

CHAMBER *Action*

March 2011

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Annual Dinner Celebration



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Lunch and Learn

March 1 @ Noon
Chamber Board Room
Sponsored by Whitfield & Eddy

After Hours Social

March 15 @ 5 pm
Tonic Bar
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New Member Lunch

March 25 @ Noon
Okoboji Bar & Grill
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Business Spotlight



Edward Jones has a simple approach to offering financial services: tailor the solutions to the unique needs of each client, focus on the serious long-term individual investor, emphasize the quality, buy-and-hold investments, commit to personal service and put the advisors' offices on Main Street not on Wall Street.

Residents of Ankeny don't have to drive downtown to talk to a financial advisor. The financial advisors serving the area are Terry Peter AAMS, Brian Herbel AAMS, CFP, and Kevin Fisher. All three are very involved with the community and serving its needs. At any of the offices, you can receive one-on-one, face-to-face service when you need it. As you pass life's milestones, your Edward Jones financial advisor will take the time to meet you and explain the full array of services and investments. Edward Jones is a full-service firm offering complete financial services and products to meet your goals. For more information or to schedule your portfolio review call Terry Peter (965-6901); Brian Herbel (964-1010); Kevin Fisher (964-1841).

Edward Jones Investments

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MEET YOUR BOARD!



Wes Snook
Hy-Vee Food Store
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Wes has been with Hy-Vee for 38 years, the last 20 of those as a director. He has been at the Ankeny Hy-Vee for the past two years. As Wes has moved about he has always been involved with Chambers. When he got to Ankeny he was delighted to see how large and involved the Chamber is. He is excited to get to work with the Chamber and believes it is important to find ways to give back to the community you live in and the community that supports your business.

Wes and his wife Joanie have lived in Ankeny for the past 8 years. Joanie works for McGladrey and Pullen. They have five children, Matt, John, Samantha, Bobbie and Nikki. They also have five grandchildren.

Keep track of what the Ankeny Area Chamber is up to on
Facebook and Twitter!



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BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Flooring America

THURSDAY, MARCH 10 5:00 - 7:00 PM

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Congratulations

Kris Oakie!



Kris was one of two recipients for the Paulette Franklin Memorial Scholarship. Presented at the Iowa Chamber of Commerce Executives Annual Meeting in February 2011.

CHAMBER CALENDAR

Wed, Mar 2

11:30 am **TRC Lunch**
-Briarwood Club of Ankeny

Thur, Mar 3

5 pm **Regional Business After Hours**
- **West Des Moines**
-DMACC West

Sat, Mar 5

9 am **Legislative Coffee**
-Neveln Center

Mon, Mar 7

Noon **Executive Board Mtg**

Wed, Mar 9

Noon **Ambassadors Mtg**

Thur, Mar 10

5 pm **Business After Hours - Flooring America**
-1205 S.E. 16th Ct., Ste 500

Mon, Mar 14

Noon **Board of Directors Mtg**

Mon, Mar 21

Noon **Public Affairs Committee Mtg**

Tue, Mar 22

4:30 pm **TRC Celebration**

Wed, Mar 23

11:30 am **Membership Luncheon**
-Otter Creek Golf Course

Tue, Mar 29

Noon **Ribbon Cutting - Cullen & Associates**
-1605 N. Ankeny Blvd, Ste 200

Thur, Mar 31

5-7 pm **Adult Education Information Evening**
-DMACC

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presented by



WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



Blind Lady With a Vision

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Blind Lady With A Vision was founded in 2007 by Lesley Ellis of Urbandale. Lesley offers free consultations, free quotes, free installation with the purchase of custom window blinds and custom window treatments. Lesley also offers interior design consulting as well as a new line of unique architectural add-ons, such as crown molding, columns, ceiling medallions and stained glass. Lesley is available for both residential and commercial jobs. If you mention where you saw this ad, you will receive 20% off of your total product order. To reach Lesley at Blind Lady With A Vision call # 515-447-3572 or email her at iowablindlady@gmail.com.



LA Weight Loss

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LA Weight Loss is an international company with more than 18 years of experience in helping clients change their lives. Our Centers are locally owned, operated and staffed with specially trained counselors from our community and we have hundreds of successful clients in Iowa.

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Lose the Weight, Not Your Lifestyle.

Futureway Transportation & Warehousing, Inc.



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Futureway Transportation and Warehousing is a locally owned storage and delivery facility located in Ankeny, IA. Storage is available on racking or pallets in our 30,000 square foot facility, with the ability to ship to all 48 continental states. We are also a fully licensed brokerage firm offering logistic assistance and planning.

Futureway Transportation & Warehousing is located at 1450 NE 69th Pl, Ste 53 in Ankeny, IA. Our facility is large enough to suite the needs of the small or large business. The warehouse also offers 24/7 security surveillance.

For more information, or to set up a tour of the facilities, please contact Brian Jones at 515-494-0750.

Iowa Health - Physicians & Clinics

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Dymin Systems Inc.

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Dymin Systems is Central Iowa's leader in retail computer and laptop repair. The retail store and repair shop are open 24 hours per day during the business week with convenient weekend hours too.

Dymin Systems features expert, timely repair in Iowa's largest repair facility guaranteeing repairs in 24 hours or less. Scott Breitman, Carol Stasak and Gerry Schoenrock partnered to found Dymin Systems in 2001 on a premise that computer service could be done accurately, and on a timeline that customers would applaud. The success of the retail business grew, and Dymin is now one of central Iowa's leaders in managed services, offering outsourced I.T. support to small to mid-sized businesses 24 hours per day, seven days per week. Dymin offers business phone systems, video surveillance systems, networking and many other technology related services.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



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Fligg Fieldhouse

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- 1) court rentals for pick-up games, tournaments, camps, leagues, team practices or special events such as birthday parties, banquets and conferences;
- 2) open gym memberships;
- 3) advertising opportunities within the complex for businesses; and
- 4) space/building leasing options in the facility.



Lazer Electric LLC

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Lazer Electric is a full service professional Des Moines electrician specializing in service and repair for Central Iowa residential and light commercial customers.

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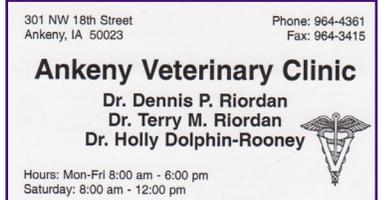
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Founded in 1927, Simpson, Jensen, Abels, Fischer & Bouslog, P.C. has maintained its offices in downtown Des Moines, Iowa. The firm has represented individuals, businesses and nonprofit clients across the state and country by carrying out the firm's long-standing tradition of providing the highest quality legal services to its clients. As a tribute to its distinguished history of representing its clients, Simpson, Jensen, Abels, Fischer & Bouslog, P.C. has been recognized by the Des Moines Business Record as one of the "Best Law Firms" in the area.

Ankeny Veterinary Clinic

Dennis Riordan
301 NW 18th St.
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(515) 964-4361



The Riordan brothers Dr. Dennis Riordan and Dr. Terry Riordan carry on the tradition started by their father and grandfather over 80 years ago by providing the utmost care for your pets. Dr. Holly Dolphin-Rooney adds her expertise to the animal health team.

Ankeny Veterinary Clinic has been serving the Ankeny area for over 35 years. We have been located at the NW 18th Street location since 2003. Our goal is to provide quality veterinary care and to create long term relationships with our clients and patients. Our doctors and staff are highly qualified and compassionate. Set in tradition, we seek to serve while developing and maintaining the trust that has been placed on us to care for your pets.

March Chamber Membership Luncheon

New Iowa Gun Law

Speaker: Ankeny Police Chief Gary MiKulec

*Wednesday, March 23
Otter Creek Golf Club*

Sponsored by StoreIt America

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

Register online at www.ankeny.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.

Membership Luncheons & SummerFest Committees

We are having monthly membership lunches in 2011. Who do you want to hear from?
Contact Emily at the Chamber to suggest speakers, efish@ankeny.org.

SummerFest is right around the corner! If you are interested in getting involved in a
SummerFest committee please contact Emily at efish@ankeny.org.

Annual Dinner Celebration



2010 Citizen of the Year
presented posthumously to
Sandy Sanderson
(accepted by Lois Brownell)



2010 Small Business of the Year
Gary Lorenz



2010 Citizen of the Year
Ron Sampson

Thank you to our Annual Dinner Sponsors

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2010 Ambassador of the Year
James Odson



2010 President's Award
Mark Land

TRC 2011



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