



July 2023

CHANNAHON MINOOKA
Chamber & Chamber GRUNDY COUNTY
A Division of Grundy County Chamber of Commerce of COMMERCE

Courier

Celebrating Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating a milestone:

25 Years

Dibble Enterprises Inc.

20 Years

American Commercial Bank & Trust

5 Years

Conley Excavating and Construction

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.

2nd Morris State of the City Address was a great success!

MORRIS - The second annual Morris State of the City Address with Mayor Chris Brown and the Chamber was held June 21 with a great crowd of about 200 people.



A special thank you to presenting sponsors **Joliet Junior College and D Construction**, and event sponsors **Chamlin & Associates, Old National Bank and Narvick Brothers**. We also

express our appreciation to refreshment sponsors **Teska Associates, Wash Cove Car Wash, Busey Bank, Comcast, Morris Building & Loan, D'Arcy and SPACE-**



CO. A special thank you as well to our welcome and program sponsors.

Mayor Brown highlighted the city's elected officials and staff, detailed exciting new events and programs, and shared upcoming plans for the future.

New this year, Mayor Brown awarded the first recipients of his new Mayor Chris Brown Community Scholarship, sponsored by Edward Jones and the Chamber. The winners are Luna Valderrama for a \$2,500 scholarship, Justin Newman and Joy Dudley both receiving \$1,000 scholarships—congratulations!

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.

SAVE THE DATE

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PRESENTED BY:

D'Arcy

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(815) 513-4900
www.getpbx.net

BIRDIES, BOGEYS & BREWS GOLF
 OUTING
 2023

SEPT. 8TH
2023

HERITAGE
BLUFFS GOLF
COURSE

See insert for sponsorship and registration info!

Board of Directors and Staff

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+John Adler, Vice Chair
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+Sarah Beach
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Garden Center

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From the President & CEO's Desk

Welcome to our
new Events and
Marketing Director
Lena Wickens!



Lena recently graduated from Monmouth College with a degree in Communications Studies and Public Relations with a minor in Journalism. She has been a part of the Grundy County community her whole life and is excited to now be working in it.

“During my time at Monmouth, I juggled multiple different roles within the marketing sector and am excited to bring and grow my skills and knowledge through this role with the Grundy County Chamber of Commerce,” she said.

Lena started with us in May and has hit the ground running finishing the planning for the Morris State of the City Address and starting on the golf outing. If you haven't gotten the chance to meet her yet, please stop in and say hello or send her a note at lena@grundychamber.com.

Welcome new members!

Dog Gone Grooming (630) 362-6677
113 W. Mondamin St.
Minooka, IL

Offers bathing, grooming and nail trimming for your dog. Owner Kelly McGovern has 25 years experience and is certified.

Will County Brewing Company (815) 828-5241
24735 W. Eames St.
Channahon, IL
Shop.willcountybrew.com

Founded in 2016, Will County Brewing Company is an exciting locally owned and operated craft brewery with taprooms in Shorewood & now in Channahon.

Coal City Liquors (815) 510-6893
301 S. Broadway St.
Coal City, IL

Liquor, Tobacco, Gaming, Beer, Wine, Cigars & Vapes.

The Chamber's mission:

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

Member Welcome & News

Grundy Bank is holding an Ice Scream Social benefiting **We Care of Grundy County's** Back to School Program. It is from 1-3 p.m. on Friday, July 21 in the courtyard of the bank at 201 Liberty St., Morris. Ice scream is .25 cents a scoop with unlimited toppings!

Lori Bonarek Realty has a listing of office space available at 65 N. Daley St., Diamond. The location is off of Route 113 and near I-55. Just under 900 sq. feet. with a private bathroom and on the first floor. For more information contact LBR at 815-325-4760.

Office space is available in the **Mack & Associates** building in downtown Morris. There is 800 sq. ft. available on the first floor with basement storage

available. For more information contact **Lori Bonarek Realty** at 815-325-4760.

The I&M Canal Cleanup Coalition, the **City of Morris** and the Chamber have teamed up to host a I&M Canal Day Camp from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on July 15 at Canalport Plaza in Morris to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Canal. This free-family event will feature a birthday celebration, hikes, crafts, shopping, outdoor games and food trucks. Find the event on Facebook for more information.

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

Welcome new members continued!

bluTaco (815) 510-6893
301 Broadway St.
Coal City, IL

Restaurant coming soon offering bluTacos, Champ Chicken & Pizza.

Arcadia Care Morris (815) 942-5108
1095 Twilight Dr.
Morris, IL
arcadialtc.com

Skilled nursing facility offering short-term rehab to home as well as long-term care.

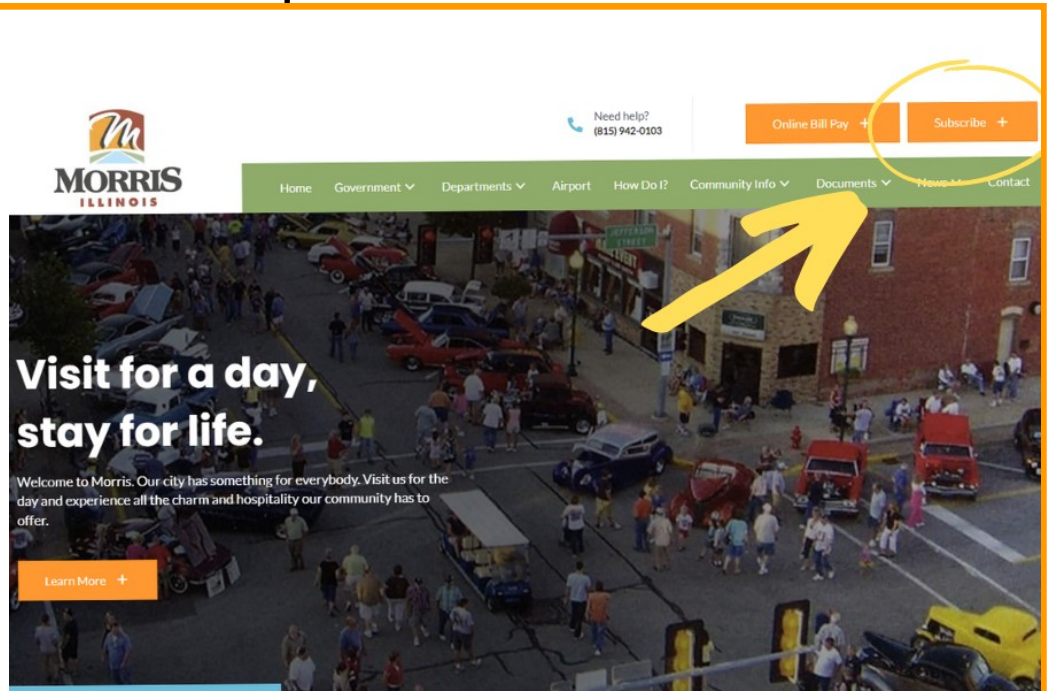
Little City Productions (815) 342-6059
Morris, IL

Little City Productions offers audio and video rental and technician services, and event DJ work.

Village of Shorewood (815) 741-7713
One Towne Center
Shorewood, IL
Shorewoodil.com

Shorewood is at the intersection of I-80 and I-55 and although in a rural setting has easy access to Chicago, which is only 40 minutes away. It also is located along the scenic DuPage River.

Did you know you can subscribe to the City of Morris Newsletter? Get the latest information on city events, new developments, police news and more right to your inbox. Visit morrisil.org to subscribe today!





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"CONNECT @ 4"

SEPTEMBER 21, 2023
4PM-6PM
GRUNDY BANK
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cocktails, networking
and raffles!*



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July 12th from 8-9am for Coffee
and Company

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Channahon, IL 60410



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