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Ankeny young professionals

Breakfast & Learn

July 14 @ 7 AM

Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce
Sponsored by Brian Herbal of Edward Jones
Investing wisely, borrowing wisely
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Lunch & Learn

Aug 11 @ Noon

Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce
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How to use social media tools and be found online

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Ambassadors' Corner

Presented by



Ambassador of the Month

Presented by



Roxanne Rutherford

Roxanne Rutherford is a personal banker with First National Bank Ankeny. She enjoys the time spent with her customers ensuring they choose the products and services that best fit their needs. First National Bank Ankeny offers a variety of deposit accounts including Health Savings Accounts. It offers commercial, consumer, mortgage and construction loans as well.

To learn more about our ambassadors go to www.ankeny.org
Explore Our Committees

The mission of the Ambassadors is to be the welcoming arm of the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce. Ambassadors are appreciated as they mentor, welcome, guide and enhance the membership opportunities of fellow business managers and owners.

AMBASSADORS' EVENTS

Sat, July 11 @ 9 AM ~
SummerFest Parade
(meet at Chamber Vehicle @ 8 AM)

Wed, July 15 @ 4 PM ~
Ambassador Committee Meeting

Thu, Aug 6 @ 5 PM ~
Ambassador Social Hour
(Ranallo's)

CHAMBER CALENDAR

Fri, July 3
CHAMBER CLOSED

Mon, July 6
Noon ~ Executive Board Meeting

July 9 - 12
SUMMERFEST

Mon, July 13
Noon ~ Board of Directors Meeting

Tue, July 14
7 AM ~ AYP Breakfast & Learn (Chamber)
5 PM ~ Regional BAH - Prairie Meadows

Wed, July 15
4 PM ~ Ambassador Committee Meeting

Thur, July 16
5 PM ~ BAH - Community Choice Credit Union (2710 S. Ankeny Blvd.)

Fri, July 17
Noon ~ RC - IEA Wealth Management, LLC.
(510 S.W. 3rd. St., Suite B)

Wed, July 22
Noon ~ RC - Hy-Vee Drug Store (Remodel)
(849 S. Ankeny Blvd.)

Tue, July 28
Noon ~ RC - State Farm Insurance - Brian Hoff
(322 S. Ankeny Blvd.)

Thur, July 30
4:30 PM ~ RC - Iowa Endodontics
(2525 N. Ankeny Blvd., Suite 105)

Fri, July 31
Noon ~ RC - State Farm Insurance - Nate Sammler (1850 S.W. Whitebirch Cir.)

Mon, Aug 3
Noon ~ Executive Board Meeting



COMMUNITY
CHOICE
CREDIT UNION



Community Choice Credit Union

Josh Cook
2710 S. Ankeny Blvd.
Ankeny, IA 50023
(515) 334-8100

www.comchoicecu.org

July 16
5-7

Community Choice Credit Union, formerly known as State Employees Credit Union, was established in 1953 in a back room of an office in the Capitol complex. Now 56 years later the credit union has grown into six offices around the Des Moines metro area serving over 30,000 members. Community Choice is proud to continue serving its membership based on the principle of "people helping people." As a not-for-profit financial institution, profits are returned back to its members in the form of higher dividends, few or no fees and lower loan rates.

Last November was an exciting month for Community Choice Credit Union. The sixth branch location was opened in Ankeny to better serve citizens in the area. After much anticipation, this full-service branch offers a mortgage office, two consumer loan officers and friendly front staff employees ready to serve your financial needs. Stop by just to view the contemporary lobby and walk away with a smile. If it's Friday, grab a free bag of popcorn on your way out!

Community Choice Credit Union continues to separate itself from the competition, and this summer is no different. By this fall, one lucky winner will drive off with a 1967 Chevy Camaro Super Sport. Anyone can register to win. Even if you don't win the Camaro, how does \$100 cash in your pocket sound? If you finance or refinance a vehicle loan over \$10,000, not only do rates start at 5.24% for 2007 and newer but just for bringing your business to Community Choice, you will get a free \$100 bill.



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Steven Luebke ~ General Manager
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Business
Spotlight

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Welcome New Members



CrossPoint Church

Arnold Ferguson ~ Lead Pastor
P.O.Box 1054
Ankeny, IA 50021
Phone: (515) 201-4362
www.yourcrosspoint.tv

Coming 09-20-09 real life, real people, real relationships.

A place for the entire family where hope is cultivated and real life is experienced together and where real people meet to build real relationships while working together to develop a community that is life giving.

CrossPoint Church recognizes that each of us during our life's journey will intersect with different life challenges, celebrations and character developing points. The purpose of CrossPoint is to be available to anyone who finds him or herself at an intersection where they need the help of a so-journer who can direct them towards clarity, forgiveness, healing and confidence through Jesus Christ.

Preview services held at Springwood 9 Theaters 10 AM on July 19 and August 16.



State Farm Insurance -

Nate Sammler
Nate Sammler ~ Agent
1850 White Birch Cir.
Ankeny, IA 50023
Phone: (515) 964-8102
www.natesammler.com

Hi, I'm State Farm Agent Nate Sammler. I've just opened our new agency at 1850 SW White Birch Circle, just west of Rookies on Oralabor. Growing up in the Des Moines area, I can't tell you how excited I am to get to work in this community. If I can help with your insurance or financial services needs, give me a call at 515-964-8102 or check me out at www.natesammler.com.



Twisted Entertainment

Dean Houdeshell ~ Owner
1701 N.E. Michael Dr.
Ankeny, IA 50021
(515) 509-1993
www.twistede.com

Twisted Entertainment, LLC is one of Iowa's newest balloon entertainment and decorating companies. It is owned by Dean Houdeshell of Ankeny, IA. Dean and his family recently moved to Iowa from Roanoke, VA where he would commonly hear, "You're that balloon guy!" Having performed for thousands of people over the past few years in Virginia, Twisted Entertainment proudly offers creative, affordable and quality family and corporate entertainment. If you're looking for a fun and memorable time, you can add that special twist with Twisted Entertainment! On the web at www.TwistedE.com.

PEDDICORD FAMILY DENTISTRY

Peddicord Family Dentistry

Dr. Erika Peddicord ~ Dentist/Owner
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Ankeny, IA 50021
(515) 963-3339
www.ankenyfamilydentist.com

Dr. Peddicord is committed to her patients' oral health and has a passion for dentistry. Her goal is to provide high quality dentistry to help you maintain your natural teeth for the rest of your life while providing a pleasant and relaxing environment during your dental visits. She looks forward to providing excellent dental services for you and your family for many years.

Biondi's Italian Grill

Larry Biondi ~ Owner
650 N.W. 66th Pl.
Des Moines, IA 50313
(515) 238-2422



A new and exciting venture from the Biondi & Medici families!

We have shared our love of cooking with family and friends and now want to share our joy of cooking with those around us. Coming from Italian backgrounds, we feel we offer a very unique menu with an Italian flair. Although our heritage is Italian, our catering menu covers a wide variety of recipes to fit your occasion, from pasta to barbecue, serving 10 to 200 people. The mobile grill unit has more of a set menu and can be set up on location to offer our signature Italian favorites.

Parties, festivals, fairs, farmers markets, company or private meetings, graduations, receptions, reunions or holiday get-togethers-give us a call.

Let us bring the Biondi Mobile Italian Grill to your next event and let us cook for you! "Made from scratch by the Biondis!"

Call now at 515-238-2422 to schedule or for more information.

Welcome New Members



At-Home Care Company

Joan Ingwersen ~ Owner
113 Colorado Ave., Suite 209
Ames, IA 50014
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www.athomecareco.com

At Home Care Company, llc
Extending Independence

At-Home Care Company is devoted to assisting older adults throughout Central Iowa in maintaining an independent lifestyle at home. We are a non-medical, locally owned home care giving company that provides the comfort and care you or your loved one needs to remain happy, healthy and safe in his/her own home. With the unique promise of no contracts, services can be provided when and how you want them. We offer light housekeeping, laundry, meal preparation, escorts, errands, medication reminders, personal care, companionship, home and lawn upkeep, respite care, over-nights and help after surgery. These services are available for a few hours a month or a few hours a week or as many as 24 hours a day, seven days a week. At-Home Care Company takes pride in our compassionate caregivers and staff. Knowing that our caregivers will likely have access to your home and personal property, each caregiver has successfully completed a thorough criminal background and reference check, and our company is bonded and insured. Your home is not just where you live but a symbol of your independence and way of life. It is natural that you want to stay in your own home for as long as possible. At-Home Care Company is honored to do just that. Call us today for more information or for your free consultation to discuss the opportunity to extend the lifestyle choice you've made to remain at home or enhance your choice to move to an independent or assisted living facility. Please ask about our new client savings.



Action Staffing Services, Inc.

Linda Raney ~ Career Counseling Manager
5005 Douglas Ave., Suite 103
Des Moines, IA 50310
(515) 264-1959
www.actionstaffingservices.com

As one of Des Moines' premiere staffing services, Action Staffing Services has parlayed our more than 15 years of experience in staffing into a service that will partner with you to bring you the highest quality candidates available for your open positions. We will provide you with the expertise in uncovering the ideal candidate for your position in order to help your business be the best that it can be. Action Staffing can provide you with temporary staff as well as give you alternatives to other hiring methods such as direct placement and temporary to hire placement. Because we are a locally owned business, we are able to strategize with each and every client on an individual basis in order to give you the service and the quality you deserve. We recruit and interview on a daily basis, and therefore we are able to better qualify candidates for your open positions. Action Staffing Services has a retail priced outplacement service available for employers who would like to add this great service to their benefit package. We also offer career counseling with sessions geared for individuals currently in an active job search or someone who is looking for a new career. Take action and let us be part of your solution. Let Action Staffing Services do what we do best so you can do what you do best!

Woodland Hills Golf Course

Kathy Nichols ~ General Manager
620 N.E. 66th Ave.
Des Moines, IA 50313
(515) 289-1326



Woodland Hills Golf Course is located just off NE 14th Avenue, a few miles north of I-80/35. Established in 1928, Woodland Hills is a course that can be enjoyed by players of all abilities. Golfers will appreciate Woodland Hills' quiet surroundings, large mature trees and rolling hills. It is a walk-on golf course with tee times accepted on holidays and weekends.

Looking for a great place for your next golf outing? Woodland Hills is the ideal location for your golf outing with a large clubhouse, covered outdoor seating, great food and friendly staff.



Bartlett & West

Megan Spauldin ~ Administrator
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Ribbon Cuttings



Ankeny Animal & Avian Clinic

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The Club House Learning Center

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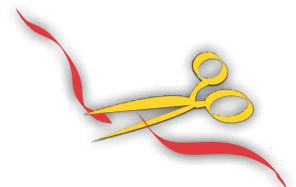
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Members Only Portal...

All members received communication regarding their login and password information to the "Members Only" area on our new website. Follow the links to Members Only Portal at the top of the Chamber website found at www.ankeny.org. This new technology will allow you to download publications, register for events, update your information and preferences and much more.

Please contact Kris Oakie at koakie@ankeny.org or 964-0685 to assist you in this process.



SummerFest Fun at Ankeny Idol

Ankeny Idol, sponsored by First American Bank, will again be on the Northview Stadium stage during SummerFest 2009. This favorite karaoke event takes place on Sunday, July 12, at 7 PM. Openings are still available for ages 13 through 17 & 18 up. Stop by the Ankeny Area Chamber to register. Cash prizes are awarded for first, second and third places in each division (youth, teen and adult).

Ankeny SummerFest runs from Thursday, July 9, at 5 PM and concludes with the fireworks, sponsored by Karl Chevrolet, on Sunday, July 12.

The Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce is pleased to organize and oversee SummerFest, "an Ankeny Tradition of Summer Fun."



Chamber Night at Principal Park

Iowa Cubs vs. Reno Aces

Thursday, August 6

Ticket Price \$3.00

Includes Tailgate at 5:30 and Game at 7:05!

You are invited to attend the free tailgate party in the Principal Park Parking lot! There will be brats, hot dogs, chips, ice cream and soda! All on a first come, first serve basis!

It's great fun for all ages - bring your family, friends and co-workers.

Tickets available at the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce. 210 S. Ankeny Blvd. 964-0685.

Summer Chamber Membership Luncheon

Gold Sponsor LaMarca & Landry, P.C.

"State of Public Education in Ankeny"

Speaker Dr. Matthew Wendt, superintendent of the Ankeny Community School District

Wednesday, August 26
Ankeny Golf & Country Club

11:30 AM ~ Registration/Networking

11:45 AM ~ Lunch/Program

Cost ~ \$20

Payments may be made by cash,
check or credit card.

All reservations not kept will be billed.

A poster for Chamber Night at the Iowa Speedway. The background is a black and white halftone pattern. The text "CHAMBER NIGHT AT THE IOWA SPEEDWAY" is written in large, bold, red and black letters. Below this, it says "JULY 11TH, 2009", "GATES OPEN AT 1:00 PM", and "1ST RACE AT 6:00 PM". At the bottom, it lists "ARCA REMAX SERIES / ARCA TRUCK SERIES", "CONCERT: ERIC CHURCH AT 2:00 PM", and "TICKETS \$10". The Iowa Speedway logo is in the bottom right corner.

Tickets available at the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce. 210 S. Ankeny Blvd. 964-0685.



Thanks to our SummerFest Sponsors July 9-12



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City of Ankeny

SummerFest Web Site

Hy-Vee Food & Drugstore

Leisure Garden Main Stage - Friday

Community Choice Credit Union

Leisure Garden Main Stage - Saturday

Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce

Event Schedule Program

Ankeny Register &
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Leisure Garden Tent

Bonnie Christensen & Lynette
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Parade Sponsor

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Leisure Garden Main Stage - Thursday

Casey's General Store
Blue Moon Dueling Piano Bar &
Restaurant

Leisure Garden Main Stage - Sunday

Dewey Ford

Softball Tournament

Affinity Credit Union

Bill Riley State Fair Talent Show

Vesta Salon

Boat Regatta

The Copy Shop

Wine Festival

Spirit Boulevard

Ankeny Idol

First American Bank

Parade Give Away

Graham Tire
CLIX Portrait Studio
SummerFest Souvenir
Veridian Credit Union

Kiddie Parade

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