

Mission Statement

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

Board of Directors

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Office Hours

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

Open Board Positions

We are looking for candidates for the two open Board of Director's positions in 2018. Please fill out the Board Biography form and turn it into the Chamber office by November 17th in order for your name to be added to the ballot. Contact the Chamber office for any questions.



December 8th, 2017 6:00pm to 9:00pm

★ *Big Lake Chamber of Commerce 2017 Holiday Social...* ★

Save the Date!
Invitations coming soon...
★ Entertainment by
SpinningSound and the
BLHS Chamber Choir,
★ Raffles, games,
auctions and
much more!

Carousell Works
160 Lake St N, Big Lake, MN 55309



FAMILY FUN FEST

LIBERTY ELEMENTARY

FREE OCTOBER 13
5:30 to 7:30 PM

Join us for our 2nd annual
Early Childhood Resource Fair!

- Promote your business
- Distribute brochures, coupons, and promotional items
- Reach hundreds of families in the community
- Demonstrate community support and involvement!

Requirements:
Set up and staff your booth. Provide an activity or game appropriate for children 6 and under. Door prizes are encouraged but not required. See registration site for more details!

Register online using the link below, to participate in this community and business success building opportunity!
<http://bil.ly/2uZbiss>

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Manufacturer's Week

Please join the City of Big Lake, the Big Lake Chamber of Commerce, and Flour City Bending, Inc. for a tour of the Flour City Bending, Inc. Facility in our Big Lake Industrial Park on October 3rd. Tours will be given between 10am and 12pm. Please RSVP to Hanna Klimmek by Friday, September 29th, 2017. Hanna's contact info is: hklimmek@biglakemn.org or 763.251.2979.

Membership Meeting

Join us on Tuesday, October 31st for the October Membership Meeting at Saron Lutheran Church for a presentation on healthy eating during the Holidays by Emily Parent of Coborn's. Steve Westerberg will also show a short video update on Big Lake public schools. Lunch will consist of Grilled Chicken Sandwiches. Registration is at 11:45am and lunch/presentation at 12pm. Cost is \$15 a person. You can register on our website or by contacting the Chamber office. Please RSVP by October 24th.

Introducing Our Newest Members:

Casey's General Store: Visit their website at www.caseys.com.

Busch Automotive: Visit their website at www.buschautomotive.com.

Freedom Strategies: Visit their website at www.freedomstrategygroup.com.

Sherburne State Bank: Visit their website at www.sherburnestatebank.com.



2017

SPOOKTAKULAR

HAUNTED TRAIL

Dates: Fridays & Saturdays

October 13 & 14, 20 & 21, 27 & 28

7:30 – 10:30 pm - \$10.00 per person

19101 243rd Ave NW, Big Lake, Minnesota (Follow Signs)

Food shelf donations appreciated

Kids Day is Saturday October 21st, 12-3 pm

Free for kids ages 0-10 yrs. Donations accepted

Follow us on Facebook "Spooktakular Trail"

If interested in volunteering please contact us! Biglakespook@gmail.com

Sponsored by:
Big Lake Women of Today
(A Non-Profit organization)

6th Annual Big Lake Pumpkin Fest and Craft Sale

October 14, 2017
11 am - 3 pm
at Lions Park, Big Lake

FAMILY EVENT
& FUNDRAISER

TICKETS
\$10/Person
Max \$40/Family
Military Discount
Includes a Pumpkin

Benefiting
Big Lake Beyond the
Yellow Ribbon &
Big Lake Community
Food Shelf



5K Fun Run • Lil' Squash Dash • Pumpkin Patch
Pumpkin Carving Contest • Pumpkin Sling Shot
Pie Eating Contest • Seed Spitting Contest • Petting Zoo
Inflatables • Hay Rides • Food Concessions • and more!

Find us on Facebook @BigLakePumpkinFest
Hosted by Lord of Glory Lutheran Church
www.lordofglorylutheran.org

Free Veterans Dinner
sponsored by Big Lake American Legion
& Auxiliary Unit 147 & BLBYR Committee

Ambassador Meeting

Looking to become more involved in the Chamber? Attend the next Ambassador meeting on October 11th at El Loro at 12pm. Contact Tim Suchy at tim.suchy@edwardjones.com for details.

Business After Hours

This month's Business After Hours will be held on October 19th at The Third Rail at 5pm. Stop out and enjoy a drink or appetizer while getting to know area businesses.

Sunday, October 8th, 12:00pm - 6:00pm // Lupulin Brewing, Big Lake, MN

- **Live Music**
Josh Johnson AKA "Soulful Sounder"
- **Beer Release**
*"PANDAS Beer" Vanilla Oatmeal Stout
A portion of proceeds will be donated to PANDAS*
- **Food Truck**
Gess What's Cookin food truck will be on site
- **5K Fun Run/Walk**
2:00 pm // Free 5K! No registration necessary.
- **Costume Contest**
All ages, prizes for best three costumes!
- **Family Fun**
*Bounce House for the kids
Cornhole boards and bags available all day*



PANDAS (Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated with Streptococcal Infections) occurs when strep triggers a misdirected immune response results in inflammation on a child's brain. In turn, the child quickly begins to exhibit life changing symptoms such as OCD, anxiety, tics, and more. PANDAS Network estimates that PANDAS/PANS affects as many as 1 in 200 children.



JOIN 4-H OPEN HOUSE

We have something for everyone! Whether building robots, raising animals or writing musical plays, 4-H gives youth the skills they need to succeed in life.

Tuesday, October 3, 2017

6:00 – 8:30 PM - Open House

7:00 PM - Informative Meeting

Sherburne County Government Center, Maple Room

13880 Business Center Drive NW, Elk River, MN

HANDS ON LEARNING FOR EVERYONE

Youth in Kindergarten through one year past high school can participate in 4-H!

WHAT CAN I DO IN 4-H?

Youth design and lead their own learning opportunities guided by adults. This unique, learn-by-doing youth development model teaches kids essential transferrable skills that they'll use throughout their lives, such as problem solving, decision making, coping, communicating, and responding to the needs of others.

4-H OFFERS PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES IN:

STEM, Crafts & Fine Arts, Citizenship, Leadership, Food & Nutrition, Shooting Sports & Wildlife, Animal Science, Family & Consumer Science, Gardening, Agriculture, Photography, Clothing, Wood & Metal Shop, and many more!

JOIN A 4-H CLUB

4-H clubs are groups of youth who meet regularly to work on 4-H projects, serve their communities and learn to lead and work together. We have 8 clubs located throughout Sherburne County! Come to the open house to meet our club leaders and youth members!

BECOME AN INDEPENDENT MEMBER

Independent members participate in planned learning outside of a club setting. Their work is self-directed with guidance and support from parents and mentors.

CONTACT US Sherburne County 4-H Program Coordinator, Kristen Gustafson, mnext-sherburne@umn.edu



Big Eagle Lake Improvement Association

3rd Annual Wine/Beer Tasting

& Silent Auction

Friday, October 6th, 6:30-9pm

at the Friendly Buffalo, Big Lake



\$20 per ticket sold at the door or in advance from Board Members. Tickets enter you into the drawing for cash prizes, need not be present to win.

Door Prizes! Raffle! Live Music by Terry Dubois

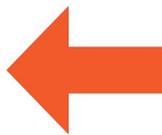
Go to our Facebook page at [Big Eagle Lake Improvement Association](#) or call 763-263-0099 for more information. The proceeds from this event are used to improve water quality and fish habitat on Big Eagle Lake



Come visit the Big Lake Community Food Shelf table at the Big Lake PUMPKINFEST Saturday October 14th, 11-3 at Lions Park in Big Lake. The Big Lake Community Food Shelf will receive a portion of the event proceeds. Donations of nonperishable goods will also be accepted. We are so grateful for our Community!



COMMUNITY CONNECT



A one-day, one-stop event that offers individuals and families in need access to resources and services in a safe, friendly and fun environment.



RESOURCES

- Food Access
- MNSure Assistance
- Senior Services
- Housing Assistance
- Childcare Resources
- Transportation
- Veterans Services
- Mental Health Services
- Homelessness Resources
- Employment Support
- County Resources



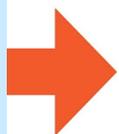
TAKE HOME SUPPLIES

- Personal Care Items
- Feminine Hygiene
- Diapers
- Baby Wipes
- Pillows
- Blankets
- Meals in a Bag
- Winter Clothing
- Seasonal Decor



FREE SERVICES

- Lunch
- Haircuts and Massages
- Flu Shots
- Diabetes Testing
- Pre-K Eye Screening
- Car Seat Checks
- Therapy Animals
- Youth Activities
- Youth Dental Services by Appointment: call (612) 746-1530



Thurs., Oct. 19, 2017
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Elk River High School

Free Transportation in Sherburne Cty. via Tri-CAP: (888) 765-5597



For more information about volunteering, becoming a community partner, or other inquiries please contact Sherburne County Area United Way by calling (763) 633-5886 or emailing Joy@sherburneunitedway.org



Chamber Holiday Tree Decorating Event



December 12, 2017
5pm - 7pm

Entry open to Big Lake Chamber Businesses. \$80 fee includes, tree, stand, electrical fees and hook ups as well as removal and disposal of your tree. Businesses will be responsible for providing their own lights and decorations. Only LED lights will be allowed. Volunteers will be on site to help with set up. Warm up with us afterwards with some free hot chocolate, coffee, and treats in the Senior Center. For questions, email info@biglakechamber.com.

Entry Form

Business Name _____

Contact Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

Entry form due by November 27, 2017

Return form to Big Lake Chamber Office

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 4H Open House at Sherburne Co. Gov. Center 6pm	4	5	6 BELIA Wine/Beer Tasting at Friendly Buffalo 6:30pm	7
8 PANDAS Event at Lupulin 12pm	9	10 Board Meeting	11 Chamber Ambassador Mtg at El Loro 12pm	12	13 Family Fun Fest at Liberty Elem. 5:30pm Spooktakular Haunted Trail	14 Clean up Day Pumpkin Fest at Lions Park 11am Rivers of Hope Gala at Caroussell Works 5p Spooktakular Haunted Trail
15	16 Chamber 101 in Chamber Office at 12pm	17	18	19 Community Connect at ERHS 10am Business After Hours at Third Rail 5pm	20 Spooktakular Haunted Trail	21 Spooktakular Haunted Trail
22	23	24 Member Mtg RSVPs Due	25	26	27 Spooktakular Haunted Trail	28 Spooktakular Haunted Trail
29	30	31 Halloween! Membership Mtg at Saron Lutheran 12pm				

Mark Your Calendar!

November 17th, Board Election Biography's Due to the Chamber Office

December 8th, 6pm to 9pm, Chamber Holiday Social at Carousell Works

December 12th, 5pm to 7pm, Chamber Holiday Tree Decorating at Brown's Park