

CHAMBER *Action*

March 2015

210 S Ankeny Blvd
Ankeny, IA 50023
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Annual Dinner Celebration



ankeny young professionals

Lunch and Learn

March 24 @ Noon
Simpson College

Sponsored by Great Southern Bank

New Member Luncheon

April 10 @ Noon
Bandana's Bar-B-Q

Sponsored by American Heart Association

After Hours Social

April 30 @ 4:30 - 7:00 pm
Woodland Hills Golf Course

Sponsored by Woodland Hills Golf Course

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www.ankenyyoungprofessionals.org

CHAMBER CALENDAR

Thur, March 5

Noon **Ribbon Cutting** - Lincoln Savings Bank
- 1375 S.W. State St.

Sat, March 7

10:00 am Chamber Chill 5K Run/Walk - Prairie Trail

Mon, March 9

Noon Executive Board Meeting - Chamber Office

Tue, March 10

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

Thur, March 12

4:00 pm **Business After Hours** - Lincoln Savings Bank
- 1375 S.W. State St.

Sat, March 14

9:00 am Legislative Coffee - Neveln Center

Mon, March 16

11:45 am Board of Directors Meeting
- Chamber Office

Thur, March 19

Noon **Ribbon Cutting** - Food 4 Thought
- Chamber Office

Tue, March 24

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting** - Wholesome Pet Essentials
- 2005 S. Ankeny Blvd., Ste 200

Wed, March 25

11:30 am - Membership Luncheon
- Pinnacle Club, Otter Creek Golf Course

Tue, March 31

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting** - Keller Williams Metro
- 2325 S.W. State St., Ste D

Dates and Times are subject to change.

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

MEET YOUR BOARD!



Jeremy Spillman
Board of Directors
NAI Optimum
jspillman@naioptimum.com

Background & Experience

- Over three years of commercial real estate experience.
- Joined NAI in 2014
- Prior to NAI Optimum, Jeremy spent 12 years with UPS in managing business operations until 2010.
- In 2011, Jeremy started the company J.D. Spillman Group that specialized in handling commercial property rehabilitations and renovations.
- Jeremy has been directly involved with over \$6 million in asset renovations and commercial real estate brokerage.
- Licensed Real Estate Broker in Iowa.

Education

- Scott Community College, Bettendorf, Iowa
- University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa

Professional Affiliations

- Ankeny Chamber of Commerce- Board of Directors
- Ankeny Young Professionals
- Des Moines Young Professionals
- CCIM Candidate
- ICREA Member
- Cultivation Corridor (Ankeny Economic Development)

Personal

- Grew up in Ankeny and graduated from Ankeny High in '98
- Like to golf, travel and exercise in my free time.

JOIN US!

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

LINCOLN SAVINGS BANK

THURSDAY, MARCH 12 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Founded in 1902 in Berlin Iowa, German Savings Bank set out to be a leader and a partner for the small Iowa community and its surrounding farms. During WWI, the town of Berlin changed its name to Lincoln, and the bank followed suit changing its name to Lincoln Savings Bank. Since the bank's founding, the philosophy has been based on core Iowa principles of empathy, respect, and hard work. LSB has long been, and will continue to be an Iowa hometown bank.

While rooted in serving Iowa families, farms and businesses, LSB has a tradition of being forward-thinking and progressive relative to products and technologies offered. In 1977, LSB was the first bank in Iowa to install a computer disk system for banking operations. That trend continued with being an early-adopter in offering telephone and online banking, and now mobile banking with an interface that is identical across phones, tablets, and computers. Lincoln Savings Bank is active in social media, and continues to embrace technology as a means to better serve customer needs and expectations.

Today, Lincoln Savings Bank has generations of loyal customers and shareholders. They've continued to grow with recent expansion into the Des Moines market and a recently-opened branch in Ankeny. Much has changed since 1902, but Lincoln Savings Bank's commitment to providing friendly, accessible service has remained their cornerstone throughout.



Lincoln Savings Bank

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Business Spotlight

Sam's Club, a division of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. is the nation's largest retailer and a leading membership warehouse club offering superior products and services in more than 647 clubs across the U.S., as well as in Brazil, China and Mexico.

Your new Ankeny Sam's Club will offer a unique, shopper-friendly experience. Members can rely on fresh produce, quality meats and home meal solutions, while small business owners can find office supplies, vending machine snacks and paper goods. Restaurant owners and caterers will find access to quality items most often used by foodservice businesses.

A Sam's Club membership is an investment that more than pays for itself. Whether buying for a household or a business, a Sam's Club member can access exclusive savings on merchandise and outstanding benefits. For more information on benefits and pricing, visit SamsClub.com/membership.



Sam's Club

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WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

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Dickinson, Mackaman, Tyler & Hagen, P.C. is a general practice law firm headquartered in Des Moines and serving clients in all 99 counties in Iowa. Our attorneys provide a full range of legal and business counseling services to a client base that includes large corporations, small businesses, governmental entities and not-for-profit organizations with interests in Iowa. Our success as a firm is a reflection of our commitment to client service. We're proud to serve clients in Ankeny and consider ourselves teammates in the interest of your success!

The Athletic Training Room

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The Athletic Training Room is a sports medicine facility that offers a variety of therapy services, specifically designed for the athlete. Members of our community will benefit from sports medicine care that was once available only to the collegiate and professional athlete. We provide that elite-level care to athletes of all ages, from recreational to competitive. Services provided at The ATR include injury evaluation and therapy, soft-tissue treatment, post-operative rehabilitation, athletic training coverage for sporting events, and strength and conditioning programs. Experienced athletic trainers at The ATR specialize in the identification and treatment of orthopedic injuries and work with each individual to safely return them to full participation in the activity they love.

The Athletic Training Room is excited to be a member of this community, and looks forward to working with athletes of all ages and skill levels.



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with intellectual disabilities.

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Mosaic provides a life of possibilities for people with intellectual disabilities. We help people define their own happiness. We support them and empower the pursuit of their goals. We celebrate their successes, even if that success is as simple as the pursuit itself. Mosaic is a consolidated service organization made up of two legacy agencies, Bethphage and Martin Luther Homes. Mosaic has been providing services to adults with disabilities in the Des Moines area since 1983. Mosaic in Des Moines currently serves over 190 adults in more than 70 locations and employs more than 400 dedicated staff members.

GNetwork Inc.

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GNetwork is the social network for job seekers. Incorporated in 2013, GNetwork integrates online features that promote offline networking, online networking, job hunting, volunteering, research, career assessments, certifications, continued education, entrepreneurship, and business development. The directors of GNetwork are dedicated to provide users features and resources that result in long-lasting, meaningful careers.

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Ankeny Dollars for Scholars

Kathy Weatherwax
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Ankeny Dollars for Scholars has served graduating seniors of Ankeny Schools since 1984; over \$863,128 in donations has funded 2,372 scholarships. In 2014, nearly \$56,600 was donated to fund 108 scholarships for Ankeny High School and Centennial High School graduates. 100% of donations funds scholarships. Ankeny Dollars for Scholars is a local, volunteer-run 501(c)(3) nonprofit clearinghouse for businesses, civic and school groups, and individuals to provide scholarships; the organization is affiliated with the national sponsor organization Scholarship America. Donations of any amount towards a \$500 scholarship are appreciated. Donors may donate a \$500 named scholarship as a (1) memorial, (2) in honor of someone, or (3) to celebrate a special occasion. Gifts of \$499 or less are combined to create \$500 scholarships.

Donations are tax deductible and may be payable/mailed to: Ankeny Dollars for Scholars, 406 SW School Street, Ankeny, IA 50023. For more information, see ankenydollarsforscholars.org or contact ankenydollarsforscholars@gmail.com.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

Sweet to Eat Bakery & Cake Shop

Michelle Lindell and Rachael Owens
303 S.W. School St.
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www.sweettoeatllc.com



The newest bakery in Ankeny! Sweet to Eat is a full service bakery offering breakfast items such as cinnamon rolls, scones, donuts and muffins, and custom blended coffee. On Saturdays we offer hot breakfasts such as biscuits and gravy, French toast and breakfast sandwiches. We also offer snacks and desserts of all varieties including cookies, bars, cupcakes, cake pops and pies. Also on our menu are homemade breads from the classic banana to our multigrain sandwich loaf. Our cake shop offers custom cakes designed to fit your party theme; Birthdays, Graduation, Weddings, Showers etc... We are constantly making new items so the selection will always be different every time you visit. Items are made fresh daily, so come visit us soon and take treats to the office, breakfast for the family or pick up a cup of coffee for yourself and a cinnamon roll to go. We hope to see you soon!

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Polk County

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Ankeny Booster Club

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Ankeny Booster Club supports, encourages and advances Ankeny High School and Ankeny Centennial High School athletic programs in an atmosphere consistent with the educational philosophy of the school district. The Booster Club promotes positive school spirit and the highest degree of sportsmanship among student athletes, coaches and spectators and provides support and promotes projects to improve facilities and equipment necessary to enhance the athletic programs for both Ankeny High Schools. The Ankeny Booster Club was formed in 1983 by former athletic director Mr. Fred Smith to financially support the Ankeny High School (now both AHS and ACHS) athletic programs through various fundraising activities, which includes concession stand sales, an annual dinner auction, athletic events and community and business sponsorships. Over the last five years, the Booster Club has donated over \$600,000 to the Ankeny Schools and donated over \$210,000 to AHS and ACHS during the 2013-2014 school year alone.

Wholesome Pet Essentials

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www.facebook.com/wholesomepetessentials

Wholesome Pet Essentials is coming to Ankeny this March. This family-owned endeavor will place an emphasis on all-natural holistic ingredients in the pet foods we carry.

Premium brand pet foods offered are manufactured in facilities owned by the company whose name is on the bag because we know quality control is paramount. In many cases, these pet foods are developed by family owned companies. Wholesome Pet Essentials will emphasize U.S. and Canadian ingredients in its products. Freeze dried and frozen raw diet options will also be found here. We will offer an upscale collection of toys, accessories, and products for your dog and cat.

Located next to Wig & Pen in Campus Crossing, our pet supply and nutrition store will additionally offer grooming and a self-serve pet wash. Plans are being made to eventually offer delivery service within the immediate Ankeny area. Wholesome Pet Essentials...where your pet is the main ingredient.

Member Happenings



Reset has hired
Dr. Tim Fordyce!



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



TASTEBUD TUESDAYS!

Northstar Power was our February recipient of
Tastebud Tuesdays!
Lunch was provided by Leaning Tower of Pizza!
Thank you to our Presenting Sponsor, 1st National
Bank, Ankeny!



Chamber Facts!

Who won our 2014 Small Business of the Year Award?

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.*

February's Chamber Facts

List three businesses that participate in the Member2Member Program?

Answer: Many Choices.

Winners: Deb Malsom, Manpower of Central Iowa
Peter Strauss, Reset
Kevin Harrington, Leaning Tower of Pizza

Ribbon Cuttings



Sam's Club

Stu Sampson

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Bulldog Ceramics

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Annual Dinner Award Recipients



2014 President's Award

Betty Erickson and Deanna Thomas
Monsanto Company



2014 Young Professional of the Year

Kim Hanken

American Heart Association



2014 Ambassador of the Year

Larry Anderson
Veridian Credit Union



2014 Small Business Person of the Year

Brooke Ireland

Wig and Penn Pizza Pub



2014 Citizen of the Year

Dave Kissinger

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5K RUN/WALK ROAD RACE!

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SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2015

PRAIRIE TRAIL
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RACE TIME - 10 AM

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