

Chamber Chatter



Highlights from the Chamber's Annual Dinner

The Chamber's Annual Dinner was a night to remember, bringing together nearly 100 attendees for an evening of celebration, recognition, and community spirit. With almost 20 sponsors supporting the event and 20 generous raffle basket donations from our members, this was one of our largest and most successful gatherings yet! Held at Ready Randy's, the evening featured exceptional food and service in a fantastic venue. Guests enjoyed stunning floral arrangements from Blooms for Happiness, fun and vibrant balloon decor from What's Poppin', and an entertaining photobooth experience provided by Photog Entertainment.

A major highlight of the evening was the announcement of our Paradise Pick winners, where the community voted on their favorite businesses across 10 categories. We also took the opportunity to recognize the champions of our Bloody October Bloody Mary contest. Barnboard Grill and Saloon took home the award for Best Taste, while Schuggy's American Grill and Taphouse won for Best Presentation.

The Chamber also honored individuals and businesses that have made a significant impact in our community. Paula Nourse was named Board Member of the Year, and Topstitchery received the prestigious Business of the Year award for their outstanding contributions.





A huge thank you to AK Events for orchestrating a seamless and enjoyable evening. As we look ahead to 2025, we are excited to continue our momentum, especially as we have already welcomed four new members this year! Thank you to all who attended, sponsored, and contributed to making this event such a success. Here's to another year of growth and prosperity for our Chamber and community!





Chamber Scholarship Opportunities

The Chamber is proud to offer two \$1,000 scholarships to support further education for individuals in our community. Here's what you need to know:

- You don't need to be a high school senior to apply! The scholarship is open to students of any age pursuing post-secondary education in any major.
- If you or your child are employed by a Chamber member business, you are eligible to apply! This opportunity extends beyond business owners to employees and their families.
- Priority is given to applicants who demonstrate community involvement.
- Past recipients are encouraged to apply again.

How to Apply

Applicants must submit a completed application, including background information and short essay responses (maximum two pages, double-spaced). Handwritten essays will not be accepted.

Applications will be reviewed by the Chamber selection committee, and winners will be recognized by the Chamber President and featured in local media.

Scholarship funds are awarded after the recipient completes one semester of post-secondary education. To receive the funds, the winner must provide proof of enrollment for the next term or a transcript from the completed term.

If you or your child meet the criteria, we encourage you to apply and take advantage of this fantastic opportunity!

Get Involved with the Chamber – Join Us at a Board Meeting!



Ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes at the Chamber? Now's your chance to find out!

Our Board meets at Parkside Restaurant on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 3:00 PM, and we'd love for you to join us. Whether you're curious about how decisions are made, looking for ways to get more involved, or considering a future leadership role, this is a great opportunity

to see what it's all about—no strings attached!

If serving on the Board isn't the right fit, you might enjoy becoming a Chamber Ambassador, helping to connect and grow our business community in a different way.

We hope to see you at our next meeting!

Growing Strong in 2025: Meet Our Newest Chamber Members!



We are excited to welcome Born Force Training to our Chamber community! Owned by Tiffani and Jason Fouks of Roberts, Born Force Training is dedicated to equipping individuals with the lifesaving skills they need in an emergency. Offering CPR, First Aid, AED, and Workplace Safety training, their courses are designed to be engaging, accessible, and affordable. Whether for professional certification, school requirements, or personal knowledge, Born Force Training ensures participants gain the confidence and skills to take action when it matters most. Their experienced instructors make learning both effective and enjoyable.

As a special benefit, Chamber members receive a 5% discount on trainings and AED purchases. Join us in giving a warm welcome to Born Force Training, and be sure to check out their valuable services!



YOUR TRUSTED GARAGE DOOR SOLUTION

We are excited to welcome St. Croix Garage Doors to our Chamber community! As a family-owned and operated business, they take great pride in serving the communities they call home. With a strong commitment to customer service and excellence, St. Croix Garage Doors provides top-quality solutions for all overhead door needs. Now serving all of Northwestern Wisconsin from their two locations in Woodville and Chippewa Falls, they specialize in new door installations, service repairs, and planned maintenance for residential, commercial, agricultural, and industrial properties. Recently, St. Croix Garage Doors

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We are excited to welcome Krumm Exteriors to our Chamber community! Since 1997, they have been a trusted name in home exterior solutions, proudly serving the Central St. Croix community with quality craftsmanship and



We are thrilled to welcome Legacy Early Learning School to our Chamber community! Owned by Trent and Chelsy Schug, Legacy Early Learning School opened its exceptional service.
Specializing in roofing, siding, gutters, and repairs, Krumm
Exteriors is dedicated to protecting homes, enhancing curb appeal, and building lasting relationships with their neighbors. Their commitment to excellence ensures every project is completed with care and precision.

Krumm Exteriors also offers the Kanga Care Club, a hassle-free home exterior maintenance plan for just \$14.99/month. Members receive annual inspections, gutter cleaning, priority appointments, and discounts on repairs—bringing homeowners peace of mind, made simple.

doors in 2025 with a mission to provide premium childcare and early education in Roberts.

Their spacious facility and experienced team create a nurturing environment that not only provides exceptional care but also fosters a strong work ethic to help children reach their full potential. By blending structure, compassion, and high-quality learning experiences, Legacy Early Learning School is committed to shaping the next generation. Join us in giving a warm Chamber welcome to Legacy Early Learning School, and learn more about their outstanding childcare and early education services!



March is Women's History Month and a chance for us to celebrate the trailblazing women who have contributed to our history, culture, and society! We also celebrate the women in our own community who are impactful and inspiring us all today. Here are some facts regarding women and financial thoughts to consider:



 Women worry more they will never be able to retire, but are not risk averse. Women often

take more risks if they understand what they are getting into first. Ladies, we want to hear your goals, understand your feelings, and provide education. This will help you build financial confidence and take action.

- Woman are making unbelievable strides in the professional world: HALF
 of the college-educated workforce are women! Ladies, what does YOUR
 financial plan look like? Be an active part of discussions, direction and
 decision-making!
- On average, American women live nearly 6 years longer than men; consequently, women make up more than 70% of nursing home residents. Ladies, what is your long term healthcare plan?

WhiteCap Financial Advisors is here for the conversation, please reach out to schedule your no cost, no obligation introductory meeting today! www.whitecapfa.com | 715-760-9001

Celebrating Growth: Realty ONE Group Simplified Ribbon Cutting & Java Jumpstart

On March 3rd, we had the pleasure of celebrating the ribbon cutting for Realty ONE Group Simplified at their new,



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chic location in Hudson! This event also marked our first Java Jumpstart of the year, bringing together Chamber members to connect, network, and celebrate local business growth.

As a full-service real estate firm with 30 agents serving both Wisconsin and Minnesota, Realty ONE Group Simplified continues to provide expert real estate services to our community. Operating under the Realty ONE Group Simplified brokerage, teams like

Thunder Homes and individual agents work together to assist buyers and sellers with their real estate needs. Their dedication to making the home-buying and selling process smooth and stress-free sets them apart in the industry.

We are excited to see Realty ONE Group Simplified thrive in their new Hudson location and look forward to their continued success in our community. For more information, contact their office at 714-262-2810.

Spring Food Drive March 10–22

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SATURDAY, MARCH 15TH, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. MITTENS FROM MARILYN 5K FUN RUN/WALK

REGISTRATION: 10:00 a.m. Bobtown Bar & Grill - 220 West Main St, Roberts WI
ENTRY FEE: \$20.00 Entry Fee, Includes medal and a FREE beverage at
Bobtown Bar & Grill *THIS IS AN UNTIMED EVENT*

FACILITIES: Bathrooms available at Registration

CONTACT INFO: Laurie Delander - (715) 523-1291 or laurie.delander14@gmail.com Sami Warner - (715) 781-4064 or sami.j.warner@gmail.com

Drawing for Raffles will take place at 12:00 p.m.

FASTEST LEPRECHAUN KIDS RACE - FREE -

at 2:30 p.m. prior to 3:00 p.m. parade (No Registration - Race starts at Bostown Bar & Grill)

Mittens from Marilyn stocking hats for sale on race day \$20.00 🧩

The Mittens from Marilyn Fund was started by the family and friends of Marilyn Delander. All funds generated go to the children in the St. Croix Central school district by way of school lunches, school supplies, field trips, outdoor clothing, tennis shoes and much more!

Checks made to Mittens from Marilyn,





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Any Questions Or Concerns Contact Jessi Kelly (715) 529-1615



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