

# CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2025

## SEPTEMBER BUSINESS NETWORKING LUNCHEON

### Safeguarding Your Business: Essential Cyber and Physical Security Strategies

September 24, 2025

11:30am-1:00pm

Oak Marsh Golf Course

526 Inwood Ave., Oakdale

[REGISTER TODAY](#)

\$29 Members/\$39 Nonmembers

Register by Sept. 16

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Today's businesses are under siege—from cyberattacks and insider threats to data breaches, reputational damage and physical security risks—any one of which can trigger devastating losses. In this presentation, retired U.S. Secret Service Senior Special Agent Mike Olson outlines the key concerns for businesses and offers practical guidance on how to address security and safety issues.

Discover the latest trends in cyber and physical crimes targeting businesses—and learn how to stop them, prepare when you can't, and strike back with a solid incident response plan. While no security strategy is foolproof, Mike emphasizes the importance of understanding the "left of boom" and "right of boom" stages in a security incident and applying the right combination of administrative, technical, and physical controls that align with your organization's needs



Mike Olson is a retired U.S. Secret Service Senior Special Agent. He led the Minnesota Financial and Electronic Crimes Task Force before concluding his distinguished career. Mike also served with the St. Paul Police Department and held multiple roles in the private security sector. Throughout his career, Mike focused on identifying, tracking, and investigating major transnational organized crime groups involved in a variety of fraud and financial crimes. His mission today is to help others protect themselves from becoming victims.

## MEMBER BENEFITS

- Post Events and Hot Deals on Chamber Website
- Enhance Your Online Membership Directory Personal Business Page
- Connect with Local Business Owners at Networking Events

# CHAMBER PRESIDENT MESSAGE



Laurie Staiger, IOM  
Chamber President

Leadership can look different for everyone - whether it's raising a family with integrity, standing up for what's right, volunteering for a cause you believe in, or serving on a board of directors. Each path provides an opportunity to use your gifts and talents while growing as a leader.

We are grateful for the dedicated business leaders who have guided our Chamber work over the years. Our board represents a variety of industries, experiences, and perspectives - all working together to strengthen our professional community. If you'd like to learn more about board service and how you can make an impact while developing your leadership skills, let's connect.

Looking ahead, we're excited to share that the newly launched **Woodbury Chamber Business Foundation** will focus on building leadership opportunities for business owners, educators, and students through new programs such as internships, externships, and more. This is just the beginning—stay tuned or consider joining the board to help shape what's ahead!

## SAVE THE DATE!

Woodbury Community EXPO

March 28, 2026, 10am-3pm, M Health Fairview Sports Center



**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

## Seeking Board of Director Nominations

Help shape the Chamber's future and support the local business community by serving on the Chamber's Board of Directors. Three board positions are available starting January 2026 for a three-year term. Open to Chamber members in good standing. Application deadline is September 26.

Email [laurie@woodburychamber.org](mailto:laurie@woodburychamber.org) for more information.

# NETWORKING EVENTS



## Sept. Good Morning Woodbury

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

**Thursday, September 4**

Host & Location:

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7779 Afton Road, Woodbury

## Sept. Business After Hours

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

**Tuesday, September 16**

Sponsor: Engraved Connections

Location: Portillo's

8450 Hudson Road, Woodbury

## Fall Connect Groups Forming Now

**Young Professionals**

October 9; 8am

**Women in Business**

October 14; 8am

Email for application form:

[laurie@woodburychamber.org](mailto:laurie@woodburychamber.org)



## HOST A NETWORKING EVENT IN 2026 SPONSORSHIPS FILL FAST!

[EMAIL MICHELE@WOODBURYCHAMBER.ORG](mailto:MICHELE@WOODBURYCHAMBER.ORG)

### GOOD MORNING WOODBURY

A morning networking event held on the first Thursday of the month from 8:00-9:00 a.m. As a sponsor, you'll host the event at your business and provide coffee, juice and light breakfast fare.

Increase your visibility, showcase your business and distribute promotional materials!

\$225 Sponsorship Fee + Breakfast Fare

### BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

An evening networking event held on the third Tuesday of the month from 4:00-6:00 p.m. As a sponsor, you'll host the event at a Chamber member venue with cash bar capabilities and provide the appetizers.

Enhance your presence in the business community! Speak at the event and distribute promotional material.

\$200 Sponsorship Fee + Appetizers

# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

## SEEKING 2026 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING APPLICATIONS

Showcase your area of expertise by presenting at a Chamber Lunch & Learn! This is a fantastic opportunity to share valuable insights with our Chamber members in a small setting. Presentations are provided at no cost, and the focus is on delivering educational content, not selling products 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 chamber members.
2. Include name, organization & contact information.

Email application to [michele@woodburychamber.org](mailto:michele@woodburychamber.org)  
Deadline: **September 30, 2025**

## LUNCH & LEARN

### NAVIGATING SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH INSURANCE

September 9, 2025 Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Chamber Conference Room 145

700 Commerce Drive, Woodbury

**REGISTER TODAY**

**FREE TO ATTEND**

Join us for an informative healthcare seminar regarding Health Reimbursement Arrangements (HRAs) and why they are becoming an increasingly smart solution for small employers looking to offer competitive benefits. Hear the basics: what is an HRA, how does it stack up against traditional group health insurance and how can you create value for your business. With healthcare costs rising and flexibility becoming more critical than ever, this session will help you explore a modern benefits approach tailored for today's small business needs.



The session will be led by Jake Silverman, VP of Operations at Benafica, who brings over 15 years of experience in health and benefits administration, including deep expertise in HRAs and the unique challenges small employers face. Benafica is proud to introduce QuickSEHRA, a streamlined, self-service solution designed specifically for qualified small employers. QuickSEHRA combines fast and easy setup with the power of a proven administration platform and dedicated client support team.



# 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.



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## YOU'RE INVITED! SEPTEMBER RIBBON CUTTINGS

**Casa de Corazon**  
**New Business**

**September 4, 2025**

**3:00 p.m.**

7805 Hudson Road  
Suite 100  
Woodbury

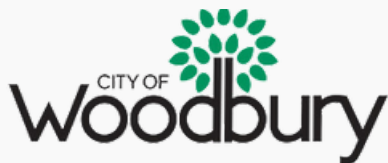
**Eckberg Lammers**  
**New Oakdale Location**

**September 23, 2025**

**3:00 p.m.**

7815 3<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Suite 203  
Oakdale

# MEMBER NEWS



- The new Washington County Central Service Center, 1261 Woodlane Drive, opened August 25 and is located across from the new Gold Line park and ride ramp.
- Central Park will reopen for public access on October 1. Finishing touches on the \$40 million renovation are being completed to the new and refreshed space. Reservations are now being taken for parties, weddings, business meetings and other gatherings.



**Congratulations Woodbury  
Mayor Anne Burt!**

*The League of Minnesota Cities  
2025 Emerging Leader Recipient*



## **Members Helping Members!**

### **Open Cupboard Awarded \$10,000 Grant Through CorTrust Partnership**

CorTrust Bank, in partnership with Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, awarded Open Cupboard a \$10,000 grant. The funds will help Open Cupboard provide fresh and healthy food to more than 6,500 households each week.



A Division of Innovative  
Blood Resources

### **LIFESAVING DONATIONS URGENTLY NEEDED!**

Minnesota Blood Supply has hit dangerously low levels. Donors can visit [mbc.org](http://mbc.org) or call 1-888-GIVE-BLD to make an appointment.



### **Annual Leadership Breakfast September 17; 8:00-9:30 a.m. JX Venue; 123 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Stillwater**

Be part of one of the most energizing mornings of the year! Join fellow business and community leaders from across the county for a morning filled with connection, collaboration, and inspiration. Last year, more than 200 local changemakers gathered to celebrate the power of coming together – this year promises even greater energy, engagement, and opportunity.

This is your chance to be in the room where community impact happens! Sponsorships and individual tickets are now available.

Contact Kelly Stenerson at [Kelly.stenerson@uwwce.org](mailto:Kelly.stenerson@uwwce.org)

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# RENEWING MEMBERS

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

## 1-5 Year Members

American Cancer Society  
Member Since 2024

Backyard Canvas MN  
Member Since 2024

Coldwell Banker Realty  
Member Since 2024

Copywriting For You Corporation  
Member Since 2024

Floor Coverings International  
Member Since 2024

Krumm Exteriors  
Member Since 2024

Miroslavich Law  
Member Since 2024

Northern Lights Senior Transitions  
Member Since 2024

Oasis Chiropractic & Wellness Center  
Member Since 2024

Shoot 360 Woodbury  
Member Since 2024

Timothy Brewington II  
Member Since 2024

Woodbury News Net  
Member Since 2024

ZenBusiness  
Member Since 2024

ADVENT  
Member Since 2023

Associated Healthcare Credit Union  
Member Since 2023

Bank Cherokee  
Member Since 2023

BrightPath Financial, LLC  
Member Since 2023

Grace Hospice  
Member Since 2023

Sweet Magnolias  
Member Since 2023

Wild Birds Unlimited  
Member Since 2023

yum! Kitchen and Bakery  
Member Since 2023

Angela Riniker - Berkshire Hathaway  
Member Since 2022

## 1-5 Year Members

Hazelwood Food & Drink  
Member Since 2022

Northwestern Mutual  
Member Since 2022

Signature Salon of Woodbury  
Member Since 2022

Chick-fil-A Woodbury  
Member Since 2021

Farrell's eXtreme Bodyshaping  
Member Since 2021

Twin Cities Pain Clinic  
Member Since 2021

Alma Flor Ada  
Member Since 2020

American Legion Woodbury Post 501  
Member Since 2020

Machete Cocina Mexicana  
Member Since 2020

## 6-10 Year Members

Basic Needs Inc.  
Member Since 2019

Benafica, LLC  
Member Since 2019

Stillwater Area Public Schools  
Member Since 2019

Twin Cities Oral Surgery  
Member Since 2019

DoubleTree by Hilton St. Paul East  
Member Since 2018

Green Oasis  
Member Since 2018

Landscapes Unlimited  
Member Since 2018

MN Spine & Sport  
Member Since 2018

The Goddard School  
Member Since 2018

Anderson Heating  
Member Since 2017

Woodbury Days Council  
Member Since 2017

Associated Eye Care  
Member Since 2016

Culver's of Woodbury  
Member Since 2016

## 6-10 Year Members

Greg Foote Jewelers  
Member Since 2015

Jerry's Foods  
Member Since 2015

Lake Elmo Inn Event Center  
Member Since 2015

Tamarack Tap Room  
Member Since 2015

## 11-20 Year Members

Balloon Artistry by Mandana  
Member Since 2014

CenterPoint Energy Minnesota  
Member Since 2014

Impression Signs and Graphics  
Member Since 2013

Coordinated Business Systems  
Member Since 2012

Interior Impressions  
Member Since 2011

Summit Orthopedics  
Member Since 2010

Woodbury Cafe  
Member Since 2009

Williams Divorce & Family Law  
Member Since 2008

Ispiri, LLC  
Member Since 2007

MSP Commercial  
Member Since 2007

**20+ Year Members**

Lake Elmo Bank  
Member Since 2003

Express Employment Professionals  
Member Since 2001

Oak Meadows Senior Living  
Member Since 2001

Pioneer Press/TwinCities.com  
Member Since 1998

O'Rourke Media Group  
Member Since 1991

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!

BALANCE FINANCIAL & ACCOUNTING

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VICTORIA'S CATERING & EVENTS



# KICKBALL TOURNAMENT



**M HEALTH FAIRVIEW SPORTS CENTER**

FIELDS 10-13  
4125 RADIO DRIVE

**Cheer on the Teams!**

**7th Annual Kickball Tournament!**

Friday, September 12, 2025

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**Grab Lunch**

Food Trucks --11:00 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.

Join us for a fun day of community spirit as 10 chamber member teams compete for first place bragging rights in this year's sold-out Kickball Tournament! Support our business community while cheering on your favorite team.

Come hungry and enjoy delicious food from two local food trucks. JuneBug will be offering a taste of Southern flare and D's Kitchen will serve Vietnamese food including egg rolls, chicken wings, wontons, stir fried noodles and beverages.

## CHARITABLE GIVING OPPORTUNITY!

Support Basic Needs, the Chamber's 2025 Charitable Partner, by donating socks and hygiene essentials — deodorant, soap, shampoo, feminine care items. Basic Needs will be at the tournament with a tent set up to collect donations.

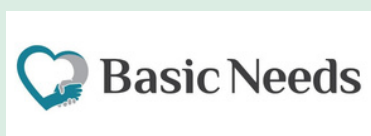
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## BASE RUN SPONSORS




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**TINUCCI'S RESTAURANT**  
**NOVEMBER 5<sup>th</sup> | 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM**  
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TICKETS 



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