

October 2024

GRUNDY COUNTY CHANNAHON MINOOKA Chamber Chamber Courier

A Division of Grundy County Chamber of Commerce



Celebrating Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating a milestones.

1 Year
Diesel Doctor Strange Performance

5 Years
Vics Handyman Services

30 Years
Edward Jones - Mike Wright

150 Years
Old National Bank

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

Empower is an inspirational women's event. With keynote speaker Margot Underwood of JJC and three other strong females from the Grundy County community, the Chamber is aiming to inspire people of our community through life stories, lessons, and connection.

By creating this environment and these connections, participants will leave feeling empowered and ready to keep pushing the boundaries of the glass ceiling to create a more welcoming personal and professional environment for generations to come.

Empower will be held November 7 from 1-4:30 P.M. at the Morris Theater. There will heavy appetizers, refreshments and a cocktail hour to conclude the event.

Chamber Luncheon

Thank you to our luncheon sponsors:

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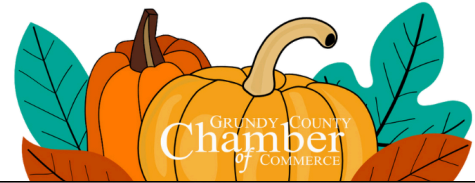
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**Wednesday, Oct. 30
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
The Hideout inside the
American Legion
212 W. Washington St.,
Morris
\$20 members; \$25 non-members**

Join us for a Grundy Chamber Luncheon featuring the YMCA team who will share the details of the new Morris Hospital YMCA opening in January. To register visit grundychamber.com, email Lena@grundychamber.com, or call 815-942-0113.



GRUNDY COUNTY Chamber of Commerce Empower

REGISTRATION OPEN!

AN INSPIRATIONAL WOMEN'S EVENT BY THE GRUNDY COUNTY CHAMBER

WITH KEYNOTE SPEAKER JJC PROFESSOR OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES, MARGOT UNDERWOOD.

November 7

1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**The Morris Theater
118 W. Jefferson St.**

ALL ARE WELCOME!
REGISTRATION OPEN!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
LENA@GRUNYCHAMBER.COM OR
CALL 815-942-0113.

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- 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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Thank you for another great year at our annual golf outing! Our sponsors, golfers, & volunteers are nothing short of amazing for making this event such a success. A special thanks to Dock Rotz Tavern for hosting us as well. We can't wait until next year's event!



Member News Briefs

AppleJax Creations Coffee & Café is back and ready to serve home-made breakfast and lunch; along with the same gourmet coffee/specialty drinks locals know and love. Kyle Borchers has created a menu to meet the needs of a busy downtown Morris-which can be paired with coffee, lattes, teas and lemonades. In addition, AppleJax Creations can put together a catering menu to fit your specific needs and offers an abundance of space to host corporate meetings, showers, civic groups and more. Visit AppleJax Creations at 312 Liberty St in Morris or call 815-705-0010.

NAMI Will-Grundy is excited to welcome Michelle Pruim as the new executive director. Michelle brings experience in grant writing, administration and public health. She has a passion for mental health, and has served as a NAMI Will-Grundy volunteer since 2018. Congrats Michelle!

Constellation announced the creation of the "Chris Crane High School to Work" program. The program will work in conjunction with JJC's Advanced Integrated Maintenance educational program and is geared toward helping high school students learn the skills needed to start careers in the advanced manufacturing sector, including nuclear power.

The **Morris Theatre Guild** is excited to announce their upcoming show "Star on the Door," running throughout October. For more information or to purchase tickets visit morristheatreguild.org. Additionally, the Morris Theatre Guild welcomes Christine Mendez with Grundy Bank as a new board member for a three-year term.

All are invited to the Grundy Eunoia Wellness Center open house 4-7 p.m., Oct. 17. The center is at 606 Depot St., Mazon. Eunoia is a program launched by the **Community Foundation of Grundy County**.

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Hear the latest news from the Village of Coal City!



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**THURSDAY,
NOV. 21**

4-6 P.M.

Join us for networking, food, raffles & the Heart of the Community Award!
Free to Attend.

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