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March 2024

# GRUNDY COUNTY Chamber of COMMERCE

# CHANNAHON MINOOKA Chamber

A Division of Grundy County Chamber of Commerce

## Courier

### Celebrating Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating a milestone:

155 Years

**Village of Minooka**

5 Years:

**Fitness Premier - Minooka**

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

MINOOKA - The Grundy County Chamber and Channahon Minooka Chamber's annual Family Fest is coming up April 13! Presenting sponsor **Comcast** made it so we can keep this event free for families again this year. Your family will enjoy exhibits from local vendors and entertainment. You will find information on local organizations, services, businesses and products, all while having fun with the kids.

Dave DiNaso's Traveling World of Reptiles (sponsored by **Old National Bank**) balloon art, face painting and demonstrations including Chang Lee's Taekwon Martial Arts, and mascot visitors will be featured. These activities are brought to us by event sponsors **Heartland Bank**, **Constellation-Dresden Station** and **D'Arcy**. The performance area is sponsored by **SOCU** and **Simple Communications**.

Family Fest also will again have the business expo where families get to know some of our local businesses and organizations. **Booth space and sponsor opportunities are still available.**

One of the most exciting aspects of Family Fest is the Kids Zone, sponsored by **Procter & Gamble**, **Sherwood Oaks/The Country Farmhouse**, **ONEOK**, **Financial Plus Credit Union**, **Village of Minooka**, **Grundy Bank**, **WCSJ/K Country** and **LyondellBasell**. Kids Zone is an activities area that provides ongoing child-centered activities like games, demonstrations and more.

Presenting Sponsor:



## FAMILY FEST 2024

FREE FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT INCLUDING DAVE DINASO'S TRAVELING WORLD OF REPTILES!

FAMILIES WILL ENJOY ENTERTAINMENT SUCH AS GIVEAWAYS, GAMES, VENDOR EXPO, RAFFLES, BOUNCE HOUSES, FACE PAINTING, BALLOON ART, & MORE!

SATURDAY, APRIL 13  
9AM-1PM

Minooka Jr High School  
333 W McEvilly Rd, Minooka

**Free to Attend!**

Event Sponsors



Performance Sponsors



To register as a vendor booth or to sponsor for this event contact Events & Marketing Director Lena Wickens at 815-942-0113, [lena@grundychamber.com](mailto:lena@grundychamber.com) or visit [grundychamber.com](http://grundychamber.com). Be sure to stop by and bring the kids. We look forward to seeing you all, and thank you to all of our sponsors! Visit [grundychamber.com](http://grundychamber.com) for a complete list of vendors and a schedule of events.



**\*New Date**  
**\*New Location**

## CONNECT@4

with  
**Express**  
EMPLOYMENT PROFESSIONALS

**Tuesday, March 19**  
**4-6 P.M.**

**Located at Let's Party**  
**802 N. Liberty St., Morris**

**Join us for networking, raffles, food & fun hosted at Let's Party!**

**FREE TO ATTEND**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**See inside for upcoming Coffee & Company March 13 details!**

# Board of Directors and Staff

## Board of Directors:

**+John Adler, Vice Chair Aflac**

**+Sarah Beach**

*Secretary*

Village of Coal City/Sunshine  
Garden Center

**+Megan Borchers,**

*Chairwoman*

LyondellBasell

**Alec Ferrari**

SPACECO, Inc.

**Karla Escalante-Ferreira**

Sherwood Oaks Waffle Café & The  
Country Farmhouse

**+Matt Fritz**

Village of Coal City

**Carolyn Joseph**

Constellation - Dresden Station

**Jeff Lind**

Village of Minooka

**\*Kaylea Mann, Ambassador Chair**

Old National Bank

**Erin Murphy Frobish**

Morris Hospital & Healthcare  
Centers

**Nancy Norton**

GEDC

**Mike Petrick**

Village of Channahon

**David Pietryla**

Comcast

**Ann Rzasa**

Joliet Junior College

**Mary Rossio**

Angels of Hope

**+Ashley Speed, Treasurer**

Grundy Bank

**+Julie Wilkinson**

City of Morris

## Chamber Staff:

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**Christina Van Yperen**

President & CEO

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**Pattye Webb**

Membership Director

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**Lena Wickens**

Events & Marketing Director

lena@grundychamber.com

## Chamber Ambassadors:

**Angela Baumeister, Vice Chair**

WCSJ / WJDK Radio

**Jack Fillenwarth**

Morris Building & Loan

**John Fonck**

First Federal Savings Bank

**Allison Jensen**

Jennifer's Garden

**Christy Kelly**

Rodan and Fields

**Dayna Manegold**

SOCU

**Kaylea Mann, Chairwoman**

Old National Bank

**Christine Mendez, Secretary**

Grundy Bank

**John Mendoza**

Coal City Bank - Branch of Bank of

Pontiac

**Dana Odegaard**

Fitness Premier - Minooka

**Mark Stelmack**

Quality First Inspections

**Judi Tapella**

Mary Kay Cosmetics

**Julie Van Eck**

Mahoney, Silverman, & Cross

+Executive Committee

\*Appointed Position

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



## Coffee & Company

with



Three Wells  
ACUPUNCTURE CLINIC

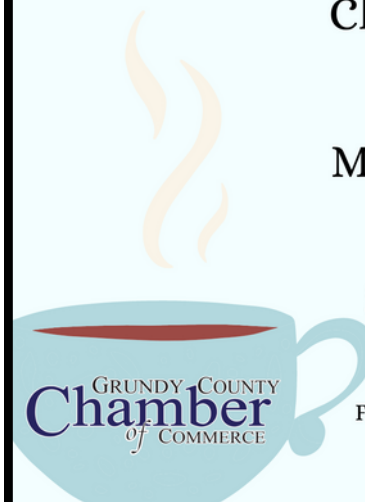
Join us for Coffee & Networking  
at Three Wells Acupuncture  
Clinic!

**Free to Attend!**

March 13th 8-9 A.M.

105 E Main St.,

Suite 304, Morris



For more information contact  
lena@grundychamber.com



## Welcome new members!

**Morris Rotaract Club**

(815) 302-5223

Morris, IL

www.morrisrotary.com

A newly formed young professionals division of Morris Rotary Club.

**Express Med Spa**

1-877-363-3772

707 W Jefferson St. Suite M

Shorewood, IL

expressmedspa.com

A medical spa located in Shorewood.

**NFG Properties**

(815) 791-9153

2290 E. Division St

Diamond, IL

NFG deals in commercial real estate.

**ProSeason Land Management**

(815) 414-1115

1485 W. Minooka Road

Morris, IL

proseasonlm.com

We provide lawn care, landscaping and snow removal services.



## Member Welcome & News

### New members continued

#### Hexagon Real Estate

12625 E Division St  
Diamond, IL  
hexagon.realestate

(815) 986-9718

Hexagon Real Estate provides brokerage services to those looking to buy, sell, or lease residential or commercial property in Illinois.

#### Edward Jones - Christopher Scholtes

1619 W. Mondamin St.  
Minooka, IL

(815) 467-96320

Financial Advisor focusing on Investment Consulting, Advanced Financial Planning, and Relationship Management for individuals and business owners in our community.

#### Airwave Media Production, LLC

(815) 374-0571

185 E Division St.  
Coal City, IL  
airwavemediaproduction.com

Airwave specializes in aerial photography and videography for use in a various settings and applications.

#### Homewood Disposal Services

1227 Channahon Road  
Joliet, IL  
mydisposal.com

Family-owned garbage & recycling services for residential and commercial customers since 1956.

Got news to share? Let us know at [info@grundychamber.com](mailto:info@grundychamber.com)

#### • Cat & Hound Ribbon Cutting & Open House

4 p.m.  
Thursday, March 14  
Cat & Hound Market  
221 N. Liberty St., Morris

Come celebrate Cat & Hound's new grooming salon and meet the groomers.

#### • Runnings Ribbon Cutting, 2655 Sycamore Dr., Morris

1 p.m. Friday, March 22

#### • Little Learners Children's Academy Ribbon Cutting, 496

Prairie View, Minooka  
4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28

Laurie Stone, L.Ac. of **Three Wells Acupuncture Clinic** in Morris is now an In-Network Provider for BCBS PPO Plans for acupuncture treatments. For more information, go to [threewellsclinic.com/insurance](http://threewellsclinic.com/insurance) or call the clinic at 815-942-2580.

Tyler Enterprises, the turf care products division of **Masterblend International**, is proud to announce the addition of Travis Williams to its turf and ornamental products sales team. He will be responsible for business development and sales of all nutrient and protection products to the golf course, grounds care, and sports turf markets in Central Illinois.

**Lori Bonarek Realty** is hosting a Home Expo on March 9 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Diamond Banquet Hall, 55 S. Daly St., Diamond. It is free to attend and the Easter Bunny will be there for photos.

Start your next  
chapter making all the  
right moves!



**Dave Brozovich**  
Vice President Mortgage Loans  
NMLS #665420  
(815) 941-6010



**Whitney Valdivia**  
Residential Mortgage Loan Officer  
NMLS #1789641  
(815) 941-7369

APPLY FOR A  
HOME LOAN  
TODAY!



# YOU'RE INVITED!



## MINOOKA STATE OF THE VILLAGE LUNCHEON

Join the Chamber and the Village of Minooka for the annual State of the Village Address. Village President Ric Offerman will give an update on what is happening in Minooka and share why so many call Minooka a great place to call home!

CHANNAHON-MINOOKA  
**Chamber**  
of COMMERCE

**April 18, 2024**

**11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

**Minooka Village Hall**

**121 McEvilly Road, Minooka**

The cost is \$30, please RSVP to Events & Marketing Director Lena Wickens at [lena@grundychamber.com](mailto:lena@grundychamber.com).  
Registration is required in advance.



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Postage PAID  
Morris, IL  
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