicant information below and include this page with essay question responses.
3. Email, mail or deliver application materials to the Chamber Office by April 9, 2024:
WOODBURY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
700 Commerce Drive, Suite 285, Woodbury, MN 55125
michele@woodburychamber.org

Notification:

- Only students selected to receive the scholarships will be notified in early May. Recipients may be asked to volunteer at the June 3, 2024 Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament at Prestwick.
- Scholarship payment will be submitted directly to the educational institution. It is the recipient's responsibility to provide the chamber with name and address of the educational institution as well as proof of registration.

Applicant Information

Name _____ School _____
Home Address _____ Email _____
City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____
Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____
Name of Chamber Member Employer of Student/Parent if applicable _____
Higher Educational Institution Attending (if known) _____