

# Monthly Newsletter

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

#### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

- June 1: **Board Meeting 9:00am** Chamber Office & Information Center 30525 Linden Street, Lindstrom
- June 8: Chamber Member Luncheon
- Time: 11:30am 1pm
- Topic: Summer Happenings in Chisago Lakes!
- Caterer: Deutschland Meats
- Location: **Ki Chi Saga Park** 29101 Glader Blvd, Lindstrom

Please RSVP by Monday, June 6 by 3pm \$10/Chamber Members, \$15/Non-Members

## Welcome New Member!

### FOREST LAKE TIMES

Cindy Collins 146 N Lake St, Forest Lake www.ForestLakeTimes.com 763-233-0711

Congratulations Class of 2017!



#### "SOCIAL MEDIA 101 & PRACTICAL APPLICATION FOR SMALL BUSINESS" Thursday, June 15 8-9am

Discuss the topic of the month, 'Social Media 101 & Practical Application for Small Business', facilitated by **Tanya Paine, Revant LLC & Madeline Juliar, Northwoods Roasterie-Media & Marketing**. Light refreshments served, RSVP's appreciated but not required. Chamber Office, 30525 Linden St, Lindstrom.

May Summary: 'Marketing & Communication Strategy'



#### What's Happening This Month

June	3	'Run Wild with 4-H' 5K Run/Walk
June	3	Wine & Chocolate Dinner Cruise
June	7	Harmony in the Park Starts
June	7-11	Picket Fence Gals Sale
June	8	Chamber Luncheon
June	9-11	Wannigan Days
June	10	'About a 5K' Fun Run
June	10	Flag Sale & Collection
June	13	doTERRA Essential Oil Class
June	14	'Google' Business Seminar
June	15	Morning Mentoring
June	15	Blood Drive – Lakes Region EMS
June	15	Swingin' for Parmly Golf Tournament
June	16	'Elvis' & 'Mexican Fiesta' Cruises
June	17	Kid's Sculpture Workshop - Franconia
June	17	Wine & Cheese Dinner Cruise
June	17	Green Frog Day Camp - Gammelgarden
June	18	HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
June	18	Father's Day Brunch Cruise
June	20	Chisago County Tech Training
June	20	'Doodle Bots' – Chisago Library
June	20-22	School of Rock Camp - Chisago City
June	21	Belinda Jensen Book Award Tour - Library
June	24	Midsommar Dag
June	24-25	Raspberries & Wine Festival - Winehaven
June	25	Family Praise Fest – Methodist Church
June	25	Bluegrass & Lemonade in the Shade
June	27	Porcupine Quillwork Workshop - Library
June	29	Plein Art Painting Class – Vitalize! Parmly

#### 2017 Board of Directors

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A Note from the Chamber Board:

John Renaker Northwoods Roasterie

Summer is here and the fun has begun! We are looking forward to time on the lake, beautiful sunsets and time with friends and family on pontoon rides, at the beach, maybe a trip to the boundary waters. So as we begin to mow the lawn and sip ice tea, we at the Chamber are still here to serve our members. The summer festivals will begin shortly with parades and cotton candy and ice-cream and all the fun of seeing everyone. We'll be wearing shorts, t-shirts, and flip-flops. Take time to slow down and enjoy our area. If you need info on things to do in our fabulous area come on in to the chamber. We have pamphlets on all sorts of thing to do and both Laurie and Wendy are a wealth of information on the things happening in our area. Remember to shop local and say hi to the shop ownerswe love to see everyone out and about in our towns.

May you have a blessed and profitable summer.

John

#### NORTHWOODS ROASTERIE

12710 N. First Ave, Lindstrom



Coffee and Pie Night Every Friday Night! 4-7pm



Come enjoy coffee and fresh baked pies! www.NorthwoodsRoasterie.com 651-257-5240



### doTERRA Essential Oils

#### **'DON'T LET SUMMER BUG YOU!' Tuesday, June 13 6:30pm**

Summer is coming and so are the ticks...mosquitoes...and bugs! This class will focus on a natural remedy for repelling bugs and dealing with a bite if you get one. 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/trudylodien

We can help get your information out to the community! Share your events/happenings with us.

- > Visit the new community website<u>ChisagoLakes.org</u> and share an event on the calendar.
- > Email clacc@frontiernet.net to include your information in our weekly newsflash or monthly newsletter.

**CHISAGO CITY FARMERS MARKET** Vilhelm Moberg Park 10656 Railroad Ave, Chisago City www.ChisagoCityFarmersMarket.com



CHISAGO CITY FARMERS MARKET Fridays 2-6:30pm

Every Friday through October from 2-6:30pm, find a variety of fresh goods from local growers, producers and artisans. Live music/entertainment every Friday 4-6pm. The market accepts cash, credit, debit and SNAP/EBT.

June 2 Live Music: Rich & Shari Bachman

- June 9 TBD
- June 16 Live Music: Brian Peterson
- June 23 Pleasant Valley Cloggers
- June 30 Live Music: Andrew Spreck

More information at ChisagoCityFarmersMarket.com

The smallest act of Kindness is worth more than the grandest of intentions.

# Need directions to your financial destination?



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Join us at our Annual Community Golf Tournament. This 18-Hole, 4-Person scramble is a fun day of networking. Show your community support while promoting your business by bringing a team, through sponsorship - or both! This year's community partner is **Chisago Lakes Community Meals.** <u>Registration/Sponsorship Form</u>

### 2017 Harmony in the Park



2017 Harmony in the Park Concert Series. *Free* concerts are held in Lions Park next to Lindstrom City Hall. Concerts begin at 7:00pm with the 'Special Events' starting at 6:30pm.

- June 7 White Sidewalls (Doo-Wop/Rock & Roll) Joe Wishy Memorial Car Show Blood Drive
- June 14 Link Union (Americana Folk) Faith Community Night JR ROTC Opening Ceremony
- June 21 Monroe Crossing (Bluegrass) Arts/Craft Projects & Show Sweet Adelines
- June 28 Davina & the Vagabonds (Jazzy Blues Band) Health Fair & Chisago Lakes Marching Band Full Schedule

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 would like to help support this great community event and get your business advertised, you may drop off your donation at Lindstrom City Hall.



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Enjoy a cruise on the St. Croix River. Choose from a variety of specialty cruises. Full cash bar, soft drinks and lemonade available for purchase. **Daily Excursions**: Time Schedule

• Wine & Chocolate Dinner Cruise – Sat, June 3 7-10pm Cruise featuring local Winehaven wines and fine chocolate while experiencing the breathtaking rock formations that were left behind as the glaciers retreated thousands of years ago.

• **Dinner Cruise** – Saturdays, June 10 & 24 7-10pm Spend a summer evening with friends and family with a delicious meal, live entertainment and beauty of the St. Croix River. Trip includes a narrated scenic tour of area history and the rock formations along the river.

• Elvis Cruise – Friday, June 16 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 16, 23 & 30 7-9pm A festive night aboard one of our authentic paddlewheel river boats includes a 2-hour cruise, taco bar, chips, salsa & dessert.
- Wine & Cheese Dinner Cruise Sat, June 17 7-10pm Featuring Winehaven wines and some of the best cheeses while experiencing the breathtaking rock formations that were left behind as the glaciers retreated thousands of years ago.

• Father's Day Brunch – Sunday, June 18 10:30am Our narrated cruise includes freshly carved ham and turkey, cheesy scrambled eggs, hash brown potatoes, fresh fruit, muffins, juice and coffee.



#### PICKET FENCE GALS SALE JUNE 7-11 Wednesday 3-7pm Thursday-Saturday 9am-6pm Sunday 11am-5pm

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MIDSOMMAR DAG Saturday, June 24 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.

#### GREEN FROG DAY CAMP June 17 10am-12pm

Growing Green Hearts workshops blend play with nature, Swedish engineering, Christian faith and environmental science. Suitable for youth of all ages, families, parents, grandparents, and mentors.

**'BIOSPHERE'** Through scripture and science learn how water is wonderful and weird! Explore your baptismal story, build a model watershed, try your hand at water chemistry and water quality testing. Family \$50 Individual \$15 Click <u>HERE</u> to register.

#### **BLUEGRASS & LEMONADE IN THE SHADE** 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, June 25 – September 24 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.

> **GRANDPA CHEESECAKE** 12710 Lake Blvd, Lindstrom 651-257-6199 facebook.com/grandpacheesecake



We have moved to a new location. You CHEESECAKE can find us within the Lindstrom Sweet Shoppe. Stop in and try our Lingonberry, salted caramel or raspberry cheesecake. Treat Dad on Father's Day! CHISAGO LAKES GOLF COURSE 12975 282<sup>nd</sup> St, Lindstrom 651-257-1484 ChisagoLakesGolf.com

#### **2017 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. 2017 Membership Rates:

> <u>Membership Rate Schedule</u> 2017 Junior Golf Information 2017 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 30 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.

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! If you have items for the athlete swag bags call 651-257-1177.

#### Google Business Seminar Livestream: Connect with Local Customers Wednesday, June 14 11am-12:30pm

Lindstrom Office Center 12732 Lake Blvd, Lindstrom



Join the Chisago Lakes Chamber for a livestream broadcast from Google's California headquarters that will take a deeper look at the evolving 'local' landscape of online search. Discussion will be around how this shift will impact businesses and Google will share some tools to help you stay ahead of the curve. Bring your own lunch.



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Franconia Sculpture Park 29836 St. Croix Trail, Franconia Franconia.org 651-257-6668

#### **Events**:

#### Music:

'Them Coulee Boys' ..... June 24 2-6pm

Admission to Franconia Sculpture Park is free. Open 365 days a year from dawn to dusk. Your donation helps sustain the park and grow our community. Thank You.

CHISAGO CITY'S PARK COMMISSION 10625 Railroad Ave, Chisago City 651-257-4162 www.ci.chisago.mn.us



Chisago City is excited to offer the following activity to our youth this summer. To register for or more information please visit Chisago City website or contact the Parks Programmer, Doris Zacho at 651-257-5464.

#### SCHOOL OF ROCK CAMP June 20-22 10am-2pm

Students will learn the nuts and bolts of live performance, improvising and composing using popular styles that they know and love including rock, pop, reggae, hip hop and R & B. Friends and family are invited to a live rock show performance on the last day of camp at 5pm. Students should bring an instrument of their choosing to camp each day. For Ages 9 and up. \$75/student. Held at Ojiketa Park 27500 Kirby Ave, Chisago City.



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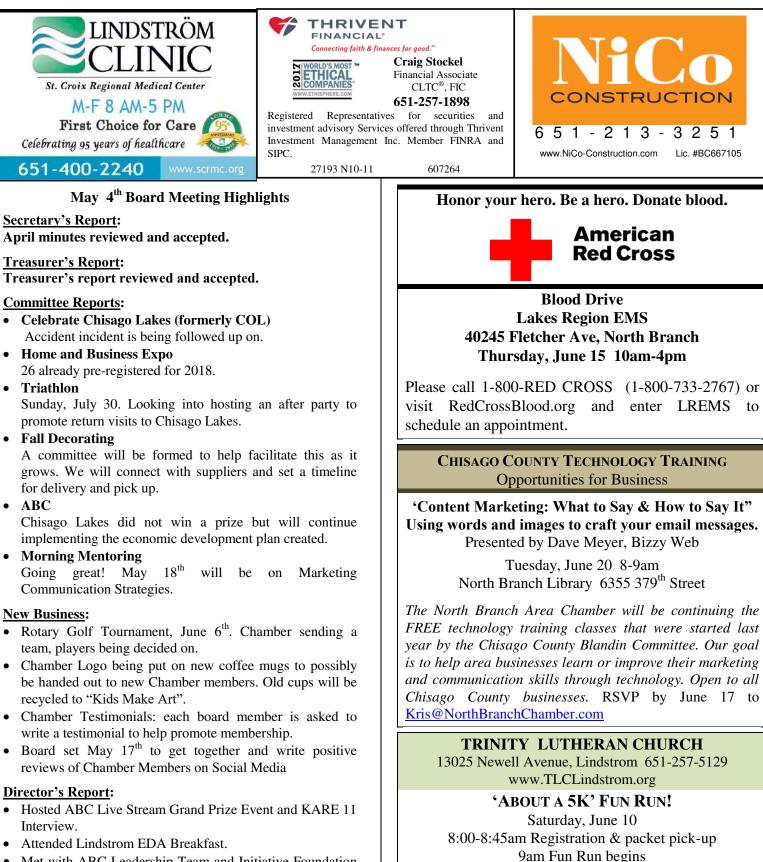
RASPBERRIES AND WINE FESTIVAL Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup> 10am-5pm Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 11am-5pm

Have a 'Berry Good' time celebrating the release of our new batch of award-winning Raspberry wine! Celebrate summer at Winehaven while enjoying hourly vineyard tours, complementary wine tasting, lunch at the vineyard and live music. Free admission, no reservations required.

Wine and Chocolate Cruise on the St. Croix River Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:00-10:00 pm

Wine and Cheese Cruise on the St. Croix River Saturday, June 17<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 at 651-465-6315.



Come for the run and enjoy the fun! This is a fundraiser

and a fun run. All proceeds are going to help support the

Trinity Lutheran Youth with their summer work camp trip

to Montana. During their trip, they will be making home repairs for seniors and disabled individuals. Registration

- Met with ABC Leadership Team and Initiative Foundation discussing next steps to continue implementing Chisago Lake's plans.
- Planning for Celebrate Chisago Lakes, Golf Tournament, Fall Decorating.

#### May Membership Luncheon



Gammelgarden Museum

20880 Olinda Trail, Scandia



Lynne Blomstrand Moratzka, Gammelgarden Director shared the wonderful history of the community with the Chamber members.

May luncheon was held at Gammelgarden Immigrant Historical Museum were we all enjoyed a wonderful lunch catered by Chiko's and an excellent mini tour of Gammelgarden. Thank you to Northwoods Roasterie for the coffee and Grand Casino Hinckley for raffle prizes.

Chamber announcements: ABC Competition has come to a close. Although Chisago Lakes did not win an award we have an amazing plan for our community that we will continue to implement. The next Third Thursday Morning Mentoring is May 18 at the Chamber with the topic 'Marketing and Communications Strategy'. The Chamber is hosting a Social Media Review party on Wednesday, May 17 from 7-9pm at Chisago Lakes Grill. Bring your laptop and write positive reviews of Chamber businesses. Take part in a Charity Golf Tournament and consider the Chamber Tournament on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. Great networking, golfing and the Mystery Prize is back. Stop and Shop Local for Mother's Day and more!

New Members: Aeroteck Heating AC and Duct Cleaning and Bayview Dental.

Member announcements: Julie Penshorn–Growing Communities for Peace shared her new children's book. Jerry Erickson-Chisago Lakes Library gave a library update, Darlene Shafer-Parmly LifePointes events highlighted the upcoming Coffee Chat. Matt Howard-Lakes Center for Youth and Families shared mentoring opportunities for youth. Jeff Bouchee-Lake State Carpet Cleaning is offering a Spring Member Special of 10% off through May 31. Susie Sandberg-Almelund Mercantile announced the Pottery Tour over the weekend.

Guest speaker: Lynne Blomstrand Moratzka, Gammelgarden Director gave an excellent historical presentation about the Swedish Immigrants beginning in the Välkommen Hus and continuing with a mini tour through the five historic buildings on the grounds of Gammelgarden. Plan to bring your friends and family for the full tour this season.

**BACHMAN'S PHOTOGRAPHY** 13000 Sylvan Ave, Lindstrom 651-257-9380



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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

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VITALIZE! WELLNESS CENTRE CLASSES 10720 282<sup>nd</sup> St, Chisago City 651-257-7968

'Plein Air Painting Class' Thursday, June 29 4-7pm

We are offering our first ever Plein Air Painting Class. This means 'painting on location'. We are going to be painting in the beautiful backyard of Vitalize Wellness Centre. Joy Tate will walk you through step by step while you paint the landscape around you. No experience necessary. Class Flyer/Registration \$15/Members, \$20/Non Member

## **Lakes Center for Youth & Families**

20 Lake Street N. Suite 103 Forest Lake http://www.LC4YF.org 651-464-3685

> **TASTE! EVENT** Thursday, July 13 5:30-8pm



Join us for a fun filled evening connecting with the community and supporting LC4YF. Sample food from over 20 different restaurants, beer and wine samples, cash bar, raffle baskets and more. Fun for everyone! Held at SplitRocks Entertainment Center, 5063 273rd St, Wyoming. Tickets available now! \$25/Advance and \$30 at the door

Available for purchase at the Chamber office.

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#### JUNE EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY!

- > 'Preschool Storytime' Wednesdays 10:30-11am Children ages 3-5 are invited for stories, songs and more. Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.
- > '4H STEM Series-Engaging Youth as Scientists' Every Wednesday, June 14-July 19 2-3pm

Kids (completed Kindergarten through Grade 2) explore scientific concepts, sound, motion & astronomy through hands-on experiential lessons. Registration at Chisago County 4H 651-277-0150

#### > 'Doodle Bots' Tuesday, June 20 2-3pm

Kids ages 8 and up will learn about basic circuitry and build robots that can color pictures on their own! Registration required, starts June 1.

> 'Belinda Jensen, MN Book Award Tour' Wednesday, June 21 10:30-11:30am

Belinda Jensen, Chief Meteorologist for KARE 11 News, shares her passion & enthusiasm for weather related topics with students. She helps kids understand the science and mystery of weather with her series of children's books.

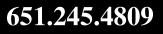
> 'Porcupine Quillwork Embroidery Workshop' Tuesday, June 27 2-3pm

Meet a live porcupine, learn about the animal's natural history and create a quilled design on a birch bark medallion with the Audubon Center of the North Woods. Workshop materials will be provided. For ages 12-17, class size is limited. Pre-registration is required at 651-257-2817.

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# **Swingin' for Parmly**

Thursday, June 15 2pm Shotgun Start **Chisago Lakes Golf Course** 

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, Longest Drive, Longest Putt, 5 yard String/Scissors, prize board & more. **Registration Brochure** 

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'TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR HEALTH WITH NUTRITION' Weekly meetings: Mondays 7pm

We are looking for health minded people to join us in a journey to a healthier community. Join our facebook page and help us grow. We meet Mondays 7pm at the Chisago Lakes Chamber, 30525 Linden Street, Lindstrom. Special guest speakers on occasion. Free and open to the public.

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#### June Featured Business – Soderlund's Wood Mill



10670 South Ave, Chisago City 651-246-4085 SoderlundsWoodMill.com

Sawdust has been flying at the Soderlund's Wood Mill and we are excited to move into the time of year where long johns are not required for survival. If you are not acquainted with Soderlund's Wood Mill we thought we would briefly share our story. After years apprenticing and then honing our craft in West Yellowstone, MT, brothers Jason and Josh Soderlund opened Soderlund's Wood Mill in Chisago City, MN in the fall of 2013. The historic feed mill, now woodshop, provides a perfect modern rustic setting for designing and producing woodcarvings and furniture. We are dedicated to pushing the envelope of possibility in our craft and enjoying the process. Stop on in and we will show you around. Many of our most interesting pieces never make it out to the front of the building.



As far as new business is concerned, 2017 is looking to be a big year for us. We have expanded operations by adding a CNC along with the ability to do custom 3D modeling. By bringing these elements into our business we've

increased our ability to do commercial/residential, wedding and cabin signs, law enforcement badges, military badges, and really anything that can be digitally modeled. Along with the new CNC capabilities the Wood Mill is excited to be making our signature log swing. If you have not tried one, stop by North Woods Roasterie, grab a cup of coffee and enjoy the best coffee in MN while sitting in comfort. Get on the list early as these have been moving fast!

We cannot say how honored we are to be a part of such a great business community and look forward to 2017 and all that it brings.

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Explore the scenic surroundings of our awesome chain of five lakes! Rent a pontoon, kayak or fishing boat "w/motor" and see what wonders Chisago Chain of Lakes has to offer. There are portaging adventures via the newly formed Chisago Lakes Water Trail. Chisago Lakes offers

camping, mini portages and awesome local shops and restaurants along the way. Pack a lunch and have a picnic at one of the new day camps, stop at a local restaurant on the water or order a pizza and have it delivered to our boat!



American Legion 'Flag Sale & Collection' Saturday, June 10 9am-Noon Moberg Park in Chisago City

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

# Run Wild for 4-H SS Run/Walk

SATURDAY, JUNE 3 9am/Kids Race & 9:15am 5K 8am Check-in

Join friends, families, runners and horseback riders from across the region in this 5K run at the beautiful Wild River State Park. This event will feature a beautiful 5K (3.1 miles) and Kids Race for family members and friends to get out and enjoy some of the best trails around.

5K Run (13 & up)	\$30
Kids Fun Run (12 & under)	
Family Deal (immediate household)	\$65
Registration Form or call 651-277-0151	



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 8:30am-5pm
 8:30am-6pm

 9am-12pm
 9am-12pm



# Karl Oskar House



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Midsommer Dag – June 24 Open for Tours Sundays 1-4pm

First United Methodist Church

30828 Irene Ave, Lindstrom 651.257.4306 www.LindstromMethodist.org

#### **FAMILY PRAISE FEST** Sunday, June 25 Starting at Noon



You are invited to our Family Praise Fest. Come hear many great praise bands representing our local churches and enjoy a free barbeque meal. Have fun with family and friends. Kids can enjoy bouncy houses, games, face painting and more.

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 4:30pm.

WANNIGAN DAYS Taylors Falls & St. Croix Falls June 9-11

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

Kiddie & Grand Parade • Lots of Music & Theatre Food • Kids Activities • Bingo for Bucks Classic Cars & Motorcycle Show • Fireworks City of Trails 5K/10K Race • Many more activities! For complete list of events visit www.wannigans.com or www.fallschamber.org

#### MN Chamber Update Let's Make a Match and Grow Minnesota! By Doug Loon

Are you frustrated by the inability to get permits for new signage or to find the requirements for shipping your product to customers abroad? Are you looking for a supplier of inputs or services for a manufacturing process? Are you searching for potential buildings and sites to expand both within your community or elsewhere in Minnesota? Are you looking for skilled workers?

Minnesota has an abundance of public/private organizations that could steer businesses the right direction to solve these & myriad other everyday business problems. Indeed, that's a challenge in itself. The matrix is often so confusing and disconnected that companies are stymied in identifying their  $1^{st}$  step.

Grow Minnesota!, a private-sector program spearheaded by the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, is here to help. Launched in 2003, the program has a primary focus to retain Minnesota businesses and to encourage them to expand in the state. We also take the opportunity to thank companies for doing business in Minnesota. Visits are carried out by staff and volunteers from the Minnesota Chamber and our more than 70 local partners that include local chambers of commerce and about a dozen local economic development entities.

The aggregate information gleaned from these visits also helps strengthen the MN Chamber's public policy agenda on behalf of the statewide business community at the Capitol. Our findings are different from what you might see in a typical survey. What we deliver to policy-makers is not based on mounds of statistics, but on what businesses throughout the state are actually saying.

Helping companies find solutions to everyday business problems is fundamental to retaining and creating jobs in Minnesota. To that end, individualized business problem-solving has become Grow Minnesota!'s trademark.

Volunteers conduct one-on-one confidential conversations with owners and/or top management of businesses. Between 750 and 1,000 visits are completed in any given year, bringing the 13-year total to more than 10,000. On average, one in three visits has concluded with a request for some kind of assistance. We provide the answers directly or match the business with the appropriate public or private resources.

We're expanding our ability to match Minnesota companies with the Minnesota resources critical to their success here. We've recently launched MN Job Match and will be launching MN Supplier Match this summer.

**MN Job Match:** Our brand new online talent recruitment tool uses state-of-the-art technology to connect candidates and employers based on skills, interests and job requirements.

**MN Supplier Match:** This tool will allow businesses to call us for a customized supplier list in a specific product category, or check out our online supplier database to search for a Minnesota business that can supply your company. It will complement other, more limited sourcing data bases (e.g., Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development's Made in Minnesota) because it covers all industries.

The premise of Grow Minnesota! is simple: We link businesses to resources that can help them stay and grow in Minnesota.

Contact our professional team or your local Grow Minnesota! partner today to schedule a comprehensive Grow Minnesota! visit or to inquire about resources to help you grow your business in Minnesota. We stand ready to assist. The Minnesota Chamber works year-round to make Minnesota ready for the future – ready for change and ready to grow.

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