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Save the Date

May 4

Lunch & Learn, Fun with Facebook Mary Patnode, ICS Noon at Crystal Cabinet Works Training Center/Zoom, 12:00 pm RSVP required.

May 12

Morning Networking - Because Chamber works with Beyond Benefits, ABRA Auto Body & Glass/ Zoom, 8 am. RSVP required.

May 13

Chamber Ribbon cutting/Open House, 11 am, 507 1st Street

May 20

After Hours, Pizza Pub, 5 pm

Thank you to our 2021 Chamber Sponsors:

ABRA Auto Body & Glass
Bremer Bank
Crystal Cabinet Works
First Bank & Trust
M Health Fairview
Marv's True Value
Minuteman Press
Sterling Pointe Senior Living

We're Movin' on up...downtown to be exact

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We are so excited to announce that the chamber office is moving downtown! We will be located on First Street, right next to the ice cream shop at 507 First Street, Princeton. We were approached about the space and after lots of discussion, we felt it was a great spot to house the chamber. We did the final walk-through and will begin our move on Monday, May 3rd. We are currently working on phone and wifi and have been told we likely will not have a working phone until the week of May 10th. Please be patient as we get the furniture moved in and the wifi and phone installed. Our phone number will remain the same: 763-389-1764. A big thank you to **Bremer Bank** for donating office furniture to our new location. We are very grateful!

Please plan to join us on **Thursday, May 13th at 11 am** for our regrand opening, ribbon cutting and open house. Stop by for a cookie and coffee and to check out the new space! We feel the new location will make the chamber more accessible to our businesses and community and we'd love to have you stop by and see it.

A special thank you to the **City of Princeton** for being such a gracious roommate to the chamber for many many years. We can't thank the City enough for allowing us the use of office space for so many years. We are grateful for the ongoing collaboration we have with the City of Princeton and look forward to many more years of working together!

Thank you!

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Host AM Networking

Our 2021 Morning Networking slots are FULL! We hope you'll check out this group, which meets once per month. Our 2021 Schedule:

May: Beyond Benefits

June: City of Princeton

July: Marv's True Value

August: Goenner Consulting

September: Age Friendly

Community

October: ABRA Auto Body &

Glass

November: Minuteman Press

December: Rutten Realty

Morning Networking meets the second Wednesday of each month from 7:45 -9:00 am. We are currently meeting on Zoom but look forward to meeting at host locations soon! We hope you'll join us!



Anniversary Celebrations

We did a lot of celebrating of our businesses during the month of April. On April 15th, we helped the **Factory Home Center** celebrate 50 years in business! They had a fun

event throughout the



weekend where they gave away prizes and had specials on their homes. Congratulations to Factory Home Center! We closed out the month with a celebration at **Plastic Products**, where we were on hand to help them celebrate 40 years! They



technically had their 40th anniversary last year, but due to the pandemic, they were unable to celebrate it the way they had hoped, so here's to brighter days!

Congratulations, Plastic Products!

New Members

We'd like to welcome several new members to the Chamber:

Rum River Land Surveyors & Engineers: A civil engineering firm specializing in transportation, wastewater, water supply, stormwater and land surveying.

Rutten Real Estate: Sara Rutten is a Minnesota licensed realtor with Keller-Williams Realty.

Anytime Fitness: With a mission to provide a total fitness experience designed to help you reach your goals, Anytime Fitness offers a plan that includes fitness, nutrition and more! Be sure to stop by their new location at 304 N 19th Ave.

Mosquito Militia: A local veteran owned company, the Mosquito Militia is your one-stop shop for Pest Control.

Howard Homes: A general contractor located in Princeton that promises impeccable service to help you build the home of your dreams.

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PACC Community Leadership Series 2021-2022

Beginning in September, we will be bringing you a brand new Community Leadership Series that we're very excited about. The series will offer participants an opportunity to grow personally, professionally and as a community member, with a specific focus on the community of Princeton. This is going to be a GREAT series! We have sponsorship opportunities as well. Be sure to get signed up today by visiting www.princetonmnchamber.org/pacc-leadership-series. Applications due no later than May 31st. We also have some great sponsorship packages available. Contact the chamber if you are interested.

Series Schedule

September: Introduction/Strengthsfinder

October: History of Princeton November: Local Nonprofits December: Local Government

January: Healthcare/Human Services February: Local Manufacturing/Business

March: Education/Arts April: Agriculture

May: Recreation/Graduation

Rum River Festival Information

We're coming back together for the Rum River Festival in 2021, and we have a lot going on. **Lucky Duck tickets** are now on sale. Beginning in May, you can stop by our new location on First Street to purchase your tickets and/or to help us sell them. They are only \$10/each this year and you can win lots of great cash prizes! The **parade** will take place on June 10th beginning at 6 pm. If you are interested in being in the parade, be sure and get registered as soon as possible. CLICK HERE for the registration form. On Saturday, June 12th, we'll be hosting our annual

Rum River Festival 5K beginning at 8 am. You can register for the 5K by <u>CLICKING HERE</u> and if you are interested in sponsoring the 5K, you can get your business name on the back of the 5K t-shirt for only \$40. Just <u>CLICK HERE</u> to be invoiced for that sponsorship. We are also looking for **volunteers** to help us run the Rum River Festival Parade. Specifically, we are looking for two people to help check-in the units as they arrive for the parade. Please let Kim know if you are able to help us out. <u>kim.young@princetonmnchamber.org</u> We really appreciate it!

Princeton Parks Challenge

The chamber recently collaborated with the **Sherburne County Area United Way** and Big Lake and Elk River
Chambers on the Chamber Parks Challenge. We're going to
keep that challenge going through a collaboration with the **City of Princeton** and **CrossFit Beyond Sport** for the Princeton
Parks Challenge. During the month of May, play some
basketball at Rainbow Park and/or Pickleball at Civic Center



Park, take a photo while you're there, post it to the City of Princeton Facebook page with the hashtag #princetonparkschallenge2122 and that's it! Once you've completed the challenge, pick up a cool, fun water bottle sticker from City Hall. Look for a new challenge each month and collect all 12 stickers!