

# **CHAMBER NEWSLETTER**

**NOVEMBER 2025** 

### Woodbury Mayor's Update Luncheon

November 13, 2025 11:30am - 1:00pm Central Park Woodlands Room 8595 Central Park Place Woodbury



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\$29 Members--Register by Nov. 5

Join us for this popular Chamber Business Networking Luncheon that is sure to sell out! Hear Mayor Anne Burt reflect on highlights of the year as well as share updates regarding the City Council's strategic initiatives, projects in the City and what's on the horizon in 2026.



Anne Burt was elected Woodbury's sixth mayor in 2018. Prior to taking office, Burt served on the City's Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission and 2040 Comprehensive Plan Task Force. She has worked for more than 35 years in water quality industry; focusing on technical consulting in the treatment of water used in various industries including drinking water, waste water, industrial water, and building water systems.

A Woodbury resident since 2004, Burt and her husband Jeff have three adult children. Burt is a co-chair of the Regional Council of Mayors, sits on the boards of the Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce & the Woodbury Community Foundation, is a Lions Club member and is active in her faith community. She enjoys engaging in activities and events in Woodbury and especially enjoys the city parks, trails, and tennis courts. Mayor Burt is always open to conversations with residents and businesses.

**Party Cart** 

**Board & Brush** 

### MEMBER BENEFITS

- Receive discounted pricing for an EXPO booth
- Tag the Chamber on social media posts to expand your audience
- Join a Connect Group to strengthen your network



# PRESIDENT MESSAGE



Autumn is in full force! This month marks my 8<sup>th</sup> year serving the chamber and I could not be more grateful for this team, our volunteers, partners and the members who make this community shine. In these 8 years, we have grown membership, increased our member programming and launched a foundation.

Our board of directors continues to raise the bar and lead us toward new heights. As we say farewell to three outstanding directors, Kim Quigley (Summit Orthopedics), Gina Kazmerski (Image 360), and Rob Raveling (Lake Elmo Bank), I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your years of leadership and commitment. Because of your efforts, we celebrate our highest membership to date. We are thrilled to welcome four new directors to the board in 2026. A warm welcome to Dr. Neli Augustson, Carrie Frost, Eric Rislove and Michael Wilhelmi. With this dynamic team, we look forward to an exciting 2026 as we grow the Woodbury Chamber Business Foundation and expand programming that helps our members connect, learn, and thrive.

Thank you for your membership with the Woodbury Chamber. We have a very special community of business owners who are always ready to lend a hand and lift another. Get involved and find out for yourself how we are positively impacting business in Woodbury and beyond.

#### **INTRODUCING 2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Executive Team**

Chair: Jillian Faber, Farrell's eXtreme Bodyshaping
First Vice Chair: Mary Ellen Reihsen, Hellmuth & Johnson
Second Vice Chair: Amber Bisek, Board & Brush
Treasurer: Brian King, Rock U Music School

Past Chair: Meggan Kerkenbush, Bridgeman's Ice Cream Parlor



Mission: Connecting businesses to strengthen community

Vision: To serve as the catalyst for a thriving economy and be the essential resource for businesses in the community

#### **Returning Directors**

Mayor Anne Burt, City of Woodbury Julie Nielson, SoWashCo School District Laura Scheidecker, Cardinal Remodeling Janelle Schmitz, City of Woodbury

#### **New Directors**

Neli Augustson, Woodbury Direct Primary Care Carrie Frost, BankCherokee Eric Rislove, Edward Jones Michael Wilhelmi, Xcel Energy



# **NETWORKING EVENTS**



#### **Good Morning Woodbury**

8:00-9:00 a.m. - Free to attend
Thursday, November 6
Host & Location:
Saint Therese of Woodbury
The Redwoods
4200 Benjamin Drive
Woodbury



#### **Business After Hours**

4:00-6:00 p.m. - Free to attend **Tuesday, November 18**Host & Location:

Portillo's Hotdogs

8450 Hudson Road

Woodbury



Lunch & Learn: MN Paid Family & Medical Leave Act
Attorney Mary Ellen Reihsen,
Hellmuth & Johnson
Monday, November 17; Noon
Chamber Conference Room 145
Event is full! Email
michele@woodburychamber. org
to be added to the wait list.

PLEASE BRING PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS TO NETWORKING EVENTS AND SUPPORT BASIC NEEDS, THE CHAMBER'S 2025 CHARITABLE PARTNER.



# FUNDRAISER AT PORTILLO'S NOVEMBER 20, 2025 5-8 PM 8450 HUDSON ROAD

Stop by Portillo's for dinner and mention the Woodbury Chamber Business Foundation at checkout; 20% of sales will be donated to the foundation! Order online or in app for pickup using code PORTILLOS50 in the "Coupon Code" field.

A new Chamber initiative, the business foundation is committed to building strong leaders and offering programs that enrich and energize our business community, including:

- Providing leadership programming
- ▼ Supporting educators
- Creating career pathways for students



# **CALL FOR COMMUNITY AWARD NOMINATIONS**

## **Application Deadline November 10, 2025**

### **CLICK HERE TO NOMINATE!**

Recipients will be celebrated at the Community Awards Gala on January 16, 2026

#### **Business of the Year**



Nominee must be a Chamber member and a business operating in the Woodbury area for at least 5 years. The business should exemplify leadership, community support, business success or economic growth.

Chamber Executive Committee members not eligible.

#### **Educator of the Year**



Nominee must be a licensed PK-12 teacher at a public or private school within the Woodbury area during the 24-25 school year. Nominee should demonstrate commitment to student success by inspiring students of all backgrounds and abilities to reach their full potential.

#### **Everyday Hero**



Nominee must be a Woodbury area resident and have shown compassion, generosity, or service in making a positive impact on others or the community in 2025. Chamber Executive Committee members are not eligible.

### Nonprofit of the Year



Nominee must be an active 501-C3 Chamber member organization located or operating in the Woodbury area for a minimum of 3 years. Organization should provide innovative services, meaningful contributions and make a positive impact in the community.

#### **Public Safety Worker of the Year**

Nominee must be employed as a public safety worker with the Woodbury area and been involved in an event or circumstance that displayed heroism, community service, ingenuity, bravery or dedication in 2025.









# **EVENTS**



#### **Tickets**

\$110 Individual Tickets \$800 Table of 8 December 11 Deadline Friday, January 16, 2026 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.

# WOODBURY CENTRAL PARK TODAY 8595 CENTRAL PARK PLACE

Join us as for a night of elegance and celebration as we honor our community award winners and toast to a successful year!

# **Sponsorships & Tickets Available!**

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Community

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Connecting Commerce
to Community

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Saturday, March 28, 2026

10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m.

# M HEALTH FAIRVIEW SPORTS CENTER 4125 RADIO DRIVE

## **Booth Sales & Sponsorships Now Open!**

#### **Purchase a Booth!**

Chamber members receive discounted rates plus early registration pricing rates if booked by January 9:

Single Booth Member: \$395 Civic Nonprofit Booth Member: \$265 Food Booth Member: \$300

### **Sponsor the Event!**

A variety of sponsorships are available ranging from \$1,000 - \$3,000 and many include a booth. See options on newsletter flyer.



lwards Gala January 16, 2026 PRESENTING SPONSOR DIAMOND SPONSOR \$5,000 \$3,000 EXCLUSIVE **EXCLUSIVE**  Table of 8 (Preferred Seating) & two bottles of wine on table "Presenting Sponsor" recognition on all event material and signage Premium table 80 II pl Logo on Event Signage bottles of wine on table Provide "Welcome Toast" to kick off event Er cee ecogni io i Trove no it the evening Logo in Newsletter, Awards Video Opportunity to address the audiouse & introduction of a puc half ridea. It is not promovideo played during event (sponsor provided) Presentation & Gala Program

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• Logo on Chamber & Silent Auction Website Emcee recognition throughout the evening One eblast to member hip promoting one feature of your business (spour provides) Recognized in event video credits Logo in No sentation & Gala Program Gala Program
Featured Social Media post Logo on Chamber & Silent Auction Website ENTERTAINMENT SPONSOR SOCIAL HOUR SPONSOR \$2,500 \$2.500 EXCLUSIVE EXCLUSIVE · 6 Gala Tickets (Preferred Seating) & one 4 Gala Tickets (Preferred Seating) Signature Dirkhaming rights bottle of wine on table · Logo on Event Signage & displayed at Logo on cocktail napkins Signage a le parret ME Social Media recognition entertainment area Emcee recognition Logo on Chamber & Silent-Auction Website Logo in Newsletter & Gala program Social Media recognition · Logo on Chamber & Silent Auction Website · Logo in Newsletter & Gala program **PLATINUM** GOLD SILVER \$1,000 \$750 \$500 **SPONSOR SPONSOR SPONSOR** · 2 Gala Tickets (Reserved Seating) 2 Gala Tickets · Logo on Chamber Website · Logo on Event Signage · Logo on Chamber Website · Logo in Newsletter & Gala · Logo on Chamber Website Logo in Newsletter & Gala program · Logo in Newsletter & Gala program program REGISTER AT WOODBURYCHAMBER.ORG





SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026 10:00AM - 3:00PM M HEALTH FAIRVIEW SPORTS CENTER **4125 RADIO DRIVE** 

### PLATINUM

## \$5000 **EXCLUSIVE**

- Triple Booth (30' x 10') with Priority Placement, Electricity & Sponsor spage
- · First right of refusal next year
- Logo in Digital Disulay AdsSponsor Message delivered by

Entrance (sponsor provided)

· Logo inclusion in Marketing Materials: Exclusive Social Media Promotion, Newsletter, EXPO Poster, EXPO Guide

### GOLD

## \$3000 UNLIMITED

- Single Booth (10' x 10') with Sponsor Signage
- Priority Booth Placement
- Sponsor interview on stage
- One stand-alone retractable banner placed on EXPO show floor (sponsor provided)
- Logo inclusion in Marketing Materials: Newsletter, EXPO Poster, EXPO Guide

### SILVER

### \$2000 UNLIMITED

- Single Booth (10' x 10') with Sponsor Signage
- Priority Booth Placement
- Logo inclusion in Marketing Materials
- Logo inclusion in Marketing Materials: Newsletter, EXPO Poster, EXPO Guide

## KID'S AREA

# \$2200

#### 5 ABAKLABLE

- Single Booth (10' x 10') with Sponsor Signage
- · Booth Placement adjacent to a Chamber coordinated kid's activity
- First right of refusal next year
- · Logo inclusion in Marketing Materials: Newsletter, EXPO Poster, EXPO Guide

### ENTERTAINMENT

# \$1800

#### 2 AVAILABLE

- Single Booth (10' x 10') with logo on Entertainment Schedule Signage & Booth Placement near stage
- Stand-alone retractable banner on stage
- First right of refusal next year
- Logo inclusion in Marketing Materials: Newsletter, EXPO Poster, EXPO Guide

### **KEY AREA**

## \$1000

#### 1 OF 3 AREAS: VEHICLE FAIR. COMMUNITY STAGE OR SHOW FLOOR

- Single Booth (10' x 10') with Sponsor Signage
- First right of refusal next year
- · Logo inclusion in Marketing Materials: Newsletter, EXPO Poster, EXPO Guide

#### SHOW FLOOR SOLD

Beyond The Pines Tax & Accounting

JOIN US FOR THE LARGEST COMMUNITY TRADESHOW IN THE EAST METRO!

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# 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.



Fyzical Therapy & Balance Center
New Owners

670 Commerce Drive, Suite 130, Woodbury



Petal + Stem Aesthetic & Longevity
New Business

796 Bielenberg Drive, Suite 102, Woodbury



Homewatch CareGivers of East St. Paul New Business

8519 Eagle Point Blvd., Suite 175, Lake Elmo



Studio Pilates Woodbury
New Business
1605 Queens Drive, Suite 102, Woodbury

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# YOU'RE INVITED! NOVEMBER RIBBON CUTTINGS

#### **CENTRAL PARK**

Re-grand Opening November 2, 2025 11:30am 8595 Central Park Place Woodbury

#### **TESLA**

New Business
November 4, 2025
11:00am
9800 Hudson Blvd.
Lake Flmo

# MSP PLUMBING HEATING & AIR

New Location November 6, 2025 3:00pm 2415 Ventura Drive Woodbury

#### **HEYDAY**

New Owner
November 18, 2025
3:00pm
7030 Valley Creek Plaza
Woodbury



# **MEMBER NEWS**



#### **New Businesses Now Open!**

- Hangry Joe's Hot Chicken & Wings (1960 Donegal Drive) is known for their authentic Nashville Hot Chicken.
- Honey Baked Ham (779 Bielenberg Drive) store offers their signature glazed hams, sandwiches and side dishes, making it convenient for holidays and other occasions.
- Topgolf Woodbury (560 Bielenberg Drive) features 102 outdoor climate-controlled hitting bays spanning three levels, as well as a full-service sports bar and restaurant, private event space and rooftop terrace.
- Central Park (8595 Central Park Place) held its Grand Reopening Celebration on November 2<sup>nd</sup> with family-friendly activities, live entertainment, and the opportunity to explore newly renovated spaces, including Lookout Ridge Indoor Playground and expanded public gathering spaces.



# Named a 2025 Outstanding Disability Employer

The award was given by the Minnesota Organization for Habilitation and Rehabilitation and honors companies that go above and beyond to support employees with disabilities, allowing them to thrive in the workforce.



### Attorney Mary Ellen Reihsen Published Article on MN Paid Family & Medical Leave Act

The first article in a three-part Employer Advisory
Series focusing on
understanding employer
obligations under the
Minnesota Paid Family and
Medical Leave Act is
available to read at
<a href="https://bit.ly/3W5R9zi">https://bit.ly/3W5R9zi</a>.



### Pasta For A Purpose! Fundraising Celebration

November 5, 2025 4:30pm Tinucci's

Enjoy an Evening Featuring:

- A delicious Italian buffet
- Silent auction with exciting items and experiences
- Thrift jewelry pop-up shop with unique finds
- Lively company and community spirit
- Share a meal, share your heart. Get your tickets today!

\$20 for Adults \$5 for Children (ages 3-13)

Click link to purchase tickets <a href="https://givebutter.com/2025pasta">https://givebutter.com/2025pasta</a>

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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

Mainstream Boutique Woodbury Member Since 2024

**HEYDAY Woodbury** Member Since 2023

Thompson Thrift-Meridian at CityPlace Member Since 2023

TitleSmart Inc. Member Since 2023

Central Bark Member Since 2022

Feuerhelm Langer & Ruza Member Since 2022

Muir Investment Holdings Member Since 2022

Bridgeman's Ice Cream Parlor Member Since 2021

Resilient PT and Performance Member Since 2021

Justin Films Member Since 2020 6-10 Year Members

Dance and Entertainment Studios Member Since 2018

Hometown Senior Living Member Since 2018

Hospice of the Midwest Member Since 2018

The Legends of Woodbury Senior Apartments Member Since 2018

Rapp Strategies Member Since 2018

**Premier Banks Woodbury** Member Since 2017

The Myers- Thrivent Member Since 2017

APG of East Central Minnesota Member Since 2015

**Kraus-Anderson Realty** Company Member Since 2015

11-20 Year Members

Wings Credit Union Member Since 2014

Jersey Mike's Subs Member Since 2013

20+ Year Members

Ideal Credit Union Member Since 2001

# NEW MEMBERS Welcome to the Woodbury Area Chamber of Commerce.

**ACCURATE ACCOUNTING & TAX** SERVICES, PLLC

accurateaccountingtax.com

**BEYOND THE PINES TAX AND ACCOUNTING LLC** 

beyondthepinestax.com

**COLONIAL LIFE** 

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**LKPM EVENTS** 

Ikpmevents.com/

NEIGHBORS, INC. neighborsmn.org

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WOODBURY LEADERSHIP **ACADEMY** wlamn.org