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Celebrating Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating a milestone:

- 5 Years
Clayton's Rail
- 15 Years
Montage Wine Bar & Spirits
- 20 Years
Grundy Workforce Services
- 50 Years
Channahon Park District
Grundy Area Vocational Center
- 65 Years
Homewood Disposal

140 Years
Village of Coal City

Please remember, to keep your information up to date we need your help. Contact the Chamber (admin@grundychamber.com) with the date you opened your business.

Navigating the New Normal Webinar Series:

#4—Art of Pivoting: Sales Training and Consulting to Help You Dominate Your Market

9-10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18



\$15 to attend. Register at grundychamber.com, call 815-942-0113 or email info@grundychamber.com. Link will be emailed after registration.

Bill Guertin - the 800 Pound Gorilla
bill@the800poundgorilla.com

What should small businesses be doing in sales and marketing to succeed in the "new" competitive landscape? Bill Guertin is known as "The 800-Pound Gorilla of Sales," and in this presentation, you'll learn what's working NOW in sales and marketing, what's predicted to work going forward and what techniques may need to be retooled or abandoned altogether. You'll come away with several specific ideas to increase your business visibility, your brand value and your bottom line.

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PRESENTS

BIRDIES, BOGEYS & BREWS GOLF OUTING

Presenting
sponsor:



FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 10 | 11AM - 3PM

Registration Fee Single/Foursome: \$100 / \$420

Heritage Bluffs Public Golf Course for golf and then to River Hawk

Brewing for drinks, lunch and raffles!

For more information visit: www.grundychamber.com

Thank you to the businesses who have signed up as sponsors already:

-D'Arcy Motors
-Coal City Bank, Branch of Bank of Pontiac
-Iron & Glass
-First Midwest Bank
-Northern Illinois Steel Supply Company

-Heartland Bank
-Dollinger Farm
-Grundy Bank

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From the President & CEO's Desk

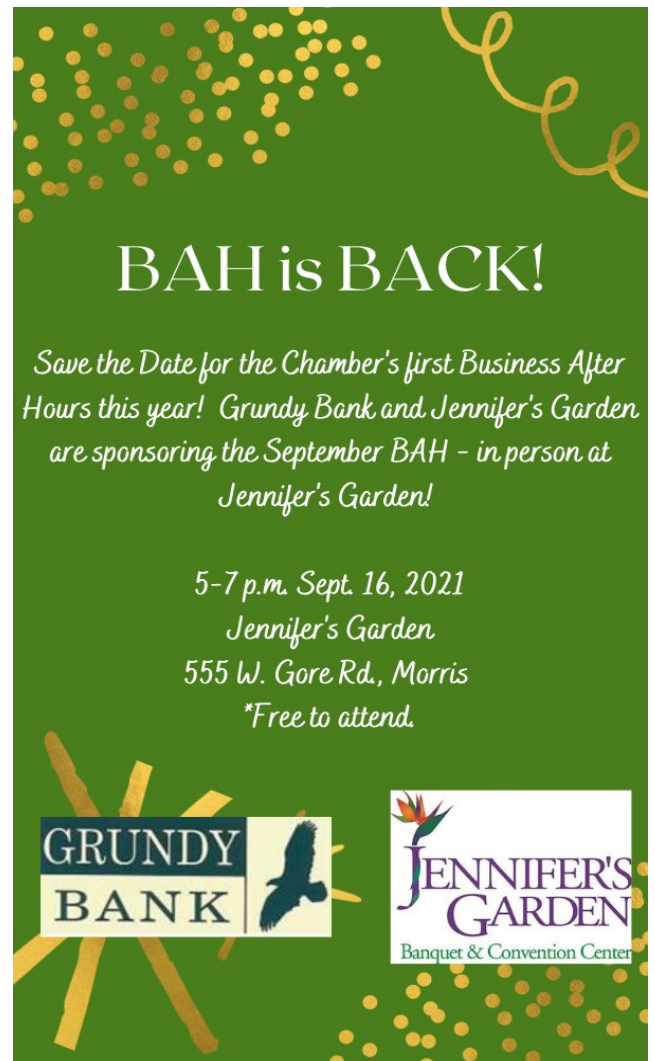
We are so excited to be having our first Business After Hours of the year finally and it's in person! Please mark your calendars to join us next month for some face-to-face networking.

Annually (with the exception of last year due to COVID) Grundy Bank hosts a BAH with us in September. It's one of our largest events which is why this year the bank has teamed up with new member Jennifer's Garden to host the event. At Jennifer's Garden there is plenty of space to keep everyone spread out for safety and comfort.

While it is a new location, you can expect the same great party we all look forward to every year—delicious food and drinks, fun giveaways, and most importantly the perfect opportunity to meet your next client. We know it's been awhile, but don't forget your business cards and set yourself a goal to give three of yours away to people you have not met before AND gather at least three cards from people/businesses you did not already know.

Through COVID-19 we adjusted business plans, marketing strategies and learned to operate via Zoom. We all did pretty darn well too! But I think we also were reminded the value of in-person networking so it's time to get back to it. Please know we will continue to do it safely with plenty of hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies, as well as masks on hand for those who want and need them.



We look forward to seeing you all again in person Sept. 16!
Sincerely,

BAH is BACK!

Save the Date for the Chamber's first Business After Hours this year! Grundy Bank and Jennifer's Garden are sponsoring the September BAH - in person at Jennifer's Garden!

5-7 p.m. Sept. 16, 2021
Jennifer's Garden
555 W. Gore Rd., Morris
**Free to attend.*

The Chamber's mission:

- Support its membership
- Promote economic development
- Preserve and enhance the quality of life of our community

Member News & Briefs

Morris Hospital is hosting a job fair Aug. 12, from 4-7 p.m. in the gymnasium at Shabbona School, 725 School St., Morris. Those attending should park on the south side of the building and enter through Door 18. Masks are required. Participants will have the opportunity to meet with hospital representatives from various departments and have an interview. Please bring a resume. Opportunities are available in nursing, physical therapy and orthopedics, laboratory, ambulatory care, emergency management, administrative support, and more.

The **Grundty County Chamber of Commerce & Industry** is hiring a part-time administrative assistant. Please see the job description at grundtychamber.com under job opportunities and send resumes to director@grundtychamber.com.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Will and Grundty Counties is proud to be recognized as a 2020 Big Brothers Big Sisters of America Quality Award Winner. Every year, the BBBSA Nationwide Leadership Council selects agencies for excellence in the 1-to-1 mentoring program, which ignites the power and promise of youth.

OSF HealthCare is offering its urgent care option, previously known as OSF Urgo, under a new name – **OSF OnCall Urgent Care**. All these locations are rebranded to OSF OnCall Urgent Care, bringing them in alignment with the wide array of services under the OSF OnCall umbrella that include virtual and on-demand services.

The **Coal City Farmer's Market & Crafts** is held Saturdays 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Campbell Park in Coal City. Aug. 14, Aug. 28, Sept. 11, and Sept. 25.

Got news to share? Let us know at info@grundtychamber.com

Welcome new members!

Minnie's Travel Boutique
500 E. Batista Dr.
Coal City, IL 60416
minniestravelboutique.com

(815) 474-4977

Minnie's Travel Boutique exists to educate and provide travel planning services that inspire confidence in clients while visiting their vacation destination.

Jeff LaRussa- T-Mobile Hometown Expert

(815) 582-8680

3659 Jonathan Simpson Dr.
Joliet, IL 60431

Jeff is a field sales agent of wireless products and solutions for T-Mobile.

Laki Hawaiian Ice
Mobile Food Truck

(815) 685-4962

Laki Hawaiian Ice is a food truck that serves Hawaiian shaved ice with over 50 different flavors to choose from! Be sure to check their Facebook page for hours of operation and locations for each week.

Jennifer's Garden Banquet & Convention Center

(815) 941-2868

555 W. Gore Road
Morris, IL 60450
Jennifersgardenbanquets.com

Jennifer's Garden is a banquet and convention center focused on providing high-quality service and customer satisfaction. The facility accommodates 20 to 1,500. Jennifer's Garden provides all the amenities including gourmet menu options, open and premium bar options, quality china, flatware and stemware, fine linens, and world-class service.

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*8-9 a.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 25
at the Chamber's Morris office
909 Liberty St., Morris*

Join us for our monthly networking event this time sponsored by Express Employment. Enjoy fresh coffee and breakfast and hear how Express can help your business with its hiring needs. Free to attend no registration required.

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