

St. Joseph Area Chamber  
Lunch & Learn  
Meeting at Jolie Olie's



Wednesday, June 8

12-1:00 p.m.

Jolie Olie's  
14 College Avenue North

*Head Baker, Jo Wood, will  
cater our lunch and  
entertain our group.*



St. Joseph  
AREA CHAMBER of COMMERCE

ST. JOSEPH  
CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE:  
THE VOICE OF  
BUSINESS IN THE  
ST. JOSEPH AREA!

The St. Joseph Area Chamber of Commerce is a group of local businesses and individuals interested in the general welfare and prosperity of the St. Joseph, MN area. The main interests of the organization are to promote and support commercial, industrial, civic, economic and educational concerns of the area.



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**St Joseph Area Chamber of  
Commerce**

**@StJosephChamber**

**StJosephChamber.com**

Visit our website for a great list  
of local chamber member  
businesses!



## *Mark Your Calendar for the Next Chamber*

# Jupiter Ice Cream Tell us your story...

Wednesday, July 13, 2022 from Noon-1pm

Government Center

Please plan to RSVP!

63% more  
consumers are  
likely to want to  
purchase goods or  
services from a  
small business that  
is a Chamber  
member.

## Check this out!

### BUSINESS AFTER HOURS EVENT

Are you looking for a brand new way  
to promote our business?

Business After Hours is not only a great  
networking opportunity, it is a perfect  
way to bring business to your door!  
When you host one of the quarterly  
events you have a unique opportunity to  
introduce your organization to business  
professionals who may not be familiar  
with who you are and what you do.

If you would like to host a Business After  
Hours, contact Jude by email at

[stjosephchamber@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephchamber@gmail.com)

Create a relaxing, informative evening to  
network! Traditionally held from about  
4:30-6:30, Business After Hours is one of  
St. Joseph Chamber's sought after events.

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**It's Easy! Really!**

### BE A MEETING HOST!

We are looking for member businesses to  
host a monthly Chamber meeting. This is a  
wonderful opportunity to showcase your  
business and tell others why they should  
do business with you. Any member is wel-  
come to host a meeting. As host you will  
have an opportunity to greet our members  
and time at the beginning of the meeting to  
highlight your company. You will also  
have the opportunity to display any bro-  
chures, business cards, or giveaways. If  
you would like to be a Chamber lunch host  
please contact Jude for available months.

**[stjosephchamber@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephchamber@gmail.com)**

**320-433-1043**



Two Benedictine sisters will make their perpetual monastic profession in July Saint Benedict's Monastery will welcome two new members when Sister Bridgette Powers and Sister Laura Suhr make perpetual monastic profession on Monday, July 11, 2022, the Feast of Saint Benedict. Making perpetual monastic profession means that S. Bridgette and S. Laura will commit to a lifelong journey of seeking God according to the Gospel and the Rule of Benedict in community, including commitment to stability, the monastic way of life, obedience, celibate chastity, and monastic poverty. The public is invited to celebrate this joyous occasion with the monastic community. The Rite of Perpetual Monastic Profession and Eucharist will take place at 10:30 a.m. in Sacred Heart Chapel. For more information, please call 320-363-7100 or visit [www.sbm.osb.org](http://www.sbm.osb.org). The Sisters of the Order of Saint Benedict, St. Joseph, Minn., are a monastic community of women who seek God in their daily lives according to the Gospel and the Rule of Benedict. Through their ministry of prayer, work and community living, they listen and respond to the needs of the Church and the world.



**Lunch & Learn Certificate: FREE Lunch**

**Be Our Guest!**

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**Attend your first Chamber **Lunch & Learn** and lunch is on us!**

The St. Joseph Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to one of our informational meetings held the second Wednesday of every month at the St. Joseph Government Center (City Hall).

Don't Miss Out of a Great Opportunity to:

\*Network with other businesses. \*Increase recognition. \*Generate new contacts. \*Inform others about your business.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Company:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Struthers Parkinson's Care Network

SPOT Rehabilitation and Home Care is a current member of the Struthers Parkinson's Care Network.

**What is Parkinson's Disease:** Parkinson's Disease occurs when cells in the brain degenerate, causing symptoms of slowness, tremor, muscle stiffness and changes in posture and balance. Each person with Parkinson's Disease is different. Other symptoms may impact mood, communication, walking and thinking/memory. Treatment includes medications, surgery, rehab and other complementary therapies. Most people with Parkinson's take medications to help control symptoms, which may fluctuate throughout the day. Parkinson's has no cure. It is important to receive pills on time, every time, for best symptom management.

**What does that mean to be part of the Struthers Parkinson's Care Network?**

**The Network:** Struthers Parkinson's Care Network is comprised of senior organizations who have made a commitment to improve care and provide support to people living with Parkinson's and their care partners.

**The Goal:** To raise community awareness and maximize quality of life for individuals, care partners and families living with Parkinson's Disease.

**The Details:** Struthers Parkinson's Care Network (SPCN) was founded in 2013 to collaborate with network members and provide ongoing staff education and resources using the nationally recognized TULIPS program to developed by Struthers Parkinson's Center. This network has grown to encompass sites in multiple states across the U.S.

**The Benefit:** SPCN members' commitment to patient-centered care and Parkinson's Disease (PD) awareness helps people living with Parkinson's Disease thrive.



**TULIPS Program:**

Time,  
Understanding,  
Quality of Life,  
Increased Awareness,  
Pills on time,  
Support



To learn how SPOT Rehabilitation and Home Care specialists can help you, call 320-259-4151, Or visit [www.spot-rehab.com](http://www.spot-rehab.com)





APRIL 1-JUNE 30

# Spring Fever

IT'S TIME TO TRADE-IN!

Trade-in an old frame & receive

## 40% OFF A NEW FRAME\*

when you order your new  
complete pair of glasses!

\*Cannot be combined with insurance or other discounts.  
Previous frames will be donated to the Lion's Clubs.  
See optician for more details.

**Do you want to be our  
next featured member?  
Contact Jude for the easy-  
to-fill out questionnaire.**



## Member Minute

A brief beginning to better know a Chamber  
comrade you can read in a few short minutes.

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# Bags Tournament

at Bad Habit Brewing Company

June 23, 2022 | 4:30pm-7:30pm

## BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

**\$500 or more**

- Logo on website
- Logo on pre-event promotional materials
- Logo displayed on day-of event materials
- Acknowledgment on social media
- Verbal acknowledgment at the event
- Your business thanked in radio spots

*This fun, casual event will bring the community together to raise funds for the Genesis House renovation project in St. Joe.*

*The evening will include a Bags Tournament (sponsored by Thrivent), live music, Dana's Kitchen Food Truck, craft beer, and more!*

*Your support makes affordable homeownership possible for a local family.*

To confirm sponsorship, please return the completed form with a check made payable to CMHFH. Thank You!

**Count us in! We want to sponsor the Bags Tournament at Bad Habit Brewing Company!**

Company Name (as you wish to be recognized) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsorship Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_



Central Minnesota Habitat for Humanity  
3335 W Saint Germain St, Ste. 108, Saint Cloud, MN 56301  
Contact: Kris Lehman | [klehman@cmhfh.org](mailto:klehman@cmhfh.org) | 320-241-8662



# STEARNS ELECTRIC EMPLOYEES HELP QUIET OAKS HOSPICE HOUSE



St. Cloud, Minn. – May 23, 2022

As part of Stearns Electric Association's 'My Co-op Cares' community involvement program, Cooperative employee volunteers spent the day working at Quiet Oaks Hospice House on May 18.

Quiet Oaks Hospice House provides personalized care and comfort to residents in the remaining days of their life. A Stearns Electric member, Quiet Oaks offers an 8-bed facility located on 10-acres of land in South St. Cloud.

On Wednesday, May 18, 10 Stearns Electric volunteers assisted Quiet Oaks with several landscaping projects. Cooperative employees cleaned out the pond, expanded a garden and relocated plants. Additionally, a few Stearns Electric lineworkers cut down dead trees throughout the property and hauled away brush.

Before beginning work, Stearns Electric volunteers met with Quiet Oaks Executive Director Linda Allen and received a tour of the facility. Allen educated employee volunteers on the mission of Quiet Oaks Hospice House and shared stories with the group.

"It was rewarding to me just knowing the work being done will impact so many others," Deb Goebel, Cooperative employee, recalled of the event. "Also, learning more about Quiet Oaks and their mission was appreciated. Hospice care - it isn't about death - it's about living!"

Stearns Electric's 'My Co-op Cares' program allows Cooperative employees the opportunity to volunteer during working hours within Stearns Electric's service territory. Three times per year, Stearns Electric sends teams of employees out to local organizations and charitable causes to share their time and talents.

"Volunteering for these events allows me to spend time with other employees in a non-work environment," Wayne Sensit, linemen, explained.

"It is great to work with both office and outside employees that we rarely get to see or visit with," Darla Honkomp, Cooperative employee, added. "I truly enjoy this part of the 'My Co-op Cares' events and have met some really great co-workers that otherwise I would never have had the opportunity to get to know."



# 10 Benefits of Advertising in Chamber News

Your target audience is welcoming newsletters in their email box every day. The Chamber News is the right e-newsletter for placing your ads. You are speaking directly to your best potential customers. Advertising in emailed newsletters is one of the most effective and least expensive forms of advertising.

## #1: **Precise Targeting.**

Your message won't get lost in the mass chatter. The people of St. Joseph are your target market, you have a much greater prospect of generating business leads with The Chamber News specifically marketing to your audience. The more specifically you can define your target market, the better your chances of success.

## #2: **Free.**

E-newsletter ads, especially when they are free, reach your niche market. You'll build a list by using ours – a direct connection to businesses. Email marketing continues to far surpass other channels. According to a report from the Direct Marketing Association, newsletter's ROI returned \$48.06 in revenue for every dollar spent.

## #3: **Top of mind visibility.**

Each month you can remind readers of your business-generate continuous income, give your business a successful image, keep you competitive and invest in your success. Your ad is among only a few, so you'll receive maximum visibility.

## #4: **Linkability.**

Your advertising in The Chamber News will be linked directly to your home page or direct customers to your social media page.

**#5: Credibility.** In addition, advertising in the St. Joseph Area Chamber of Commerce newsletter adds to the established credibility of your business.

Readers trust information from our newsletter and individuals don't have to worry about viruses or spam because the links are coming from a trusted source.

## #6: **Anytime, anywhere.**

The Chamber News reaches your target audience on a laptop, on their phones, at their desks in the office or at home.

## #7: **Lead generation.**

Quality lead results from The Chamber News are trackable. You will know if your investment in the Chamber's newsletter is worthwhile by watching the metrics on your website.

## #8: **Pass-Along Exposure.**

Not only can The Chamber News be forwarded from every recipient to others beyond our mailing list, an electronic newsletter has more longevity because it now exists in cyberspace.

## #9: **No SPAM worries.**

The Chamber News gets your message past SPAM filters. Your email sent to a SPAM folder is a problem. With the Chamber News, you are in an e-mail message recipients welcome. 22% of people trust an emailed newsletter message from known organizations, according to Forester.

## #10 **Positive SEO for your website.**

Newsletters are ranked highly by search engines. The search engine ranking of your webpages will improve as a result of links to and from the Chamber's newsletter.

**"St. Joseph Area  
Chamber of  
Commerce gets  
results for you  
and your  
business!"**





You are  
cordially invited to

**Russell Eyecare and Associates**

**Tri-Chamber Open House**

**Thursday, June 16 ~ 5-7 pm**

**15 East Minnesota Street, Suite 105 in St. Joseph**

~Please join our networking event and enjoy a Taco Bar and refreshments

~Learn how Russell Eyecare is only one out of six Minnesota clinics  
offering Neuro-Vision Rehabilitation and Post-Brain Injury Care

~Meet our friendly staff and tour our newly-expanded facility

~Enter our drawing for prizes and discounts

~Check out our wide selection of eyewear

*3 Chambers, all in once place  
is great opportunity to  
**NETWORK!***



## Business Directory

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St. Joseph  
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Businesses  
First!

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<u>Anfinson Thompson &amp; Co., P.A.</u>	710 County Rd 75E, #102	320-441-2989	David Anfinson	David@anfinsonthompson.com
<u>Arlington Place Assisted Living</u>	21 16th Avenue SE	320-363-1313	Karen Hennessey	karen@arlingtonplacemn.com
<u>Auto Body 2000, Inc</u>	611 19th Avenue NE	320-363-1116	Craig Zahara	zaharacraig@gmail.com
<u>BankVista</u>	125 Twin Rivers Court	320-257-1600	Karen Baas	joe.prodinsky@bankvista.com
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<u>Brenny Transportation Inc.</u>	8505 Ridgewood Road	320-363-6999	Joyce Brenny	joyce@brennytransportation.com
<u>Magnifi Financial</u>	1300 Elm Street East	320-271-0274	Tracy Hoeschen	tracyh@mymagnifi.org
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<u>City of St Joseph</u>	75 Callaway Street East	320-363-7201	Theresa Haffner	thaffner@cityofstjoseph.com
<u>Coborns</u>	1500 Elm Street East	320-363-0011	Clair Rodgers	stordir.2039@cobornsinc.com
<u>College of Saint Benedict</u>	37 College Avenue South	320-251-1817	Kim Poganski	kpoganski@csbsju.edu
<u>Cold Spring Vet</u>				
<u>Collegeville Communities</u>	15 Minnesota St E #104	320-363-7656	Colleen Petters	colleen@collegeville.biz
<u>Daniel Funeral Home</u>	1010 N 2nd Street	320-363-7783	Paul Daniel	paul@danielfuneralhome.com
<u>Deters Accounting &amp; Tax Service</u>	111 College Avenue N	320-405-4741	Tyler Deters	TylerDetersTax.com
<u>Laser Dentistry LTD</u>	26 Second Avenue NW	320-363-4468	Dr. Michael Contardo	michael@laserdentistrymn.com
<u>Re/Max Results Realty</u>	110 Division Street	320-266-8727	Tara Bayerl	tara.bayerl@results.net
<u>Finken Water Solutions</u>	PO Box 7190	320-258-2005	Tom Finken	tfinken@finkens.com
<u>Floral Arts</u>	307 1st Ave NE	320-363-7705	Elaine Kacures-Wruck	office@floralartsonline.com
<u>Forest Mushrooms Inc.</u>	14715 County Road 51	320-363-7956	Kevin Doyle	mail@forestmushrooms.com
<u>Gabriel Media</u>	1926 W Division St., SC	320-251-1780	Deb Huschle	deb@gabrielmedia.info
<u>Gary's Pizza</u>	17 College Avenue N	320-363-7261	Roger Steichen	roger@garyspizza.com
<u>Granite Community Bank</u>	PO Box 416, Cold Spring	320-685-8611	Jim Einyck	jime@granitecommunitybank.com
<u>Heartland Door Sales</u>	30489 Pearl Drive	320-363-4657	John Notch	heartlanddoorsales@gmail.com
<u>Hometown Title</u>	710 County Rd. 75 E, #101	320-260-1492	Tim Nelson	timnelson@email.com
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<u>Kay's Kitchen</u>	303 College Ave. North	320-557-0030	Tanya Finken	tanyafinken@gmail.com
<u>Knight Builders</u>	701 Elm Street East	320-363-0783	Kevin & Carol	
<u>LaPlayette</u>	19 College Avenue North	320-363-7747	Ann Reiser	sjrproductions@gmail.com
<u>Little Saints Academy</u>	124 First Avenue SE	320-557-0123	Amy Bonfig	littlesaintsacademy@gmail.com
<u>Local Blend</u>	19 Minnesota Street W	320-363-1011	Stacie Engholm	thirdstonecoffee@gmail.com
<u>Micheliich Granite</u>	7808 CR 75, S.C. 56301	320-363-7779	Christina Bottenhoff	janek@micheliichmemorials.com
<u>Milbert, Johnson &amp; Cotton, DDS</u>	1514 Minnesota Street E	320-363-7729	Dr. Kelsey Milbert	msswecker@stjoedds.com
<u>Miller Carlin Funeral Homes</u>	3013 Roosevelt Road, SC	320-252-7004	Julie Gadiant	Julie@MillerCarlin.com
<u>MN Assoc. of Farm Mutual Ins.</u>	601 Elm Street East	320-271-0909	Dani Hennen	dani@mafmic.org
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<u>Omann Insurance Agency, LLC</u>	305 Cedar Street East	320-363-7233	Peter Omann	pro@omannins.com
<u>Pam's Auto Inc</u>	7505 Ridgewood Road	320-363-9220	Mike Meyer	mike@pamsauto.com
<u>Pine Cone Vision Center</u>	2180 Troop Drive Sartell	320-258-3915	Cathy Vande Vrede	cvandevrede@pineconevisioncenter.com

<u>Resurrection Lutheran Church</u>	610 North CR2	320-363-4232	Lori Schneider	rlc@rlcstjoe.com
<u>Retro Green Energy</u>	315 Franklin Avenue NE	320-252-8888	Lisa Taylor	lisa@retrogreenenergy.com
<u>Rockhouse Productions LLC</u>	PO Box 757	320-363-1000	Jeff Vee	jeffvee@rockhousepro.com
<u>Rolling Ridge Event Center</u>	31101 County Road 133	320-257-7755	Randy Schmitz	info@rollingridgeevents.com
<u>Russell Eyecare &amp; Associates</u>	15 Minnesota St E #107	320-433-4326	Chris Russell-Villnow	info@russelleyecare.com
<u>Sam's Outdoor &amp; More</u>	219 E Cedar St	320-557-0090	Mark McGillivray	mark@samsoutdoorsll.com
<u>Scenic Specialties Landscape</u>	31101 County Road 133	320-363-7479	Ben Stockinger	info@scenicspecialties.com
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