

December 2017 Newsletter

Mission Statement

"Committed to the success of the Big Lake business community through information, communication, cooperation and support for all."

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Cast Your Vote for the Board Elections

Board Ballots went out via email in November. In an effort to expand the Board of Directors and Chamber membership, there will be four spots open for the 2018 election. If you haven't already, please cast your vote by responding to the email, calling/faxing/or stopping into the Chamber office with your vote by December 8th at 12pm. Board Members Elect will be announced at the Holiday Social. Good luck Candidates!

Hawaiian Holiday Social



The Chamber Holiday Social is coming up on Friday, December 8th from 6pm to 9pm at Carousell Works. If you missed the deadline to RSVP, don't panic, there is still time! Contact the Chamber Office today to get registered. If you have some last minute donations for the event, contact the Chamber Office to schedule a time for pick-up/drop-off.

Holiday Tree Decorating Event



Great River Spine & Sport has a blast last year at the Holiday Tree Decorating event! Not signed up yet? Last minute registrations can be turned into the Chamber office as late as December 1st. You can find registration forms on our website. Businesses are also welcome to stop out and en-

joy some free refreshments in the Senior Center after the decorating portion of the event. Thank you to Kwik Trip for donating these goodies!

Member FDIC



Welcome New Members:

Marketplace BBQ LLC: Meet Big Lake's latest restaurant located off Hwy 10 by ENL Gas. Stop by their Ribbon Cutting on December 1st at 12pm.



Wright Technical Center: They service 8 member districts in Wright and Sherburne County and provides students with 14 different career and technical program choices to meet their needs, skills, and career interests.

Introducing the 2018 Vendor Fair

This event, formerly known as the Business Expo, will take place on Sunday, March 4th, from 11am to 2pm at the Big Lake High School. Our motto this year is to 'Experience local businesses, and Discover your community!' It is a great place to get your name out to the public and have fun while doing it! Registration is now open and forms can be found on the website or in the Chamber office.





Visit Loch Jewelers in Monticello on Saturday, December 2nd from 4pm to 7pm for Ladies Night.





Farmers Market

Monthly Indoor Winter Market Select Fridays from 3pm to 6pm

Saron Lutheran Church, 311 Lake St. S, Big Lake, MN

Support Local Vendors!

Check out opening day for the Big Lake
Winter Market in December featuring
handmade crafts, homegrown produce,
/ and delicious baked goods!

Market Dates:
December 22nd
January 19th
February 23rd
March 23rd
April 20th



Ambassador Meeting

Looking to become more involved in the Chamber? Attend the next Ambassador meeting on December 13th at the Third Rail at 12pm. The focus of this meeting will be on the 2018 Vendor Fair. Simply stop out with your ideas or Contact Tim Suchy at tim.suchy@edwardjones.com for details.

Business After Hours

This month's Business After Hours will be held on December 21st at McPete's at 5pm. Stop out and enjoy a drink or appetizer while getting to know area businesses in a casual atmosphere!



Holiday Concert

Six Appeal is a vocal band that will be performing a holiday concert at the Big Lake High School on December 3rd from 4pm to 6pm. Tickets are available online or at the Big Lake KleinBank or Riverwood Bank of Big Lake.

Sip and Shop Boutique

Stop by the Friendly Buffalo for the Sip & Shop Holiday Boutique on December 16th from 11am to 3pm. Pick out some gifts for the family while having a drink and supporting local vendors! There will be a variety of clothing, jewelry, cosmetics, health care, home decor and holiday gifts. Free Admission and Raffle Ticket. The first thirty guests will receive a free swag bag.





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Events Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | 1 Riverwood Bank Open House Marketplace BBQ Ribbon Cutting 12pm | 2 Ladies Night Out at Loch Jewelers 4pm |
| 3 Santa Day at Friendly Buffa- lo 1pm Six Appeal Christmas Concert at BLHS 4pm | 4 Blood Drive at CentraCare Monticello 9am | 5 Tree Lighting at CentraCare Monticello 6:30pm | 6 Free Preview for Great Trains & Grand Canyon at Ind. Elem. 6pm | 7 | 8 Hawaiian Holiday Social at Carousell Works 6pm | 9 Coffee with the Mayor at Coborn's 9am |
| 10 | 11 | 12 Board Meeting Holiday Tree Decorating Event at Brown's Park 5pm | 13 Ambassador Meeting at Third Rail 12pm | 14 | 15 | 16 Sip & Shop Holiday Bou- tique at Friendly Buffa- lo 11am |
| 17 | 18 Chamber 101 at Chamber Offices 12pm | 19 | 20 SNWR Christ- mas Bird Count City Holiday Lighting Con- test Results | 21 Business After Hours at McPete's 5pm | 22 Winter Farm- ers Market at Saron Luther- an 3pm | 23 |
| 24 31 New Year's Eve | 25 Christmas Day Offices Closed | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |

Mark Your Calendar!

January 1st, New Years Day, Chamber Offices Closed all day March 4th, 11am to 2pm, Big Lake Vendor Fair (Formerly Business Expo) at BLHS