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2022 Chamber Annual Meeting

featured speaker
Governor Burgum

*Great things happening
in North Dakota and more
specifically the Grand
Forks metro.*

**Wednesday,
January 26, 2022**

**Social & Auction
Display 5:30**

Dinner & Program 6:30



**Plus 2021
Henry Havig
Award Winner
announced.**

Chamber President says "It's about momentum"

In case you have missed it, Grand Forks and East Grand Forks are moving in the right direction. You can feel it.

Mike Jacobs says "Grand Forks has Dazzled itself" in his new version of the Chamber's Community Profile & Membership Directory that will be mailed to all Chamber members in early February. With announcement of new missions at GFAFB, Fufeng Ag plant, many new projects downtown, housing growth and commercial renovation and growth throughout the community Grand Forks and East Grand Forks are really moving in the right direction. Visiting with someone who moved to Grand Forks to start a business just yesterday he said "Grand Forks is the place to be" "You can feel the enthusiasm and positive attitude in this community" like no other they considered to locate it.

Looking to 2022 The Chamber will continue to push this growth and be a catalyst for new opportunities. Transportation Infrastructure in the form of a new interchange or two on I-29, a 42nd street underpass and a new bridge or two can all move to the next step in development with political will and public commitment. These projects can accommodate past growth, increase public safety and also fuel future opportunities.

New attractions and things that differentiate the GF market will be discussed in much more detail and several will likely be started in 2022.

The Legislature was very kind to Grand Forks and we will see some of this generosity play out in the form of several renovations and new programs at UND adding to what has become the finest campus setting of any college in the country. Grand Sky which the Legislature has contributed greatly to, should see a total of \$3.5B worth of UAS aircraft on its campus in the nation's first ever UAS airport and business park.



Barry Wilfahrt,
Chamber President
and CEO

It's a great time to be in the Grand Cities!

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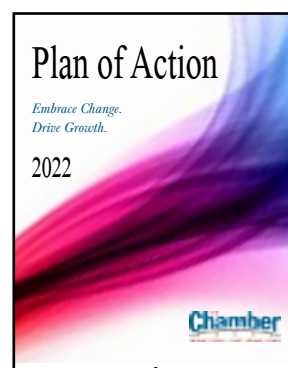
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Watch for Plan of Action and Chamber Membership Directory

The Chamber's Annual Plan of Action and Membership Directory will be mailed via US Mail to the entire Chamber Database. Please watch for these two informative publications.



Five Ambassador of the Year Finalists Named

Congratulations to the five Chamber Ambassadors who have named finalists for the 2021 Chamber Ambassador of the Year. Throughout the year points are awarded for each ribbon cutting attended, chamber event staffed, etc. The winner will be announced to the membership at the Chamber Annual Meeting on January 26th.

Valeria Becker - UND School of Medicine & Health Sciences

Stacey Brorson - ICON Architectural Group & Norwex Independent Consultant

Brenda Kovar - Pampered Chef

Dee Skjold - Business Essentials

Kathy Snider - US Bank

The Chamber has more than 75 Ambassadors who attend new business ribbon cutting and many chamber events in addition to a monthly luncheon. To sign up to be an ambassador in 2022 contact Tina N. at the Chamber: Tina@Gochamber.org

Wilfahrt Wrapping up his year as Chair of Minnesota Chamber Executives

The Minnesota Chamber Executives Association (MCCE) will be wrapping up his time as Chair of the MN Chamber CEO's in February and also finish his term on the MN Chamber Board of Directors. According to Wilfahrt, all chambers are facing the same opportunity to engage their membership in new ways. Wilfahrt has now served as chair of MN, ND and SD Chamber President's groups in the past.

Base Retention Committee to Visit Pentagon

In mid-January the City, Chamber and EDC will travel to Washington DC to talk about future mission opportunities. With new missions on the horizon, the base infrastructure investments and community, quality of life issues all need to be attended to ensure this ongoing transition at GFAFB goes smoothly. Look for a report on the visit in next month's newsletter.

Community Supports Career Impact Academy in a Big Way

The City, School District, County and more than 60 businesses and civic organizations came together in just a little over 6 weeks to raise \$10.2 million that will likely be matched by \$10M in State of ND funds to build and equip a new Career and technical education center in Grand Forks. This is "nothing short of remarkable" according to Keith Lund, EDC President & CEO who spearheaded the Career Tech Ed project aimed at helping address the ongoing workforce shortage in our region. "Introducing high school students to technical education careers earlier on their academic path should convince more students to pursue careers in these high demand occupations", according to Chamber President Barry Wilfahrt.

There were several committees that came together to raise funds, select a location and design for the new building and develop a governance structure. The project up to this point has been led by the EDC with support from the City, school district and Chamber.

The new Career Impact Academy will serve high school students throughout Grand Forks County and be owned and operated by the GF School district. Watch for further details on curriculum and opportunities to be involved further in coming months.

- SILENT AUCTION NOTICE -

Tis the season of giving and silent auctions!

The Chamber has one of its own Online Silent Auctions at the Annual Meeting & Dinner on **Wednesday, January 26, 2022**. Please consider **DONATING AN ITEM** or **GIFT BASKET** to one of the Chamber's largest fund raisers!



Your business will be in front of **over 400 people** at the event and **recognized in the auction program**, on the item's bid sheet and in future auction promotions, including Social Media & Member2Member!

Thank you to all the contributors!

We hope to see you at the Auction!

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Thank you! We hope to see you at the Auction!

Top **TEN** Chamber Membership Benefits

- 1. New Business Contacts** – Networking and new business contacts will help your business grow. With more than 100 chamber programs and events, you'll have no problem adding to your contact base.
- 2. Credibility** – Make a statement that you are committed to the future of the Grand Forks/East Grand Forks region.
- 3. Leadership Development** – The Chamber offers learning and professional development opportunities to help you run a smarter, more profitable business.
- 4. Community Commitment** – Community involvement benefits you and the community and shows your commitment to helping our region grow.
- 5. Referrals** – The Chamber's referrals of our members are a great return on your investment.
- 6. Publicity and Exposure** – Publicity and heightened name recognition as a Chamber Member shows your customers and potential customers who you are.
- 7. Marketing & Advertising** – Targeted and affordable advertising offered by The Chamber help you promote your business effectively on a small budget.
- 8. A Healthy Local Economy** – Be a part of a group that is committed to creating a strong local economy to keep our business momentum moving forward.
- 9. Gain a Voice in Government** – The Chamber is your representative on a local, regional, state and national level. With over 1100 members representing thousands of area employees, The Chamber speaks with a strong voice for our business community on issues affecting your business.
- 10. Partnership** – You will be a part of an organization whose mission is to create an environment that encourages business success while enhancing the quality of life in our region.



NEW MEMBERS

Sublime Nutrition

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French Taste – Downtown

Warren Sai

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NOW OPEN DOWNTOWN!! Stop by the convenient downtown location for some hot drinks, sweet crepes, savory crepes and ice drinks. French Taste also has some specialty sauces to compliment any selection on the menu.

Warren (who's from Paris), has started the business in 2018 in Grand Forks and always had the goal and ambition to spread awareness of the French culture

throughout the crepes, the people, the culture, and a great positive experience. From food truck to pop-ups with many partnerships and a previous restaurant at the Memorial Union, Warren has now opened a downtown location. He also has the French Taste restaurant at the Ferguson bookstore in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

ShareHouse Foundation

Brittney Hogan

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The mission of the ShareHouse Foundation is to develop financial support for personalized addiction recovery services and the overall mission of ShareHouse. Serving as a subsidiary non-profit organization, ShareHouse Foundation works to enhance ShareHouse, Inc. within the Fargo-Moorhead and Grand Forks region.

All gifts to ShareHouse Foundation, no matter the size, are deeply appreciated. Your gift will help us change and save lives of those we serve who are battling the disease of addiction.

Donations may be used for new programming, such as developing a sober fun curriculum; providing funds for the Helping Hands program, a onetime emergency need fund; new furniture or needs for the residential programs.

ShareHouse Foundation is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization committed to supporting individuals in their journey of sobriety through the treatment programs of ShareHouse, Inc.

CHAMBER E-NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

Each month The Chamber produces this E-Newsletter that includes **FREE LOCAL INFORMATION** submitted from our members, along with monthly Chamber news, activities and events. This publication is distributed each month to **OVER 3000 MEMBERS** in our Chamber database. With this coverage and information we are offering affordable advertising.





NEW MEMBERS

Insight to Solutions, LLC
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INSIGHT TO SOLUTIONS offers training, consultation, leadership coaching and/or project management. In a fast-paced world, it can be hard to stop, reflect and explore to gain the insight needed to refocus and find the right strategy to propel you and your organization. That is where we can help move towards a more successful approach.

Janell Regimbal is on a mission to help people and organizations ignite their potential and move their best ideas forward with confidence. "It takes knowledge and insight to identify and pursue opportunities that can take you to the next level – the value added of having someone to walk alongside, to ask the impactful questions, brainstorm strategy and help you open the door to what could be, will propel you forward." Janell would be honored to be your trusted guide and partner on your journey. Give her a call today.

The Wok - Filipino Cuisine
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Add a little culture to your meal with 100% Filipino cuisine. Along with our food truck, we offer catering for any event. We take special orders and deliver to your home or work. So, give us a call today and enjoy some Filipino cuisine. Some specialty items include lupia (springroll) with sweet chili sauce and pork siomai with garlic chili sauce. We take orders of all sizes and sure to satisfy your taste buds. So, watch for our food truck parked in various areas around Grand Forks and give us a try. Check out our Facebook site for more details.

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Sublime Aesthetic Professionals is a group of experienced cosmetology and beauty practitioners offering a range of innovative non-surgical procedures and services, including Botox®, body contouring, chemical peels, CoolSculpting®, Kybella®, SkinPen® microneedling, Excel V®, and Laser Genesis. The clinic also offers teeth whitening to boost smiles.

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New patients are welcome to book a consultation. Call or schedule online.

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LIVE NATION

The following businesses know the value of their Chamber Membership and have renewed their membership in The Chamber GF/EGF.

5-Star Collision & Glass Center	CPS, Ltd. Engineering - Land Surveying	Grand Forks Senior Center
A & L Siding & Home Improvement Center	Crary Real Estate-Linda Pierce	Greater Grand Forks Area Human Services Association
Absolute Refrigeration, LLC.	Dacotah Paper Company	Ground Round Grill & Bar
Ad Monkeys	Dahl Funeral Home	Hampton Inn & Suites
Advanced Business Methods	Dak Minn Blood Bank	Hanson-Maves Company - Bekins
AE2S	Dakota Fire Protection	Happy Harry's Bottle Shops
Agassiz Associates, PLLC	Dakota Sales - Budweiser	Happy Harry's Bottle Shops - 2
AgCountry Farm Credit Services	Dakota Supply Group	HealthPartners
Airtonomy	Days Inn	Heritage Highland I
All Reasons Self Storage, LLC.	DCN (Dakota Carrier Network)	Heritage Highland I
Altru Family YMCA	DJ Colter Agency Inc. American Family Insurance	Heritage Highland I
Alzheimer's Association MN - ND	Docu-Shred, Inc.	Heyer Engineering Inc.
America's Best Value Inn	Dusek Law	High Plains Water
Ashley Furniture HomeStore	Eagle Electric, Inc.	Houston Engineering, Inc.
Badger Dental Group	Eagle's Crest Grill	Ideal Aerosmith Inc.
BBI International	East Grand Forks Public Schools	IMM
Bd, formerly Badman Design	East Grand Inn	Impact Dakota
Bears Home Solutions	EGF Rod & Gun Club	Integrity Shipping & More
Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Family Realty - Jodi Danzl	Enclave Property Management	Ironhide Equipment
Best Western Harvest Inn & Suites	Ethos Home Care & Hospice	ISight Drone Services
Brockmeyer Tile & Stone, Inc.	Ewing Oil LLC	J & G Landscaping
Brown Corporations	Expressway Suites	Jeff's Landscaping
Buffalo Wild Wings	Farmers National Company	Jersey Mike's Subs
Burggraf's Ace Hardware	Fert-L-Lawn	Johnson Controls
Burian & Associates, LLC	Finest Auto Trim, INC	Kelly Services
C.L. Linfoot Company	First Community Credit Union-EGF	Knights Inn and Suites
Campbell, Tom	Forks Lath & Plaster, Inc.	Kuhl Properties
Camrud, Maddock, Olson & Larson Ltd	Forum Communications Printing	L & M Meats & Sausage
Catalyst Medical Center	Frandsen Bank & Trust - S. Wash	Leighton Broadcasting 1310 KNOX/97 KYCK/1043 Cities FM/Rock 95/Z947
Caulfield Studio	General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc.	Little Miracles, Inc
Century Electric, Inc.	GF Abstract & Title Company	LTD Properties Inc
CF Industries Distribution Facilities, LLC	GF Blue Line Club	Lunseth Plumbing & Heating Co.
Coca-Cola Bottling Company High Country	GF Board of Realtors	Mainstream Boutique
Coldwell Banker - Forks Real Estate	Girl Scouts - Dakota Horizons	Make-A-Wish Foundation of North Dakota
Columbia Mall	Golden Rule Auto Repair	McDonald's Gateway Drive
Comeau Electric, Inc.	Good Samaritan Society Heritage Grove	McDonald's South Washington
Community Safety Net	Grand Forks Area Youth For Christ	McFarlane, Inc.
Conlin's Furniture	Grand Forks Chorales	McKinnon Company
Continental Covenant, LLC	Grand Forks County Soil Conservation District	Midwest Ag Sales
Country Inn & Suites	Grand Forks Public Schools	Mike's Pizza & Pub
Countrywide Moving and Storage	Grand Forks Region Economic Development Corporation	Millennium Systems Technology, Inc.
Countrywide Sanitation		Modern Auto Body, Inc.
		Modern Information Systems, Inc.

December 1 - December 31 Membership Renewals

The following businesses know the value of their Chamber Membership and have renewed their membership in The Chamber GF/EGF.

Monarch Travel & Tours	Plaza Motel	Subway - 2400 S Washington
Morgan Printing, Inc.	Polk County DAC	Success Unlimited
My Grand Cities	Prairie Harvest Mental Health	Sunrooms Plus, Inc.
My Place Hotels	PUCKS Commercial Cleaning	Swanson & Warcup, Ltd.
MyAlly Health	Rachel's Poop N' Scoop & Other Services	Tavern United
National Property Inspections - Tim Brown	Ramada Inn	Tecta America Dakota/Greenberg Roofing
ND Division of Vocational Rehabilitation	Red River Land Company	The UPS Store
ND Mill & Elevator	River Cinema 15	Thunder Ray's Auto Repair
New Americans Integration Center	Rodeway Inn	Timber & Ash Designs
Nexus-PATH Family Healing	Rogers Construction, Inc.	Tire One Auto Center
North Dakota Eye Clinic	Ruffing It Doggie Daycare, Overnight Center & Grooming	Treat Play Love
Northdale Oil	Russell Hons Photography	True Healing Massage
Northern Bag and Box Company	Sand Steel Building Co.	Turtle River State Park/ND Parks & Recreation
Northern Plumbing Supply	SCORE - Grand Forks	UND TRIO Programs
Northern Valley Youth Orchestras	Shooting Star Casino	United Valley Bank - Downtown
Northlands Rescue Mission	Simmons Multimedia	University of Minnesota Crookston
Northwest Tire	Simonson Lumber and Design Center	Valley Dairy/Valley Car Wash
Northwestern Mutual Financial Network	Southern Estates, INC.	Valley Golf
Northwood Park Townhomes	Spectra Health	Valley Truck Parts and Service, Inc.
Now or Never Nutrition	Spray Advantage	Valvoline Instant Oil Change
Obernel Engineering	St. Anne's Guest Home	Valvoline Instant Oil Change
Opticare-Forks Vision Clinic	Stennes Granite & Grand Forks Memorial	Webster, Foster & Weston Consulting Engineers, Inc
Pace Painting & Drywall	Strata Corporation	Wendy's
Petcetera Animal Clinic	Street Is Neat Custom Bikes and Trikes, Inc.	Wendy's
Peterson Veterinary Clinic	Sublime Aesthetic Professionals, LLC	White Water Truck Wash LLC
Pifer's Auction & Realty		

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Ambassador Meeting

We are the "welcoming arm" of The Chamber

We welcome new chamber members and businesses with ribbon cutting ceremonies We assist with registration and greeting at Chamber functions and we participate in The Chamber's annual Membership Drive.



The Ambassadors held their "wrap up" meeting at Buffalo Wild Wings in Grand Forks. Huge thank you to Caleb for Chairing this committee in 2021. We look forward to a great 2022 with our new Chair Denice Dee Quinnell Skjold. Congratulations to Valeria Becker for the award of Ambassador of the 4th Quarter. We appreciate all of our ambassadors and their dedication to the Chamber.

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Business After Hours



Hosted by

Sterling Carpet One

2030 32nd Ave S., Grand Forks, ND 58201

Thursday, January 20th - 4:45pm ~ 7:00pm

Sterling Carpet One invites all Chamber Members and their employees to join them for a fun Business After Hours event.

Free Admission – Drink ticket & cash bar - Complimentary hors d'oeuvres - Great door prizes - Progressive cash drawing is at \$500.

Stop by... *Enjoy the fun and take advantage of great networking opportunities. You might even win **\$500** in our Progressive Cash drawing! We'll draw the name of one Chamber Member business. If someone from that organization is present, they win!!*

**Because of the nature of this event, no children under 18 may attend.*

Thank you to Florian's Excavating for hosting an eventful December Business After Hours.



BUSINESS BRIEFS

ALERUS ADDS JENNIFER COLLISON AS MORTGAGE BANKER



Jennifer Collison

Alerus is pleased to announce the addition of Jennifer Collison as mortgage banker. In this role, she

helps clients navigate home loan programs to determine the right match for their unique needs. She has expertise in conventional, VA, FHA, USDA Rural Development, and one-time close construction loans, and specializes in counseling first-time home buyers. She is based in Alerus' office at 401 Demers Avenue in downtown Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Collison has nearly 20 years of experience in the financial industry, and has served in roles including mortgage loan originator, personal banker, and lead financial services officer. She holds a bachelor's degree in business administration with an emphasis in finance and management from Carroll College in Helena, Montana. She completed the National Mortgage Licensing System Safe Mortgage exam and was nominated as an Affiliate of the Year in 2020 by the Greater Grand Forks Realtors Association. She is also a member of the Greater Grand Forks Young Professionals. In her free time, she enjoys all competitive sports and serves as a basketball and volleyball coach for Larimore Public School. She lives in Larimore, North Dakota, with her husband, Chris, and their two sons.

Gerrells Sports Center/Hockey World has been awarded this years "US Dealer of the Year" by Bauer Hockey

Bauer Hockey selects a dealer of the year in each of their locations across the world, US, Canada, Europe, Nordic, Asia.



While Gerrells is humbled and honored by Bauer Hockey for this, they know this would not be possible if not for their great, loyal, long standing, customers both local and in the surrounding communities! A big "Thank You" goes to each and every one for making this happen. Gerrells is locally owned and operated and will be celebrating 50 years in business this upcoming year

The Prairie Business magazine has named the following Chamber Members to its 2021 Top 40 Under 40 list.



The criteria for this award include service and giving back to the community, significant impacts and excelling in their profession, as well as leadership and dedication to their industry.

- Becca Cruger, *Grand Forks Region Economic Development Corp.*
- Blake Christianson, *Greenberg Realty*
- Derek Goebel, *Altru Health System*
- Jarda Solc, *AE2S*
- Jill Nelson, *Grand Forks Park District*
- Jon Rentz, *Alerus*
- Lance Monson, *Construction Engineers*
- Lauralee Tupa, *Circe of Friends Animale Shelter*
- Maggie (Smith) Brockling, *Evolve*

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Valley Senior Living Recognized by U.S. News & World Report as Best Nursing Homes

Valley Senior Living on Columbia and Woodside Village join only 16 other long term care facilities in North Dakota to achieve "High Performing" status from U.S. News & World Report in their most recent assessment of nursing homes. In addition, Valley Senior Living on Columbia was one of six nursing homes in North Dakota to receive the highest ranking possible for short term rehabilitation. U.S. News & World Report gives the designation of Best Nursing Home only to those homes that satisfy U.S. News's assessment of the appropriate use of

key services and consistent performance in quality measures.

Now in its 12th year of rating nursing homes, U.S. News offers comprehensive information



about care, safety, health inspections, staffing and more for almost all nursing homes in the country. Individuals can easily conduct a customized search for a highly rated nursing

home by location, Medicare and Medicaid coverage, and size. The Best Nursing Home finder features ratings on both long-term and short-term care. The Long-Term Care Rating aims to provide prospective residents who need help with daily activities, and their families, with analysis and information regarding the quality of care provided by nursing homes. The rating includes data on staffing, success in preventing ER visits and pneumonia vaccination rates, among other metrics. The short-term rating incorporates measures of quality including consistency of registered nurse staffing, use of antipsychotic drugs and success in preventing falls.

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Ribbon Cutting



Tina Neil,
Chamber Membership
& Communications
Vice President



Academy of Kids Childcare Center



Alerus Downtown - Hugos



Florian's Excavating



French Taste - Downtown



Scooters Coffee

The Chamber Ambassadors would love to meet you and celebrate your business with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

If you are interested, please contact Tina at **772-7271** or Tina@gochamber.org to schedule a ribbon cutting event.

PLAN YOUR WINTER
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The Power of Human Capital

Join Christy Dauer for a discussion on “human capital” and building meaningful relationships and why it’s so important to your business.

Savvy entrepreneurs are using this concept and you should to!



Brown Bag Seminar 

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Wednesday, January 19, 2022

11:30 am - 1:00 pm - Chamber of Commerce Board Room



Presented by:

Christy Dauer

Program Director

North Dakota Women's Business Center

Christy Dauer is a Program Director for the North Dakota Women's Business Center and is based in the Fargo area. A native of West Fargo, she is a sales and marketing professional with over a decade of successful experience in expanding client relationships. Christy specializes in sales and marketing to make meaningful relationships. Her smile has been called contagious and her laughter fills a room. Inspired by her parents at the age of six, Christy has a passion of helping others by volunteering and giving back to local non-profits. Christy lives in West Fargo with her husband and two boys.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR SEMINAR

\$20/Member & \$30/Non Member (Includes Lunch) - LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

If you have questions, please contact the Chamber. info@gochamber.org or 701-772-7271