

# METRONORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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**THURSDAY,  
JULY 16**

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**10 AM,  
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## UNITE THE NORTH

**MINNESOTA VIKINGS  
SEASON PREVIEW**

The MetroNorth Chamber is pleased to be a presenting chamber for a preview of the 2020 Vikings season. Enjoy a conversation with Vikings personnel along with a special appearance by a current Vikings player. Great prizes at the conclusion of the event! Must RSVP; \$25 per person. Link sent prior to the

event. Limited \$500 sponsorships available; includes having your company marketed before and during this event of an anticipated crowd of 1,000 business professionals. Join current sponsors Deluxe Insurance Group, Innovative Metal Fab, Inc. and Trinet.

**SKOL!**

## 32nd Annual Golf Tournament

**Thursday, August 13, 2020 • 11 am Shotgun, Majestic Oaks**

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Our 32nd Annual Golf Tournament has been rescheduled for Thursday, Aug 13 at Majestic Oaks. As a nonprofit who runs lean & mean in normal times, this event is critical for our organization to continue to offer a high level of service like

we are doing for you today. Of course, our golf committee is ensuring that you will have a fun and safe time on the course, just like always. See the insert for registration information. *Thank you Financial One Credit Union for your title sponsorship.*

## Minnesota Ready

Businesses are ready to restart our economy, keep us safe

The MetroNorth Chamber was an initial member of the Minnesota Ready coalition – a growing group of more than 70 business organizations throughout Minnesota – in urging Gov. Walz to fully reopen the state’s economy. Previously, the Coalition requested this action by June 19, while illustrating the steps businesses have taken to welcome employees and customers safely. On June 22 we again asked Gov. Walz to allow more businesses to safely

open or open with more capacity. According to a recent U.S. Chamber survey, 43 percent of small businesses say they have less than six months to remain in business. One in ten say they have one month before going out of business. As stated by Doug Loon, President of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, “We’ve worked with businesses throughout the entire COVID-19 crisis to take the necessary health and safety steps in their workplaces. They are taking

these precautions to mitigate the spread and help boost employee and consumer confidence. But these steps are taken in vain if these businesses aren’t allowed to welcome back employees and customers.”

We will continue to be your voice and advocate in restarting the economy, finding relief, and providing recovery resources. More information is on our website and Facebook page, or contact MetroNorth directly.

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**MNC Team:**  
**Lori Higgins**  
President

**Holly Krebsbach**  
Membership Resource Director

**Mitchell Piepho**  
Workforce & Business  
Development Coordinator

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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| <b>Amy Weber-DeRaad</b>         |              |
| Mary Kay                        | 763.245.0164 |

## Committee Co-Chairs:

|                               |                                     |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Ambassadors:</b>           |                                     |
| Stacey Buchanan               | Northeast Bank                      |
| Rod Schimmel                  | Weichert Realtors Premier           |
| <b>Gala:</b>                  |                                     |
| Bob Schlichte                 | Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures       |
| <b>Golf:</b>                  |                                     |
| Dan Babbitt                   | Edward Jones                        |
| David Long                    | CenterPoint Energy                  |
| <b>Hops &amp; Vines:</b>      |                                     |
| RJ Larson                     | Clean Air Restoration               |
| <b>Sunrise:</b>               |                                     |
| Steve Griffiths               | Impact Services                     |
| Amanda Winterer               | Keller Williams                     |
| <b>Workforce Development:</b> |                                     |
| Rod Medel                     | Medel & Associates                  |
| Sheri Erickson                | LegalShield                         |
| Sarah Crawford                | Gaughan Companies                   |
| <b>Working with Women:</b>    |                                     |
| Julie Jeppson                 | Stepping Stone<br>Emergency Housing |
| Stacey Buchanan               | Northeast Bank                      |

**If you are interested in joining a committee or learning more, contact the Chamber. We'd love to hear from you!**

# Membership

May and June  
New Members:  
Welcome!

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Ike's Plumbing & Drain Cleaning Inc.  
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Pho Tai Vietnamese Noodle House  
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Arbor Oaks of Andover  
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Anoka County Community Action Program  
Adams Publishing Group / ECM  
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Gaughan Companies  
St Paul Area Association of Realtors  
Affirmed Valuation Services  
CorTrust Bank  
Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures  
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Minnesota Vikings  
Blaine Eye Clinic  
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Trio Landscaping  
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## Drive Thru Directories & Decals

It was wonderful to see so many members, albeit from their cars, as you came to pick up your 2020 Business Directory & Decal. It's clear that people are ready to connect in person, in whatever means necessary! Couldn't make it? Just make an appointment to stop by our office at your convenience, we'd love to see you.



Ambassador Stacey Buchanan, NorthEast Bank, welcomes Kari Heftner, American Family Insurance, as the first drive-thru customer.



Ambassadors Amy Weber-DeRaad, Mary Kay, and Stacey Buchanan, NorthEast Bank, ready for drive-thru customers!

### COMMITTEES/GROUPS:

## JULY & AUGUST CALENDAR OF EVENTS

|                                      |                                                |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Ambassadors:</b>                  | July 14 & Aug 11, Chamber, 4 pm                |
| <b>Blaine Business Council:</b>      | July 9, Zoom, 7:30 am                          |
| <b>Board:</b>                        | Aug 12, Chamber, 7:30 am                       |
| <b>Connecting 101:</b>               | July 16, Chamber, 8:15 am                      |
| <b>Coon Rapids Business Council:</b> | Aug 25, Bunker, 7:30 am                        |
| <b>Executive:</b>                    | Aug 5, Chamber, 3 pm                           |
| <b>Golf:</b>                         | July 13 & Aug 10, Chamber, 4 pm                |
| <b>Hops &amp; Vines:</b>             | July 1 & Aug 5, TBD, 4:44 pm                   |
| <b>Marketing 201:</b>                | Aug 20, Chamber, 8:15am                        |
| <b>Sunrise 1st Friday:</b>           | Aug 7, The Tavern Grill, 7:30 am               |
| <b>Sunrise 3rd Friday:</b>           | July 17 & Aug 21, Route 47, 7:30 am            |
| <b>Workforce Development:</b>        | July 27 & Aug 24, Chamber, 12 pm               |
| <b>Working with Women:</b>           | July 22 & Aug 26, SMB Fire Station #3, 9:15 am |
| <b>Golf Tournament:</b>              | Aug 13, Majestic Oaks                          |

*\*Please check MetroNorth website and/or weekly e-newsletter as some of the above meetings may still be conducted virtually.*



## Ambassador of the Month

### April

*Amy Weber  
De-Raad,  
Mary Kay*



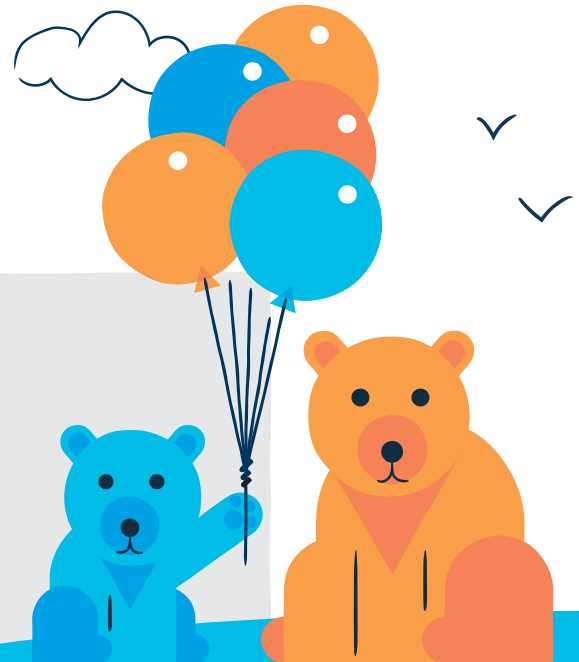
### May

*Brenda  
Jewell,  
Anytime Fitness*



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