

# CHAMBER *Action*

August 2010

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## ankeny young professionals

### Breakfast & Learn

August 10 @ 7 am

Great Southern Bank

Sponsored by Great Southern Bank

Topic: Motivation in the 21st Century Workplace

### Grill Out Social

August 26 @ 6 pm

Hawkeye Park Picnic Shelter

Pot Luck Social

### New Members Luncheon

August 27 @ Noon

Okoboji Grill

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# AMBASSADORS' EVENTS

Presented by



### Wed, Aug 4

4:30 pm ~ Ribbon Cutting

JY Designs (Chamber)

### Wed, Aug 11

4 pm ~ Ambassador Meeting

### Tue, Aug 17

Noon ~ Ribbon Cutting

Renu Your Smile (107 N. Ankeny Blvd.)

### Thur, Aug 19

5 pm ~ Business After Hours

Two Rivers Bank & Trust

(802 S.E. Oralabor Rd., Suite 126)

### Mon, Aug 23

Noon ~ Ribbon Cutting - Nutrishop

(2010 S.E. Delaware Ave., Suite 2170)

### Tue, Aug 31

Noon ~ Ribbon Cutting

Easter Seals Child Development

(401 N.E. 66th Ave.)

### Thur, Sep 2

4 pm ~ Ribbon Cutting

Encore (641 S. Ankeny Blvd.)

### Wed, Sep 8

4:30 pm ~ Ribbon Cutting

K & B Redemption Center

(1014 S.E. Lorenz Dr.)

### Wed, Sep 15

11 am ~ Ambassador Meeting

Noon ~ Chamber Orientation

Reception

# MEET YOUR BOARD!



### Joe Miller

Hy-Vee Drugstore

Store Director

[7008Director@hy-vee.com](mailto:7008Director@hy-vee.com)

Joe and the Hy-Vee Drugstore have been great supporters of the Ankeny Area Chamber. Joe has volunteered on three committees throughout the year. With his initiative Hy-Vee Drugstore has been a sponsor of SummerFest, TASTE of Ankeny, the Ankeny Business Expo and a Chamber Membership Lunch.

Thank you, Joe, for your service to the Ankeny business community.

### Chamber Committees:

Christmas Luncheon

Education

SummerFest

*Join Us!*



**business  
after hours**

**august 19  
5 - 7 PM**

**Food Provided By  
*Leaning Tower of Pizza  
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**Top 2 Reasons to Attend  
*Adult Beverages  
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# Welcome! OUR NEW MEMBERS



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Ankeny, IA 50023  
(515) 963-1252  
[www.lizhomes4sale.com](http://www.lizhomes4sale.com)

Direct Realty Company was founded by Liz and Gabe Wilson with Broker Rick Chesney and began operation on September 2009 with the first sale being a Giovanti Homes new construction in Ankeny. As a full service real estate office Direct Realty Company specializes in new homes and pre-owned residential properties including condos, town homes, and single family homes. Full service and straight forward.



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**Integrity Mortgage Group**  
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## **Koch Brothers**

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## **Nading Law Firm**

Robert Nading  
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The Nading Law Firm was founded by Robert A. Nading II in 1981. The Firm has always been at the same Uptown Ankeny location, 408 S.W. 3rd St.

In 1996, Bob Nading earned his Board Certification from the National Board of Legal Specialty Certification and he remains the only Board Certified Trial Lawyer in Ankeny. Charles (Chip) Pritchard began practicing law in Uptown Ankeny in 1995. Amanda Green joined the Firm after graduating from Drake Law School in 2009.

When looking for an attorney to help you with a legal problem, give us a call. The Firm represents clients in areas including personal injury, defective products, wrongful deaths, work place injuries, school bus accidents, semi truck accidents, motorcycle accidents, medical negligence, attorney negligence, construction site injuries, real estate law, real estate foreclosure defense, divorce, family law, adoption, business law, criminal defense, OWI, employment law, wills, trusts and probate. Call your local Ankeny attorney at the Nading Law Firm.

# Welcome! OUR NEW MEMBERS



## Little Endeavors Child Development Center

Matt Whitaker  
205 S.E. Oralabor Rd., Ankeny, IA 50021  
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Little Endeavors Child Development Center is Ankeny's premier childcare center. With programs for infants to after-school care, we can meet your childcare needs.



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## Simply Cheesecakes & Such

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It's about time Ankeny has a bakery! Simply Cheesecakes keeps a various selection of gourmet homemade cheesecakes that you can buy by the slice or whole! There are other items offered by special order such as specialty brownies, cookies, bars, etc. Simply Cheesecakes makes everything fresh when you order it and nothing ever gets frozen! We are able to cater to your graduations, after hours parties or even small office parties.

We are open from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm Tuesday-Friday and 10:00 am - 4:00 pm on Saturday. For a full list of desserts offered please go to [www.SimplyCheesecakes.biz](http://www.SimplyCheesecakes.biz)



## Green Bean Landscapes, LLC

Zach Heitzman  
3303 N.W. 14th St., Ankeny, IA 50023  
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[www.pickgreenbean.com](http://www.pickgreenbean.com)

Do you wish you had more curb appeal? Are there landscaping projects lingering in the back of your mind? Could your landscape be more functional? If the answer is yes then Green Bean Landscapes, LLC. is for you! Green Bean is a forward thinking, outside of the box landscape design-build company committed to finding a balance between function, sustainability and uniqueness to the site. Whether the goal of the design is for aesthetic appeal, water drainage or erosion control, Green Bean is able to meet your needs.

Zach Heitzman is the owner of Green Bean, LLC. As a licensed landscape architect his prior experience includes a formal education in landscape architecture received from Iowa State University as well as time spent installing landscapes, with over 15 years experience.

Ultimately our goal is to create high quality landscapes, appropriate to their settings with long term sustainability and functionality. We offer a wide range of architectural landscape services - from conceptual planning through design and construction documents to landscape construction.

Give us a call for a site consultation to determine how to best utilize your landscape.



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Cindy Shannon, CPA

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Pittman & Company, LLP is a full service audit, tax and accounting firm located in Urbandale. Our company consists of two partners and two professional staff, all who have obtained their CPA license. The firm was founded in 1984, and has experienced over 25 years of success in the Des Moines area. Our staff has the knowledge and expertise to provide auditing services in various industries, including for-profit, non-profit and employee benefit plans. We also provide review and compilation services, as well as a full range of business and individual tax services. The wealth of knowledge which our firm can provide about accounting and auditing, financial management, and tax planning is comparable to firms many times our size. The single most important factor in our firm's success over the years has been our uncompromising commitment to the highest standards of quality and professionalism. Providing quality services to our clients is our primary objective, and we have developed procedures and communications that ensure the highest standards of performance. If you are in need of tax, audit or accounting services, please contact us. We would be more than happy to discuss how we can be of service to you.

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## Ribbon Cuttings



### Spirit Boulevard

Kelley Casel

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(515) 964-0074

[www.spiritboulevard.com](http://www.spiritboulevard.com)



### Ankeny Art Center

Barbara Vaske

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### Ankeny Alumni Association

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### Woodland Hills Golf Course

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# CHAMBER CALENDAR

**Mon, Aug 2**

Noon **Executive Board Mtg**

**Tue, Aug 3**

Noon **Golf Wrap Up Mtg**

**Wed, Aug 4**

4:30pm **Ribbon Cutting - JY Designs**  
- Chamber Conference Room

**Mon, Aug 9**

Noon **Board of Directors Mtg**

**Tue, Aug 10**

7am **AYP - Breakfast & Learn** - Kirkendall Public Library

**Wed, Aug 11**

4pm **Ambassador Meeting**

**Mon, Aug 16**

Noon **Public Affairs Committee Mtg**

**Tue, Aug 17**

4:30pm **Ribbon Cutting - Renu Your Smile**  
- 107 N. Ankeny Blvd, Suite 5

**Thur, Aug 19**

5pm **Business After Hours**  
**- Two Rivers Bank & Trust**  
- 802 S.E. Oralabor Rd., Suite 126

**Mon, Aug 23**

Noon **Ribbon Cutting - Nutrishop**  
- 2010 S.E. Delaware Ave., Suite 2170

**Wed, Aug 25**

11:30am **Summer Membership Luncheon**  
- Ankeny Golf & Country Club

**Thur, Aug 26**

6pm **AYP - Grill Out Social** - Hawkeye Park Picnic Shelter

## *Summer Chamber Membership Luncheon*

### *“City and School”*

**Speakers:**

**Dr. Matthew Wendt, Superintendent**  
**Carl Metzger, City Manager**

**Wednesday, August 25**  
**Ankeny Golf & Country Club**

**11:30 AM ~ Networking**  
**11:45 AM ~ Lunch/Program**

**Register online at *ankeney.org***

**Cost ~ \$20**

This event is open to all  
Chamber Members and their staff.  
Payment may be made by cash,  
check or credit card.  
All reservations not kept will be billed.

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### Food

### FUN

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