

Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce

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2nd Annual Taste of Buffalo

Thursday, September 23, 2010

A room decorated with sparkling lights, an array of creative food and beverage booths, and live music for your dining pleasure is yours to enjoy at the 2nd Annual Taste of Buffalo to be held Thursday, September 23, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at the Buffalo Civic Center.

Generous portions of specialty foods and beverages created and served by local vendors are yours to sample! Seating is provided for your comfort while having 'fun by the forkful!'

Invite your neighbors and friends for an evening of fun and entertainment at the 2nd Annual Taste of Buffalo.

Tickets are \$20 in advance (\$25 at the door) and may be purchased at the following Buffalo businesses:

BANKWEST, Buffalo Chamber, Buffalo Country Store, Catie's Café, Coborn's, Cub Foods, Huikko's Bison Creek Restaurant, both KleinBank locations and Lillians. Or phone in your ticket order to the Chamber at 763-682-4902.

Note: You must be 21 or older to attend.



Annual Membership Banquet

Thursday, October 14, 2010

5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

The Chamber's annual membership banquet kicks off with a social and auction at 5:30 p.m. at Huikko's Bison Creek Event Center on October 14. Buffalo Eye Clinic, PA will be sponsoring the complimentary wine. Thank you Rod Melgard/Buffalo Eye Clinic! The dinner and meeting follow at 6:30 p.m. You will receive a ballot upon arriving, you will be voting for five Board members for 2011. More information is provided below.



Wine

Sponsored by

Buffalo Eye Clinic, P.A.

A registration form will be mailed to you within a few days, there is one attached to this newsletter as well. Deadline for registration is Wednesday, October 7. We look forward to seeing everyone at the banquet.

We are seeking event sponsors and door prizes. An Event Sponsors will receive recognition in the newsletter, table tent cards, program, and signage. Please check off the appropriate line on the banquet registration form if you are interested.

Chamber Board of Directors Election

Five positions are open on the Chamber Board for three-year terms beginning January 1, 2011. Incumbents running for re-election are Jaime Baker - Functional Industries, and Sue Olmscheid - Lillians. We have already received a verbal nomination for Carrie Parchem - Country Inn, and she has accepted the nomination therefore will be listed on the ballot.

A nomination form will be included with the banquet registration form which will be mailed out the first week of September. Nominations are being accepted until 4 p.m. Friday, September 24, 2010.

The election will be held during the Annual Banquet on October 14. If you wish to vote but are unable to attend the banquet, please return the nomination form and mark off that you want to receive an absentee ballot by mail.

2010 CHAMBER MEETING CALENDAR

GOOD MORNING BUFFALO

Third Friday of each month - 7:30 am

- Jan 15 Diva's The Hair & Body Care Professionals and Raatz Computer Service
Lakeview Mall
- Feb 19 West Suburban Auto
610 Hwy 55 E
- Mar 19 American Family Insurance/Jasen Braun
605 Hwy 55 E - Suite 103
- Apr 16 Buffalo Country Store
101 8th St NE
- May 21 Something Savvy
605 Hwy 55 E - Suite 109
- June 18 Canceled
- July 16 Charter Communications
101 6th St. NE
- Aug 20 Catie's Café & Catering
- Sept 17 BryanJohn's Grillworks
Wild Marsh
- Oct 15 TBA
- Nov 19 Commercial Realty Solutions
3B Hwy 55 E
- Dec 17 Country Inn

QUARTERLY BUSINESS LUNCHEONS

Noon - Cost \$15/person

July 8 - Huikko's

November 4 - BryanJohn's Grillworks

2010 CHAMBER EVENTS

- **Community Showcase**
February 6, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Buffalo Community Middle School
- **Nick Miller Academic Luncheon**
May 18, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Buffalo Evangelical Free Church
- **Wild Scramble Golf Outing**
May 27 - Noon
Wild Marsh Golf Club
- **Buffalo Days**
June 13 - June 20
Fireworks - June 18
Parade - June 19, 6:00 pm
- **Buffalo Rodeo**
June 24-26
- **Crazy Days Sidewalk Sales**
July 16 & 17
- **Chamber Appreciation Picnic**
July 22, 11:00 am - 1:30 pm
Sturges Park
- **Arts & Craft Festival - Downtown**
August 21, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- **Taste of Buffalo**
September 23, 5:30-8:00 pm
Buffalo Civic Center
- **Membership Banquet**
October 14, 5:30 pm
Huikko's Bowling & Entertainment Center
- **Trick or Treat the Merchants**
October 30, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
- **Deck the Halls**
December 2-4
- **Christmas In The Park**
Sturges Park
December 4, 3:30 - 5:30 pm

Classics by the Lake Saturday, September 11



The third annual Classics by the Lake Auto Show, sponsored by Morrie's Buffalo Ford and sponsor partners will take place in downtown Buffalo on Saturday, September 11, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The show is free to both spectators and car show owners.

There will be a lot of beautiful cars, food and refreshments! Classics by the Lake Auto Show is accepting donations on behalf of our community friends - Buffalo Food Shelf, Police Dept., and Fire Dept. You will be able to buy a ballot for \$1 and that money will be divided up amongst the three entities. For more information or to sign up for car show, go to <http://media.morries.com/buffaloford>

Good Morning Buffalo September 17 - 7:30 a.m.



Join us for a cup of coffee and meet member businesses at
Good Morning Buffalo!

BryanJohn's Grillworks
located at Wild Marsh Golf Club
1710 Montrose Blvd. S.

Chamber Appreciation Picnic - July 22

The Chamber Board was kept busy grilling pork chops for a record number of 386 members and their employees at the Annual Appreciation Picnic at Sturges Park on Thursday, July 22.



Thank you everyone for a wonderful turnout and thanks to our BBQ chefs and servers: Scott Devitt, Jeff Anderson, Jane Wurm, and the Chamber Board of Directors. It is always a pleasure to introduce our incoming Royalty Miss Buffalo Ashley Michalko, Princess Maggie O'Donnell and Princess Alyssa Tryggeseth by having them serve our members as well.

TRICK OR TREAT MERCHANTS Saturday, October 30

Children will be trick or treating local businesses on Saturday, October 30, from 2-4 p.m. during the annual *Trick or Treat the Merchants*. If you wish to participate, please complete the attached application - return it to the Chamber before October 15 if you wish to be listed in the Drummer.

Moms and dads are encouraged to dress up in their favorite costumes for this event as well!

Next Quarterly Business Luncheon, November 4



Merton Auger (top photo), City of Buffalo, presented a city update at the July 8 Quarterly Business Luncheon. In the bottom photo, Senator Amy Koch is shown providing a legislative review on the State budget and other issues.

Merton, Administrator for the City of Buffalo provided comparisons of aid provided to cities in the past from Federal and State governments, and the changes in aid received now. Merton's topics included our local government's sales tax obligations in the past and the current obligations.

Senator Koch provided a presentation on the State budget and fixing the budget. Senator Koch feels the State needs a total tax reform effort that would include efforts to help businesses grow in Minnesota.

November's Quarterly Business Luncheon

The next Quarterly Business Luncheon will be held at noon on November 4 at BryanJohn's Grillworks at Wild Marsh.

Please plan to attend. The cost is \$15 per person. Please RSVP to the Chamber at 763-682-4902 or via email to sally@buffalochamber.org.

Mark Your Calendars!



Visit the **Farmer's Market** in downtown Buffalo, across from the Buffalo Theater. They are open Saturday mornings through October from 8 - noon.

- Buy your tickets now for the **2nd Annual Taste of Buffalo!** The "Taste" will be held **Thursday, September 23, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.** at the Buffalo Civic Center. Generous samples of food, desserts, beverages all presented by local food and beverage vendors. Tickets are on sale now at the Chamber office and businesses listed on page 1.
- See you at the **Annual Membership Banquet** to be held **Thursday, October 14** at Huikko's. A wonderful evening of fun, prizes, great wine and food! See attached registration form. Please respond no later than 10/7.
- See the enclosed application to sign up for participation in **Trick or Treat the Merchants** on October 30. Deadline for participating is Friday, 10/15.

Join us for a "Forkful of Fun" at the Taste of Buffalo
September 23!

Arts & Crafts Festival Brings Thousands To Buffalo

The 27th Annual 2010 Arts & Crafts Festival drew a huge crowd of shoppers to Buffalo on Saturday, August 21. Though the temps climbed later in the day, an overcast morning kept temps down for the start of a great day of shopping.

Artists and crafters commented that this event is one of the best organized art and crafts show that they have participated in. They praised the volunteers who helped with directing traffic to avoid congestion during the busy early morning setup, and they were very appreciative of the volunteers who helped them unload their wares. And they were extremely pleased with the number of shoppers.

A special thank you to volunteers Anita Underberg, Coleen Raisanen, Jill Thompson, Linda Thompson, Joan Halderson, and Dwight, Kate & Nathan Raatz.

Mark your calendar for next year's 28th Annual Arts & Crafts Festival to be held on August 20, 2011



Teacher's Visit Chamber



Teachers new to the Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose School District made a stop at the Chamber office on August 27 during a tour of our community. They were each presented with a gift bag filled with goodies donated by the Chamber members listed below.

Thank you to the following Chamber members for helping us welcome this wonderful group of teachers by contributing to the gift bags, they were amazed by your generosity:

Academic All Star Tutoring

BANKWEST

Buff 'N' Glo Car Wash

Buffalo Chiropractic Clinic

Buffalo Country Store

Buffalo Eye Clinic, P.A.

Buffalo Orthotics & Sole Comfort Shoes

Buffalo Women of Today

Central Land Title Guarantee Company

Coborn's

Congresswoman Michele Bachmann

Cub Foods

David Wray Automotive, Inc.

Deer Lake Orchard

DOJO Karate

Edina Realty

Edina Realty - The Quady Group

Edward Jones - Alex Trogstad

Excel Physical Therapy

Functional Industries, Inc.

Hanson Dental

Hendrickson Chiropractic & Acupuncture

Insurance Center of Buffalo

Klatt True Value Electric & Just Ask Rental

Kuzma Chiropractic

LarsonAllen, LLP

Lillians, LLC

Marty Chiropractic Healing Center

McDonald's

MidCountry Bank

Morries Buffalo Ford/Mercury

North Hennepin Community College

Olson Chiropractic Clinic

Precision Prints, Inc.

St. John's Lutheran Church

State Farm Insurance/Cindy Lamont

State Farm Insurance/Mark Olson

Tastefully Simple

Wells Fargo Bank

Wells Fargo Home Mortgage

Wright County Collision

September Company Spotlight

“Company Spotlight” is a service to Chamber members. Throughout the year, businesses featured are chosen from a random drawing.



**Back row from left: Amber Lemieux, Jessie Wienhold, Trevor Goodwin, Ryan Otto
Front row: Jeremy Welter, Brooke Herrick - General Manager**

Gold's Gym
101 14th Street NE
(763) 682-4300
www.goldsgym.com

Gold's Gym specializes in creating an action plan for their members to attain the fitness results they desire. Our goal is to provide a program that fits within everyone's time, budget and needs.

Eighty percent of people who join a fitness club set specific goals and create a “how-to-plan” to achieve their desired results.

At Gold's Gym, you'll find all of the latest cardio and strength training equipment along with a dynamic group exercise program that includes classes like yoga, group cycling, mixed martial arts, muscle endurance training and a variety of programs for children. Most importantly, you'll find an energetic, supportive environment with staff who are committed to helping you in achieving your goals!

Gold's Gym was established and joined the Chamber in 2005. The gym employs 60-70 employees.

October Company Spotlight



From left: Teri Fredrick - Office Mgr, Dan Martin - CSR, Mike Zumbusch - Owner, Kim Schaffer - CSR

Insurance Brokers of MN, Inc. Michael Zumbusch Agency

**1014 Hwy 55 E
(763) 682-4517**

www.insurancebrokersmn.com

The Michael Zumbusch Agency of Insurance Brokers is an independent agency. This means we work for you and not the insurance company. We have more than one insurance solution and product to pick from.

The agency handles all types of insurance including auto, home, umbrella, farm/ranch, life, health, disability, business, workers comp, cycles, all recreational vehicles and much more.

Our goal is to, and we do, strive for the best package for our clients, meaning the best coverage at the best premium. We do this through numerous insurance companies at our disposal.

Our philosophy is to always place the best interests of our clients above our own direct or indirect interests.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Molly Perry
Academic All Star Tutoring
 1113 13th Street NW
 Buffalo MN 55313
 763-682-1281
www.academicallstartutoring.com



Jill James, Senior Associate Attorney
Kalina, Wills, Gisvold & Clark, PLLP
 6160 Summit Drive, Suite 560
 Minneapolis MN 55430
 763-259-3451
www.kwgc-law.com



From left (Co-owners):
 Tami Tuggle - Bakery Catering Mgr
 Karen Weir - Café Mgr
Catie's Café & Catering
 9 Highway 55 W
 Buffalo MN 55313
 763-267-7756

RELOCATIONS



Gentz Financial Services, Inc.
 has relocated to
 2 Division Street E, Suite 201
 (formerly the Boyd building
 downtown)
 763-682-5859

2010 Board of Directors

Officers

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 wRight Lumber & Millwork 682-4441
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 763-670-6686

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Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau

205 Central Avenue
 Buffalo, MN 55313

763-682-4902

Hours: 9 - 4 pm Mon-Fri
 Sally Custer
 President

sally@buffalochamber.org
www.buffalochamber.org

Buffalo Tourism Bureau Website
www.buffalo-mn.org

MISSION STATEMENT

The Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce is a business organization incorporated to promote the free enterprise system, work with other organizations to develop programs in response to community issues and provide leadership for improvement of the economy, environment and quality of life.



You Are Invited To Attend
 The Buffalo Area Chamber's
 Annual
 Membership
 Banquet



Thursday, October 14, 2010

5:30 p.m. Social Hour & Prizes • 6:30 p.m. Dinner & Meeting

Complimentary Wine Sponsored by Buffalo Eye Clinic, P.A. 

Huikko's Bison Creek Event Center • 1207 Hwy 25 N, Buffalo

Dinner Reservations - \$36 per person • Please respond no later than THURS - OCTOBER 7, 2010

Contact Name: _____
 Company Name: _____
 Phone Number: _____

First and last names of people attending:

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| 1) _____ | 4) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 5) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 6) _____ |

The dinner is the Chamber's main fundraiser. We encourage you to be an Event Sponsor and/or donate an item (\$25 or more in value) as a prize for the Banquet. Event Sponsors will receive recognition in the newsletter, table tent cards, program, and signage. Please fill in the appropriate line(s) below.

____ Gift Item (Description) _____
 ____ \$75 Donation for a gift basket to be prepared by Event Committee
 ____ Cash contribution dollar amount \$ ____

Event Sponsor: ____ \$200 ____ Check Enclosed ____ Please Invoice Me

Please complete this form and mail or fax to:
 Buffalo Chamber - 205 Central Avenue - Buffalo MN 55313 or Fax 763-682-5677



**Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce
Presents
Trick or Treat the Merchants
Saturday, October 30, 2010
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Each year the Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce organizes an event that brings families to your business to receive Halloween goodies. It gives the local children an opportunity to dress up and have fun in a safe environment. We charge each participating business \$25, which goes to the Wright County Journal Press & The Drummer for the display ad. The ad will list the participating business names. We also air it on KRWC/1360 AM radio.

The business provides its own candy (approximately 1000 children). The Chamber provides a flyer to be posted in your window letting people know you are a participating business.

This is a great opportunity for you and your employees to have a fun day while promoting your business.

Deadline for participating is Friday, October 15, 2010, if you want your company name listed in the newspaper ad.

Please make sure candy is wrapped.

___ Yes, invoice me \$25 to be a participant.

Contact Name: _____

Company Name: _____

**Please fax, 763-682-5677, or
E-mail sally@buffalochamber.org or
Mail to the Chamber before October 15th**

Buffalo Area Chamber of Commerce

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- Add a personal message to your gifts.



Whatever the occasion, *Tastefully Simple's* delicious foods are the perfect gift!

Contact me to receive a gift brochure or place an order!

Holly Munsterteiger, ID #32, 763-682-4770, hollyteiger@hotmail.com
www.tastefullysimple.com/web/hmunsterteiger



Host a lunch hour party for your co-workers!

*Would you like to sample the delicious products we have to offer?
Enjoy a simplified version of our party to accommodate your lunch time.
Sample approximately 10 items and learn about delicious appetizer and meal ideas for everyone to enjoy!*

*As the host, you'll earn your favorites for FREE!
Contact me today to set up your Fall Taste Test!*

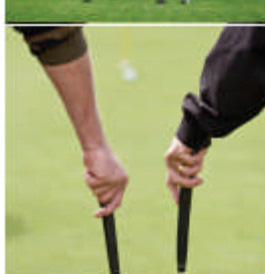
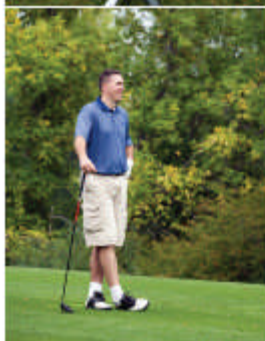
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www.tastefullysimple.com/web/hmunsterteiger

WRIGHT COUNTY

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

2010 GOLF SCRAMBLE

September 13, 2010, 11:30 am
Wild Marsh Golf Course, Buffalo MN



Event Details

Date September 13, 2010
Registration 11:30 am
Shotgun Start 12:30 pm
Reception & Networking 5:30 pm
Dinner & Program 6:30 pm

Partnership Members

Early-Bird: Golf and Dinner \$95
After Aug 10: Golf and Dinner \$110
Foursome \$350

Non-members

Early-Bird: Golf and Dinner \$110
After Aug 10: Golf and Dinner \$125

Dinner only \$30
Noon lunch available at club house.

Prizes

Contests – Best Game, Hole In One, Longest Drive, 13th Place, Closest To Pin, and Longest Putt.

Larson Allen Ball in Play – Each team receives a golf ball at the start of play and rotate the ball among the players throughout the day. At the end of the day, teams who still have their ball will be put into a drawing to win \$400!

Putting Contest – Winner gets half the kitty. Sponsored by Schlenner VVener.

Mulligan's for sale at \$10 each.
Strings for sale at \$10 each.

Sponsorships

Platinum \$650
Display banner at club house, name and logo on programs, tee box presentation, honorable mention, allowed four players. Must provide a prize for contests.

Gold \$500
Name and logo on programs, honorable mention, tee box presentation, allowed two players.

Silver \$250
Name and logo on programs, tee box presentation, allowed one player.

Tee Box Presentations (no golf)
Members \$75
Non-members \$100

RSVP

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Total Fees (Pay before you play): _____

Yes, I am interested in sponsorship:
(Must respond & pay by August 20, 2010)

- Platinum Sponsor
 Gold Sponsor
 Silver Sponsor
 Tee Box Sponsor

Names of foursome: (if registering individually you will be assigned a team.)

Mail checks to:

Wright County Partnership
PO Box 525, Rockford, MN 55373

Contact Noel (nlabine@whe.org)
at or Jeanene (jstrum@whe.org) at
763.477.3000 for more details.

Please return by August 27th
Paid early-bird entries will be eligible for
a chance to win 18 holes of golf for two!

**Sponsorships must be paid by
August 20th.**

Please arrive early, we will start the play
at 12:30 sharp!

Proceeds raised at the Wright County Promotional Golf Tournament will be used to enhance the Business Climate of Wright County.

www.wrightpartnership.org