

Chamber News

OCTOBER 2017

From the Chamber President:

Welcome to Fall, Chamber Members!

Yes, it's here. I'm not sure how many of you are excited about the turning of the calendar (and the leaves as well)? But, if you're a hunter or into fishing, you know that this is the best time of the year. In addition, people get back into their routines and reconnect with friends and neighbors as we get into the swing of the school year. With that come countless social events and opportunities to share your story with others in the spirit of healthy commerce!

Those of you that attended our September Chamber meeting were treated with a strong message from **Dave Faust** of **Stonehouse Resources** on how to "Ramp up Your Personal Success" by being positive and avoiding the down side. We were also treated with an exceptional pizza lunch provided by **Sliced On College Avenue**.

I'd also like to remind everyone of the powerful promotions that are available to you by sending an electronic message to the hundreds of email recipients of the newsletter; now *ONLINE* at a very low cost! And don't forget to schedule your free 30-second video of what and why you pursue success with your organization. The opportunities and strength of our Chamber is without bounds!

October is <u>Fire Awareness Month</u> and the fire department will be engaged in several activities in their building. As a result, we will be having our Chamber meeting at the City Government Center (City Hall) next month.

You can count on your Chamber; it works!

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

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Benefits of the St. Joseph Area Chamber

- ♦ Be a part of a community of professionals a small Chamber, so we build close relationships
- ♦ Share information about your organization with a responsive audience of area business leaders
- ♦ Enjoy our monthly Chamber Luncheon to stay current on local information affecting your business
- ♦ Support and be supported by other local business owners
- Gain new referral sources and resources for your business
- ♦ Learn valuable information from our monthly presenters to use within your organization
- ♦ Participate in Community Events and charitable community projects
- ◆ Showcase your company at our annual St. Joseph Community Showcase
- ♦ Have your business listed on our website's Business Directory
- ◆ Cost-effective advertising options and free email listing in the Chamber News
- ♦ Company recognition through social media



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St Joseph Area Chamber of Commerce



StJosephChamber.com

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

Next Month at the Chamber...

Please join us!

St. Joseph Area Chamber luncheons are held on the second Wednesday of each month, 11:30am -1:00pm.

Please bring a non-chamber member as our guest! You'll listen to a great presenter, enjoy a delicious lunch and experience our always enthusiastic and welcoming group.

Please watch for an email and a RSVP for the meeting.

Thanks for attending!

October 14 Chamber Luncheon

City Government Center 75 Callaway Street E ~ St. Joseph, MN 11:30am—1:00pm

Catering: Kay's Kitchen

Presenter:

Mary Jo Leighton, <u>St. John's Prep</u>
"Setting Up For Success"

Preparing for college starts in Middle School

Check this out!

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS EVENT

Are you looking for anew 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

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.



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 welcome 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 brochures, business cards, or giveaways. If you would like to be a Chamber lunch host please contact Jude for available months.

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CHAMBER NEWS ELECTRONIC AVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

You can submit a camera-ready, full-page, half-page or quarter-page advertisement in Chamber News.

Sizes:

Full-page 8"x10.5" \$50

1/2-page is 8"x5" \$25

1/4-page 3.75"x5" \$15

All advertisements have an active link to your website... bringing them to your doorstep! Or, you can link directly to your email address. We are sorry, but the option of an insert is no longer available.

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: Inexpensive. E-newsletter ads are a cost-effective way to reach your niche market. You'll build a list by using ours — a direct connection to businesses in St. Joseph. The return on investment (ROI) for e-mail 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, and now, 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 cyber space.

#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.

CHANGES IN NEWSLETTER'S ADVERTISING AND NEWS SUBMISSIONS

Digital newsletters are ideal for all types of communication between you and your potential or current customers...both advertising and newsworthy communications.

NEWS is FREE! For our newsletter, we want to know about current events involving your business! Newsworthy submissions to inform and enlighten will be accepted for our newsletter. It's free exposure for your company. Examples include recognitions, awards, accomplishments, new locations, renovations, new construction, new employees, celebrations, etc.

ADVERTISING - However, if your submission is meant to influence thinking or behavior to encourage business interaction or a purchase, we will consider it advertising. Examples include sales, exclusive offers, promotions, coupons, new products, grand openings, special events, recruitment, etcetera. All advertisements have an active link to your website...bring them to your doorstep! Or, you can link directly to your email address. We are sorry, but the option of an insert is no longer available.

"St. Joseph Area

Chamber of

Commerce

gets results

for you and

your

business!"



Member News



EMPLOYEE GAMBLING AND BEATING THE ODDS

By Bob Ringstrom

When an employer is hiring, they should always approach the process as an investment. They are banking on getting a return on their investment. Unfortunately; all too often there is pressure to fill the position and get the new employee working and producing. The assumption is that they will indeed; work and also produce the results that are expected.

To continue this perspective, 'smart gamblers' will research and evaluate their odds of success before a card is played. They've learned that if they don't; they stand to lose everything.

Smart employers will research the process, minimize the gamble and invest wisely. Failure to do so will be costly. Hiring anyone costs time and resources.

If the process is not sound and too little is known about the candidate; it becomes a gamble and can create deficits.

The smart employer will do the research and follow a proven method:

- 1. Review job applications
- 2. Test and assess candidates
- 3. Interview selected candidates
- 4. Choose candidates based on pre-determined select criteria
- 5. Perform background and reference checks

Selected candidates submitted for a health check The determination of the employer to invest wisely with these steps will exponentially increase the odds of a sound 'return'.

Bob Ringstrom is a Staffing Analyst & President of Strata Performance

Why upgrade to a Solid-State Drive (SSD)?

SSDs are a revolution in data storage but what does that mean for you? A SSD is all electronical storage (like a flash drive) because of this they have greater tolerances for temperature, shock, speed, and lifespan. The average SSD can read and write a total of 1.28 petabytes (that is 1,000,000 gigabytes). SSDs are 50 times faster than a regular mechanical drive meaning a boot time (time to desktop with an open program) is less than 10 seconds; a traditional mechanical drive has a boot time of 60 seconds.



Regular hard drives suffer from shock damage caused by vibration or from being dropped; SSDs do not have this vulnerability because they have no moving parts. Switching to an SSD is made painless by cloning your existing drive over to the new drive meaning turnaround time is less than a day and without the need to reinstall programs or change settings.

Taking it to the next level

While SSDs come in larger sizes it is more cost effective to pair them with an SSHD. A SSHD is known as a hybrid drive; it is part SSD and part regular hard drive. The hybrid drive caches some of the most used files in a small SSD embedded in the drive. SSHDs, because of the traditional mechanical component, allows the drive to have larger storage capacities. Combining the technology of SSDs and SSHDs yields greater performance, storage capacity, and reliability than either one on their own.

Mark Your Calendars for the Next Chamber

NOVEMBER CHAMBER MEETING

Presenter:

Brenda Gugglberger, Development Specialist Businesses and the Initiative Foundation

November 8, 2017 Fire Hall, St. Joseph, MN Caterer: Kay's Kitchen



Brenda Gugglberger, Initiative Foundation Development Specialist

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

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ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

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Share Your News

This newsletter is your **FREE** opportunity to share information about exciting things happening in your organization with the rest of the St. Joseph Chamber!

Send us newsworthy updates about your:

- Celebrations
- Recognitions, Awards and Accomplishments
- Advancements
- New Employees
- Job Listings
- Anniversaries
- New Projects and New Locations
- Construction and Renovations
- Or anything journalism-related you'd like to share!

Newsworthy submissions to inform and enlighten will be accepted for our newsletter.

Deadline: 20th of every month!

Advertising Opportunity

Send us advertising to promote your business:

- Sales
- Exclusive Offers
- Coupons
- Promotions
- Special Events
- Grand Openings
- New Products
- Or any other advertising for your business

The Chamber of Commerce board is defining advertising for this newsletter as an submission that is meant to influence thinking or behavior to encourage business interaction or a purchase.

DON'T MISS THIS! You can submit a camera-ready full-page (\$50), half-page (\$25) or quarter-page (\$15) advertisement in Chamber News. Sizes: Full-page is 8"x10.5", Half-page is 8"x5" and Quarter-page is 3.75"x5". **Deadline:** 20th of every month!

Plan ahead for your Advertising!



Spending Spree:

5 Ways New Homeowners Waste Cash

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The excitement of buying a new home may bring a few purchases you'll regret. To help you avoid any buyer's regret www.Realtor.com has come out with the top 5 ways new homeowners waste their cash:

- Fixing the outdoor space backyard decor should come after the essentials like couches & beds.
- 2) Outdated Insurance the company that provided your renters policy may not be the right fit. Shop around for homeowners insurance.
- Space-filling stuff instead of generically stuffing rooms, hold out until you see what really like.
- 4) **Extended warranties** the cost of fixing one appliance will be far less than getting extended warranties for all your appliances.
- 5) **Yard maintenance** a gorgeous lawn is achievable and you can do it by cutting your own grass. Same mentality for snow removal.

Call me today to discuss any Real Estate questions you may have or to discuss the local market.

Let's talk. This may be the perfect time to make your move.

Erica Jodsaas, REALTOR, e-PRO



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.

7 Myths About Physical Therapy - SPOT Rehab is Celebrating National Physical Therapy Month

1. Myth: I need a referral to see a physical therapist.

Fact: A physician's referral is not required to be evaluated by a physical therapist. Some states have restrictions about the treatment a physical therapist can provide without a physician referral.

2. Myth: Physical therapy is painful.

Fact: Physical therapists seek to minimize your pain and discomfort—including chronic or long-term pain. They work within your pain threshold to help you heal, and restore movement and function.

3. Myth: Physical therapy is only for injuries and accidents.

Fact: Physical therapists do a lot more than just stretch or strengthen weak muscles after an injury or surgery. They are skilled at evaluating and diagnosing potential problems before they lead to more serious injuries.

4. Myth: Any health care professional can perform physical therapy.

Fact: Many physical therapists also pursue board certification in specific areas such as neurology, orthopedics, sports, or women's health, for example.

5. Myth: Physical therapy isn't covered by insurance.

Fact: Most insurance policies cover some form of physical therapy. Beyond insurance coverage, physical therapy has proven to reduce costs by helping people avoid unnecessary imaging scans, surgery, or prescription drugs.

6. Myth: Surgery is my only option.

Fact: In many cases, physical therapy has been shown to be as effective as surgery in treating a wide range of conditions—from rotator cuff tears to degenerative disk disease.

7. Myth: I can do physical therapy myself.

Fact: Your participation is key to a successful treatment plan, but every patient still needs the expert care and guidance of a licensed physical therapist. ~American Physical Therapy Association. 2017

Monastery Mirrors: Artistic Expressions

Whitby, a showcase for works created by the Sisters of Saint Benedict. Saint Benedict's Monastery's Whitby Gift Shop and Gallery presents its fall gallery show titled "Monastery Mirrors: Artistic Expressions." Twelve local artists use their medium to create different ways of visualizing photographs by three of our sisters, including paintings, weavings and sculptures. The featured artists are Deb Connolly, Della Conroy, Judi Grooters, Phyllis Joos, Donna Kuhl, Dede Leither, Bob McCoy, Jeri Olson-McCoy, Anne Meyer, Dan Mondloch, Laura

Ruprecht and Pat Waddick. The photographers are Karen Streveler, OSB, Carleen Schomer, OSB, and Nancy Bauer, OSB. Come see for yourself! The show runs until December 23, 2017. Call (320) 363-7113 or visit www.sbm.osb.org for gallery hours and more information.



Traveling Health & Screening Fair

FREE Health Screenings

Friday - October 6 2017 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Church of St. Joseph 12 West Minnesota Street St. Joseph, MN 56374

Free information will be available to assist you in remaining healthy, active, and prepare for the future!

FOR PEOPLE

Partnership of: Whitney Senior Center/City of St. Cloud, Central MN Council on Aging, Catholic Charities, College of St. Benedict/St. John's University, St. Cloud State University, SPOT Rehab and Home Care, Rural Stearns Faith in Action, Light the Legacy, & Central MN Parish Nurse Ministry

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| Sterling Park Senior Community | 35 1st Ave N | 320-257-4920 | Brian Ficken | brian.ficken@tealwoodcc.com |
| Stonehouse Resources | 1912 Plainview Dr | 320-251-6112 | Dave Faust | david.faust@stonehouseresources.net |
| Strata of MN LLC | PO Box 607 | 320-557-0701 | Bob Ringstrom | rjr@strata-ps.com |
| Styles, Cotton, & Milbert DDS | 1514 Minnesota St E | | Melanie Swecker | msswecker@stjoedds.com |
| Tell-A-Vision Productions | 123 Lone Oak Ct | | James McAlister | jim@tellavision.net |
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| The Sanctuary at St. Cloud Thomsen's Greenhouse | | | Arno Shermock | |
| | 29754 156th Ave | | | arno@tgreenhouses.com |
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Become a Sponsor of Christmas House 2017

In spite of official Avon address, the home this year is actually located on the outskirts of St Joseph -- located 1 mile west of Kay's Kitchen, and 2 miles N on Co Rd 3.

Traditionally, 1200 people tour the house and last year over \$22,000 was distributed to local scholarships, literacy projects, to Anna Marie's, to JourneyHome, and to other agencies who advocate for women and children. Your company will be acknowledged as a supporter of these local efforts that make a big impact in our community. As a sponsor you would be featured in a variety of marketing campaigns before & after the event, in print & over the radio, plus be featured in the Christmas House program at the event.

Your sponsorship at one of the following levels would greatly serve our community:

- Platinum Level \$1,000 or more contribution (you receive 10 complimentary tickets also)
- Gold Level \$500 or more contribution (6 complimentary tickets)
- Silver Level. \$250 or more contribution (4 complimentary tickets)
- Bronze Level \$125 or more contribution (2 complimentary tickets)
- Other . . . A variety of other opportunities exist to support Zonta Christmas House. Please call Debra at 218-689-4892 to discuss.

Make your check payable to Zonta Club of St Cloud & send your contribution to Zonta Christmas House, PO Box 7453, ST Cloud, MN 56302-7453.

Thank you for helping us make a local difference!

Mark Your ~ Calendars ~

For the 28th Annual

Zonta Christmas House TATEC: Friday, November 17, 2017

from 3pm - 9pm

Saturday, November 18, 2017

from 9am - 4pm

LOCATION: 10896 North Ridge Lane

Avon, MN (1 mile west & 2 miles north of Kay's Kitchen in St. Joseph)

TICKETS: \$10 pre-sale tickets

(available mid-October)

\$15 at the door

For more information, visit www.ZontaStCloudMN.org (click on Christmas House)

Chamber Board Nominations

We are taking nominations for Chamber Board Vice President. The Chamber Board of Directors must be a member in good standing and have the Chamber's best interest at heart. Board members are expected to attend monthly Board meetings (held for I-I/2 hours on the first Tuesday of each month), serve as liaisons to other Chamber committees and attend as many Chamber functions as possible in order to stay in close contact with the membership they represent.

Are you interested in giving back to the Chamber as Board Member Vice President? Please submit a letter of interest to: stjosephchamber@gmail.com. For more information see our **Bylaws**.

2018 **Board of Directors Nominations** now being accepted

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