

### 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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### Contact Us

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P.O. Box 241, Big Lake, MN

### Office Hours

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

## Board Elections

We are still 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. Also, keep an eye out for board ballots that will be arriving via email on November 20th.



## Community Guide

The 2017-2018 Big Lake Chamber of Commerce Community Guide has been published! Thank you to the West Sherburne Tribune for all of your hard work in making this beautiful publication possible. Looking to get your hands on a stack of these popular local publications? Contact the Chamber Office for more info at 763.263.7800 or info@biglakechamber.com.

## Membership Meeting

Join us on Tuesday, November 28th for the November Membership Meeting at the Third Rail for a presentation on managing stress by Dr. Ailabouni of CentraCare Health Monticello. Lunch will consist of an assortment of wings and flatbreads. 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 November 21st.

## Welcome New Members:



BW HOMES



Brian Weinzetl - BW Homes Inc: Brian is the lead real estate agent for BW Homes in Big Lake. Check him out on Facebook today!

Tri-CAP: The Tri-County Action Program offers transportation and other services for the Big Lake area. Check them out at tricap.org.



**The Big Lake Chamber of Commerce Presents...**

**A Hawaiian Holiday Social**

**Friday, December 8th, 2017 from 6pm to 9pm**

**Carousell Works**

**160 Lake Street North, Big Lake, MN**



**Buffet Options:**

**Entrees: Huli Huli Chicken or Hawaiian Pork Loin with  
Grilled Fresh Pineapple**

**Sides: Coconut Rice, Roasted Cilantro Lime Sweet Potato JoJos, and Kiwi,  
Pineapple and Jicama Salad with Pineapple Vinaigrette**

**Dessert: Banana Rum Cake with Fresh Whipped Crème**

**Cash Bar Available**



**Entertainment by Spinning Sound and BLHS Chamber Choir  
Raffles, Silent Auctions, White Elephant Auction, DIY Photo Booth,  
and more!**

**To Participate in the White Elephant Auction, bring a wrapped gift.**



**Members, Employees, and  
Significant Others Are Welcome**



**\$25.00 per person**

**Please RSVP by Thursday, November 30th, 2017**

## Ambassador Meeting

Looking to become more involved in the Chamber? Attend the next Ambassador meeting on November 8th at Friendly Buffalo at 12pm. Contact Tim Suchy at [tim.suchy@edwardjones.com](mailto:tim.suchy@edwardjones.com) for details.

## Business After Hours

This month's Business After Hours will be held on November 16th at Lupulin Brewing Company at 5pm. Stop out and enjoy a drink or appetizer while getting to know area businesses.

## 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.

Each month, 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 EVERY 2ND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH  
9am to 11am at:  
Coborn's Deli  
711 Rose Drive, Big Lake, MN

## October California Seedless Grapes

**Royal Red or King Green**  
Approx 11bs \$30

Reservations Required place a reservation online at [www.thefruitclub.net](http://www.thefruitclub.net) or Call/Text 605-377-8679



## Recycling and Energy Efficiency Opportunities

Have you ever thought about improving the waste management or energy use strategies of your business? Did you know that Minnesota Waste Wise offers free consultations to MN Chamber members?



If your business is an Xcel Energy client, you are eligible for a free energy efficiency consultation and waste stream site visit. If your business is a member of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, you are eligible for a free waste stream analysis site visit.

This is a great opportunity for positive marketing, and may help to reduce costs for your business if you take advantage of the changes Waste Wise recommends (including grant funding)!

If you are interested in these site visits, but are not an Xcel Energy client or MN Chamber of Commerce member, Waste Wise can still make a visit and offer recommendations for a fee.

Minnesota Waste Wise website: <http://www.mnwastewise.org/services/site-visit/>

If you have questions please contact Waste Wise (651)-292-4653 or Katie Stelzner at [kstelzner@biglakemn.org](mailto:kstelzner@biglakemn.org) 763-307-6040

## Environment Task Force

Due to the high number of suggestions the City of Big Lake has received in the sustainability survey posted in past weeks, the City will be creating an environment/sustainability task force with the intention of working on some of the suggestions proposed by city residents. This volunteer group will promote and staff educational opportunities for Big Lake residents. Meeting times will depend on the schedules of volunteers. This is a great opportunity to help move Big Lake forward and make an impact in the city! If you are interested in participating, please go to <https://goo.gl/forms/dISLulNWLYOIKnHA3> or contact Katie Stelzner at [kstelzner@biglakemn.org](mailto:kstelzner@biglakemn.org) or 763-307-6040.



Please help the Big Lake Community Food Shelf with our mission to Keep Big Lake Hunger Free.  
Go to:  
[givemn.org/organization/Big-Lake-Community-Food-Shelf](http://givemn.org/organization/Big-Lake-Community-Food-Shelf)

Thank you for being a Community that Cares!



### 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](mailto: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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### "Positive Approach™ to Dementia Care: Connecting and Supporting your Loved One"

Presented by, Britta O'Meara\* & Peggy Gaworski\*  
(\* indicates nationally certified dementia trainer using the Teepa Snow Positive Approach™ to Dementia Care)

Caring for a loved one living with dementia can be a challenging experience. This presentation discusses the changes in memory, cognition and function that occur with dementia and how this is different than normal aging. Family members and caregivers attending this session will be shown hands on strategies based on Teepa Snow's Positive Approach to Care™ to learn to better engage their loved one and maximize their function, while also supporting and managing the difficult behaviors we often see with dementia.

**Tuesday, November 7th at 10:00AM**

**Guardian Angels by the Lake**

13439 185<sup>th</sup> Lane NW Elk River, MN 55330

Please RSVP Stacy Mohs at 763.635.5427 or [smohs@ga-er.org](mailto:smohs@ga-er.org)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Marketing Wonderland at St. Cloud Wel- come Center 11am	2	3	4
5 Community Flag Walk at Saron Luther- an 12pm	6	7 Dementia Care at Guardian Angels 10am	8 Ambassador Mtg at Friendly Buffalo 12pm	9	10 Chamber Offices Closed	11 Coffee with the Mayor at Coborn's 9am  Pig and Dubbel Party at Lupu- lin 12pm
12	13 Chamber 101 in Chamber Office at 12pm	14 Board Meeting	15	16 Business After Hours at Lupu- lin 5pm	17 Board Election Biographies Due	18
19	20	21 Member Mtg RSVPs Due	22	23 Thanksgiving Day  Chamber Offices Closed	24 Chamber Offices Closed	25
26	27 Holiday Tree Decorating Registration Due  Legacy Foun- dation Tree Lighting 6:30p	28 Membership Meeting at Third Rail 12pm	29	30		

### **Mark Your Calendar!**

- December 2nd, 4pm to 7pm, Ladies Night Out Wish List Event, Loch Jewelers
- December 8th, 6pm to 9pm, Chamber Holiday Social at Carousell Works
- December 12th, 5pm to 7pm, Chamber Holiday Tree Decorating at Brown's Park
- December 16th, 11am to 3:30pm, Sip & Shop Holiday Boutique, Friendly Buffalo