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LEADERSHIP PERSPECTIVES CLASS OF 2025



Since its founding in 1992, Leadership Perspectives has graduated over 1,000 community leaders who continue to shape the future of Kandiyohi County and the broader Willmar Lakes Area. This dynamic program is designed to develop effective leaders with the vision, insight, and passion to make a difference. Over the past year, the Class of 2025 gathered monthly, using the community as their classroom, to explore topics critical to regional success, including team building, heritage and diversity, government and media, health, human services and volunteerism, law and justice, education, industry and tourism, entrepreneurship, and opportunity.

Special thanks to class speaker Kelsey Hedlof (Hormel Foods) for inspiring the class to stay engaged and get involved in their community, and to Kami Anez (Anez Consulting) for sharing her powerful story of leadership and resiliency in the pursuit of joy.

also extend our appreciation to everyone who played a role in planning and facilitating the program. A sin you to the businesses that graciously opened their doors to welcome the class into their facilities, and to our generous sponsors: City of Willmar, Kandiyohi County, and Mid-Minnesota Development Commission.



LEGISLATIVE TOWN HALL

THURSDAY, JUNE 26 | 8:30-10:00AM **HERITAGE BANK - WILLMAR**

Join us to hear directly from Representative Scott Van Binsbergen, Senator Andrew Lang, and Representative Dave Baker. They will provide an in-depth recap of the session, share insights into the decisions made at the Capitol, and discuss what these outcomes mean for our community, businesses, and local priorities. This free event is open to the public and is a chance to engage in meaningful dialogue, ask questions, and ensure your voice continues to be part of the conversation moving forward.



Thursday mornings on Open Mic, Chamber President/CEO James Miller hosts Chamber Chat. Recordings are available on KWLM's website or on Spotify. Kandiyohi County Area Family YMCA, Nova-Tech Engineering, Lakeland Media, and City of Willmar were featured this month.

RIBBON CUTTING



Preferred Roofing

Congratulations to Nick and Ally Moser of Preferred Roofing on the ribbon cutting of their beautiful new office located at 116 25th St SE, Willmar. Preferred Roofing is a trusted local contractor specializing in shingle and metal roofing systems for both residential and commercial clients. With years of experience helping homeowners navigate insurance claims, they offer a full range of services — from roof replacements and new construction to seamless gutters and more.

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES



Glenoaks Senior Living

Congratulations and thank you to Melissa Olson, Janeen Mitchell, Kimberly Gravley, Diane Smith, Mia Wolfe, and Angela Quinn of GlenOaks Senior Living Campus for five years of membership!

GlenOaks offers high-quality senior living solutions, including independent living, assisted living, memory care, rehabilitation, and skilled nursing services—all designed to support residents at every stage of life. With a passionate new leadership team, GlenOaks is entering an exciting new chapter focused on building connection and community. The team is committed to making positive changes and understands that it all begins with strong, trusted relationships with residents, families, staff, and the community we all call home.



Bremer Trust

Congratulations and thank you to Darin Strand, Javier Valenzuela, and Ed Ulmaniec representing Bremer Trust for 30 years of dedicated membership.

Over the years, Bremer has been a trusted part of our community, making a lasting impact through service and support. Now part of Old National Bank, the name and look may be changing—but the local faces you know, and trust remain the same. Here's to continued partnership and a future full of growth and community impact!



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RIDGEWATER









While Mother Nature had other plans for our day on the green, we want to extend our sincere thanks to our valued sponsors for their generous support. Whether you were planning to swing clubs or sponsor a hole, your contribution plays a vital role in supporting the future of agriculture in our region. Thanks to your partnership, we're still able to direct a portion of proceeds toward scholarships for students pursuing agriculture-related careers at Ridgewater College.