

February 2018 Newsletter

Sports Bar

Mission Statement

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

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 3pm Friday: 9 am - 12pm

February Membership Meeting

Join us at the upcoming Membership Meeting on Tuesday, February 27th for Updates on the Big Lake School District at McPete's. Registration is at 11:45/Lunch at 12pm. Cost to attend is \$15. RSVP by contacting the Chamber office or by going to www.biglakechamber.com.

Welcome New Members



Becker Spine: Becker Spine is a MaxLiving Clinic located in Becker, MN. Transform your health and check out their website at www.beckerspinemn.com.



Amber Danielzuk - Promised Land Homes: Amber is a part of a local team of Realtors. Feel free to contact her to set up an appointment at Amber@promisedlandhomes.com.

United Bus Sales: This new business is opening in Big Lake. They sell new and used vehicles to businesses. Their new website is coming soon!

Changes to Big Lake Vendor Fair



For years the BLCC&I has hosted the Big Lake Business Expo. This year's event will be held March 4th from 11am to 2pm at the BLHS with some fun new additions/ changes, and not just to the name! Keep an eye out for buttons being sold for \$1 a piece around town. If you wear your button you can receive discounts from local partner businesses the weekend of the event!

Keep an eye out in the West Sherburne Tribune for a list of local partners. Want to become a partner business? Call the Chamber office today and ask how you can become more involved in this successful local event!



Ambassador Meeting

We need more Ambassadors! Looking to become more involved in the Chamber? Attend the next Ambassador meeting on February 14th at marketplace BBQ at 12pm. We will be planning the upcoming Vendor Fair. Contact Hanna Klimmek at hklimmek@biglakemn.org for info.

Business After Hours

This month's Business After Hours will be held on February 15th at El Loro at 5pm. Stop out and enjoy a drink or appetizer while getting to know area businesses.





Looking For

Big Lake Junior & Senior Ambassador Candidates

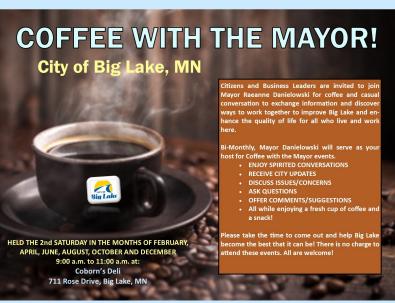
Girls entering 4th or 5th grade and 11th or 12th grade in the fall of 2018 are welcome to participate! The big event is Saturday, June 23th during Spud Fest. Please contact the facebook page or email address's below for more information. Applications are available in the High School Office.

biglakejuniorambassadors@gmail.com

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Junior Applications are to be turned in to the High School office during scheduled school hours. <u>Senior</u> Applications are to be turned in to the High School office during scheduled hours Applications are due February

A candidate informational meeting will be held on Feb 7th at 6:30 in the Big Lake High School Lecture Hall





Moonlight Ski/Snowshoe Hike

Looking for some fun outdoor activities during these winter months? Join the Friends of Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge at the Oak Savanna Learning Center for a Moonlight Ski/Hike on Friday, February 2nd from 7pm to 9pm. Skis are not provided. Looking for an afternoon event? Then join in on the Snowshoe/Hike on Sunday, February 11th from 1pm to 4pm. Snowshoes are available to borrow.













Are you ready to fall in love..... with your next home?
Call Promised Land Homes today to set up your home valuation or buyers

consultation!

Amber Danielzuk 612-203-9869

My family and I have lived in and loved Big Lake for 13 years... my kids are in Big Lake schools and activities, my husband is a firefighter for BLFD and I am a committed member of the BL chamber of commerce.

It means a lot to me to be able to assist members of our close and extended community make one of the biggest decisions of their lives.

Commercial Greening Project

City of Big Lake and Sherburne Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)



Tree Options: Ohio Buckeye, River Birch, Honey Locust, Planetree, Newport Plum, Amur Chokecherry, Bicolor Oak, Japanese

Price: \$50 each (includes gator bag water system), if interested contact Katie Stelzner kstelzner@biglakemn.org, 763-307-6040





Why Buy a Tree?

- Sherburne SWCD is selling trees at a discounted rate, and volunteers will plant and care for your tree.
- Trees are an investment in the future.
 When properly placed they save you money on heating and air-conditioning costs.
- Commercial retail areas with trees are more appealing to shoppers.
 Businesses on treescaped streets show 12% higher income streams.
- Healthy, mature trees add about 15% to a property's value.

Planting and Caring for the Tree

- Volunteers from the Big Lake Sustainability Task Force will plant your tree with help from the SWCD.
- The Citizen Pruners Program will care for your tree.
- Your only responsibility is to purchase a tree, and advertise how you are helping the community!

How This Will Help the Community

- The exceptional water quality of Big Lake is our community's legacy! By strategically increasing tree canopy around your business you are protecting this valuable natural resource!
- Trees improve water quality by decreasing runoff and erosion. They also allow the groundwater supply to be replenished by absorbing water.
- Visual exposure to settings with trees reduces stress levels. This will benefit your customers, employees, and yourself!

Free Vision Screening for Children at Vendor Fair!



Every child deserves to see the world clearly!

- 80% of learning is visual.
- Vision problems undetected by the age of 7 can become permanent.
- Screening children 6 months to 6 years of age provides early detection.

For more info: KidSightUSA.org G

Get involved: BeALion.org





WEALTH PROTECTION
WEALTH ACCUMULATION
TAX ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS

ARE YOU READY TO LEARN ABOUT SOMETHING YOU DON'T KNOW EXISTS?

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Connecting Life & Money



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Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Early Bird Vendor Fair Registration Due Moonlight Ski at SNWR 7pm	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Coffee with the Mayor at Coborn's 9am Little Hole on Big Lake at Lakeside Park 12pm Alice in Wonderland at BLHS 7pm
Snowshoe Hike at SNWR 1pm Alice in Won- derland at BLHS 2pm	12 Board Ballots Due	13 Board Meeting	14 Ambassador Mtg at Market- place BBQ 12pm	15 Business After Hours at El Loro 5pm	16 Vendor Fair Registration Due	17
18	19 President's Day Office Closed	20	21	22	23 Winter Farm- ers Market 3pm	24
25	26	27 Membership Meeting at McPete's 12pm	28			

Mark Your Calendar!

March 4th, 11am to 2pm, Big Lake Vendor Fair (Formerly Business Expo) at BLHS March 23rd, 6pm to 8pm, Spring Wine Event at Friendly Buffalo April 13th, True Colors Fashion Show at The Crown Room in Rogers