



Mission Statement

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Office Hours

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

Business After Hours

The next Business After Hours is at El Loro on June 15th at 5pm. Come out for some drinks, appetizers, and after hours networking with local businesses!

Chamber 101 Event

There will be no Membership Meeting for the month of June. Instead the Chamber is hosting an informational event about membership benefits on June 27th at 9am in the Senior Center. This is a great way to learn about how to make the most of your membership!

Job Postings

If you are looking to fill a position and need a little help getting the word out contact the Chamber Office and get your Job Posting on the Chamber Website. You can email the details to info@biglakechamber.com.

Community Partnerships Update

“At Independence Elementary School we are already busy preparing for our 2017-2018 school year. Next year, as our building is reconfigured into a school housing grades 3-5, we will be focusing on a theme of Citizenship. This is where our local business partnerships come in! In partnering with the Big Lake community and its local businesses, we see a mutually beneficial way to increase student citizenship and promote lifelong learning. We believe that schools can only be as strong as their community, and a community can only be as strong as its schools and businesses.

As a business or community partner with Independence Elementary School you might sponsor a school group, such as student council or student leadership; share professional insight by being a guest speaker in classrooms; or host tours of the workplace for teachers and students; as just a few examples. In return, the students at Indy could provide art for display in the workplace, perform pieces learned in music class at workplace and/or special events, or submit photos of partnership activities to the local newspaper. The possibilities are numerous and only limited by our combined creativity. Please consider joining with us for this upcoming school year.”

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Darren Kern, Independence Principal at 763-262-2537 or d.kern@biglakeschools.org.



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Big Lake Chamber of Commerce

Member News

FAMILY FRENZY
OBSTACLE FUN RUN

Tuesday
JUNE 20TH

Join us anytime between 4 - 7 PM

SHERBURNE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS • 13372 Business Center Drive, Elk River, MN 55330

Obstacle Course designed for youth in Pre-K through 5th grade

Advanced registration \$5 per person with a \$20 maximum per household • \$5 per person at the gate

REGISTER AT WWW.SHERBURNEUNITEDWAY.ORG OR IN PERSON AT THE YMCA



Food will be available for purchase



Explore Big Trucks at the event



Additional activities and games for the kids!

Proceeds from this event will go to Sherburne County Area United Way and the Elk River YMCA



Carefree Country Club Annual Garage Sale

Saturday, June 3rd from 9-2 pm

12311 185th Avenue S.E.

Big Lake, MN 55309

We will be printing maps with each Lot # that has a sale. Stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a map!

Questions: Contact Carefree Office @ 763-263-6050

We will also have a shopper's lunch (taco salad & cookie) in the Activity Building from 11-1 pm for \$5.00.



Guardian Angels By The Lake

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, June 22nd / 3pm- 6pm



13439 185th Lane NW, Elk River, MN 55330

Come Enjoy Refreshments, Live Entertainment & Tours

Stop by and learn how we can assist you with our senior living options!

RSVP's appreciated: Stacy Mohs 763-635-5427, smohs@ga-er.org

Assisted Living & Memory Care

guardianangelsmn.org



EEO/AA



ECFE In the Park 2017

Calling all outdoor lovers! Join us in a park near you this summer! Come play, sing, dance, create, and listen to stories with the ECFE teachers!

We will be touring local parks all summer long bringing all the fun of ECFE to you! Families who

attend will enjoy: art projects, music and movement activities, interactive stories and more. Plus, each family will go home with a new book!
10:00 – 11:30 AM

For children ages birth – 5 and their families!
Cost = FREE!

- Lakeside Park – June 14th
- Highline Park – June 28th
- Shores of Mitchell Park – July 12
- Hudson Wood Park – July 26
- Bluff Park – Aug 9
- Wrights Crossing Park – Aug 23

The City of Big Lake is sponsoring ECFE in the Park, with support from the Big Lake Area Early Childhood Coalition and the Big Lake Schools ECFE program. Come as many times as you like! See you this summer!!!!

Newsletter Tidbits

If your business has an ad, coupon or event information that you would like to include in the next Newsletter, please send it to the Chamber Office by June 26th. **Small ads and tidbits are free, full page ads are \$25 for members.**

Ambassador Meeting

Looking to become more involved in the Chamber? Attend the next Ambassador meeting on June 14th at the Friendly Buffalo at 12pm. Contact Tim Suchy at tim.suchy@edwardjones.com for details.

Spud Fest Bingo Prize Drop Off

Spud Fest is fast approaching! If you would like to donate bingo prizes such as business promotional items, gift certificates, etc. for the event you can either drop them off at the Chamber office or contact Deb Johnson to schedule a pick up time. Her contact info is 612-810-2119 or magnamomma@hotmail.com. Please be sure to drop items off by Thursday, June 22nd.



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It was a great spring season of receiving donations at the food shelf, especially during March Hunger Awareness month. **Thank you Big Lake for your generosity!** Right now we are **VERY LOW** on meat products due to a shortfall at our food bank.



Please consider making a financial donation to the food shelf so that we can refill our freezers. We can stretch your dollars further to purchase meat and all food products. Coborn's gift cards are so helpful, too and will allow us to buy locally to feed our clients. They can be dropped at the food shelf during open hours. To donate, go to our website at www.biglakefoodshelf.org or send a donation by mail to: BLCFS, P O Box 501, Big Lake, MN 55309.



Please Join Us – we want to have a record turnout to say goodbye to the current **Big Lake Ambassadors** and welcome the incoming ones. The Ambassadors' support of the food shelf is strong and they bring a helpful, caring attitude whenever they volunteer. Join us to support them on June 24th at the Big Lake High School auditorium at 1:30 pm. Thank you to our 2016-17 Ambassadors: Jade Fruge, Salene Krueger, and Natalie Seyko, and Junior Ambassadors Calissa Pishney and Allie Cross.



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TOWN MEETING: WORKSITE WELLNESS

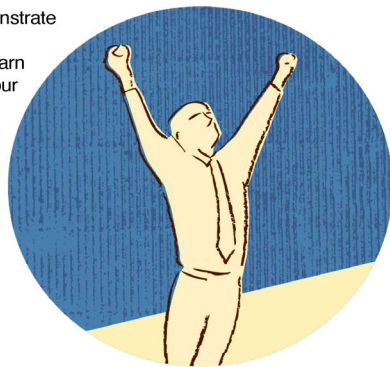
WHAT EMPLOYERS NEED TO KNOW

8:30 -9:30 AM, TUESDAY,
JUNE 13, 2017

SAUK RAPIDS CITY HALL

Here is a chance to hear directly from four employers who understand the value of worksite wellness for organizations of any size.

Their personal experiences will demonstrate the overall value of worksite wellness through real world experience. You learn how to launch and manage your own program, how to collaborate with other employers, how to motivate and inspire participation, how to sustain effectiveness, and how to measure results. **You'll also hear about local resources available to help you succeed.**



Panelists

- **Deb Boelter**, City of Big Lake
- **Jen Wegman**, Central McGowan
- **Nikki Juntunen**, Reach Up, Inc.
- **Kayla Miller**, Gauardian Angels Care Center

For more information contact:

<p>BENTON COUNTY Jennifer Lezer (320) 968-5275 jlezer@co.benton.mn.us</p>	<p>SHERBURNE COUNTY Kristy Heying (763) 765-4106 Kristy.heyin@co.sherburne.mn.us</p>	<p>STEARNS COUNTY Jenni Wald (320) 656-6503 Jennifer.wald@co.stearns.mn.us</p>
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Farmer's Market Wednesdays, 3 PM - 7 PM June 7- September 27, 2017

Lakeside Park, 101 Lakeshore Drive, Big Lake, MN

Opening Day June 7th!

The parking and entertainment is free. The food and crafts are Minnesota grown. You won't want to miss this local treasure right at Lakeside Park!

Music for June

- June 7 - Samuel Dahmen
- June 14 - Moe DeLL
- June 21 - Eddie Danger for Kid's Day!
- June 28 - Mare Lennon

Find us on Facebook
Contact us at 763.228.1361



BIG LAKE FIRE



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BIG LAKE POLICE

Come and watch your public safety partners square off in the game of the year, and the kickoff to the 2017 Spudfest Softball Tournament!!!!



Date: June 23rd 2017
Time: 5:00 P.M.
Location: Big Lake Softball Complex

Spud Fest Lakes Run

Friday, June 23rd

6:30 p.m. (registration starts at 5:00)
Race begins and ends at Lakeside Park
(Big Lake Beach)

- *Scenic 8K course known regionally as the fastest and the flattest 8K
- *Professionally chip timed
- *Three water stops on the course and refreshments at finish line
- *Professionally organized and managed
- *Abundance of on-site parking close to start and finish line.
- *Over 20 years as a participant in the Spud Fest event

REGISTER ONLINE NOW TO GUARANTEE SHIRT!!

Find us at <http://www.zapevent.com>
CLICK ON: Events; Running/Walking;
Spud Fest Lakes Run 8K; Register

OR Facebook: Spudfest Lakes Run
OR biglakespudfest.com



Sunday

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Saturday

				1 Music in the Park 7pm	2	3 Garage Sale at Carefree Country Club 9am Bike Rodeo Ind. Elem. 9:30am
4	5	6	7 Farmer's Market Opening Day at Lakeside Park 3pm	8 Music in the park 7pm Guardian Angels Golf Tourn. 11am	9	10 Coffee with the Mayor at Coborn's 9am
11	12	13 Board Meeting Options, Inc. Groundbreaking 2pm Worksite Wellness 8:30am	14 Ambassador Mtg at Friendly Buffalo 12pm Farmer's Market 3pm	15 Business After Hours at El Loro 5pm Music in the park 7pm	16	17
18	19	20 Family Frenzy at Sherburne Co Fair Grounds 4pm	21 Farmer's Market 3pm	22 Spud Fest Guardian Angels Open House 3pm Music in the park 7pm	23 Spud Fest Lakes Run at Lakeside Park 5pm Guns & Hoses at Softball Field 5pm	24 Spud Fest
25 Spud Fest	26	27 Chamber 101 at Senior Center/ City Hall 9am	28 Farmer's Market 3pm	29 Music in the park 7pm	30	

Mark Your Calendar!

August 5th, Graniteman Triathlon, Lakeside park

August 12th, 8pm to 12pm, Firefighter's Dance

August 26th, 1pm to 5pm, Big Lake Block Party, McPete's Sports Bar and Lanes