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December 2012

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MEET YOUR BOARD!



Doug Beech
*Casey's General
Stores, Inc.*

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Doug Beech is Legal Counsel with Casey's General Stores, Inc. As legal counsel, Doug's main responsibilities are working on all aspects of real estate development for the company and overseeing Casey's government affairs and activities over its 13 state region. Casey's General Stores, Inc. is an Ankeny based convenience store chain with headquarters and distribution center in Ankeny and has over 1,700 convenience stores in a 13 state region.

Locally, Doug is active in the community and has previously served as the President of the Ankeny Rotary and the Ankeny Economic Development Corporation and is currently serving on the steering committee for the Ankeny Market & Pavillion Project.

Doug and his wife, Joey, are longtime Ankeny residents, along with their two children. His hobbies include exercising, golf, reading and following the Iowa Hawkeyes.

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



facebook.com/AnkenyAreaChamber



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CHAMBER CALENDAR

Mon, December 3
Noon Executive Board Meeting

Tue, December 4
4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting - Quiznos**
- 207 N.E. Delaware Ave.

Wed, December 5
Noon **Ribbon Cutting - CrossFit Ankeny**
- 375 S.E. Oralabor Rd.

Thur, December 6
11:00 am Christmas Luncheon - Ankeny First United
Methodist Church Christian Life Center
- 710 N.E. 36th St.

Mon, December 10
11:45 am Board of Directors Meeting

Thur, December 12
4:00 pm **Business After Hours - Eye Care Associates**
- 111 N.W. 9th St.

Tue, December 18
Noon **Ribbon Cutting - Toro**
- 5500 S.E. Delaware Ave.

Thur, December 20
5:00 pm **Regional Business After Hours - Internet Solver**
- 11308 Aurora Ave., Urbandale

Mon, December 24 and Tue, December 25
Chamber Office Closed - **Merry Christmas!**

Tue, January 1
Chamber Office Closed - **Happy New Year!**

Dates and Times are subject to change.

Check out www.ankeny.org for the most up-to-date schedule and details.



JOIN US!

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

eyecare associates of ankeny

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Ankeny Professional Square broke ground in 1987 and throughout these past 25 years has seen several businesses thrive, especially Eyecare Associates and Oral Surgeons PC.

Dr. Gregg Sunner has been practicing optometry, in Ankeny for 36 years. In 1987 Dr. Sunner, purchased the land for his practice and other business professionals.

We welcome all to our "After Hours Open House" to celebrate our 25th Anniversary for appetizers and refreshments, provided by Noodle Zoo.

Thank you for all of the support throughout our 25 years. Here's to celebrating another 25 years!!



Eyecare Associates of Ankeny

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Business Spotlight

Your Store with More...Hy-Vee Drugstore is your holiday destination one stop shop. Our gift shoppe and fashion boutique has everything you need from home décor, collectibles, candles, gourmet foods, seasonal items and much more. Choose the latest styles in our fashion boutique quality name brand fashions, jewelry and accessories for the ladies.

Please join us December 8th for our Holiday Open House from 9 – 5, sampling Gourmet Treats and Wine Tastings throughout the day. Register for Door Prizes!

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Vintage Hills Cooperative at Prairie Trail

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Coming soon to Ankeny, Vintage Hills Cooperative at Prairie Trail is a Senior Housing Cooperative for active independent seniors 55 and above. Located on the campus of Vintage Hills Retirement Community, the Cooperative offers an affordable alternative to home ownership that is uniquely different from other housing options for seniors. Featuring the finest in quality construction with one-level floor plans ranging in size from 1147 to 1684 square feet, are thoughtfully designed keeping the needs of seniors in mind. Vintage Hills Cooperative at Prairie Trail is "More than just a building." Cooperatives create a supportive, interdependent living environment that cultivates an active participatory lifestyle enhancing daily life and promoting health and well-being. At Vintage Hills Cooperative resident members will experience...a sound investment, preservation of home equity and tax benefits, a member owned-member-controlled community, freedom from the hassles and expense of home maintenance responsibilities and more importantly increased time for leisure enjoyment and social activities with old and new friends.

Cherry Berry

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CherryBerry Self-Serve Frozen Yogurt opened its doors at 810 N. Ankeny Blvd, July 11th, 2012. With over 50 rotating low/non-fat yogurt flavors such as Cheesecake, Red Velvet, Espresso & Pink Lemonade Sorbet, and over 50 toppings of candies, fruits, cereals & nuts, CherryBerry offers customers a healthy snack and complete control over a unique experience with a different creation every time! Our yogurt is simply the best on the planet because it is naturally made from real ingredients – NOT from a powdered mix. Our yogurt is OU Kosher certified, plus we offer dairy-free and gluten-free flavors! We are a better alternative to ice cream because our yogurt contains live active cultures which promote a healthy digestive system. Not only does it taste great but it's also good for you! Visit us today and taste for yourself what everyone is talking about. We promise – you'll be hooked too!!



Olive Garden

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The best way to describe Olive Garden lies within our Genuine Italian dining experience. Our promise to everyone who enters our doors is that they will feel like family when dining in our restaurant. Our food is fresh, simple, and delicious, complimented by a great glass of wine, in a comfortable home-like Italian setting, welcomed by people who treat you like family. We've paved the way of excellence in the restaurant industry with our attentive and friendly service, and delicious and filling food. Come eat at the Olive Garden to truly experience food and service the Italian way!

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



Getz Fire Equipment

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Getz Fire Equipment may not be a name you recognize, but hopefully it will become one that earns your trust and relationship to serve your fire protection needs. Getz Fire has been serving customers since 1957 in downstate Illinois and Eastern Iowa and is now in the Ankeny and Des Moines region. Over the past 55 years Getz Fire Equipment has grown to employ over 115 experienced specialists to serve your individual fire and safety needs with over 875 combined years of employee fire protection experience. To Getz Fire, 'quality' is not just a word; it's a commitment we live by. Contact Getz Fire Equipment for all your fire protection needs including fire extinguishers, restaurant fire suppression systems, off-road vehicle suppression systems, and industrial suppression systems. We make it a priority to deliver quality products and services, because it matters. Please visit our website, www.getzfire.com, or call (800-747-3473) for more information.

The Funky Zebras

Cheryl Hayes
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Cheryl Hayes owner of The Funky Zebras Boutique in Ankeny loves what she does. Cheryl started this business while she was still in the Hotel Industry trying to help women open and grow their own businesses. The Ankeny location was welcomed so well by the Ankeny Community that she decided to open an Urbandale and Okoboji location due to several customers asking for her merchandise in their area. The Funky Zebras Boutique is a trendy women's clothing store with handbags, jewelry and so much more. Cheryl and her teams offer Diva and Fundraising parties for the community which make it a great girl's night out. They also offer a personalized shopping experience for several of their clients. Hours are Monday-Friday 10-6, Saturday 10-5.

Boesen The Florist

Tom Boesen
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Boline Manfredi VFW

Post 9662

Dave Campbell
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The Boline-Manfredi VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) Post 9662 is all about supporting veterans, their families and the community. It's a gathering place – a place to network and come together with other vets and their families, as well as to seek access to additional veterans' services. While the VFW is a member organization for American veterans, the Boline-Manfredi post also welcomes others in the community. Thursdays at 6 p.m., the post invites the public to stop by for homemade dinner at a reasonable price. Post 9662 also hosts other special events and fund-raisers. If you are a veteran and would like to join the VFW, you must be a citizen or national of the United States who has honorably served or is currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, and has served overseas in a foreign conflict. The Boline-Manfredi VFW is easy to find, just west of NE 14th on NE 66th. Do you have an upcoming party or reception? Call us about facility rental!



Pita Pit

Mike Rink

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Ribbon Cuttings



Fitness World Ankeny

Denise Johnson

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Platinum Sugar Boutique

Gemma Carmichael

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Chamber Facts!

Where is the Christmas Luncheon being held this year?

The first 5 people to email lweyer@ankeny.org with the correct answer will win 2 movie passes to Springwood 9 Theater!

**Winners can pick up their movie passes at the Chamber Office, 210 S. Ankeny Blvd.
Answers and winners' names will be posted in next month's Chamber Action Newsletter.*

November's Chamber Facts

What Ankeny business does our 2013 Chamber President own?

Answer: Leaning Tower of Pizza

Winners: Jeremy Zinn, Clarity Construction

Amanda Mueller, Northwest Bank

April Woosley, Courtyard by Marriott, Ankeny

Dorothy Mathis, LSB Mortgage

Cheryl Jass - Courtyard by Marriott, Ankeny

TRC 2013

Total Resource Campaign

The Ankeny Chamber of Commerce's Total Resource Campaign will be kicking off in January 2013!

Taking part in TRC is a great way to boost business development!

Contact the Chamber to learn more and get involved!

Training will be: Tuesday, January 15 from 12-1 pm and Wednesday, January 16 from 8-9 am at the Chamber Office.

Christmas Luncheon



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Thursday, December 6
11:00 - 1:00 pm

Ankeny First United Methodist Church
Christian Life Center

Tickets - \$20

(Tickets are only available in advance through December 3 at Noon)

Tickets may be purchased at the Chamber Office or at www.ankeny.org

Christmas Luncheon Meal

Smoked Brisket, Asiago Chicken Breast, Seasonal Vegetables, Green Beans Almandine, Millionaire Potatoes, Garden Tossed Salad, Roll and Dessert

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