

## FIRST DOLLAR



### Pure Zen Esthetics

The Chamber Ambassadors were proud to welcome Natalie and Patrick Gilmore of Pure Zen Esthetics to the Willmar Lakes Area business community! From customized facials and acne treatment to brow and lash services, Natalie creates a relaxing and rejuvenating experience to help clients restore and maintain a radiant complexion.

## STUDENT JOB FAIR & CAREER EXPO

REACH 1,250 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS KANDIYOHI COUNTY!

ACGC | AREA LEARNING CENTER | CCS | CMCS | DREAM | HOME SCHOOLS | KMS | MACCRAY | NL-5 | WILLMAR

PROCEEDS BENEFIT STUDENT ENGAGEMENT ASSISTANCE





THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025  
WILLMAR HIGH SCHOOL  
9-12TH GRADE STUDENTS



REGISTER BY APRIL 18  
\$100 CHAMBER MEMBERS  
\$125 NON-MEMBERS



RECRUIT FOR FULL & PART-TIME JOBS & INTERNSHIPS WHILE IDENTIFYING LONG-TERM PROSPECTS





## LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, MARCH 29 | 8:00-9:30AM  
HERITAGE BANK | WILLMAR

FREE WITH RSVP: INFO@WILLMARAREACHAMBER.COM



Join us for a Legislative Breakfast hosted by the Kandiyo County Farm Bureau Federation, Kandiyo County Economic Development, and the Willmar Lakes Area Chamber. This free event is open to the public and offers a unique opportunity to hear directly from Senator Andrew Lang and local Representatives Dave Baker and Scott Van Binsbergen about key legislative issues impacting our community, businesses, and agriculture. Engage in meaningful discussions, gain valuable insights, and connect with local leaders over breakfast. Please RSVP via email or on the Chamber website by March 26th.

# COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP CELEBRATION and Annual Meeting

Legacy Award   Exemplary Leadership   Milo Award



Ross Marcus



Michelle Marotzke



Jeff Jensen

5 Under 45 - Emerging Leadership Award Winners



Kelsey Baker



Brittany VanDerBill



Naomi Hinz




Griffin Leitch



Amber Barber

**Thursday, April 3rd 2025**  
**7:30 am - 9:00 am**  
**Willmar Conference Center**

Please join us in recognizing what makes the Willmar Lakes Area so great - the people who step up to lead, volunteer, and inspire the future of Kandiyo County.



## CHAMBER CHAT

THURSDAY MORNINGS @ 10:00AM  
With Chamber President James Miller



Thursday mornings on Open Mic, Chamber President James Miller hosts Chamber Chat. Recordings are available on KWLM's website or on Spotify. Intuition Brewing, Habitat for Humanity, and Goodness Coffee Company were featured in March.

## MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES



### 40 YEARS

Heritage Bank - Willmar: Joshua Dierks, Mandy Fleming, Jon Liesener, Robert Mathiasen, Kelly Pickle, and Dave Henle.

### Heritage Bank

Heritage Bank is a trusted financial partner providing exceptional banking services, personalized financial solutions, and unwavering support for their customers with a focus on agriculture, business, and home ownership.



### 20 YEARS

Heritage Bank - Raymond: Mandy Fleming, Dave Henle, Desirae McNeil, Alina Hince, and Kathy Fritz.



### 10 YEARS

### HMD Photography

From professional headshots and corporate group photography to senior portraits and family sessions, Heidi Duke-Wuert brings energy, creativity, and laughter to every photoshoot.

## RIBBON CUTTINGS



### Mill Pond Salon

New owners Brittany Johnson and Jean Klose are excited to continue offering a big city experience with small town service in beautiful downtown New London. From haircuts, colors, and pedicures to massage, facials, waxing, lashes, skin care, spray tans, and more - they'll have you feeling and looking your very best!



### Gilbertson Management Group

Congratulations to Tom Gilbertson, Callie Henscheid, Devory Fischer, Kim Nichols and Curt Schlenner of Gilbertson Management Group on their beautiful new office located on the MinnWest Technology Campus! Gilbertson Management Group creates tailored financial strategies for professionals, including business owners, their companies, and their employees.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Chamber Connections:**
- March 28 - Divine Hope Counseling
  - April 4 - Intentional Action @ Heritage Bank
  - April 11 - Vista Prairie at CopperLeaf
  - April 18 - Heritage Exteriors
  - April 25 - Life Connections
- Business After Hours**
- April 1 - New London Real Estate
  - May 20 - Quist Wealth Management
- Learn more at [willmarareachamber.com/events](http://willmarareachamber.com/events)

## neXt NETWORKING EVENT

