

CHAMBER Action

January 2015

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January 29 @ 6 pm

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AYP KICKOFF EVENT

JANUARY 29 · 6:00-8:00 PM · ANKENY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

FREE TO ATTEND AND OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY!

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MEET YOUR BOARD!



Calleen Katzer
Board of Directors
Vernon Sales
Promotions

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Calleen Katzer is a Promotions Consultant for Vernon Sales Promotions.

Vernon markets promotional advertising based solutions for corporate identity needs and branding including promoting new products or services, improving market share, increasing sales, building customer loyalty, improving safety and morale, and thanking customers and employees. In addition, their involvement in manufacturing and importing enables them to offer you an endless array of custom products and capabilities.

In addition to sitting on the Board of Directors, she has been involved in the Total Resource Campaign, Golf Committee, and The Chamber Chill.

Calleen has two children that both attended Iowa State University and graduated this year. When not working, she enjoys biking, running and spending time with friends.

Calleen encourages anyone to get involved and enjoy all that the Chamber has to offer.

CHAMBER CALENDAR

Mon, January 5

Noon Executive Board Meeting - Chamber Office

Thur, January 8

4:00 pm **Business After Hours** - Firetrucker Brewery
- 716 S.W. 3rd St.

Mon, January 12

11:45 am Board of Directors Meeting
- Chamber Office

Tue, January 13

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting/Grand Opening**
- Central Bank - 2805 N. Ankeny Blvd.

Wed, January 14

10:00 am TRC Training - New Volunteers
- Chamber Office
11:30 am TRC Training - Veteran Volunteers
- Chamber Office

Thur, January 15

9:30 am **Member Connect**
- Courtyard by Marriott, Ankeny

Thur, January 22

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting** - Jones Lang LaSalle
- 801 Grand Ave., Ste 250, Des Moines

Fri, January 23

Noon **Ribbon Cutting** - The Travel Dreamer
- Chamber Board Room

Thur, January 29

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting** - Banker's Trust
- 1850 S.W. Plaza Pkwy.

Dates and Times are subject to change.
Check out www.ankenyyoungprofessionals.org for the most up-to-date schedule and details.

JOIN US!

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

FIRETRUCKER Brewery

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Firetrucker Brewery

Neil Zaugg

716 S.W. 3rd St.

Ankeny, IA 50023

(515) 707-6582

www.firetrucker.com

Join us for networking, local craft beers & hors d'oeuvres.

Quality craft beers, fine art and a wide range of food and live music have quickly made the brewery taproom popular. Firetrucker beers are loaded with flavor and maintain a clean finish. House beers are on tap year round as well as new seasonal brews. Our goal is to provide a high-quality experience that is constantly changing. Craft beer is art!



FIRETRUCKER
B R E W E R Y



**Volunteers
Wanted!**

TRC 2015
Total Resource Campaign



The Ankeny Chamber of Commerce's Total Resource Campaign is kicking off this month!

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

Contact the Chamber to learn more and get involved!

Training will be Wednesday, January 14 at the Chamber Office.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



Bulldog Ceramics

Tina Norris
200 S.W. State St.
Ankeny, IA 50023
(515) 965-6817
www.bulldogceramics.com

Bulldog Ceramics is a paint your own pottery studio, that has opened in Ankeny. Along with painting pottery, the studio offers classes in pottery-painting techniques. We welcome you to have your party at Bulldog Ceramics, such as birthday, bridal showers, baby showers, family outings, company team building, church groups, daycare. We will even bring the party to you will our convenient parties to go. We also have a gift shop where we offer one of kind pieces as well as ceramic supplies and we take special orders. Adult beverages are welcome. Walk-ins are welcome. Open 10 am-8 pm Tuesday-Thursday, 9 am- 9 pm Friday and Saturday and 1-5 on Sunday. www.bulldogceramics.com or find us on Facebook.

Los Charros Mexican Restaurant

Sergio Germosillo
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www.facebook.com/elcharroankeny

El Charro Mexican Restaurant is now "Los Charros Mexican Restaurant". We are the same team, we are young, enthusiastic people, willing to work with the new owner and management, to serve you better, our premises have been recently remodeled there is a fresh clean look like a "Patio Rústico Mexicano" style. We have three separated sections with a total of 25 booths and several large tables for your big groups and parties. We have daily lunch and dinner specials, our menu has been thoroughly elaborated with dishes from different zones of Mexico and TexMex style, a little different from what is known around here, like the traditional Mexican sopes, molcajetes, pollo a la piña, Santa Fe enchiladas, Cancún salad, fried mojarra, fish tacos, arrachera tacos, tacos hawaianos, and lots more! We offer a great vegetarian menu! With delicious options for different consumers. We are innovating the concept of Mexican food. Our clients enjoy tasting our original "Table Side Guacamole" with the authentic Mexican savor which is prepared at your table made to your preference; do you like it spicy? Maybe just mild? It is healthy, made out of high quality fresh ingredients, with the unique and never made before perfect taste for everyone! We also have a full bar; martinis, mojitos, kantaritos and more than 25 varieties of margaritas, piña colada and much more! We serve different brands of domestic and imported beer, bottled and draft. Come to celebrate your birthday with us and get a free dessert or if you are feeling great, have a tequila shot on the house!

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Annual Dinner

FEBRUARY 5, 2015
COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT, ANKENY

6-7 PM - SOCIAL
7 PM - DINNER & SOCIAL

Registration required with names of attendees and meal choices. Register online at ankeny.org by February 1.
\$50/Person - \$450/Reserved Table of Eight



Smitten for Mittens

The Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce is collecting new mittens to be distributed to those in need this holiday season.

For every pair of new mittens donated, your business will be entered to win free lunch in 2015 as part of the Chamber's Tastebud Tuesday program!

Donations will be taken until January 5, 2015.

Member Happenings



Styles 109 has hired
Kyrie German as a
Stylist and Esthetician!



Want to celebrate a positive happening in your business?
Please submit items to Lindsay Weyer, lweyer@ankeny.org



TASTEBUD TUESDAYS!

Medix Occupational Health was our December recipient of Tastebud Tuesdays! Lunch was provided by Sports Page Grill!
Thank you to our Presenting Sponsor:
First National Bank, Ankeny!



Chamber Facts!

What date is the 2015 Chamber Chill 5K?

Email lweyer@ankeny.org with the correct answer and be entered to win two movie passes to Springwood 9 Theater!

**Winners names' will be drawn the day after the newsletter is sent out. 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.*

December's Chamber Facts

Who is our 2015 Chamber President?

Answer: Jennifer Walter, 1st National Bank, Ankeny

Winners: Amanda Mueller, Northwest Bank

Peter Strauss, Reset

Todd Wehr, Shive-Hattery, Inc.

Ribbon Cuttings



Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers - Grand Opening

Samantha Freed

2421 S.E. Delaware Ave., Ankeny, IA 50021, (515) 964-2002

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Sara Martin

114 Washington Ave., Ames, IA 50010, (515) 232-8029

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Sunny Day Cafe

Josie Grams

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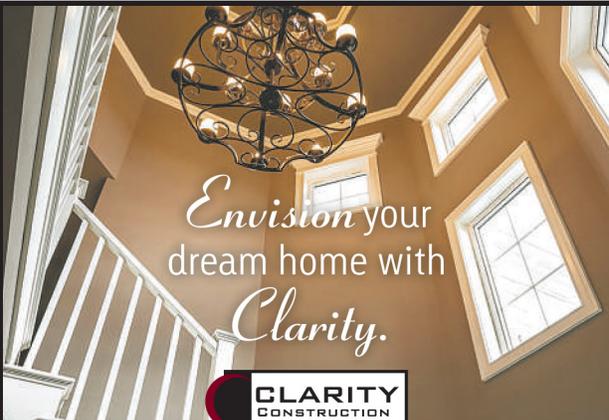
Formerly known as the Business 2 Business Forum, the Chamber is offering an opportunity to help you “break the ice” and connect yourself to other business leaders!

Join us for a morning of ice breakers and have the opportunity to share for 1-2 minutes about yourself, your business, and how you can help others in 2015! Concerned about what to share? We will send you a basic outline before the event to help you get the ball rolling!

JANUARY 15, 2015
COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT, ANKENY
9:30 - 1:00 PM

Cost - \$30 (Includes Lunch)

Please register by January 12, www.ankeny.org



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