



July 2022 Newsletter

Our monthly newsletter includes updates from the Board, recognizes renewing and new members, shares upcoming events, photo gallery and more.

Business Over Breakfast

Pioneer PBS- Your Station. Your Stories.

A brief presentation telling the stories of our region and a studio tour.

When: Tuesday, July 12th, 2022

Gathering Time: 7:30 a.m. Program at 8 a.m.

Where: Pioneer PBS conference room

RSVPs appreciated. 320-321-3202 Walk-ins Welcome
granitefallschamberofcommerce@gmail.com

Pioneer PBS



Thank you to the following businesses & organizations that have renewed their membership investment for 2022

Adara Home Health
Almich's Market
American Legion Post #69
Anderson TeBeest Funeral Home
Aus Floors and More
Avera Granite Falls Health
Bisbee Plumbing & Heating
Branger Consulting
Carl's Bakery
Citizen's Alliance Bank
Country Financial
Dairy Queen
Dave's Electric and Trailer Sales
El Nido Birth and Family Ministries
F & M Insurance Agency
Falls Boutique
Farmer's Coop Elevator, H.F.
Flowers From The Heart
FM Bank
Forever in My Heart Pet Cremation
Granite Falls Advocate Tribune
Granite Falls City
Granite Falls EDA
Granite Falls Energy
Granite Falls Historical Society
Granite Falls Kiwanis
Granite Falls Living at Home; Block Nurse Program
Granite Falls Lutheran Church
Granite Falls Public Library
Granite Falls Woodworks
Granite Family Dentistry
Granite Family Eyecare
Granite Hardware
Granite Run Golf Course
Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
Hardee's Granite Falls
Heather's Book Nook & Sew Much More
Hoffman & Brobst
Holmstrom, Kvam & Blackwelder
Homefront First/Rosewood
Hughes Real Estate
Jim's Clothing & Sporting Goods
KDMA Radio
Korthuis Jewelry
Kramer Law Office
Lady Slipper Garden Club
Lee Mar Ranch Equine Center

Lockwood Motors, Marshall
Mediacom
MN West Community & Technical College
MVTV Wireless Internet
NAPA Auto Parts
NIHCA
Olson Sanitation
Picht's Auto Body
Pioneer PBS
Prairie Mercantile
Prairie's Edge Casino
Project Turnabout
Rock Haven Church
Russen Realty
Scenic Valley Real Estate
Sons of Norway
Southwest Initiative Foundation
Southwest Opportunity Council
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
State Farm- Uppgren Insurance
Summit Carbon Solutions
Tech by Andrew
The Rock: Dining & Events
The Sawmill
Thrivent
United Church of Christ
United Way of SW Minnesota
Upper Sioux Agency State Park
West Central Sanitation
Westberg Eischens
Western Fest
Wing-Bain Funeral Home
Yellow Medicine East Schools

Individual Membership for 2022

Anderson, Berry & Kathy
Bjorndal, Scott & Karla
Bollman, Dave Jodi
Carter, Darrell & Hazel
Danielowski, Bob
Freitag, Avis
Jennings, Mark
Koenen, DuWayne & LaVonne
Kubly, Pat
Ladner, Diane
Prados, Danielle
Smiglewski, Dave & Cindy
Travis, Lisa

We look forward to continuing supporting & advocating for your business

Upcoming Member Events:

Every Night- Kiwanis Popcorn Stand- 7-9:30pm.

Every Thursday- Burger Day- Granite Run Golf Course

Every Thursday American Legion-Bingo- 7 pm

Every Thursday- Knock-out Nachos & \$1 off Margaritas- The Rock: Dining & Events

July

National Picnic Month

3rd- Fireworks- Prairie's Edge Casino

4th- Independence Day

July 5, 19, and 26th- Granite Falls Public Library-

Story time- 10 am

July 8, 9 and 10- Flea Market at Prairie
Mercantile

July 12th-Business Over Breakfast 7:30 am. at
Pioneer PBS conference room. Presentation & tour of
Pioneer PBS

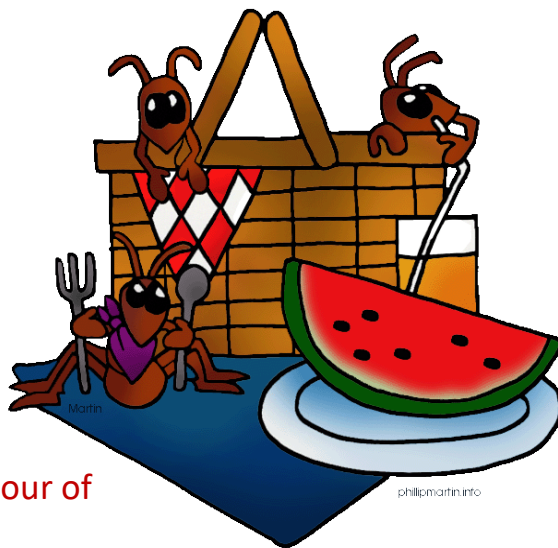
July 12th- Granite Falls Public Library- Ventriloquist James Wedgewood AT THE
KCC. 10 am.

July 12th- Granite Falls Public Library- Kids 2nd-6th
grade kids activity 2 pm

20th- Summertime Pie Social- St. Paul Lutheran
Church- 5-7pm

20th- National Hot Dog Day

20th- Diamond Rio Concert--Prairies Edge Casino



Prairie's Edge Casino Resort

[NEW GRANITE FALLS CHAMBER MEMBERS:](#)

Home Front First Assisted Living offers our residents the freedom to maintain active lives through the assurance of safety, individuality, and excellence in home care services provided by caring and professional staff.



Our goal is to honor the dignity and self-determination of all people we serve in a home-like setting. The personal and quality care we provide are matched to the unique needs of each individual.

Here at Home Front First we offer residents a wide variety of services. Listed below are a few examples of what we have to offer you or your loved one.



Korthuis Jewelry

The door to Korthuis Jewelry and Gifts first opened in 1958 by Vern Korthuis. Proudly, through the decades, it has remained a family business, with a diverse selection of unique jewelry and gift items, we also specialize in the "lost art" of watchmaking which is clock and watch repair. Additionally, engraving is done on the premises at both locations. We provide personalized and knowledgeable customer service lending to an authentic experience.

Today, Travel remains the hardest-hit industry. The loss in travel spending had a drastic effect on American jobs.

- One third of the 9 million direct travel jobs (3 million jobs) were lost at the onset of the pandemic in 2020 and 2.3 million travel jobs remained lost in 2021 (staying at 75% of pre-pandemic levels)*
- Jobs that were generate by business travel suffered more tan those generated by leisure.*
- At only 29%of pre-pandemic levels in 2021, 1.4 million jobs generated by business travel remained lost*
- At only 87% of pre-pandemic levels in 2021, 900,000 jobs generated by leisure travel remained lost*

U.S. Travel Association



Thank you, Western Fest Committee, Sponsors and all attendees.

Western Fest Kick-off Kiddie Parade Winners:



First Place: Five Little Monkeys Jumping On The Bed, \$100



Second place: Peter Rabbit & Mr. McGregor, \$75



Third place: Dino Wranglers- Puddle Jumpers, \$50

Thank you, Citizen's Alliance Bank for sponsoring the event.



June Business Over Breakfast

Thank you, Brad Peterson, GFACF, for the presentation on PROJECT IMPACT at Rice Park. It will be a great addition to the community. A fun place for all ages to enjoy!



Thank you, Pioneer PBS for hosting this monthly Business Over Breakfast event. The Rock: Dining & Events for catering. Anderson-TeBeest Funeral Home for sponsoring the June Business Over Breakfast




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Minnesota Chamber of Commerce is State Chamber of the Year 2021



May 25th & 26th 2022, I attended the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce Executive (MCCE) conference in St. Cloud, MN at The Park Event Center.

Speakers talked about the struggles of Minnesota businesses, Legislation, Legacy and Leadership, confidence, and understanding the impacts of stress and how to increase resilience during challenging times.

Going to the Summer Refresh conference was a great experience. I met a lot of people, and they shared their experiences from their Chambers since I am new in this position of the Granite Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.



Update on June's website analytics and Facebook information... In the month of June, our website, **Granitefallschamber.com** has had increased activity, with our Home page, Events page, and Western Fest Kick-off pages getting the most activity.

On Facebook, we have 1,414 followers and Instagram 206. Western Fest Kick-off Event Schedule & Western Fest Kiddie parade winners post received over 2,000 page reaches.

Follow our Facebook page for up-to-date information and events.



Thank you, Nancy Beasley for your commitment to the Community and the Granite Falls Chamber Board. You will be missed on the Chamber Board of Directors but enjoy your retirement!!



New! Baseball Caps for sale!

Just In! Granite Falls baseball caps- \$20 per hat at the Chamber office

HikeMN Passport

exploreminnesota.com/hikemn

Get your boots dirty hiking the beautiful landscapes across Minnesota. From the state's southern border to its northernmost reaches, discover Minnesota's most impressive hiking.

Take a Hike. Check In. Get Rewarded.

July 1-November 30



Ways to Engage in the Granite Falls Chamber:

- Volunteer
- Become a Board Member
- Attend Chamber Events

Welcome to New Board Member!

Thank you for your willingness to serve!



***Alicia Beck, Country Financial
Kelly Kruger, Scenic Valley Real Estate
Pam Rosenau, MVTV Wireless Internet***

Granite Falls Area Chamber of Commerce Board

Acting President: Carolyn Lindquist, Heather's Book Nook & Sew Much More

Treasurer: Alicia Beck, Country Financial

Secretary: Pam Rosenau, MVTV Wireless Internet

Director: Kevin TeBeest, Anderson-TeBeest Funeral Home

Director: Kelly Kruger, Scenic Valley Real Estate

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