

Mission Statement

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

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Tuesday & Wednesday
8 am - 10 am
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GLORIA'S GEMS

For the next several months, I am going to write a special article about one of our member businesses.

Since it's our 30th Anniversary, I want to identify businesses who have been with us since the beginning. If you were one of the original members or know someone who was, please let me know.. I would also love to see some of the original pictures of those early days!



CHAMBER'S 30th ANNIVERSARY

FEATURED BUSINESS of the MONTH:

Shirlee Heitz of Edina Realty Heitz Group was a member of the original Big Lake Civic & Commercial Club in 1980. She along with Virginia Bruns of the former Johnson Bruns were the instigators in transforming the Club to a Chamber of Commerce eight years later in 1988.



“The Chamber has been much more beneficial to businesses these last several years with the Expo and networking options. “ Heitz exclaimed.

Shirlee became the first President of the Big Lake Chamber and Virginia was the first treasurer. Gary Meyer of the West Sherburne Tribune was also active on the first Chamber board



and later become President for several years.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Tuesday, Aug 28th from 11:45-1 at Carefree Country Club.

Join us at Carefree Country Club for lunch as Barry Ross of Arvig Media will talk business/non-profit's internet exposure with his talk, "Online Exposure: Should You Do More?" Carefree will provide golf-cart tours after the meeting. Hwy 10 BBQ will provide pork and chicken for sandwiches or ala carte as well as onion tanglers and cole-slaw.

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80'S TRIVIA • GAMES • DANCING • GRAND MARCH • SILENT AUCTION

Welcome New Member



Arconic's Operations Manager Russell Scheller along with their employees joined the Chamber this past month. Arconic produces engineered products for the aerospace and defense industries. They have already identified a [job opening](#) on the Chamber website so check it out.

Ambassador Meeting: Join us

on August 8th at The Third Rail Bar & Grill at 11 am.



2018 Construction Trades – Student Built House

**House Specifications: 1,500 sq/ft Rambler,
3 Bedroom, Bathrooms – Master Bath plus 1 & 1/2,
Bay Window,
Vaulted Ceilings & First Floor Laundry**

Sale Price: **\$79,900**

For Information, click here:

<http://www.wtc.k12.mn.us/construction-trades-student-built-house/>

BIG LAKE-MONTICELLO BOWL-

THON: Thursday, August 16 from 6--8 pm at McPete's .



Join us as a bowler or to cheer on the Big Lake teams at our August Business After Hours. Contact President Tim Suchy at 262-9988 or the office to join the team.

New Board Member

The Board welcomes Paul Knier of Cabot Lodge Securities as a new member. Last December Paul celebrated 25 years as a financial advisor



Newsletter Tidbits Due

Want to include something in the Chamber Newsletter? Send us a 1/4 page ad or a few sentences to include in next month's newsletter by Wednesday, Aug 22nd. Full page ads can be added for only \$25 per month. Are you a new member? Ask the Chamber how to redeem your free full page ad!

BLOCK PARTY in two weeks!

Many thanks to our sponsors, including **American Legion** who just came on as a gold Sponsor! You still have time to sponsor an event, provide items for the goodie bags or volunteer.

Big Lake Chamber of Commerce presents

BIG LAKE BLOCK PARTY!
A DAY OF FUN FOR EVERYONE!
RAIN OR SHINE!

**Saturday,
Aug. 18th,
2018**

McPete's Entertainment Center
590 E. Humboldt Dr., Big Lake • 763-263-6556

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Cost: \$5⁰⁰ (2 & Under FREE)

- Batting Cages
- Bowling
- Mini Golf
- Face Painting by Ambassadors
- Massage
- Super Hero masks
- Take a Tour of a Fire Truck, Police Car and Ambulance vehicles



ALL DAY DOJO KARATE AND BOUNCE HOUSE

Platinum Sponsor

BIG LAKE SPUD FEST

Supporting local youth and community since 1972!

Tickets will be available to purchase for concessions

1st 100 kids will receive a free bag with items donated by local businesses.

Gold Sponsors




Silver Sponsors







To become a sponsor, contact the Big Lake Chamber of Commerce at (763) 263-7800 or info@biglakechamber.com

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE at the AUGUST 14 PRIMARY

2018 is fast-becoming an election year for the record books. It's important to make your voice heard as Minnesota elects legislators, several congressional and statewide officers, and the first new governor in nearly a decade. You can vote early, either online or at Sherburne County Courthouse.

**MINNESOTA
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE**

GROWING MINNESOTA

Our elected officials play a critical role in affecting your ability to stay and grow jobs here in Minnesota. Supporting candidates who will pass pro-growth policies will help all of us succeed and prosper well into the future.



Legislative Voting Record

MN Chamber of Commerce recently released voting records of their key bills in 2018. Both State Senator Mary Kiffmeyer and Rep Nick Zerwas strongly supported bills for businesses.

[See here](#)



Join Us for the Walk

In celebration of the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's, please join us for a special Edward Jones Team Signature Event.



Tim Suchy, AAMS®, CRPC®
Financial Advisor
630 Humboldt Drive Suite D
Big Lake, MN 55309
763-262-9988

Thank you for your support of the Alzheimer's Association and for joining the fight to end Alzheimer's.

Please join our 'Team Edward Jones Big Lake' and walk with us, can't make it? You could donate!

For more information, please contact Tim or Carol at 763-262-9988 or by email at carol.grapert@edwardjones.com

Saturday, September 15th
8:00 AM to register

Target Field
1 Twins Way
Minneapolis, MN

There is a ceremony at 9:30AM with the walk to follow. Children and strollers are welcome.

Edward Jones is proud to serve as National Presenting Sponsor of Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's. Learn more at www.edwardjones.com/ALZ.



**PROUD NATIONAL
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DON'T MISS OUT!

**ON THE 2018-19 BIG LAKE
COMMUNITY
GUIDE!**



*The West Sherburne Tribune
in cooperation with the
Big Lake Chamber of Commerce
will be publishing the Big Lake
Community Guide Sept. 22, 2018.*

*This popular magazine will
feature local community events,
businesses, parks, city map and
editorials, with distribution
in the Big Lake area.*

*Contact your sales rep today!
Deadline will be Friday, Aug. 24
*Proceeds from this guide
benefit the Big Lake Chamber*

The Rates are Still Low!

*The Guide will be available ONLINE at
www.westsherburnetribune.com and
www.biglakechamber.com*

Sizes & Rates

| | | |
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| 1/8 of a page | Black & White | \$115 |
| 1/4 of a page | Black & White | \$215 |
| 1/2 of a page | Black & White | \$315 |
| Full page | Black & White | \$500 |
| 1/8 of a page | Color | \$166 |
| 1/4 of a page | Color | \$266 |
| 1/2 of a page | Color | \$410 |
| Full page | Color | \$670 |

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*DATA*Success with Chamber's Gloria Vande Brake; Janell Houston & Kevin Thompson @ DATA*Success*; Mayor Raeanne Danielowski; Hanna Klimmek, City of Big Lake; & Paul Knier, Cabot Lodge Securities



BIG LAKE LIONS ANNUAL
"Ron Nelson Memorial"
GOLF TOURNAMENT



Saturday, August 4th, 2018 / 1:00 pm Shotgun Start

Elk River Golf Club
20015 Elk Lake Road NW, Elk River, MN 55330

\$75 per PERSON includes: 18 holes Golf, Cart, & Dinner

Dinner will be back at Big Lake Township/Lions Park, 21960 County Rd 5 NW in Big Lake and will be a steak dinner with all the fixin's



4 PERSON SCRAMBLE TEAMS
*MEN'S * WOMEN'S * MIXED*



SIGN UP AT MCPETE'S SPORTS BAR & LANES, LUPULIN BREWING
or TOOTSIE'S TAVERN IN BIG LAKE!

OR

mail registration form and payment to:

Big Lake Lions, PO Box 128, Big Lake, MN 55309

Get registration forms at McPete's, Lupulin or Tootsie's or download from www.facebook.com/BigLakeLionsClub/

BE A "HOLE" SPONSOR AT THE TOURNAMENT - \$75

Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge

Bird Tour: 8-10 am on Saturday, August 25th
Mahnomen Trail

A variety of fall migrants can be expected on this hike, along with hawks and eagles. Binoculars are available to borrow.

Led by Volunteers Steve Chesney and Bob Janssen.



Photo Credit: Bruce Ellingson

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FREE FREE
FEATURING...

City of Big Lake
Movie in the Park
Friday, August 24th
Lakeside Park
Activities from 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Movie starts at Dusk (Approx 8:15pm)
Food by Rocket Concessions
In the event of inclement weather, activities will be canceled.

All Children dressed in their favorite Disney Costume will receive a free ice cream treat!

Local Food truck onsite!

ROCKET CONCESSIONS!

Dojo Karate Bounce House! Big Lake Ambassadors Face Painting

Tommy Guyer's Petting Zoo:
Bunnies Chinchillas
Llamas Baby Goats
Ferrets Many More!

Runtime: 109 minutes, Rated: PG

A Big Lake Community Event Jointly Partnered by:
The City of Big Lake
The Sherburne Wright Cable Commission

Thank you to our Sponsors:
Big Lake Knights of Columbus
Big Lake Spud Fest
Big Lake American Legion Auxiliary
Climb Theatre
Kwik Trip of Big Lake

A Special thank you to Sherburne Wright Cable Commission for providing the movie equipment at no charge! Watch your City Government Channel! Quarter Channel 180.

Welcome Our NEW TEACHERS

The Chamber is gathering items from area business to make our 40 new teachers and staff welcome at the Big Lake schools. If you would like to donate items for the Welcome Bags, please drop them off by **Wednesday noon, Aug 22 at the Chamber Office** or call for staff to pick them up. We want to make our new educators welcome! The Chamber also gives out Welcome Bags for new residents so if you want to leave additional items for those bags too, please do so. Thank you for your generosity.



BBQ COMPETITION

@ LUPULIN BREWING AUGUST 11TH 2018

570 HUMBOLT DR. SUITE 107, BIG LAKE MN

PULLED PORK COOK-OFF

PRIZES AWARDED TO THE WINNERS

WE WILL BEGIN SERVING THE PUBLIC AT 2:00PM.

COME ON OUT AND TASTE SOME PULLED PORK, CORN ON THE COB, SMOKED BAKED BEANS AND COLESLAW!

\$75 REGISTRATION FEE.

REGISTER TODAY!! GET YOUR REGISTRATION FORM ON FACEBOOK-



BIG EAGLE LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

OR EMAIL LIZ AT EMWASTE@GMAIL.COM

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING

BIG EAGLE LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION!

COFFEE WITH THE MAYOR!

City of Big Lake, MN

Citizens and Business Leaders are invited to join Mayor Raeanne Danielowski for coffee and casual conversation to exchange information and discover ways to work together to improve Big Lake and enhance the quality of life for all who live and work here.

Bi-Monthly, Mayor Danielowski will serve as your host for Coffee with the Mayor events.

- ENJOY SPIRITED CONVERSATIONS
- RECEIVE CITY UPDATES
- DISCUSS ISSUES/CONCERNS
- ASK QUESTIONS
- OFFER COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS
- All while enjoying a fresh cup of coffee and a snack!

Please take the time to come out and help Big Lake become the best that it can be! There is no charge to attend these events. All are welcome!

HELD THE 2nd SATURDAY IN THE MONTHS OF FEBRUARY, APRIL, JUNE, AUGUST, OCTOBER AND DECEMBER
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at:
Coborn's Deli
711 Rose Drive, Big Lake, MN



Women in Business: Minnesota Lawmakers work to stop human trafficking

August 7, 7:30-9:15 a.m. [Register](#)

Human trafficking is a critical issue facing businesses and our communities today. The Chamber is pleased to announce a special opportunity on August 7 to hear from two Minnesota lawmakers – representing different bodies of Congress and different sides of the aisle – who are each working to address this difficult issue. Kicking off the breakfast will be Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), followed later in the morning by Representative Erik Paulsen (R-Minn.). Each official will outline their legislation that will help save thousands of Minnesotans from falling victim to human trafficking. To save \$15 on registration, add discount code “localmember” at checkout.

Bike Benefits Member

Do you want to encourage biking in Big Lake, promote your business, and increase customer loyalty, all at the same time?
Become a Bike Benefits Member!



Bicyclists visit your business, they purchase a \$5 helmet sticker, and then receive discounts at participating businesses (decided by the businesses themselves), including yours, which increases their incentive to return!

How the program works:

Step 1: Reach out to the business community and get them involved in the program.

Step 2: Businesses, restaurants, cafes, grocery stores and establishments of all sizes join as program participants, sell the \$5 program helmet stickers and promote Bike Benefits.

Step 3: A city-wide program develops which concurrently supports more biking and local business.

Step 4: Individuals bike to more places more often. Businesses see more bike traffic, increased customer loyalty amongst bike riding customers and instantly become a bike-friendly establishment through participation.

Becoming a NEW Bike Benefits Member Includes:

- 10 program helmet stickers, 2 large member decals, 1 small member decal, 1 index card
- Comes with 10 all-weather Bike Benefits program helmet stickers @ \$2.50 each, 2 window decals showing participation/Bike Benefit program description, 1 small decal for the cash register (or place where you want people to see it but don't have a lot of room), and 1 index card which explains the program and encourages point of purchase sticker sales. Please include under “comments” if you need additional materials.

To enroll in the program, go to the Bike Benefits website:

http://www.bicycledenefits.org/#/new_member and contact Katie Stelzner at City Hall if you need any assistance (763)-307-6040 or kstelzner@biglakemn.org.

Walk A Mile In Her Shoes



A fundraiser to support victims of domestic violence.

August 9, 2018, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Rivers of Hope invites you to attend Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®. Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® is an international men's march to stop rape, sexual assault, and gender violence. Each year an ever-increasing number of men, women, and families are joining the award-winning walk as a unique way to raise awareness in their communities about the serious causes, effects, and remediation to domestic and sexual violence.

Men, women, and children are welcome to participate in Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®. Although wearing high heels is encouraged, it is not a requirement to participate. Participants can wear their own high heels or just wear their own normal walking shoes. Friendly spectators and supporters of the event are always welcome.

Registration: 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Opening remarks and walk kick-off: 6:00 pm to 6:15 pm

One mile walk and awards ceremony: 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm

Team photos and exploring Monticello: 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Ages 18 and older: \$25, Ages 6-17: \$10, and Ages 5 and under: Free (t-shirt included in registration price)

How to Register:

Visit www.riversofhope.org or

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/walk-a-mile-in-her-shoes-tickets-47364268803>

Awards for:

Largest walk team, best decorated shoes (child and adult category), and best dressed/spirited walk outfit (child and adult category)

Monticello Community Center

West Parking Lot by Swan River Montessori School
(505 Walnut Street, Monticello, MN 55362)

All proceeds donated to Rivers of Hope, serving Wright and Sherburne Counties.

This event is sponsored by CMMHC.



THE INAUGURAL IPA INVITATIONAL

Lupulin Brewing and ERX Motor Park challenged top IPA brewers to create their most innovative single, double, and triple IPAs for their inaugural IPA Invitational. Come join thousands of hop fans and indulge in the best hop brews from around the country! Live music and food trucks will be part of the festivities.



SO WHO'S IN?

12welve Eyes - MN
18th Street - IN
Ale Asylum - WI
Barrel Theory Beer Company - MN
Bent Paddle - MN
BlackStack Brewing - MN
Brewing Projekt - WI

Dangerous Man - MN
Drekker - ND
Fair State Brewing Cooperative - MN
Finnegans - MN
Insight - MN
Junkyard Brewing - MN
Listermann Brewing - OH

Mikkeller - CA
Modist Brewing - MN
Odd13 - CO
Pipeworks - IL
Sunny Brewing - MN
Tailgate - TN
Toppling Goliath - IA
War Pigs - IL/WI/IN

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 | 2 Music in the Park at Lakeside Park 7pm | 3 Block Party Committee @ McPete's -noon | 4 Lions Golf Tournament |
| 5 | 6 | 7 Block Party Planning Team @ 12:30 @ McPete's | 8 Ambassadors @ Third Rail @ 11 Farmers Market at Lakeside Park 3pm | 9 Music in the Park at Lakeside Park 7pm | 10 | 11 Coffee with the Mayor Big Eagle Lake BBQ Competition at Lupulin 2 pm |
| 12 | 13 | 14 Chamber Board Meeting @ 12:30 | 15 Farmers Market at Lakeside Park 3pm | 16 Chamber Bowl -A-Thon at McPete's 6-8 pm Music in the Park at Lakeside Park 7pm | 17 | 18 BLOCK PARTY at McPete's 1-5 pm |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 Farmers Market at Lakeside Park 3pm | 23 Music in the Park at Lakeside Park 7pm | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 Membership Meeting Click Here | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

Mark Your Calendar!

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS: Tuesday, Sept 11 at Friendly Buffalo

POLITICAL FORUM: Monday, October 22 from 6-8 pm at High School Auditorium