

# PLAN OF ACTION

## 2026

**THE**  
**Chamber**  
GRAND FORKS • EAST GRAND FORKS

**EMBRACE CHANGE**  
**DRIVE MOMENTUM**  
**CHAMPION GROWTH**

# Real VALUE For Your Membership

## MORE than 100 Member Networking Events and Training Opportunities!

- The Chamber Annual Meeting - February 5, 2026
- State of the Base Breakfast – March 31, 2026
- EGF Civic Social - April
- UND Leadership Tours and Talks - Spring 2026
- Annual Chamber Golf Classic - May 28, 2026
- City to Farm Tour / Ag Social - July
- Operation Thank You - August
- Wake Up to UND - October 9, 2026
- Northland State of the College - October
- GF School District Breakfast - November 17, 2026
- Eggstravaganza - December 3, 2026
- Business After Hours - Monthly
- Brown Bag Seminars - Monthly
- Leadership Training Program - Aug. - Dec.
- Small Business Seminar - April 22, 2026

**and many more...**

### Member Services

- Member referrals
- Community Profile/Membership Directory
- Online business directory listing
- Marketing Landing Page/TCS
- Google Map of members/increase Member search ability
- The Chamber monthly e-newsletter "The Voice"
- The Chamber App for iPhone and Android
- FREE Business Briefs section of newsletter
- Certificate of Origin Seals
- Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, and X
- Member2Member E-mail - weekly
- Membership visit program
- Notary Public Service

### Member Recognition

- Henry Havig Award - January
- Ambassador of the Year - January
- Mike Maidenbergs Emerging Leader Award - December
- Social Media Posts and Updates - Regularly

## Your Premier Networking and Business Information Resource

## Your Chamber Working For You.

*Your Chamber has been working for our communities for 120 years. With more than 1,000 members, it is the region's largest business organization.*

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**WHAT'S NEW**  
**AT**  
**THE Chamber**  
**2026**



# 2026 Chamber of Commerce Leadership

## Executive Committee



**Derek Holt**  
First Community  
Credit Union  
Chair



**Anna Rosburg**  
Alerus Center  
Chair Elect



**Mike McLean**  
JLG Architects  
Past Board Chair



**Russel Crary**  
Crary Real Estate  
Vice Chair



**Chris Jordheim**  
Widseth  
Vice Chair



**Daren Muscha**  
Bass Pro Shops  
Vice Chair

## Board of Directors



**Barry Wilfahrt**  
The Chamber - GF/EGF  
President/CEO



**Landon Bahl**  
Alluvium Equity &  
District 17 Legislator



**Matt Bredemeier**  
Grand Forks Subaru Kia



**Mylo Einarson**  
Nodak Electric



**Jon Fargo**  
RealTruck



**Todd Forkel**  
Altru Health System



**Dean Gorder**  
General Atomics  
Aeronautical  
Systems, Inc.



**Tony Hodny**  
H&S Electrical  
Services, LLC



**Meloney Linder**  
University of North  
Dakota



**Keith Lund**  
Grand Forks Region EDC



**Emily O'Brien**  
ND Human Services  
Agency



**Shari Olson**  
Northland  
Community &  
Technical College



**Scott Reck**  
Northdale Oil



**Curtis Regan**  
Dakota Commercial &  
Development Inc.



**Andy Schneider**  
Dakota Concealed/  
GF County Sheriff



**Andrew Vigen**  
Vigen Construction



**Tyler Wilson**  
Vilandre Heating,  
AC & Plumbing

The Chamber meets and exceeds the needs of our diverse business community and over 1000 members through the work of our Standing Committees.

# CHAMBER COMMITTEES:

## PURPOSE AND 2026 PRIORITIES

### *Agribusiness Committee*



**Chairs:** Tom Prout, Ellingson

**Purpose:** Promote agriculture and its importance to the region.

**Goals:**

- Bring awareness to the public and city leadership about the importance of agriculture in the Grand Forks & East Grand Forks Region.
- Conduct Annual City to Farm Tour at a local Ag Business
- Network with Agribusiness and Ag Producers of all ages.
- Review Ag Policy and explore value added agriculture opportunities.
- Conduct Ag Producers appreciation activities.

### *Ambassadors Committee*



**Chair:** Heidi Krogstad, German Law

**Chair Elect:** McKenzie Ratelle, LivWell

**Purpose:** Welcome new businesses and promote Chamber membership.

**Goals:**

- Welcome new chamber members and businesses with ribbon cutting ceremonies.
- Assist with registration and greeting at chamber events.
- Involve Ambassadors in 2026 Membership Drive & Operation Thank You.

### *Business Government Education Alliance Committee (BGEA)*



**Co-chairs:** Todd Feland, GF City and Kathryn Kester, Xcel Energy

**Purpose:** Bring business, government and education leaders together to address issues and share information of importance for the successful development and positive growth of the Grand Forks/East Grand Forks region.

**Goals:**

- Host monthly meetings on topics of keen interest and importance to the community.
- Report outcome of meetings to the membership.
- Be a catalyst for change and build on focused relevant programs.



# Government Affairs Committee



**Co-chairs:** Garth Rydland, Valley Senior Living and Stacey Dahl, Minnkota Power Cooperative

**Purpose:** Provide leadership, information and advocacy that will enhance the economic environment and represent the interests of the local business community.

**Goals:**

- Develop cooperative relationships with organizations to establish and nurture positive relationships at the local, state and national levels.
- The Chamber will be an advocate for the free enterprise system.
- Host an Eggs & Issues Breakfast.

## Minnesota Goals:

- Lead an annual business/community delegation to the legislature to meet with elected officials and key decision makers on issues impacting the GF/EGF Region.
- Organize EGF Intergovernmental Retreat in February.
- Work with MN State Chamber as a Federated Partner, Greater MN Coalition and Boarder Cities Coalition to provide input on issues of importance to the local business community. Assist in communicating their platforms back to local elected officials.
- Support the EGF Legislative Team agenda.

## North Dakota Goals:

- Lead biannual business/community delegation to the legislature to meet with elected officials and key decision makers on issues impacting the GF/EGF Region. March 4th & 5th, 2027.
- Conduct Legislative check in meetings on Saturdays during the ND Legislative Sessions.
- Work with ND State Chamber to provide input on issues of importance to the local business community. Assist in communicating their platforms back to local elected officials.
- Assist in recruiting candidates for state & local offices.

## Overall Goals:

- Be in contact with the congressional delegation on key issues impacting the GF/EGF Region.
- Coordinate listening sessions with business leaders and members of the congressional delegation.
- Be visible and active in local city, school and county decision making that potentially impacts the business community.
- Interface with the US Chamber "Committee of 100" on which Chamber CEO Barry Wilfahrt serves.
- Conduct candidate forums for school, city, county and legislative races.
- Work with local and regional business leaders to ensure the "business voice" is heard.
- Host Candidate Forums for city, county, School Board and Legislative elections.

2024 Annual Meeting featured speaker Kevin O'Leary from Shark Tank. Pictured L to R, Russel & Lucy Crary, Tony & Jen Hodny, Kevin O'Leary, Barry & Kristi Wilfahrt.



## Herald Advisory Committee



**Chair:** Russel Crary

**Purpose:** Meet periodically with representatives of The Grand Forks Herald and Prairie Business Magazine to discuss how business is represented and its issues communicated in the publications.

**Goals:**

- Meet quarterly with the Herald editorial board to assist with the Herald's coverage of business issues and local trends.
- Assist the GF Herald in identifying business-related stories of interest to the community. 10-15 resulting stories a quarter.
- Host one guest of influence annually (Governor, Senator, etc.) at Herald Advisory Meeting.

## Leadership Committee



**Chair:** Katie Barta, UND

**Purpose:** Continue to respond to the need for future leaders by conducting an annual leadership training program.

**Goals:**

- Conduct the 41st annual personal growth and professional development training program.
- Continue to successfully graduate 40 participants.
- Identify new ways to encourage the more than 1,200 graduates of the program to become involved in the community, including an interactive website.
- Continue to work with the Community Foundation to award the Mike Maidenbergl Emerging Leader Award.
- Continue the Chamber Leadership Tours and Talks and UND Tours and Talks Program - April.
  - 2026 - UND Tours and Talks
  - 2027 - Chamber Business

## Military Affairs Committee (MAC)



**Co-chairs:** Tim Haddock, Service Credit Union and Scott Meyer, Grand Sky

**Purpose:** Foster a strong relationship between the GF/EGF communities and the military units in our region and help provide community support for future missions.

**Goals:**

- Coordinate military and military family support/community connection.
- Facilitate communication between military and non-military groups.
- Support GF Air Force Base future missions and reinvestment activities (Mayor's Base Retention Committee, and BRIC).
- Continue the Golden Eagle funding program for the many military support activities.



## Chamber Nonprofit Committee



**Co-chairs:** Heather Novak Fuglem, United Way Grand Forks/East Grand Forks, Katie Jo Armbrust, Grand Forks Housing Authority.

**Purpose:** To connect and promote the nonprofit community to the broader business community

**Goals:**

- Highlight Nonprofit Community Economic Impact. Incorporate impacts of the nonprofit community into our marketing to the business community to help highlight the tremendous impact nonprofits have and how

important it is for businesses to support them with talent.

- Connect Leadership GF Graduates with local nonprofits. Continue to refer our Chamber Leadership Program class to area nonprofits for their annual in-service nonprofit experience.
- Coordinate with existing local nonprofit business alliance.
- Nonprofit committee meetings with round table discussions on topics of interest to nonprofits in our region.

## Past Board Chairs Committee



**Chair:** Mike McLean, JLG Architects

**Purpose:** Serve in an advisory capacity to chamber leadership and staff.

- Host Round Table breakfast sessions with The Chamber CEO.
- Assist in Chamber CEO Transition.

## Small Business Committee



**Chair:** Kayla Schlueter, Agile Accounting Solutions

**Purpose:** Provide value to The Chamber's small business members through educational, programming, and other small business services. Work with SBA, it's resource partner programs, such as SCORE and the ND SBDC, along with other business owners to carry out this purpose.

**Goals:**

- Continue to offer monthly Brown Bag Seminars on a variety of pertinent topics to small businesses in the GF/EGF region.
- Offer one half-day small business education opportunity.
- Assist in coordinating a robust AI training series of courses.

## Facilities Committee



**Chair:** Jay Kleven, AE2S

**Purpose:** Update and manage the current Chamber owned facility at 202 N. 3rd Street

**Goals:**

- Continue to work on the facility improvement plan. (Chamber Depot Building)
- Keep The Chamber office rental space occupied.
- Stay current with long-term chamber building and location options including building a new multi purpose building in our current location.

## Transportation Infrastructure Task Force



**Co-chairs:** Dave Zavoral, RJ Zavoral & Son's Inc. and Sally Miskavige, Opp Construction

**Purpose:** To serve as a convener and catalyst to ensure local units of government and the MPO come together to invest in major infrastructure projects.

**Goals:**

Convene members of the MPO, local engineering staff and various units of government to ensure Grand Forks, East Grand Forks, Polk County and Grand Forks County pursue federal and state funding for major transportation projects in our area. Such projects include:

- Completion of the 42nd/Demers Intersection.
- 47th St Interchange on I29. Right of way
- Merrifield Interchange on I29.
- Two additional bridges across the Red River.
- Improvements to the Hwy 2/Airport Rd Intersection.

## North Dakota UAS Leadership Committee



**Co-chairs:** Tommy Kenville, ISight Drone Services and Michael Fridolfs, Northrop Grumman Corp.

**Purpose:** Convene UAS Sector leaders from across ND to discuss and act on key issues and opportunities for UAS in ND.

**Goals:**

1. Convene semi-annual meetings of the group. Meetings will include: round-table discussions featuring updates from each member, various relevant UAS program presentations and discussion of issues and opportunities for the UAS industry locally and in ND.
2. Monitor and act on various threats and opportunities in preparation for and during the legislative session.
3. Support the growth of the annual UAS Summit.

If you are interested in joining any of our committees or just want more information, contact us at 701-772-7271 or [info@gochamber.org](mailto:info@gochamber.org)

## The Chamber Staff



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In addition to the office staff, The Chamber also outsources coordination of its Leadership Program, strategic planning, accounting services and some of its lobbying efforts. This matches talent with specific expertise on Chamber services at a fraction of the cost of traditional staffing efforts.



# Strategic Partnerships strengthen our ability to IMPACT THE COMMUNITIES WE LIVE IN.

## *Mayor's Base Enhancement Committee*

**Goal:** Secure new missions, capabilities and infrastructure for Grand Forks AFB

**Objectives:**

- Maintain close relationship with US Air Force leadership at national and local levels.
- Maintain close relationship and open communication with US Senators John Hoeven and Kevin Cramer and US Representative Julie Fedorchak on new mission recruitment and base retention strategy.
- Leverage the ND Base Retention Grant funding (\$250,000 for the 2025-2027 biennium) to develop and execute base enhancement strategy. Focus is on Base land, air and electromagnetic spectrum encroachment, art/culture strategy brand awareness of synergistic UAS opportunities at Grand Sky and ISR strategy in space.
  - The Chamber was awarded the \$250,000 Base Retention Grant by the North Dakota Department of Commerce
- Secure future base enhancement funding.



## *BRIC (Base Retention and Investment Committee)*

A partnership of the City of Grand Forks, Grand Forks County, The Grand Forks Region EDC, UND and The Chamber. The members of BRIC are all members of The Chamber.

**Mission:** Share information among all local groups interfacing with GFAFB.

**Vision:** A fully operating base of the future with multiple long term relevant missions. A base near capacity with new infrastructure, many personnel well positioned for future base closure rounds. A base with alternative uses incorporated into the overall base plan including the Grand Sky UAS Business Park.

**Goals:**

- Support & enhance the value of Grand Forks AFB, its infrastructure and current missions.
- Engage the public and private sectors to leverage the assets and infrastructure of Grand Forks AFB for economic diversification opportunities to strengthen the Grand Forks Region and State economies.
- Support Grand Sky, UND and the emerging UAS industry in North Dakota.

## Chamber Partnership with UND and NCTC

The Chamber partners with the University of North Dakota and Northland Community & Technical College in many areas in support of both UND and NCTC's strategic plans including: internships, Job Fairs, Coulee to Columbia, start-up community projects, connecting students to area employers through service learning opportunities and supporting their legislative priorities.



## Workforce Development Committee

A coalition lead by the EDC and supported by Job Service, School Districts and Area Human Resource Professionals.

**Purpose:** To develop strategies to increase workforce availability for area employers.

### Goals:

- Support Career Impact Academy Funding and Implementation.
- Tell the Grand Forks story through the "Grand Forks is Cooler" web site. Drive new resident and potential employee traffic to the "Grand Forks is Cooler" web site.
- Career Expo - Provide opportunities to directly expose regional high school students to career opportunities in the Upper Red River Valley
- Promote and Distribute a "New Residents Guide."
- The Chamber, EDC and UND Career Services will continue to partner on new internships for UND students at area businesses.
- Pursue ND Commerce and Workforce Development Council funds.
- Educate Businesses on Immigration and VISA workforce opportunities.



## GF Legislative Priority Committee (Team GF)

A coalition of The Chamber, The GF Region EDC, The City of GF, GF County, UND and other entities as necessary.

**Purpose:** To identify key infrastructure, funding and policy needs and work with elected officials at the state and local level to promote the Grand Forks legislative agenda.

Historically, over \$1.4 billion dollars in funding has been secured.

Develop and promote 2027 ND Legislative Priorities.  
Build relationships with legislators locally and statewide.





## EGF Intergovernmental Committee

A coalition of The Chamber, The EGF EDHA, The City of EGF, NCTC and Polk County.

**Purpose:** Meet annually to identify key infrastructure and policy needs and work with elected officials at the state and local level to promote the East Grand Forks legislative agenda.

2026 MN Legislative Priorities:

- Support bonding for Northland Community & Tech. College.
- Support the Greater MN Cities agenda.
- Increase awareness of NW MN needs among legislators statewide.



## East Grand Forks EDA / Chamber Partnership

The EGF EDA and The Chamber continue to meet on a regular basis and continue to do the annual "GROW MN" business visits.

The two organizations will work together to develop new ways to assist existing EGF businesses working with MN DEED.



The two organizations will work together to align marketing focuses among the various groups marketing EGF in 2026.

The Chamber, GF EDC, EGF EDA, city administrators and both mayors meet several times a year to talk about how the two communities can collaborate more in the name of efficiency. The Simplot land sale in 2025 was a result of this work.

## Grand Forks Region EDC / Chamber Partnership

The Chamber and the Grand Forks Region Economic Development Corporation partner on many things with each group taking the lead role where appropriate: housing, airport infrastructure development, workforce initiatives, branding and many other projects and programs.

The Chamber and EDC CEO's meet on a monthly basis.

The Chamber, GF EDC, EGF EDA, city administrators and both mayors meet several times a year to talk about how the two communities can collaborate more in the name of efficiency.

The Chamber and Grand Forks Region EDC partner to bring business leaders and local issues to the ND Governor and Lt. Governor.



# WHAT DOES THE CHAMBER DO FOR YOU?

## INFORM

### PROMOTE

**We promote our members, the business community & the Grand Forks/ East Grand Forks Region**

Being a member of The Chamber is the most effective way to be in front of over 1000 area businesses.

**The Chamber informs members on important business and community information**

This is done through events, the newsletter, broadcast emails and social media.

**CHAMBER PUBLICATIONS:**

- WEEKLY - Member2Member
- MONTHLY - The Voice Newsletter
- YEARLY - Community Profile/Membership Directory

## CONNECT

**We provide opportunities for businesses to connect with other businesses**

Some of these opportunities are

- Events
- Business After Hours
- Variety of committees
- Government
- Trips to the legislature
- Candidate & Legislative forums
- Policy meetings
- State legislators meetings, etc.

The Chamber collaborates with various community organizations to work together to create a strong community.

## ADVOCATE

**We advocate for our members and our business climate at the city, state and federal levels**

The Chamber advocates for its members and our business climate at the city, state and federal levels.

- Legislative meetings in Grand Forks and East Grand Forks and at our state capitals.
- Collaborates with other organizations in the community to make sure we have a strong voice to affect change in Grand Forks, East Grand Forks and our region.

Through community directories in print, on the website, on social media sites and even a mobile app, people can find out about our businesses.

Members can promote themselves through The Chamber's newsletter, Member2Member e-mails, and various advertising and sponsorship opportunities.

## EDUCATE

**We provide education opportunities for your business and employees**

From monthly Brown Bag Seminars, to the yearly Leadership Training Program, The Chamber offers training opportunities for all businesses.



# Strategic Planning Identifies Top Influences

## Chamber Strategic Planning Session Identifies Top Influences Impacting our Region



Chamber Board members, Committee Chairs, and community leaders recently came together for a strategic planning session focused on identifying the key factors shaping our community's future. The goal: to pinpoint community influences that must be addressed to ensure Grand Forks and East Grand Forks continue to thrive.

The session was expertly facilitated by David Brown, longtime CEO of the Omaha Chamber and now with the Rebecca Ryan Group, who guided discussions around current challenges and emerging opportunities.

Participants highlighted several critical influences impacting the region and the Chamber, including:

1. **Catalytic Leadership.** The chamber must continue to define its vision with what will BE and not with what we DO.
2. **Digital Transformation & Technological Innovation.** How will the chamber help its members adapt to AI and innovation?
3. **Political & Social Fragmentation.** Too much us vs them in society. Chambers are good at balancing interests and bringing people together.
4. **Chamber as Unifiers.** Chambers are a trusted organization that can lead in getting diverse groups working together to solve critical problems for the community.

These insights played a pivotal role in shaping the Chamber's 2026 Plan of Action, allowing the Chamber to proactively address these challenges and drive continued growth and success for the community.



## ***AI Training Initiative***

Artificial Intelligence will transform the way we all do business in the coming years—much like the personal computer, internet, and email revolutionized productivity in past decades. In 2026, the Chamber will launch a comprehensive initiative to help Grand Forks and East Grand Forks businesses harness the power of AI to boost efficiency and competitiveness.

### **1. AI Best Practices Series**

This program will feature small-group (15 participants) facilitated discussions and hands-on learning focused on practical AI applications. Each two-hour session will explore key topics such as:

Prompt engineering and writing, Presentation and visual design, Content creation  
Data and analytics, Productivity and workflow automation, Design and creativity, Collaboration and communication, AI for personal knowledge and learning, Specialized use cases, Advanced experimentation with multiple AI platforms

### **2. Advanced AI “Hack Group”**

Designed for professionals already using AI tools, this peer group offers a collaborative environment to tackle real business challenges. Participants bring their toughest AI problems to the table and work in facilitated teams of 5–7 to find creative solutions. Participation is by application.

## ***Natural Gas Pipeline Task Force***

Future growth in the Northern Valley depends on expanding natural gas supply. The Chamber, in partnership with the City and regional stakeholders, will work to secure a new connection to the pipeline system that delivers natural gas from the Bakken to eastern North Dakota.

## ***Women in Business Award***

Beginning in 2027, the Chamber will annually recognize an outstanding woman in business at the Chamber Annual Meeting. The Chamber is also assessing all of its awards in 2026 in the Henry Havig and Ambassador of the year Awards.

## ***ND Leadership Tours & Talks***

Over the past 15 years, the University of North Dakota campus has been transformed into a world-class facility. Many local business leaders haven't yet experienced the scope of this transformation. This one-day immersive program, offered in April 2026, will give Chamber members an insider's view of UND's new programs, initiatives, and the vibrant energy driving campus innovation.

## ***Public Affairs Redesign***

Building on the success of the “Team Grand Forks” model for legislative priorities, the Chamber will expand its public affairs efforts in 2026 to include:

- Eggs & Issues Breakfasts – Regular updates on key legislative and policy matters.
- Candidate Recruitment & Community Education – Initiatives designed to engage, inform, and prepare future leaders at all levels of local government.

# Past Chamber Board Chairs

## The Chamber Grand Forks/East Grand Forks

Mike McLean	2025
Tony Hodny	2024
Russel Crary	2023
Tommy Kenville	2022
Dave Zavoral	2021
Paula Anderson	2020
Josh Brown	2019
Ron Galstad	2018
Matt Walkowiak	2017
John Oncken	2016
Kristi Magnuson Nelson	2015
Chris Wolf	2014
Jeff Wilson	2013
Chris Semrau	2012
Jim Galloway	2011
Barb Schultz	2010
Rick Duquette	2009
Jerry Youngberg	2008
Kristi Hall Jiran	2007
Rich Becker	2006
Rich Becker/	2005
Joanne Otto	2005

## The Chamber East Grand Forks

Phil Gisi~EGF	2004
Mike Pokrzywinski~EGF	2003-2002
Dr. Steve Gander~EGF	2001
Terry Hecht~EGF	2000
Duane Finney~EGF	1999
Wally Rodgers~EGF	1998
Terry Atkins~EGF	1997
Cheryl Gaddie~EGF	1996
Cindy O'Keefe~EGF	1995
Craig Buckalew~EGF	1994
Steve Worwa~EGF	1993
Bob Bydal~EGF	1992
Jack Robertson~EGF	1991
Bob Rosenberg~EGF	1990
Jeff Westrem~EGF	1989
JoAnn Sayler~EGF	1988
Gerard Neil~EGF	1987-1986
Paul Stadem, DDS~EGF	1985
Richard Wiley~EGF	1984
Steve Gorman~EGF	1983-1982

Robert E. Peabody~EGF	1981-1980
Dean F. Mitzel~EGF	1979
Kenneth Coquette~EGF	1978
Raymond German~EGF	1977
Francis Mireault~EGF	1976
John F. Ellison~EGF	1975
Marvin K. Devig~EGF	1974
Maury Finney~EGF	1973
George Mack~EGF	1972
Arvy J. Larson~EGF	1971
John J. Gaddie~EGF	1969
Albert Boushey~EGF	1968
Lee Dunlevy~EGF	1967
Lars Stennes~EGF	1966
John P. Bushee~EGF	1965
Leonard Zimmer~EGF	1964
Emil Rychart~EGF	1963
John P. Bushee~EGF	1962
Leonard Driscoll~EGF	1961
Earl Levasseur~EGF	1960
Leo Dunlevy~EGF	1959
Lee Everett~EGF	1958
Michael K. Gorman~EGF	1957

## The Chamber Grand Forks

Dave Molmen~GF	2004
Judi Paukert~GF	2003
Darrell Larson~GF	2002
Dave McFarlane~GF	2001
Bob Peabody~GF	2000
Don Fisk~GF	1999
Dr. Robert Boyd~GF	1998
Jack Carroll~GF	1997
Lonnie Laffen~GF	1996
Randy Newman~GF	1995
Greg Gerloff~GF	1994
Ralph J. Noll~GF	1993
Dr. James E. Gjerset~GF	1992
Bruce Rampelberg~GF	1991
Bob Kerr~GF	1990
Don Larsen~GF	1989
Marlan Helgeson~GF	1988
Ralph Campbell~GF	1987
John Marshall~GF	1986
R.J. Fiala~GF	1985
Jean Kiesau~GF	1984

James Dalglish~GF	1983
Bob Vaaler~GF	1982
Jim Strausbaugh~GF	1981
Clair Rowe~GF	1980
Paul J. Bridston~GF	1979
George Unruh, Jr.~GF	1978
Curt Magnuson~GF	1977
Dick Wold~GF	1976
John Norby~GF	1975
Justin Hoberg~GF	1974
David Kessler~GF	1973
David Vaaler~GF	1972
Jerome M. Dunlevy, Jr.~GF	1971
Ed Lander~GF	1970
N.C. Olsson~GF	1969
Chuck Goodman~GF	1968
Ralph Roth~GF	1967
Don Lindgren~GF	1966
John A. McDonald.~GF	1965
Bob Lander~GF	1964
Edward Olson~GF	1963
T.P. McElroy, Jr.~GF	1962
R.W. Blaine~GF	1961
James Rice~GF	1960
G.E. Satrom~GF	1959
H.T. Gustafson~GF	1958
Gordon Caldis~GF	1957
Henry Havig ~GF	1956-1955
Henry A. Hansen ~GF	1954
Ronald N Davies ~GF	1953
T.L. Degnan ~GF	1952
Armin F. Rohde ~GF	1951
H.R. Magnuson ~GF	1950



# OUR MISSION

We create an environment that encourages business success while enhancing the quality of life in our region.

The Chamber is a catalyst for positive growth and prosperity of our region.

## US Chamber Accreditation

The Chamber received 4-star accreditation in 2012 and 5-star accreditation in 2017 and again in 2022 which is the highest ranking possible. This means the GF/EGF Chamber is among the top 140 chambers out of over 7,000 nationwide. Areas measured and assessed include: governance, finance, human resources, government affairs, program development, technology, communication, facilities and benchmarking.



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