



July 2022

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A Division of Grundy County Chamber of Commerce

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Celebrating Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating a milestone:

95 Years
Forest Preserve District of Will County

75 Years
Grundy County Housing Authority

30 Years
Advantage Realty –Morris

25 Years
Edward Jones—Kristi Bennington

20 Years
First Midwest Bank, a division of Old National Bank—Coal City

5 Years
**Little Learner Children's Academy
TownePlace Suites by Marriott
River Hawk Brewing**

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.

Inaugural State of the City Address a great success!

MORRIS - Mayor Chris Brown's first State of the City Address with the Chamber June 22 had a great crowd of just under 200 people.

A special thank you to presenting sponsor **The Stenger Devermann Group at Morgan Stanley** and event sponsors **Chamlin & Associates** and **First Midwest Bank, a division of Old National Bank**. We also express our appreciation to refreshment sponsors **Teska Associates, Simple Communications, Comcast, Country Financial—Matt Seidel & John Mueller**, and **Joliet Junior College**. We are also grateful to program sponsors **American Commercial Bank & Trust, SPACECO and Sweet Tooth**.



Mayor Brown highlighted the city's elected officials and staff, detail ed exciting new events and programs, and shared upcoming plans for the future. It was an honor for the Chamber to host this event and we look forward to partnering with the City of Morris again next year.

Ribbon Cutting



Join us for a ribbon cutting for new Chamber member **La Casa Michoacana—Authentic Mexican Restaurant**.

Thursday, July 13
4 p.m.
La Casa Michoacana
2413 Sycamore Dr.
Morris, IL



75th Anniversary Celebration

jewels & jeans

Thursday, August 25, 2022

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The Chamber's mission:

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

From the President & CEO's Desk

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Registration is open for the Chamber's 75th Anniversary Celebration Jewels & Jeans Aug. 25. We are celebrating 75 years of building, connecting and engaging our business community! We want to celebrate with our members who have been with us for three-quarters of a century, to the ones who have been with us for three days.

There will be music, food, drinks, and highlights of the Chamber's history over the years. Registration is required in advance and is \$40 and includes dinner, dessert, drinks and more. **The event is from 5-8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 25 outdoors on the Chamber property.** You can register online at grundychamber.com or call us at 815-942-0113.

While we throw a lot of events, this will be a fun celebration filled with casual camaraderie and live music with Leo Fron. All with the backdrop of our historic train depot.

Grab your jeans and jewels and join us!

A special thank you to our sponsors so far:

Diamond: Busey Bank and Constellation

Ruby: Simple Communications and CPV Three Rivers Energy Center

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Amethyst: First Midwest Bank, a division of Old National Bank and NuMark Credit Union

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For sponsorship opportunities contact Amanda at 815-942-0113 or amanda@grundychamber.com.

Presenting sponsors:



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Member News & Briefs

Fiber internet service provider **Surf Broadband Solutions** announces the appointment of Brian Singleton, former longtime CEO and current chairman of TruVista, to its board of directors. Singleton's distinguished career in the telecommunications industry spans 38 years.

Joliet Junior College has a new name for its no-cost small business advising and resource services center. The college unveiled the Entrepreneur & Business Center (EBC) during a live webinar May 13. The EBC offers training, resources, webinars, seminars and advising to assist entrepreneurs with the start-up or expansion of their business. Services are provided at no cost to those within the district, and include workshops and classes on small business financing acquisition, marketing strategies, technical assistance, one-on-one business advising and more.

WDJK 95.7 has gone country. The Grundy County station now plays a variety of mainstream country music.

The **Grundy County Health Department** invites local businesses to participate in the 4th Annual AnyBODY 5K Run-Walk-Stroll. The AnyBODY 5K is an all-inclusive 3.1 mile neighborhood-course that welcomes runners, walkers, wheelchairs and strollers. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Proceeds provide assistance to residents of Grundy in the form of access to programs and services for persons of all ages. It is set for Saturday, August 20 at 9 a.m. in Morris. Supporters of the 5K have the ability to sponsor at different levels with various advertising opportunities for your business while supporting local health initiatives. Please consider supporting as a sponsor and a participant. For more information call 815-941-6131 or email ajensen@grundyhealth.com.

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

Welcome new members!

Simian Brothers Creative 815-545-1316
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Morris, IL
Simianbrothers.com

Full-service graphic design and print house. Specializing in custom screen printing and embroidery.

La Casa Michoacana 815-416-1228
2413 Sycamore Road
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Orderlacasamichoacana.com

An authentic Mexican restaurant with specials and full bar.

Surface Ride Shop 815-634-3444
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Unit 3
Diamond, IL

Local power sports repair center and retail shop.

Don't forget new members, and all our members, can accept Grundy County Chamber gift certificates!



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