



# Monthly Newsletter

[www.ChisagoLakesChamber.com](http://www.ChisagoLakesChamber.com)

August 2015

Serving the communities of Chisago City, Lindstrom, Center City, Shafer and Taylors Falls

## Upcoming Meetings & Events

- August 12: **Board Meeting 8:00am**  
Chamber Office & Information Center  
30525 Linden Street, Lindstrom
- August 13: **Chamber Member Picnic Lunch**  
Time: 11:30am  
Topic: 'Your Favorite 'Side' of Summer'  
Connect and 'Ketchup' at this Networking Picnic  
Location: **Chisago Lakes Chamber**  
30525 Linden Street, Lindstrom

## Welcome New Member!

***Jim's Mini Donuts***  
Center City 612-578-3013

## KI CHI SAGA DAYS AUGUST 20-23

### Come Help Us Celebrate the City of Chisago City!

Celebrate Ki Chi Saga Days with family and friends. Majority of events will be held in Moberg Park, but expands throughout the community. Enjoy music all day on Saturday and Sunday with a great craft fair and food vendors, family movie night, parade, car show, Frankie's fishing tournament, and much more. Come join us this summer for another fabulous community get together. More details at [www.ci.chisago.mn.us](http://www.ci.chisago.mn.us).

Ki Chi Saga Day Buttons available at area businesses.

## NORTHWOODS ROASTERIE



12710 N. First Ave, Lindstrom

### Coffee and Pie Night

Every Friday Night! 5-9pm

Come enjoy coffee and fresh baked pies!



[www.NorthwoodsRoasterie.com](http://www.NorthwoodsRoasterie.com)

651-257-5240

# August

## What's Happening This Month

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| July 30 –Aug. 2 | Center City Days                        |
| August 1        | HazelFest                               |
| August 4        | Night to Unite – Chisago City/Lindstrom |
| August 4        | National Night Out – Taylors Falls      |
| August 5        | Harmony in the Park - Lindstrom         |
| August 5-9      | Picket Fence Gals Sale                  |
| August 7-9      | Almelund Threshing Show                 |
| August 8        | Wine & Cheese Cruise                    |
| August 9        | Song Circle – Festival Theatre          |
| August 9        | Sportsmen's Club Picnic                 |
| August 9        | Jim Trudeau Memorial Classic - LAYSB    |
| August 10-20    | Bag Sale – Recycled Wardrobes           |
| August 10 & 11  | Small Green Frog Camp – Gammelgarden    |
| August 11       | Back to school doTERRA Oils Class       |
| August 12       | One Act Plays – Festival Theatre        |
| August 12       | Harmony in the Park - Lindstrom         |
| August 15       | Run with Ranger 5K - LAYSB              |
| August 15       | Spelmänstamma - Gammelgarden            |
| August 15-16    | Rhubarb Frenzy/Anniversary – WineHaven  |
| August 20-23    | Ki Chi Saga Days                        |
| August 21-22    | Meet the potters – Alan Honn Glass      |
| August 22       | 5-15K Run/Walk – Family Pathways        |
| August 22       | Wine & Chocolate Cruise                 |
| August 27       | Chamber Community Golf Tournament       |

### 2015 Board of Directors

#### Officers:

President: John Renaker, Northwoods Roasterie  
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A Note from the  
Chamber Board:

**John Renaker**

Well the summer is in full swing and we are past Karl Oskar Days, Center City Days has just finished, we've had another great Triathlon, and Ki Chi Saga Days is on the way. In the 14 years I have been a part of this community this has been one of the nicest summers I have had. Great things are happening. The FutureWalk is continuing on and we have listened to over 500 people and their stories of the area. We have people with great ideas and who come from diverse back grounds which give us some great data on where we should be going into the future. The Chisago Lakes Community Foundation has done another great promotion of our area by placing the Swedish Barn Quilts throughout the Highway 8 corridor. We have been selected as one of the top 50 Communities in the America's Best Communities Contest and are working to create a strategic plan to make the next step in our quest for a \$3 Million dollar grant to improve and uplift our area.

We have many things to be grateful for.

As we look toward Fall, may we remember all of our neighbors and be thankful that we have each other,

because that is what makes us one of America's Best communities.

Loving being a part of this community.

John Renaker

President Chisago Lake Chamber

### **ALAN HONN GLASS SHOWROOM**

321 Summit Ave, Center City

[AlanHonnGlass.com](http://AlanHonnGlass.com) 612-242-4998



Alan Honn Showroom is now open through December 2015 featuring Al's entire inventory of hand-blown glass with selected quality goods from local makers. The artist is also the proprietor of Al's Center Saloon - where it's all about the burgers - located right next door.

#### **Pottery and Glass Just Go Together!**

Friday-Saturday, August 21-22

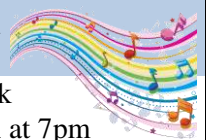
Meet neighborhood potters, Guillermo Cuellar and Peter Jadoonath on Friday from 6-8pm and enjoy Rockin' Blues from Mary Cutrufello following at Al's Center Saloon.

Hours: Fridays 3-8pm  
most Saturdays 10am-3pm or by appointment.

## *Quote for the Month*

"Succeeding in business is all about making connections." ~ Richard Branson ~

### **2015 Harmony in the Park**



Concerts are *Free* and are held in Lions Park next to Lindstrom City Hall. Concerts begin at 7pm with 'Special Events' beginning earlier.

August 5 Lion's Corn Feed, Art Fair &  
'Special Consensus' (*John Denver & Blue Grass*)  
August 12 Faith community Night &  
Boiling Point (*Praise Music*)

Bring your lawn chairs, friends and family for a great evening of fun. In case of inclement weather concerts will be held inside the Lindstrom Community Center.

If you have information you would like in the monthly newsletter or weekly newflash, email us at [clacc@frontiernet.net](mailto:clacc@frontiernet.net). Deadline for inclusion is:

**Newflash – Week Prior of Event/Special**

**Newsletter – 20<sup>th</sup> of the Month Prior**

## July 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting Highlights

### Secretary's Report:

June minutes reviewed, one change made; report accepted.

### Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report reviewed and accepted.

### Committee Reports:

- **FutureWalk**

Almost 500 listeners as visits continue to various groups.

- **Golf Tournament**

Tournament date is August 27 with the Chisago Lakes Area Community Foundation being this year's Community Partner. Sponsorships and Team registration are coming in.

- **Triathlon**

Volunteers still needed and are being placed in the various position needed for the Triathlon.

### New Business:

- **Chamber Mission Statement**

Discussion on what the mission statement means and to be purposeful in fulfilling it through community involvement and our Chamber events.

- **August Luncheon –**

August luncheon, scheduled at Wild Mountain with the Falls Chamber, has been moved to September. August will be at the Chamber with a picnic networking luncheon.

### Old Business:

- **ABC Grant** – Facebook postings are encouraged to include #ABC50, #ChisagoLakes or #ABCPride.

### Executive Director's Report:

Have New Member sign. Working on being more visible on social media and continuing our visibility in the community.

### **JETPACK MIDWEST**

12565 Lake Blvd, Lindstrom

651-538-0012

www.JetPackMidwest.com

Wednesday – Sunday 10am-8pm



As the heat rises, so do you! All these high temperatures make it perfect flying weather! Feel the wind through your hair and the water splash beneath you. Business owners and Chamber Members can come fly 2 for the price of 1 from now until August 15th!

### **BACHMAN'S PHOTOGRAPHY**

13000 Sylvan Ave, Lindstrom

651-257-9380 www.BachmansPhotography.com

**2016 Grads!**

**August Only Digital Special**

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|---------------------|-------------|
| ❖ 2 Outfits         | ❖ 20 Proofs |
| ❖ 20 Digital Images | ❖ \$200.00  |



## doTERRA Essential Oils

**'BACK TO SCHOOL HEALTHY**

**WITH ESSENTIAL OILS'**

**Tuesday, August 11 6:30pm**

When the kids go back to school, the fall flu season can hit hard. Learn how you can avoid illness in your family this year, with the natural protection of doTERRA Essential Oils and products to avoid viruses and bacteria and keep our children healthy. For more information call Trudy at 651-491-0962. Class is free and is held at the Chamber office 30525 Linden St, Lindstrom.

### **CHISAGO LAKES SPORTSMEN'S CLUB** **60<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PICNIC**



Sunday, August 9 11:00 am-5:30 pm

Public is invited-Free Admission

Trap Shooting • Turkey Spatter Board • Horseshoes  
Volleyball • Kids Games • Bingo • Games all Day  
Turtle Races • Door Prizes • Free Coffee  
Food Refreshments Available for purchase

Kids 14 & under receive a free ticket when they arrive. Drawings will be every 20 minutes. A Grand Prize drawing for one Girls' bike and one Boys' bike.

Located between Chisago City & Lindstrom  
Lake Lane-Hwy 8 Frontage Road



**RECYCLED WARDROBES**  
30365 Neal Ave, Lindstrom 651-257-8133  
6419 Main, North Branch 651-674-7700

**Annual \$10 Bag Sale**  
**August 10-20**

Ladies and Kids Fashion & Shoes!  
Some exclusions apply.

 Like us on Facebook!  
Facebook.com/RecycledWardrobes

## July Luncheon Meeting



**Panola Valley Gardens**

**Swedish Film Crew**

July's Chamber luncheon was held at beautiful **Panola Valley Gardens**. Thank you to **Gary and Mary Norton** for providing a great lunch and breathtaking backdrop!

Chamber Announcements: **Chisago Lakes Triathlon** will be held July 25 & 26 and is now the Toughman MN event which is a qualifying event for the finals in New York. We coordinate over 200 volunteers and are still looking to fill positions. Looking for athlete goody bag items, a great way to promote your business. Items needed at the Chamber office by Friday, July 17. The **Chamber Community Golf Tournament** will be Thursday, August 27. Team Registration and Sponsorship Forms are out.

Member Announcements: **Daniel Gerdes-Chisago City Farmers Market** announced the SNAP outreach and acceptance at the market. **Loretta Anderson** promoted **Hazelden Betty Ford's** upcoming Hazelfest on August 1. **Erin Thorvaldson** with **Generations Real Estate Group** announced two events: Center City Day on July 31-August 2 and their Cookies and Canvas event. **Deanna Nelson** announced the events that **SCRMC** is hosting during Karl Oskar Days. **Brenda Birk** from **Wally Carlson's BP** was excited to announce their new car wash is now open and gave out coupons. **Matt Howard** with **LAYSB** promoted their TASTE! Event.

Guest speaker was **Bill Colman** from **Community Technology Advisors**. **Bill** is instrumental in helping the Chisago Lakes Area secure the quarter finalist position in the **America's Best Communities (ABC)** competition. He explained what the ABC Grant is, what we are accomplishing right now and the steps we are taking to advance to the next level and ultimately the \$3 million dollar 1<sup>st</sup> Place Prize. Out of the initial Steering Committee, four subcommittees have been created. These committees have been meeting regularly to come up and put into place a strategic plan on how to enhance the Chisago Lakes Area. The four groups are: **Quality of Life, Economic Development, Arts-Culture and Tourism** and **Broadband**. These groups continue to be guided by the Steering Committee.



## SCENIC BOAT TOURS

Taylors Falls

651-465-6365 [www.WildMountain.com](http://www.WildMountain.com)

Enjoy a cruise on the St. Croix River. Choose from a variety of specialty cruises. Reservations: 651-465-6315.

### ♦ Picnic Cruise – Wed, August 5, 12, 19 7-9pm

A narrated scenic tour on the St. Croix River with open seating with a buffet style meal. Your meal includes: Oven baked chicken and delicately seasoned barbecued pork ribs, coleslaw, baked beans, mashed potatoes, assorted breads, dessert, coffee and water. We offer a full cash bar and soft drinks and lemonade are available for purchase as well.

### ♦ Mexican Fiesta – Friday, August 7, 14, 28 7-9pm

A festive Mexican Night aboard one of our authentic paddlewheel river boats. The 2-hour cruise includes a taco bar, chips and salsa, dessert, and a cash bar.

### ♦ Dinner Cruise – Saturday, August 15, 29 7-10pm

A delightful way to spend a summer evening with friends and family. Enjoy a delicious meal, live entertainment and the beauty of the St. Croix River. Each trip includes a narrated scenic tour of area history and the rock formations along the river.

### ♦ Daily Excursions: 11:30am, 1:30, 3:30 & 5:30pm



## “Got Internet” iPad Winner Chosen

We have the winner of an iPad for taking the Chisago County “Got Internet” survey. Kari Anderson, Harris, was randomly drawn from a list of 879 completed surveys. The survey is part of the Blandin Broadband Community (BBC) initiative. Chisago County is one of 10 Blandin Broadband Communities across rural Minnesota.

A survey of Chisago County residents and businesses was identified as a high priority in February at a county wide visioning meeting. The survey would measure access to broadband, speed levels, and interest in higher speed internet.

Volunteers and the BBC Steering Committee will continue to delve into the survey responses and plan to share this information in order to understand the local internet and cell phone needs and opportunities as well as encourage providers to expand services.

## Chisago Lakes Triathlon – Toughman MN



Wow! What a wonderful weekend for the Toughman Minnesota Triathlon!! A huge thank you goes out to the Chisago Lakes Area Community as a whole. We worked together to create a fun, and safe environment for the 1000 plus athletes and spectators who enjoyed our community over the weekend.

Thank you to Chisago City and Paradise Park for hosting the event, to the amazing safety crew, including Chisago Lakes Sheriff Dept, Lakes Area Police Dept, Lakes Region EMS, Almelund Fire, Shafer Fire, Stacy Fire, Fairview Health Services, Lifeguards, and Forest Lake Skate and Cycle.

Three Cheers go out to the countless volunteers who came from our neighborhoods and families, businesses, churches and area groups. Your assistance was invaluable as you gave your smiles, cheers, time and help in the many areas of service. The event could not have happened successfully without you.

Thank you to Bernick's Pepsi and Northwoods Roasterie for donating beverages for the volunteers and to Deutschland foods for being onsite to feed all of us in the park.

Thank you to the businesses who generously donated items for the athlete goody bags and for the hospitality shown by area hotels, camping and lodging establishments.

Many thanks to the Chisago County Press for their coverage of the event before, during and after. We also want to thank the staff of DuTriRun for coming, once again, to the Chisago Lakes Area to conduct an amazing event in our community.

We did it! We made it! We are looking forward to you all joining us again next year!

Chisago Lakes Area Chamber

**FAMILY PATHWAYS**  
651-674-8040

*family*  
**PATHWAYS**

### KI CHI SAGA DAYS 5K & 15 K WALK/RUN SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 8AM

Start Ki Chi Saga Days off with a healthy 5K & 15K Walk/Run! This fundraiser benefits Family Pathways' Youth Services programs, ensuring they can provide free, quality services to low-income, at-risk and special needs youth in our communities. Check in time is 7am with the race starting at 8am for the 15K and 8:15am for the 5K. To register visit [FamilyPathways.org](http://FamilyPathways.org)



**Wine & Cheese Dinner Cruise**  
Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> 7:00-10:00 pm

**Wine & Chocolate Dinner Cruise**  
Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00-10:00 pm

Cruise the beautiful St. Croix River on the Taylors Falls Princess paddleboat with a chocolate or cheese cruise. Enjoy fine food, great **WineHaven** wines, **Eichten's** cheeses and some of the best chocolates. Includes wine sampling, live music, cash bar and reserved seating with a buffet style meal including choice of roast prime rib with baked potato or boneless chicken breast on a bed of wild rice served with a chardonnay & mushroom sauce. Both entrées are served with assorted breads, Caesar salad, vegetable and dessert. Reservations/prepayment required.



**TAYLORS FALLS SCENIC BOAT TOURS**  
Cost is \$54.84 per person  
Boarding at 6:45pm  
Reservations: 651-465-6315



### PICKET FENCE GALS SALE

AUGUST 5-9  
Wednesday 3-7pm  
Thursday-Saturday 9am-6pm  
Sunday 11am-5pm

Staged in and around a large Victorian 2-story house filled with affordable, ever-changing items. Downtown Lindstrom.

Antiques & Vintage Finds • Painted Furniture  
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[www.PicketFenceGals.net](http://www.PicketFenceGals.net)

651-334-1444

[www.ChisagoLakesChamber.com](http://www.ChisagoLakesChamber.com)

# LAYSBS News!

244 N. Lake Street, Forest Lake  
www.YSBLakesArea.org 651-464-3685

## JIM TRUDEAU MEMORIAL CLASSIC Sunday, August 9 10am



Best Ball Scramble 9-hole Tournament with shotgun start at Castlewood Golf Course, Forest Lake. Many events will be held during the event. Lunch will be provided immediately following at Vannellis By The Lake, Forest Lake. \$55/person with proceeds going to Lakes Area Youth Service Bureau a non-profit Jim co-founded in 1976. Register at 651-399-9525 or kencapeti@msn.com.



## 'RUN WITH RANGER' 5K RUN/WALK Saturday, August 15 9am

Meet, greet & run with Forest Lake Police Officer Nicholas Kent and his dog Ranger. \$25 Registration fee per runner, youth ages 12 and under can run for free! Kid's t-shirts available/\$10. [Register Here](#).

All proceeds will support Lakes Area Youth Service Bureau programs and services in our community.



20880 Olinda Trail, Scandia

www.GammelGardenMuseum.org 651-433-5053

## Small Green Frog Day Camp for Children August 10 & 11 9am-3pm

A 2-day experience for 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders that combine science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) with nature, history and art. Learn and experience food from the farm, stories in the rocks, energy from the sun and climate. Cost: \$60 Register [here](#).

## Spelmansstämma – The Immigrant Fiddle Fest Saturday, August 15 10am-4pm

Spelmanstämma is a long held Swedish tradition for fiddlers to gather on a lovely day, play tunes and teach each other new music. The music has never been written, it is always shared by playing only! This 25th Annual Festival held on the Museum Grounds is a great activity for families.

## Bluegrass & Lemonade in the Shade 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays through September 27 2-4pm

Enjoy the summer of pickin', plunkin', harmonizin' and enjoying a lazy Sunday afternoon with Bluegrass music. Come to play or enjoy relaxing in the shaded back yard of Gammelgården Museum. Free lemonade. Free admission.



210 Washington St, St. Croix Falls, WI  
715-483-3387 www.FestivalTheatre.org

◆ **'Sew Good Improv'** Fridays, August 7, 14 & 21 9-11pm  
Festival Theatre's very own improvisational theatre troupe will entertain you, surprise you, and keep you laughing throughout their shows. Tickets: \$5.

◆ **'Complete Works!'** August 8, 9 & 15  
The complete works of William Shakespeare, featuring three overachieving actors attempting to perform renditions of all 37 of Shakespeare's plays in just 97 minutes. Fast paced, witty and physical, it's sure to leave audiences aching from laughter. Tickets: \$26/adults, \$13.50/ ages 5-25.

◆ **'Song Circle'** Sunday, August 9 6:30pm  
Lia Falls, brings a collection of rounds/chants that are easy to learn in the oral tradition. That means no words or music to read. Just bring your ears, heart and mouth and you will be ready! This is relaxed and fun! For info: liabeing@gmail.com. Coffee, tea, water served for free with donation

◆ **'One Act Play Performance'** August 12 7:30-9:30pm  
Playwrights from all over the nation submitted their original one-act plays to be read by committee and selected for a reading before our audience. Be the first to hear these new plays, read by our summer company and see who wins this contest. Tickets: \$10 general admission

◆ **'A Streetcar Named Desire'** through September 6  
A play full of intensely beautiful poetic images and clashing brutal coarseness, there is passion paired with disgust, old in conflict with new, brutality living within civilization. An examination of fantasy and reality, gender, truth and lies. Tickets: \$26/Adults, \$13.50/ages 5-25.

## Almelund Threshing Show

August 7-9 Gates open at 7am  
17760 St. Croix Trail, Taylors Falls

Once again a field is transformed with tractors, steam engines, people and music as the Almelund Threshing Show comes to life.

*Steam Threshing ♦ Steam Powered Sawmill ♦ Music  
Huge Tractor Display ♦ Tractor Pull ♦ Food  
Gigantic Flea Market ♦ Antique Gas Engines  
Glass Blowing ♦ Kids Ring Toss ♦ Blacksmith Shop  
Car & Truck Show ♦ Barber Shop ♦ Beer Garden  
Mercantile Store ♦ Lots More!*

Complete schedule and information at  
www.AlmelundThreshingCo.org



## CHAMBER GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thursday, August 27

**FORE!** If you don't have your golf team together, there is still time! Sponsorship and Registration form is attached to this newsletter. This year's Community Partner will be **Chisago Lakes Area Community Foundation**. For more information contact Chisago Lakes Chamber 651-257-1177.

## Area Farmer's Markets

Buy locally grown fruits, vegetables, plants and flowers. Also includes fresh honey, maple syrup, bakery and specialty items. Area farmers markets allow for a splendid assortment of items and variety of days and times. Check them out this summer.

### CHISAGO CITY FARMERS MARKET

Fridays 2-6:30pm Moberg Park, Chisago City  
[www.ChisagoCityFarmersMarket.com](http://www.ChisagoCityFarmersMarket.com)

### LINDSTROM FARMERS MARKET

Wednesdays 3-6pm & Saturdays 8-Noon  
Hwy 8 by St. Bridget's Church



10020 Deer Garden Lane, Chisago City  
[www.WineHaven.com](http://www.WineHaven.com) 651-257-1017

### 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION & RHUBARB FRENZY

Saturday, August 15 10am-6pm  
Sunday, August 16 11am-6pm  
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The secret's out! WineHaven's rhubarb makes fantastic wine! Be the first to sample the new batches of Rhubarb and Strawberry-Rhubarb Wine. We will be celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary all weekend with hourly tours and lunch at the vineyard. There is no fee for admission and reservations are not required. Bring your friends!



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## CHISAGO COUNTY

## SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

### CHISAGO COUNTY CITIZENS' ACADEMY

Starting September 9

Now accepting applications for the 2015 Chisago County Citizens' Academy, a unique opportunity to see and learn about what goes into making Chisago County a safer community. Academy runs 10-weeks, primarily on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-9:30 pm. Participants will meet at one of the four participating law enforcement agencies each week. Learn firsthand the duties officers perform in the field as well as how law enforcement service is instrumental in the community.

There is no cost to participate in the academy, but applicants must live or work in Chisago County, be at least 21-years of age, have a valid driver's license and no felony convictions on your record. Applicants must complete a Chisago County Citizens' Academy Application, online at <http://mn-chisagocounty.civicplus.com/212/Chisago-County-Citizens-Academy>, and sign a Waiver and Release of Liability form. All applicants will be subject to a criminal background check. Apply Now! Space is Limited! For questions and details call Michelle at 651-213 6309.

### CSI: CHISAGO COUNTY

### A 'WHODUNIT' FUNDRAISER

Area businesses are invited to participate. For just \$100, we will write a business into our 'Whodunit' mystery. Pairs of 'detectives' will visit participating businesses to collect 'evidence' and clues leading them to the next participating business. This activity is a cross between the board game Clue, geo-caching and a scavenger hunt through local businesses. We see it as a win-win for businesses. You aren't just advertising your support, but rather we are driving people into your business, where they must speak with an employee and show their "official" badge to get their evidence and further clues. Hopefully during their visit, they become more comfortable with your business and become a frequent customer. Businesses are asked to commit by **August 14th** so we can write the scenario and begin our advertising for "detectives". See attached flyer for complete details.

### Night to Unite – Chisago City & Lindstrom

Tuesday, August 4 6-8pm



Come celebrate Community at Paradise Park and enjoy give-a-ways, games and hotdogs. Visit with Lakes Area Police Department and visit with neighbors.

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IN TAYLORS FALLS

Tuesday, August 4 5:30-8pm  
Taylors Falls Elementary Gym

A great evening of activities for children, parents and community members, including Chisago County Sheriff's Department canine demonstrations, tactical team, water patrol, radar baseball, child fingerprinting and more. Hotdogs, relish trays, chips and beverages provided. Community members are asked to bring a dessert to share and lawn chairs if they want to sit outdoors. Contact Tom Koplitz, Community Partnership for youth & families at 651-674-4085 or Barb Anderson at 651-465-5272.

## FRONTRUNNER USA

White Bear Lake, MN  
651-653-7401

[www.FrontRunnerUSA.com](http://www.FrontRunnerUSA.com)



### Event Business for Sale!

I just know there is someone out there who would love to own an event company...and I want them to know that I have one for sale. What an opportunity!

FrontRunner was incorporated in 1994 as Vacation Sports, Inc. The DBA name was changed in 2010 to FrontRunner. The corporate name is still Vacation Sports, Inc.

We have 30 established running and multisport events. Most of them are located within the Twin Cities area. The company is profitable and debt free.

If this opportunity interests you, or you know someone who might be interested please contact me at [randy@frontrunnerusa.com](mailto:randy@frontrunnerusa.com).

Thanks.  
Randy Fulton

## MN Chamber Update

### Work Begins Now on 2016 Legislative Agenda By Bill Blazar

MN is in its full summer glory. 2015 Legislature is history, and the 2016 session won't convene until March. The frenzied and often heated debates over important public policies at the Legislature are the last thing on most people's minds.

It's the perfect opportunity to connect with your legislators and explain firsthand the impact of their votes on the ability of businesses to start, change and grow in today's global economy. You have their full-time attention and the chance to connect with them at your worksites.

But, first, be armed with ammunition so you can have an informed conversation. The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce [2015 Voting Record](#) is a guide to help you evaluate how your lawmakers represented your priorities at the 2015 Legislature.

Highlighted are votes on key business concerns taken during both the regular and special legislative sessions. The votes reflect the priorities of our 2,300 members of all sizes and types across the state, and have a daily impact on business operations. The priorities are identified through an exhaustive grassroots process with local chamber of commerce partners.

Most major bills passed the Legislature with bipartisan support, clear evidence that divided government can work. We advanced many statewide business community's priorities, but work remains to strengthen our business climate, especially so on business tax relief and transportation. We have a strong start on these priorities as we look ahead to 2016.

Legislators began the session with a nearly \$2 billion projected surplus in the general fund. They adjourned, leaving more than \$865 million on the bottom line for the 2016 session. To date, tax collections are higher than projected. Assuming the surplus continues, it will provide a solid foundation for passing tax relief and a long-term transportation funding bill.

Minnesota continues to rank favorably among its peers in terms of economic performance. Much of the credit goes to our great employers and employees. Their hard work and ingenuity helps to make up for the fact that those business expenses driven by public policy are not competitive. That matters. Our policy-makers can fix this. Make that known to your legislators. Be sure they know that we expect significant progress in 2016.

It's more important than ever to deliver our message early and often. The 2016 session will be short and fast paced. Major issues like business tax relief and long-term transportation funding will be teed up and ready for action when lawmakers convene March 8.

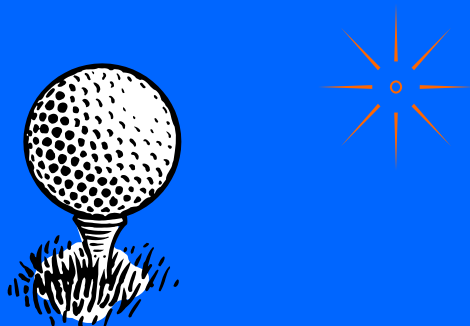
After reviewing the Voting Record, please take time to thank those policy-makers who voted with the business community on our priorities. For those who did not, reach out to them and start a conversation about the impact their actions will have on your business. Help them understand why – had they voted with the business community – our state would be stronger for the benefit of all Minnesotans.

**Bill Blazar is interim president of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce – [www.mnchamber.com](http://www.mnchamber.com).**



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1:30 p.m. Shotgun Start

6:00 p.m. Steak Dinner

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Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Players

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

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For just \$100 in a tax-deductible donation, we will write your place of business into our *CSI: Chisago County Whodunit Mystery*. Pairs of "detectives" will visit your business, identify themselves with their "Official Badge Number" and ask for information. In return, your business agrees to have a secure place behind the counter to hold numbered envelopes. Your employees simply give the "detectives" the envelope numbered with the badge number presented. *The best use of your advertisement dollars!* As a Business Sponsor we will guarantee people will not only see your name as a supporter of the Chisago County Sheriff's Office Foundation, but will actually come in to your business and speak with an employee!

### **How does this work?**

Pairs of "detectives" sign up to try and solve a Whodunit Mystery. They receive a packet of starter information, including their "official badge" which must be presented to receive any information. They spend the month following the clues, and visiting businesses that have signed up, looking for information that will help them solve the crime. By the end of the month, they will put all their information together and be ready to solve the crime. One cash-prize winner will be chosen from all those who correctly solved the mystery.

### **How long does it last?**

One month, start to finish. Late September – Late October.

### **What do I have to do?**

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***Questions and comments can be directed to [CCSOFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:CCSOFoundation@gmail.com)***

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*Write "CSI: Chisago County" in the Memo line*

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