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November 2015

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## Lunch and Learn

November 17 @ Noon

DRA Properties

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## After Hours Mixer

December 3 @ 4:30 - 7:00 PM

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## AYP Holiday Party

December 17 @ 6:00 PM

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

For every item donated, your business will be entered to win free lunch in 2016 as part of the Chamber's Tastebud Tuesday program!

Donations will be taken until January 15, 2016.

# CHAMBER CALENDAR

Mon, November 9

Noon Executive Board Meeting - Chamber Office

Tue, November 10

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting - Aspen Waste Systems**  
- 1800 E. Euclid Ave., Des Moines

Wed, November 11

11:00 am **Ambassador Meeting** - Briarwood Club of Ankeny

11:30 am **New Member Networking Social**  
- Briarwood Club of Ankeny

Thur, November 12

4:00 pm **Business After Hours - Homewood Suites By Hilton** - 2455 S.E. Creekview Dr.

Mon, November 16

11:45 am Board of Directors Meeting - Chamber Office

Tue, November 17

5:00 pm Strategic Planning Board of Directors  
-DRA Properties

Wed, November 18

11:00 am Joint Legislative Luncheon - Hilton Garden Inn  
- 8600 Northpark Dr., Johnston

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting - Ferguson Commercial Real Estate Services** - 1840 N.W. 118th St., Ste 100, Clive

Thur, November 19

4:30 pm **Ribbon Cutting - On With Life**  
- 715 S.W. Ankeny Rd.

Wed, November 25

Noon **Ribbon Cutting - Sands Chiropractic**  
- 110 E. Vandorn St., Ste E, Polk City

Thur, November 26 - Fri, November 27  
Chamber Office Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday

Dates and Times are subject to change.

Check out [www.ankeny.org](http://www.ankeny.org) for the most up-to-date schedule and details.

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## BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

# HOMewood SUITES

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4:00 - 6:00 PM**

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## Business Spotlight

Discover the "New" Tastefully Simple

What should we eat? The decision can be stressful and overwhelming and at Tastefully Simple we understand. Our new Meals & More Collections are easy to prepare, and include recipes, shopping list, and meal planner delivered right to your door!!

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Also "NEW" our Holiday Fun Collections: Your go-to source for entertaining. Includes delicious products and recipes, themed menus for your occasions, and more.

Please stop by my Tastefully Simple Meals & More display this month at the Ankeny Chamber. Register for my Spotlight Table Drawing!



## Tastefully Simple

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# WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



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BlendCard allows small businesses to load their own custom loyalty program, coupons, and gift cards onto a collaborative community card that is already being carried by an expanding network of local cardholders. You can reach customers no matter where they join, deliver offers to drive them in, and track your relationship over time to increase return visits and maximize your bottom line.

BlendCard enables local businesses to access the same type of powerful data and marketing tools utilized by large corporations, truly leveling the playing field in the local marketplace.

Over 200 businesses and 30,000 cardholders utilize the BlendCard platform in 23 Iowa cities. This program is currently being launched in the greater Des Moines area. Special rates and benefits will apply for the first 30 businesses to join as part of our Launch Partner program! Please contact Michael Christli at 646-784-7805 or email [michael@blendcard.com](mailto:michael@blendcard.com) for more information.

## Journey Senior Living of Ankeny

Esther Minton  
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Journey Senior Living of Ankeny is an Assisted Living and Memory Care community serving Ankeny, Iowa and surrounding communities. We provide the ideal solution for seniors who value their independence but may require some assistance with activities of daily living.

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Amenities, Services & Recreation Areas include -

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- Medication Reminders & Oversight
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- Activity Room
- Library & Computer Room
- Beautiful spacious courtyards

For more information visit [www.journeyseniorliving.com](http://www.journeyseniorliving.com) or email [info@journeyseniorliving.com](mailto:info@journeyseniorliving.com). Opening in 2016, Journey will be Located at the corner of NW 5th St and NW County Club Dr in Polk County.



## Coldwell Banker Mid America Group Realtors

### - Bonnie Gearhart

Bonnie Gearhart  
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Ankeny, IA 50023  
(515) 490-8991

## Mercy Prairie Trail Family Medicine

### - Theodore Lockard, M.D.

Thodore Lockard, M.D.  
2605 S.W. White Birch Dr.  
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[www.mercydesmoines.org](http://www.mercydesmoines.org)



# WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

## **Pennie Carroll & Associates at Keller Williams**

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**The Olive Tap**  
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The Olive Tap is a high quality Olive Oil and Balsamic Vinegar Tasting Emporium. We have twenty varieties of Olive Oil and twenty varieties of Balsamic Vinegar on tap in the store, as well as, Avocado, Grapeseed, and Walnut Oils.

You can come in the store and sample our products before you make a selection and we will fill bottles for you at that time.

We also carry steak sauces, barbeque sauces, hot sauces, spices, pasta, marinara sauces, a variety of soup mixes, and other food items.

We also handle a wide variety of gift ideas for your holiday shopping needs.

The Olive Tap is owned by long time Ankeny residents, Lance and Sunnie Palmitier.



## **LegalShield**

Blaine Hamill

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Bondurant, IA 50035

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### **Who We Are**

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- We have an exclusive partnership with Kroll Advisory solutions, the world's leading company in identity theft consulting and restoration

Businesses Count on LegalShield

- More than 34,000 companies, large and small, provide voluntary legal and identity theft protection benefits to their employees with LegalShield

- Easy maintenance procedures for administrators

- Over 47,000 Small Business members use the Legal Plan

- Identity theft has been the number one consumer complaint filed with the FTC for 15 years straight

- 57 million full-time working Americans experienced at least one significant legal event in the past 12 months

Give your employees access to legal advice and assistance to help reduce their absenteeism, increase productivity and decrease their stress.

## **Duluth Trading Company**

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# REGIONAL AFFILIATE LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON

Presented by the Ankeny, Grimes, Johnston, Polk City and Urbandale Chambers of Commerce.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

**11:30 - 1:00 PM**

**HILTON GARDEN INN, JOHNSTON**

**COST - \$20**

**REGISTER AT [ANKENY.ORG](http://ANKENY.ORG)**



## TASTEBUD TUESDAYS!

A Plus Home Care Service & Supplies/Legs on Lease was our October recipient of Tastebud Tuesdays! Lunch was provided by the ACH Food Companies! Thank you to our Presenting Sponsor, 1st National Bank, Ankeny!



## Chamber Facts!

What date is the Christmas Luncheon being held?

Email [lweyer@ankeny.org](mailto: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.*

### October's Chamber Facts

Which Ankeny business is hosting Regional Business After Hours this month?

*Answer: Karl Chevrolet*

Winners: Renee Murphy, CJM Financial  
Steve Hidder, Ankeny Real Estate Service  
Jeff Damman, MetaBank

# Ribbon Cuttings



## Embrace Life Chiropractic

Drew Corpstein

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## Ankeny Chiropractic Health Center

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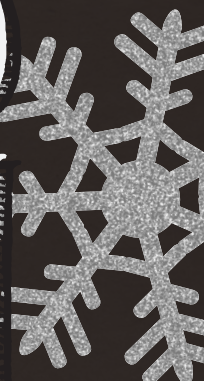
## La Sierra

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# CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



Presented By



NORTHWEST BANK

*Hosted by the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce*

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

### 11:00 – 1:00 PM

Lunch Served 11:00 - 12:30 PM

Ankeny First United Methodist Church  
Christian Life Center - 710 NE 36th St.



### TICKETS \$20

Tickets will not be sold at the door. Tickets may be purchased at the Ankeny Chamber Office.

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# *2014 Small Business/Small Business Person of the Year*

Nominations are being accepted for the Small Business/Small Business Person of the Year Award presented by the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce to recognize the achievements of our community's businesses.

This award is to recognize a business person making a significant contribution in business and community involvement.

## *Qualifications:*

- A Chamber member with at least 20% ownership in the business and an active involvement in the management of the business.
- Demonstrated an active involvement in community betterment.

It is important to note that this criteria is only a guideline subject to the interpretation of the selection committee. This award is selected by a Chamber committee consisting of representatives from the Chamber and previous award recipients

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Why is the nominee qualified for this award?

Nominated By: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

The Small Business of the Year will be presented at the  
**Chamber's Annual Dinner Celebration on February 4, 2016**

Submit nomination to the Ankeny Area Chamber PO Box 488, Ankeny, IA 50021 or Fax to 964-0487

**Nomination Deadline: December 15, 2015**

# 2015 Outstanding Citizen Nomination Form

Nominations are being accepted for the 2015 Outstanding Citizen Award presented by the Ankeny Area Chamber of Commerce. This award is to recognize an individual who has made a significant contribution to the entire community outside his or her own chosen trade or profession.

Ankeny's Outstanding Citizen is selected by a Chamber committee consisting of representatives from the Chamber and previous award recipients.

**Nomination Deadline: December 15, 2015**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Why is the nominee qualified for this award?

Nominated By: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBMIT nomination to the Ankeny Area Chamber PO Box 488, Ankeny, IA 50021 or Fax to 964-0487

The Outstanding Citizen of the Year will be presented at the  
**Chamber's Annual Dinner Celebration on February 4, 2016**