



# Monthly Newsletter

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

June 2016

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

## Upcoming Meetings & Events

June 2: **Board Meeting 9:00am**  
Chamber Office & Information Center  
30525 Linden Street, Lindstrom

May 9: **Chamber Member Luncheon**  
Time: 11:30am  
Speaker: **Danette Olson**  
Topic: **North Woods and Waters  
of the St. Croix Heritage Area**  
Location: **Wild Mountain**  
37200 Wild Mountain Rd, Taylors Falls

**Food RSVP's by 11am Thursday, June 2. Attendance  
RSVP's by Monday, June 6. \$9/members, \$10/non-members**

## Welcome New Members!

### *Captain Shawn's Charters*

[www.facebook.com/captainshawnscharters](http://www.facebook.com/captainshawnscharters)  
763-732-3044

### *Lake View Window Washing*

[www.LakeViewWindow.com](http://www.LakeViewWindow.com) 763-732-3044

## WANNIGAN DAYS

**Taylors Falls & St. Croix Falls  
June 10-12**

Come out and celebrate Wannigan Days! There will be fun for everyone in your family.

Parades ♦ Lots of Music & Theatre  
Beer, Wine & Food Court ♦ Kids Activities  
Classic Cars Show ♦ Fireworks ♦ Art & Crafts  
City of Trails 5K/10K Race ♦ Bingo

New this year is Bed Races & Piggy Back Races!

For complete list of events visit [www.wannigans.com](http://www.wannigans.com) or  
[www.fallschamber.org](http://www.fallschamber.org)

## Quote for the Month

*"Don't wait for the perfect moment.  
Take the moment and make it perfect."*



# June

## What's Happening This Month

June	1-5	Picket Fence Gals Sale
June	2-3	St. Bridget's Church – Garage Sale
June	3	CC Farmer's Market – First Friday Fun
June	4	Gammelgarden – Scarf Exchange/Trunk Show
June	4	Wine & Chocolate Cruise
June	6-11	Recycled Wardrobes Sale
June	7	Chisago Lakes Rotary Golf Tournament
June	10	CC Farmer's Market – Spirit of the Drum
June	10-12	Wannigan Days
June	11	American Legion – Flag Sale & Collection
June	11	Taylors Falls Boat Tours - Dinner Cruise
June	12	Festival Theatre – Ole & Lena at the State Fair
June	13	RE/MAX Muske Golf Tournament
June	13	Chisago Lakes Library – Schiffelly Puppets
June	13	Nature Rich/Fuel Direct – Xp3 A to Z Seminar
June	14	doTERRA Oils – Make and Take Class
June	16	Swingin' for Parmly Golf Tournament
June	17	Elvis Cruise & Mexican Fiesta Cruise
June	17	Festival Theatre – The Fiddle Master
June	18	Wine & Cheese Cruise
June	18	Festival Theatre – Clue: The Musical
June	19	Fathers Day
June	19	Father's Day Brunch Cruise
June	21	Social Media Breakfast
June	25	Taylors Falls Boat Tours - Dinner Cruise
June	25	Gammelgarden – Midsommar Dag
June	25	Karl Oskar House – Midsommer Dag
June	25	Festival Theatre – Spirit of the Drum
June	26	Gammelgarden – Bluegrass & Lemonade
June	26	First United Methodist Church - Praisefest
June	27	Nature Rich – HELP Seminar

## **2016 Board of Directors**

### **Officers:**

President: John Renaker, Northwoods Roasterie  
President Elect: Josh Soderlund, Soderlund's Wood Mill  
Treasurer: Cory Lindgren, Lindgren & Associates  
Secretary: Erin Thorvaldson, Generations Real Estate Group

### **Directors:**

Bob Gustafson, Farmers Insurance Group  
Matt Silver, Chisago County Press  
Laura Haseltine, Elevate Builders/Victory Lane Quick Oil Change  
Greg Paine, Edward Jones  
Marlys Dunne, MultiSource Manufacturing  
Susan Clayton, Alan Honn Glass & Al's Saloon  
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Office Manager: Laurie Doughty

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A Note from the  
Chamber Board:

**Marlys Dunne**  
**MultiSource**

## **CONGRATULATIONS CHISAGO LAKES!**

What an exciting time for our Chisago Lakes communities! If you haven't heard yet, a great deal of energy, work and progress is going into the continued America's Best Communities (ABC) competition. For anyone reading this message that has had any interest in getting involved – come aboard! There is still much work to do and help needed. This is a great opportunity for any community member to join the forces and help make Chisago Lakes an ever better community for years to come. Come be a part of the brainstorming, decision making and action that is happening every week!

The Work Force committee of the ABC competition has taken on a renewed effort to explore options to bring a higher education institution to Chisago Lakes. Initial thoughts are to establish a satellite location for an established, well-branded university or technical school. There are many challenges to this endeavor, but the

opportunities such an establishment could bring to our community far exceed the obstacles. Community leaders, high school authorities and our ABC team are all working together on this endeavor. In June, we'll be meeting with a few select school representatives to share ideas and explore options.



## **American Legion Post 272 Flag Sale & Collection Saturday, June 11 9am-Noon Moberg Park in Chisago City**

You can properly dispose of your old flag and/or buy a new flag. American Legion Post 272 will be on hand to collect worn flags for a flag retirement ceremony taking place at Big Marine Veteran's Rest Camp at Noon.

## **June Refreshment Host**

### **RISE, INC**

13265 Sylvan Ave, Lindstrom  
651-257-2281 [www.Rise.org](http://www.Rise.org)

## **LAYSB News!**

244 N. Lake Street, Forest Lake  
[www.YSBLakesArea.org](http://www.YSBLakesArea.org) 651-464-3685



Save the Date! Lakes Area Youth Service Bureau's Annual TASTE! Fundraising event will be held **Wednesday, July 13 5:30-8pm** at SplitRocks Entertainment Center.

Tickets available now! \$25/Advance and \$30 at the door  
Available for purchase at the Chamber office.

## **PLEASANT VALLEY ORCHARD**

17325 Pleasant Valley Rd, Shafer  
651-257-9159 [www.PleasantValleyOrchard.com](http://www.PleasantValleyOrchard.com)



Pleasant Valley Orchard offers three acres of mouth-watering strawberries for your picking enjoyment! Picking containers are provided and families with young children are welcome.

The 2016 PYO strawberry season runs in June/July. Once in season, the patch will be open 3-4 weeks for your picking pleasure. Our fields are clean, a slight breeze keeps bugs at a minimum and the berries are delightful. Follow us on Facebook for the most up-to-date information on the season and opening dates.

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



210 Washington St, St. Croix Falls, WI  
715-483-3387 [www.FestivalTheatre.org](http://www.FestivalTheatre.org)

> **'Ole and Lena at the State Fair'** June 12 2 & 7:30pm  
Ole's favorite event of the year - State Fair time. Unfortunately, Lena doesn't share Ole's excitement. For years Lena has been in countless competitions with her arch rival Elaine Danielson, always battling, only to end up with a tie for the coveted blue ribbons.

Ole, on the other hand, is working with Sven to turn the Fair into a money making operation. They are cooking up stuff on a stick to get them on TV. But when it comes time to leave for the Fair, Lena is nowhere to be found. Can Ole find Lena in time to spring her surprise on arch nemesis Elaine? Tickets \$26 in Advance/\$31 at Door.

> **'The Fiddle Masters'** Friday, June 17 8pm  
St. Croix Valley native and internationally-known fiddler Brian Wicklund brings in master musicians from around the country to teach at his camp. Together they perform a concert of enormous talent, variety and fun. Tickets \$26 in advance, \$35 at the door. Performance at the Osceola High School Auditorium

> **'Clue: The Musical'** June 18 7:30pm & June 19 2pm  
The doomed Mr. Boddy invites the audience to witness a series of events leading to his impending murder. The catch? At the beginning of the show, three audience members choose the playing cards that dictate who kills him, in what room and with what weapon with over 200 outcomes. Tickets: \$26.00/Adult, \$13.50/Youth (ages 5-25)  
Location: Taylors Falls Memorial Community Center

> **'THE SPIRIT OF THE DRUM'** June 25 10-11:30am  
Don Karsky facilitates this workshop with a passion for playing, as well as teaching. Don's experience with drumming, sharing stories and techniques puts you at ease and provides a comfortable and supportive environment for learning. \$10/person Franklin Square Black Box

We can help get your information out to the community! Please share your events/happenings with us so we can include in the monthly newsletter or weekly newflash. Please allow us time to receive the information to include. Email the Chamber at [clacc@frontiernet.net](mailto:clacc@frontiernet.net). Deadline for inclusion is:

**Newsflash – Week Prior of Event/Special  
Newsletter – 20<sup>th</sup> of the Month Prior**



**First United Methodist Church**  
30828 Irene Ave, Lindstrom  
651.257.4306 [www.LindstromMethodist.org](http://www.LindstromMethodist.org)

### FAMILY PRAISE FEST

Sunday, June 26 1-7pm



Join us for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Praise Fest! Enjoy a day filled with music from great praise bands representing our local churches, games, baked goods, kids' activities, jumpy houses and a COFFEE BAR (new this year!)\* As always, there will be a special appearance by Elvis.

Invite your family, friends and neighbors! Concessions will be available throughout the day and a free will offering BBQ dinner will be held at approximately 4:45pm. [Poster](#)

### CHISAGO CITY FARMER'S MARKET

Vilhelm Moberg Park, Chisago City  
[www.ChisagoCityFarmersMarket.com](http://www.ChisagoCityFarmersMarket.com)



## Open for the Season! Fridays 2-6:30pm!

Enjoy cooking demos, ice cream, music, pizza, entertainment and fun at the Chisago City Farmer's Market. Shop from vendors with fresh fruits and veggies, honey, bread, jams, flour and grains, jewelry, crafts and much more! Chisago City Farmers Market accepts EBT, Debit and Credit Cards. New this year is 'First Friday Fun' from 2-4pm. The first Friday of each month will have something special for kids and kids at heart!

- ♦ June 3 'First Friday Fun' 2-4pm  
Special activities for kids and kids at heart-First Fridays of each month.
- ♦ June 10 2:30-4 'Spirit of the Drum'  
Don Karsky facilitates this workshop with passion for playing as well as teaching. Don's experience with drumming, sharing stories and techniques puts you at ease and provides a comfortable and supportive environment for learning. Drums provided.



**Where Feeling Glamorous is just a few eyelashes away!**

## GLAMOR LASHES & More

Glamor Lashes & More is relocating to downtown Lindstrom at 12770 Lake Blvd! Watch for our Grand Opening in July!

We currently have booth rental available for hair stylists. Must have managers license. For more information call Cassandra at 763-732-3044. [Facebook.com/Glamorlashz](https://www.facebook.com/Glamorlashz)



## May 5<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting Highlights

### Secretary's Report:

April minutes reviewed and accepted.

### Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report reviewed and accepted.

### Committee Reports:

#### • **Triathlon:**

July 23-24. Last year's event will be reviewed to decide what change may be needed. Chisago Lakes Lions are reviewing information around hosting a spaghetti dinner or another fundraiser during the Triathlon.

#### • **Golf Tournament**

August 25. Second meeting was well attended and had fresh energy. A Mystery Prize raffle will be added for 2016. Community Partnership with Youth and Families will be this year's Community Partner. This year mentions on Big Q Radio and social media posts are added promotional sponsorship benefits.

### New Business:

#### • **Area Golf Tournaments**

The Chamber will again have a team in the Rotary Golf Tournament. Chamber pays part of the fee with the golfers each splitting the remainder.

#### • **Let's Go Fishing:**

The North Branch Chapter is expanding and adding a boat to be used in Chisago Lakes. The Chamber will be helping to promote this organization as they seek funding and volunteers.

### Old Business:

#### • **ABC Update**

Chisago Lakes is now one of the top 8 Finalists in the competition! The \$100,000 prize money was budgeted into the strategic plan submitted last November and that plan is the outline we will follow through March 2017 as we now compete for 1, 2 or 3 million dollars. Community members can and are encouraged to get involved by joining the ABC Team. T-shirts with the Chisago Lakes logo are being created.

#### • **Vision Retreat**

Session 1 is May 16. The board will work on core value statements.

#### • **New Member Visits:**

New members have been getting involved which is wonderful. It would be nice to have a basic information packet to bring to new area businesses to welcome and inform them about the Chamber.

#### • **2016 Budget**

A separate meeting reviewing the budget will be planned.

### Executive Director's Report:

- 2 new members in April.
- Time devoted to the ABC presentation pitch for North Carolina.
- Looking into a 'Celebration of the Arts' event during Celebration of the Lakes.
- Met with Governor Dayton and Representative Barrett to share the ABC process with them and ask for their support.
- Hosted live-streaming of the ABC presentations
- Wendy asked for a performance review after her first year on the job and is also asking to review the ½ time position and look at what it would take to turn it into a ¾ time position.

### **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



### **PICKET FENCE GALS SALE**

JUNE 1-5

Wednesday 3-7pm

Thursday-Saturday 9am-6pm

Sunday 11am-5pm

A large Victorian 2-story house packed with unique and interesting treasures. Antiques & vintage items, painted furniture, garden items, home & cabin décor, re-purposed items, textiles and more! Downtown Lindstrom.

[www.PicketFenceGals.net](http://www.PicketFenceGals.net)

651-334-1444

### **NATURE RICH/FUEL DIRECT**

Gus Gulbranson 651-246-9027

[www.655077.NatureRich.net](http://www.655077.NatureRich.net)



> **'Xp3 A to Z'** Monday, June 13 6:30pm

Ever wonder why your vehicles, small engine powered toys and yard equipment don't run the way they used to? Come to this seminar on fuels and fuel additives and learn why you need to use an additive for the best performance of your engines.

> **'HELP – Healthy Eating Lose Pounds'**

Monday, June 27 6:30pm

Do you want to live a healthier lifestyle but don't know where to start? Join us for an informative seminar on how to live healthier.

Questions call Gus at 651-246-9027. Meetings held at Chamber Office 30525 Linden Street, Lindstrom

## May Membership Meeting



### Jon O'Malley – YouProfit Business Coaching

May Chamber luncheon, held at Chisago Lakes Library, was catered by **Brink's Market and Deli**. Thank you to **Northwoods Roasterie** for delicious coffee, **Summit Inn B & B** for being May's Refreshment host and thank you to **Grand Casino Hinckley** and **Recycled Wardrobes** for prize drawings.

Chamber announcements: Remember to stop and shop in Taylors Falls during this road construction. June's Chamber luncheon will be at **Wild Mountain**. Chisago Lakes is one of the top 8 finalists in the America's Best Communities Competition. Plan to attend the **Chisago County Broadband Summit** held at SplitRocks Entertainment Center in Wyoming on Thursday, May 26 beginning at 5pm. Local internet providers and other speakers will be there. RSVP through the Chisago county HRA/EDA website. **Big Q Radio** has invited North Branch, Forest Lake and Chisago Lakes Chamber into a friendly competition blood drive which will take place at Harmony in the Park on July 13. Watch for information and where to register. **Chisago Lakes Triathlon** is July 23-24 and we are looking for volunteers. The **Golf Tournament** is on August 25. Our community partner this year is **Community Partnership with Youth and Families**. Looking for sponsors, prize donations and golfers.

New Chamber members were introduced: **Lake State Carpet Cleaning-Jeff Bouchee** does a great job for business and residential cleaning.

Member announcements: **Gary Gerke-Lion's Club** thanked everyone for supporting their Cadillac Dinner Event. **Loretta Anderson-Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation** announced their annual Hazelfest event in August. There is booth space available. **Susie Sandberg-Almelund Mercantile** handed out a calendar of events bookmark and encouraged visitors to the Almelund area. **Marlys Dunne** announced her husband, Shawn Dunne's new business **Captain Shawn's Charters** which will be running out from **Meredee's Bistro**.

Our guest speaker, **Jon O'Malley** from **YouProfit** was introduced. Jon runs a business coaching business. He gave

many suggestions and helpful tips on how to run your business more effectively and productively. One way to get things done is to make a list, place them in order of importance and then stick to that list. Play to your strengths. Figure out your strengths and let others help in your weak areas.



### CHISAGO LAKES ROTARY CLUB

#### 18-Hole Golf Scramble

Tuesday, June 7 10:30am

[www.ChisagoLakesRotary.org](http://www.ChisagoLakesRotary.org)

#### Schedule of Events

- 10:30am - Team Registration and Range Open
- 11am - Lunch Buffet
- NOON - Shotgun Start
- 4:30-6pm - Appetizers, Drawing, Prizes Awarded

Registration \$125/person - \$500/team, location is Chisago Lakes Golf Course. Proceeds benefit the Chisago Lakes Area Rotary Club's Student Scholarship Fund – this endowment was established to fund annual academic scholarships awarded to students of Chisago Lakes High School who will be pursuing a secondary education at either a college or a vocational/technical school. For more information or to register call Frank Johnson 715-483-0355 or Jason Gamble 651-257-7504. [Golf Brochure](#)



### TAYLORS FALLS SCENIC BOAT TOURS

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.

- ♦ **Dinner Cruise** – Saturdays, June 11 & 25 7-10pm  
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.
- ♦ **Elvis Cruise** – Friday, June 17 7-9pm  
Includes live musical performance, excursion and hors d'oeuvres with a full cash bar. Steve Marcio & his son Tommy perform a show not to miss!
- ♦ **Mexican Fiesta** – Friday, June 17 & 24 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.
- ♦ **Father's Day Brunch** – Sunday, June 19 10:30am-12:30pm  
Two hour cruise includes a narrated scenic tour through The Dalles of the St. Croix, live entertainment and buffet style meal. Meal includes: Freshly carved ham & roasted turkey, cheesy scrambled eggs, hash brown potatoes, pasta salad, fresh fruit, muffins juice, water, coffee and cash bar.
- ♦ **Daily Excursions:** 11:00am, 1:00, 3:00 & 5:00pm

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## Featured Business – June 2016



### FRANCONIA SCULPTURE PARK

Franconia Sculpture Park is a **non-profit arts organization in Shafer** (at the intersections of highways 8 and 95) that provides a nurturing place for artists to create and endless opportunities for all to become involved in the creative process.

Franconia supports a constantly changing exhibition of more than 120 contemporary sculptures, and is free and open to the public, from dawn to dusk, 365 days a year. Monumental sculpture at the 43-acre park is created on-site by artists from Minnesota, the greater Midwest, across the United States, and from all over the world. This professional arts organization is known internationally and attracts more than 100,000 visitors each year.

Thousands of community members participate in Franconia's annual arts learning programs and cultural events led by staff, artists-in-residence and volunteers. With a commitment to arts learning and providing public access to the arts, Franconia enhances its ever-changing exhibition with free artist-led guided tours every Sunday at 2pm (April-October), Kids Make Sculpture workshops, customized programming for rural and homeless youth, annual hot metal pour programs, symposia, school tours, Music @ Franconia concert series, and gallery programming in Northeast Minneapolis at *Franconia in the City @ Casket*. Franconia's educational programs are free/low-cost and make contemporary art accessible while enriching lives.

Franconia Sculpture Park is celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2016 with events that celebrate two decades of BIG dreams, BIG space, and BIG art. For more information, visit [www.franconia.org](http://www.franconia.org) or stop out and visit Franconia's Information Booth to take home an annual program flyer.



**FRANCONIA  
SCULPTURE PARK**  
29836 St. Croix Tr, Shafer  
651-257-6668  
[www.Franconia.org](http://www.Franconia.org)

**COME VISIT US  
THIS SUMMER!**

## Chamber Golf Tournament August 25



Join us in supporting **Community Partnership with Youth and Families** at our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Golf Tournament. This 18-Hole, 4-Person scramble is a fun day of networking. Show your community support while promoting your business through sponsorship or a participating team. Or both! [Registration/Sponsorship Form.](#)



## doTERRA Essential Oils

**'MAKE & TAKE CLASS'**

**Tuesday, June 14 6:30pm**

Make and Take natural remedies for Stress, Relaxing, Sleep, Bug Spray and more! Choose from 10 different recipes. For more information call Trudy Lodien at 651-491-0962. This class is free and is held at the Chamber office 30525 Linden St, Lindstrom. [MyDoterra.com/trudylo dien](http://MyDoterra.com/trudylo dien)

# SALE

### RECYCLED WARDROBES

30365 Neal Ave, Lindstrom 651-257-8133

6419 Main, North Branch 651-674-7700



**JUNE 6-11**

Clothes & Shoes \$1.99!

Sale is good at both locations.

Get notifications on Instagram and Facebook

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



**BACHMAN'S PHOTOGRAPHY**  
13000 Sylvan Ave, Lindstrom  
651-257-9380  
www.BachmansPhotography.com



# Thank You!

Thank you district employees for growing the minds, bodies and souls of our community children. To show 'our appreciation' Bachman's Photography offers you \$20 off any portrait sitting during the month of June. Just show ID badge at time of your sitting.

Schedule your appointment at 651-257-9380 or rich@bachmansphotography.com



**Wine and Chocolate Cruise on the St. Croix River**  
Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00-10:00 pm

**Wine and Cheese Cruise on the St. Croix River**  
Saturday, June 18<sup>th</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

**UP NORTH FINE ART GALLERY**  
13025 Lake Blvd, Lindstrom  
www.GustafsGalleries.com  
651-257-1821



## GIFT REGISTRY!

Giving and getting unique beautiful art/gifts is now fun and easy. Choose one thing or ten things for yourself or someone else and let the giving begin.



20880 Olinda Trail, Scandia  
www.GammelGardenMuseum.org 651-433-5053

## SCANDIA BUTIK SCARF EXCHANGE & TRUNK SHOW

Saturday, June 4 10am-Noon

Bring your gently used, clean scarves to trade/share with others. Zarna Raheja from Scarves & Glitters will demonstrate scarf techniques and tips. Enjoy coffee and treats. Free event.

## MIDSOMMAR DAG

Saturday, June 25 10am-4pm

Dance around the Majstång and celebrate summer. Gazebo Food Sales begin at 10:30, Smörgåsbord at Elim Church- \$12/adult, \$8/child. Children's activities 10:30-12:30. Raising of the Majstång followed by program and entertainers at 1:00.

## RAMON PERSON 'HAMMER & BLADE' CLASSES

June 25-July 1

**Birch Bark Box Making** – Monday through Wednesday  
Member price \$225.00. Non-Member price \$250.00


**Knife Making** – Thursday or Friday  
Member price \$85.00. Non-Member price \$95.00.  
Reservations required at 651-433-5053

## BLUEGRASS & LEMONADE IN THE SHADE

4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, June 26 – September 25 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. No charge for playin' or listenin'. A Great family event.

## PARMLY LIFEPOINTES

28210 Ole Towne Rd, Chisago City   
651-257-0575 www.Parmly.org

# Swingin' for Parmly

Thursday, June 16  
Chisago Lakes Golf Course  
2pm-Registration 3pm-Shot Gun Start



9-Hole Scramble: Men's, Women's and Mixed divisions. Registration of \$70 includes green fee, dinner, program and a chance to win exciting prizes. Mulligans, Beat the Pro, Longest Drive Longest Putt, 5 yard String/Scissors and a prize board. Registration Brochure

www.ChisagoLakesChamber.com

**CHISAGO LAKES GOLF COURSE**  
12975 282<sup>nd</sup> St, Lindstrom  
651-257-1484 [Chisagolakesgolf.com](http://Chisagolakesgolf.com)

### 2016 MEMBERSHIP

Join Our Family of Golf Lovers at Chisago Lakes. If you've always wanted to join a club, Chisago Lakes Golf Course offers you a unique opportunity for annual membership that can change your game and your social life. That's because becoming a member here truly makes you part of a friendly golfing family. 2016 Membership Rates:

[Membership Rate Schedule](#)  
[2016 Junior Golf Information](#)  
[2016 Membership App](#)

### FAMILY FUN NIGHTS

Every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday starting at 5:30 (3:00 in September and October) you and your family can play golf in a fun atmosphere, on a course made for families, at a low price! [Click here](#) to download the flyer!

### CHISAGO LAKES TRIATHLON

**JULY 23-24**

**[www.DuTriRun.com](http://www.DuTriRun.com)**

Start thinking sun, fun and participating in this swim, bike and run event. The Chisago Lakes Triathlon is the Toughman Minnesota. For more information and registration visit [www.DuTriRun.com](http://www.DuTriRun.com).

Each year the Chamber organizes 200+ volunteers to help with the Triathlon. If you would like to volunteer we would love to have you on our team!

Call 651-257-1177.

### THE BIG Q RADIO

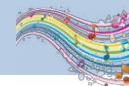
**Russ Hanes**  
**763-486-3079**  
**[BigQRadio.com](http://BigQRadio.com)**



### 'BUSINESS OF THE WEEK CONTEST!'

We have partnered with Captain Shawn's Charters on the Chisago Chain of Lakes to give away a 2-hour pontoon cruise every Friday from noon-2 throughout summer for up to six employees. This is a great way to engage your employees and reward them for a job well done! To register, a representative from the business simply needs to send an email to [russ@bigqradio.com](mailto:russ@bigqradio.com) with their contact info and "Boat Cruise" in the subject line. The first cruise is Friday, June 3rd. Please see attached for more details and feel free to share away with all of your members! [Flyer](#)

## 2016 Harmony in the Park



2016 Harmony in the Park Concert Series. *Free* concerts are held in Lions Park next to Lindstrom City Hall. Concerts begin at 7:00pm with 'Special Events' starting at 6:30.

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| June   | 8  | White Sidewalls (50's)<br><i>Craft Fair Night</i>  |
| June   | 15 | Elvis –Remembering the King<br><i>River City Cloggers</i>  |
| June   | 22 | Gravel Roads ( <i>Traditional Country</i> )<br><i>Chisago Lakes Marching Band</i>                                  |
| June   | 29 | Sonny Knight and the Lakers ( <i>Soul Music</i> )<br><i>Health Fair</i>  |
| July   | 6  | Bob & the Beachcombers (60's)<br><i>Water Festival, KOD Ambassador<br/>Candidates &amp; Button Contest Winners</i> |
| July   | 13 | Rising Joy ( <i>Variety</i> )<br><i>River City Cloggers &amp; Chamber Blood Drive</i>                              |
| July   | 20 | Link Union (Americana Folk)<br><i>Non-Profit Night</i>   |
| July   | 27 | Monroe Crossing ( <i>Bluegrass</i> )<br><i>Photography of Lakes Area/ Farmers Market</i>                           |
| August | 3  | Rockin' Hollywoods (50's-80's Rock)<br><i>National Night Out &amp; Lion's Corn Feed</i>                            |
| August | 10 | Boiling Point ( <i>Variety – Rock &amp; Praise</i> )   |

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.

### Chisago County Technology Training Opportunities for Businesses

*Through a grant provided by the Blandin Foundation and the energy of a team of advocates for Chisago County businesses, these monthly technology trainings are FREE for businesses & residents in the county.*

#### SOCIAL MEDIA BREAKFAST

**Thursday, June 21 7:30-9am**

**Chisago Lakes Library, Chisago Lakes**

Come for breakfast and learn more from our presenters: Judy Erickson on Twitter, Sarah Clark on Instagram and Gail Gates on Blogging. RSVP to [www.chisagocounty.org](http://www.chisagocounty.org)

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### READ TO THE WIN LIBRARY PROGRAM KICK OFF MONDAY, JUNE 13 3:30PM

The Schifelly Puppets invite families and children to attend "The Wonderfully Wacky, Completely Improbable and Simply Silly Wizard of Oz" program. Join the Scarecrow, a frog named Dorothy, the Tin Man and Toto the Toe, as they make their journey through this parody of The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum. Laughs galore make this great entertainment for the whole family. Funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Readers of all ages are encouraged to read like a champ and bring home the gold this summer as part of the Chisago Lakes Area Library's summer reading program – **Read for the Win!** Ages preschool through teen are welcome to participate this summer. Programs, contests, and other activities will be held throughout the summer. They are all free and open to the public. Stop by the Chisago Lakes Area Library and pick up a children's or teen flyer that lists all the activities, incentives, program guidelines and more!

\*Due to the overwhelming popularity of our summer reading program and the necessity to follow each library's meeting room's fire code restrictions, we need to limit the number of people attending the program, therefore **space is limited**. Free tickets may be picked up before the program starting Tuesday, June 7. **MUST** have a ticket to attend.

## Chisago Lakes Lutheran Church

1 Summit Ave, Chisago City  
651-257-6300

[www.ChisagoLakeLutheranChurch.org](http://www.ChisagoLakeLutheranChurch.org)

### Building Fund – Fund Appeal Now through July 10

We've partnered with Schwan's (the frozen food company) for a great fund raising opportunity. They will give the church 20% of all sales, and 40-50% of all gift cards purchased towards our fund appeal. If you are a new or existing customer, just follow the link below and place your order --- that's it. They will deliver your order to your door. This is good for any of your family and friends too within the 48 Lower States. Share this with your Facebook friends too. There are no contracts, memberships, etc. They also have a healthy line of food to choose from. And, of course they have great ice cream! [Schwans Fund Appeal](#)



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## MN Chamber Update

### 2016 Legislature: Some progress, and more work to do By Doug Loon

The Minnesota Legislature convened in March in what many observers expected to be a challenging session – only 10 weeks long and framed by divided government and the looming November elections. Lawmakers adjourned with mixed results for the statewide business community.

The Minnesota Chamber's top priorities were meaningful business tax relief, comprehensive transportation funding and no additional workplace mandates. We made good, incremental progress on tax relief and workplace regulations. Most disappointing, however, was the failure to pass a comprehensive transportation package. We remain hopeful that a special session will be convened to attempt to resolve outstanding issues – especially a comprehensive transportation bill.

Our local chamber partners play a key role in advocating for our priorities. Thank you for all of your help – calls, letters, e-mails, text messages, tweets. You've answered the bell each and every time. Your voices do make a difference with your legislators.

Here's how our priorities fared:

#### Tax relief

Our No. 1 priority was to reduce the cost of the statewide business property tax. We succeeded in exempting the first \$100,000 of market value from the levy. Businesses will see immediate relief on their bottom lines, especially those in lower market value properties – many of which are located in Greater Minnesota.

The inflator index on the statewide property tax was unfortunately not repealed, and it will be on our radar for 2017. Other early agenda items for next year are conforming the state estate tax to the federal threshold, federal conformity to Section 179 depreciation provisions and enhancing the research-and-development tax credit.

#### Workplace regulations

Labor/management issues kept us especially busy this session. We defeated the proposed paid family leave that would be financed by a new payroll tax on employers and employees and administrated by a new state bureaucracy.

A bill providing preemption of local ordinances did not pass. The legislation sought to prevent local governments from enacting wage and benefit laws that conflict with state laws. A patchwork of local regulations would create significant administrative challenges for employers. We are seeing such problems firsthand with the proposed leave ordinances advancing in Minneapolis and St. Paul. Now we see advocates in Duluth are advancing similar measures. We will continue to advocate for explicit preemption at the Legislature and assist our local chamber partners in combating local ordinance proposals.

All businesses will see relief through significant reform in the unemployment insurance system. Employers will receive a one-time credit in 2016 on their unemployment insurance premiums and future credits whenever the Unemployment Insurance Trust

Fund balance reaches 104% of the federally-recommended solvency level.

More and more small businesses have become the target of lawsuits for alleged violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act. We made progress in helping to mitigate these suits. Businesses are now provided clear affirmative defenses when noncompliance is alleged, and, in addition, the burden of proof shifts to complainants for businesses that have buildings audited by accessibility specialists. We will continue to advocate for mandatory notice – a requirement that businesses first be given notice and an opportunity to fix the problem prior to litigation.

#### Transportation

The failure to pass a comprehensive transportation package created disappointment across Minnesota. There's no more important 'unfinished business' from the regular session than adopting a comprehensive package for sustained and strategic funding of roads, bridges and transit. We remain hopeful that something will be accomplished yet this year.

Though no bill passed yet, we moved the needle in transportation funding discussions. We have spent the last two years advocating for a new approach to transportation funding – broadening the base of support for the system through the general fund. The bonding bill, which came so close to passage in the Legislature, included roughly \$700 million in bonding and one-time general fund money for transportation – firsthand evidence of the serious headway we made with policymakers.

We are encouraged by discussions to have transportation funding included in the agenda for a special session. The Minnesota Chamber remains committed to sustained and strategic funding of roads, bridges and transit.

As always, thanks for your support. Local chambers across the state are integral to advancing the statewide voice of business at the Capitol. Together, we will help make Minnesota ready for the future – ready for change and ready to grow.

**Doug Loon is president of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce: [www.mnchamber.com](http://www.mnchamber.com).**



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