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### At The State Capital:



#### Family Medical Leave Debate —

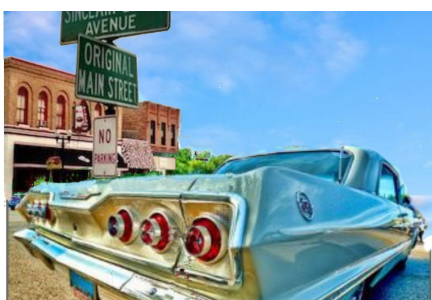
From **ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS**: DFL lawmakers are pushing for a new payroll tax to replace part of a worker's income when they miss work because of illness or to care for a family member. The paid family and medical leave program would impose a 0.6 percent tax on income, with employees and employers sharing the burden - similar to the state's unemployment insurance system. Click

[HERE](#) to learn more and download the [fact sheet](#).

**Transportation Bill** — the House omnibus transportation finance bill (HF 1555) Passed 74-58. [MCCE Opposes!](#)

- Increase gas tax by 20 cents per gallon. For more info, [download the fact sheet](#)
- Increases tab fees and motor vehicle sales tax.
- Requires a minimum crew size for Class I and II railroads.
- Establishes clear and robust process for testing automated vehicles. [MCCE Supports This Measure.](#)

### Sinclair Lewis Days Update:



Parade registration forms and sponsorship requests have been sent or you can find all the forms here. It is our members and our community that make this event happen! There are so many ways you can get involved! Please consider sponsoring or donating toward the events. Donations can be sent to the chamber office and you can direct it to be used for a specific event if you'd like. There are many events that take place over the course of Sinclair Lewis Days,

*the ones that are organized through the chamber include:*

**Thursday:** The Miss Sauk Centre Pageant, we have 8 girls working incredibly hard to present a fabulous pageant and a chance to win a scholarship. They are smart, talented, dedicated and each of them eager to represent our community.

**Friday:** This is the day of the Amazing Race – if your business would like to participate as one of the contestant locations to tackle a task please contact the chamber. This is also the evening we host the fireworks, music in the park, and face painting and draw the Summer Cash Raffle winners. Again, all of this is made possible by the support from our community.

**Saturday:** This day is jam packed with chamber events, including the 5K and 1 Mile fun run (sign up today!), music in the park, turtle races, kiddie/pet parade, inflatable games and obstacle courses for the entire family and fun for all ages. We also have a ton of parade entertainment lined up for you too! If you'd like to sponsor a parade entertainer, please let the chamber know. This year we have River City Rhythm, The Kracker Jacks drum line, and finally back in our lineup is the Zuhrah Shriners with their go-karts. The group entertaining us this year is known as the Zuhrah Flyers and their karts are outfitted to look like airplanes, this is because all their drivers are pilots!

**Sunday:** An added feature this year is on Sunday, the River City Rhythm will be putting on a full-fledged field show at the SCHS Football field! It's been a really long time since Sauk Centre has seen a full marching band field show. We are extremely thankful for their generosity to perform for our community on Sunday at 2pm, what a treat! (Please note, there are MANY more events happening during SLD and this is only outlining chamber organized events regarding how sponsorship money is used. A full listing of events taking place can be found on our website.)

Keep an eye on our FB page and website for events, details, and updates. **So come on, jump on in and let's go Cruisin' Down Main together for our 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Sinclair Lewis Days!**

### Welcome Our New Members:



Please help me welcome our new chamber members. **Stop in their businesses to say hello and let them know that their support for our chamber and our community is appreciated!** Their contact information can be found on our website or click on the link.

- [Beste's Sporting Clays](#) \* [Bonanza Valley Voice](#)
- [Siren Body Jewelry Tattoo & Piercing](#) \* [Bear Trap](#)
- [Whiskey's Corner Bar](#) \* [The Pen House](#) \* [Depot Feeds](#)
- [Northside Body Shop](#) \* [American Tap & Eatery](#) \* [Matt Mead Photo](#) \* [Restock](#)
- [Mainstreet Merchandise](#) \* [Nancy's Picture Place](#) \* [Sauk Centre Community Garden](#)
- [Congressman Collin Peterson](#) \* [BP Welding & Fabrication](#) \* [1Better](#) \* [Zen Den Therapy](#)
- [Schmeez Concrete and Brick & Stone](#) \* [Centrefuze](#) \* [Doug Miller Drywall LLC](#) \* and [Bayer Interior Woods](#)

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- **Member Meeting — May 23rd at 7:30 am. For more info and to register click [here](#), Please join us!**
- **Are you hiring? Please consider posting your help wanted ad on our website at no charge.**