

### CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2024 ISSUE



#### LAST CALL: Par-ticipate in the 2024 Chamber Golf Tournament

Dust off your clubs and come network with fellow Chamber members at the 27th Annual Chamber Golf Tournament scheduled for Monday, June 24, 2024, at

St. Croix National Golf & Events. Voted one of the Top 50 U.S. Golf Courses by GolfPass, this stunning glacier-carved golf course has recently expanded to include a 9,000 sq.ft. multi-use clubhouse, a full-service restaurant, 4 HD golf simulators, a pool table, darts, and a Golden Tee. Don't forget to check out their 18-hole putting course, too! This event is sure to be a tee-rific time filled with food, drinks, contests, raffles, and so much more! Please Register by Friday, June 14.

**Sponsorships Available:** Please consider sponsoring this popular annual event. Sponsorship levels include Gold (\$2,000), Hole (limited to 18, \$1,000), and Green (\$325). If you would like to sponsor, donate an item for the raffle, or volunteer at this event, please reach out to Anna at Anna@HudsonWI.org or call the Chamber office at 715-386-8411.

Thank you to our **Platinum Sponsors:** 





#### **EVENT DETAILS:**

Date: Monday, June 24, 2024 Time: 11:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Location: St. Croix National Golf & Event Center** 

1603 32nd Street, Somerset

Member Golf Package: \$155 | Member Foursome Golf Package: \$620 For more information or to sign up and golf with us, click here.

GOOD MORNING HOT TOPIC:

HUDSON STATE OF SPORTS

Gain insights from Mike Max, sports director and anchor for WCCO-TV, on NIL, Transfer Portals, college and pros, and how this is impacting the world of sports. He'll also share some of the latest sports highlights.

Join us for an exciting Good Morning Hudson which is sure to be an inspiring event with valuable insights from our guest speaker. Come hungry for information, and lunch will be provided.

Thank you to our Program Sponsor:



Thank you to our Lunch Sponsor: Steele Brothers Real Estate- Edina Realty, Inc.

Thank you to our Host Sponsor: **Hudson Hockey Association** 

#### **EVENT DETAILS:**

Thursday, June 6th | 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Hudson Sports & Civic Center | 1820 Hanley Road** Click here to Register | Registration Due Monday, June 3rd

### ON THE INSIDE





The 2024 - 25 Leadership Hudson **Application is open!** The Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau's premier community leadership program, Leadership Hudson, brings together high-caliber current and emerging leaders from all sectors of the Hudson area to study issues impacting our community. Applications will be accepted until August 1, 2024, and notification of selection for the program will be made by August 15, 2024. Program tuition is \$995 for members and \$1,295 for non-members.

For more information and to complete the application, click here.







Mary Claire Olson Potter Chamber President

# **Elevating Tourism Throughout the Summer Season**

As the summer season approaches, we will continue to see an influx of travelers to the greater Hudson area. Hudson has so much to offer to locals and tourists alike. Whether you are looking to take in live music at one of the concerts in Lakefront Park, spending a day immersing yourself in nature at Willow River State Park or one of the many city and county parks, strolling amongst our fabulous shops, or exploring various cuisine options at our award-winning restaurants, Hudson has something for everyone.

In addition to these wonderful options, our community is known for hosting an array of events, especially throughout the summer. If you are hosting an event, feel free to send us the details so we can add it to our online calendar and continue to promote all that Hudson has to offer. To explore our calendar of events, see our website.

Do you have rack cards, brochures, flyers, or business cards that you would like us to offer to our summer visitors? Feel free to drop those off at our office so we can give you and your business more exposure.

Lastly, please remember to do your part to ensure Hudson remains welcoming for all those who work, live, and visit our wonderful community. We are excited for another fun summer season in Hudson!



Thank you to the sponsor of the June Newsletter, Keller Williams Premier Realty - Kris Jensen. We appreciate your support of this important communication piece.

#### ROSE & LAVENDER



# Rose & Lavender celebrates one year in business.

May 13th, 2024, marks 1 year in business for Rose & Lavender, a gift shop and home décor small business owned by a mother-daughter duo. Heidi Nordquist and Shaela McLaughlin have always thought it would be fun to own a gift shop and when the old Knoke's building at 220 Locust Street in downtown Hudson became

available. they knew it was fate. This beautiful historic building had been a special spot for their family and held a lot of meaning. Therefore, it was a no-brainer to make those dreams become a reality when the location became available. Rose & Lavender specializes in curated gifts for every occasion and special person in your life. They have everything from bath products like local goat's milk soap and Farmhouse Fresh Skincare to kitchen items like local honey, chai tea mixes, and blind date with a cookbook. They also have a beautiful array of home décor, from unique pillows and real-touch faux florals to local dried lavender and delightfully scented candles. Now, after 1 whole year in the books, they celebrated with their customers who have become friends, their family, and loved ones for their first-year anniversary party. This included deals, taste testing, cupcakes, giveaways, and more! They love to throw celebrations and tend to do so for holidays and special events. With one year in the books, they look forward to many more!



### Congragulations to our Nacho Batalla Winner -San Pedro Café!

Thank you to everyone who crunched, considered, and casted their vote.
Thank you to the restaurants who participated: 501 Tavern | Agave Kitchen | Bennett's Chop & Railhouse - Hudson | Black Rooster Bistro |

Bricks Neapolitan Pizza | Buffalo Wild Wings | Dick's Bar and Grill | Louie's Bar & Grill | Milwaukee Burger Company | Post - American Eatery | San Pedro Café | Ziggy's Live Music, Bar & Restaurant

Thank you to our event sponsor: Agave Kitchen





## nust the Kris Jensen Team to Sell Your Hudson Home with Expertise and Care! 📫

Hello, St. Croix River Valley homeowners! If you're considering selling your home, you can rely on the Kris Jensen Team to guide you through the process with professionalism and dedication. Experience our personal 'Signature Service' today!

As a cohesive team of real estate experts, we understand the unique nuances of the Hudson area market and are committed to achieving the best possible outcome for you. Whether you're selling a family home, an investment property, or a vacation retreat, our combined knowledge and expertise ensure that your selling experience is seamless and successful.

When you choose the Kris Jensen Team, you're not just getting a realtor—you're getting a dedicated team of professionals committed to delivering exceptional service and results. What sets us apart is our collaborative approach and attention to detail. From our initial consultation to the closing table, we'll work closely with you to understand your goals, address your concerns, and tailor a selling strategy that meets your needs. From strategic pricing to targeted marketing to skilled negotiation, we'll leverage our expertise to showcase your home and attract the right buyers.

So, if you're ready to sell your home with confidence and peace of mind, trust the Kris Jensen Team to make it happen. Contact us today to schedule a private consultation and let's start this exciting journey together. Your success is our priority and we're here to exceed your expectations every step of the way.



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# **HUDSON** COMMUNITY

On May 5th, the **Hudson Community Expo** saw over 1.600 participants including food vendors, local businesses and organizations, craft vendors, volunteers, and attendees.

The Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau held its 21st Annual Hudson Community Expo event in conjunction with Coco's Heart Dog Rescue's Craft Fair. Participants came out to Hudson High School to learn more about the greater Hudson area as well as local businesses and organizations. The event housed 98 vendor booths, 40 crafters, a variety of entertainment, various raffle prize packages, an array of food, samples, giveaways, and so

#### Thank you to the following businesses who provided wonderful items for our raffle packages:

Afton House Inn / St. Croix River Cruises | Angel's Pet World | Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center | Chapter2Books | County Market | Dairy Queen | Eagle Eye Farm | Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton | Hudson 12 Theatre | Hudson Trolley Company | Integrity Cleaners, LLC | Knoke's Chocolates & Nuts | Milwaukee Burger Company | NutriSource | Peppermint Theory | St. Croix County -Community Development Department | Striker Brands, LLC | Sustain Hudson - RiverFest | The Phipps Center for the Arts | Walmart

A special thank you to the Hudson Community Expo Planning Committee as well as the many participating groups and organizations for all their hard work to put on this successful event.

#### **Planning Committee:**

- Angel Duratti. Angel's Pet World
- Tiffany Dux, Blooms for Happiness
- Shelly DeStasio, Christian Community Homes & Services, Inc.
- Tava Ellingson, Citizens State Bank
- Andrea Uebel, Droplets of Wellness, LLC
- Deb Pittman, Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton
- Barb Beachey, Hudson Home and Garden Club
- **Debi Mager**, Hudson Hospital & Clinic
- Elizabeth (Besty) Ganz, Hudson School District
- Mark Hein. Chair. Integrity Cleaners. LLC
- Linda La Kosky Eng, Minuteman Press Hudson
- Blake Willman, Weathersafe Restoration, Inc.

#### **Entertainment:**

3M Visiting Wizards | Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center | Hudson High School Swing Choir | Lucky Paws Midwest Inc. | The Phipps Dance Company & Junior Dance

#### Thank you to the following organizations for participating in our 2024 Mascot Dance Off:

Hudson Grocery Cooperative | University of Wisconsin-River Falls | Youth Action Hudson at the YMCA

Thank you to the following volunteers for their help with coordinating vendors on-site, welcoming attendees & passing out vendor passport cards, as well as raffle ticket

Angel Duratti, Angel's Pet World | Erica Johnson, Angel's Pet World | Boy Scout Troop #140 | Tiffany Dux, Blooms for Happiness | Shelly DeStasio, Christian Community Homes & Services, Inc. | Marliee Hakari, Christiansen Creative |

Tava Ellingson, Citizens State Bank | Deb Pittman, Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton | Hudson Ambassadors | Hudson Home and Garden Club | Ruth Petermann, Hudson Neighbors Magazine | Mark Hein, Integrity Cleaners, LLC | Amy Hauser, Leitch-McSorley Insurance Agency | Pete Keskey, Minuteman Press - Hudson | Linda La Kosky Eng. Minuteman Press - Hudson | Leanne Van Allen, University of Wisconsin-River Falls | Blake Willman, Weathersafe Restoration, Inc. | Pam Willman

#### Thank you to the following staff from Hudson High School for their continuous efforts to ensure our event ran smoothly:

Ryan DeLaCroix | Zack Erickson | Elizabeth (Betsy) Ganz | Leonard Murray | Adam | Marcella

Thank you to the following sponsors for your continuous support:

**Platinum Sponsor:** 



#### **Gold Sponsors:**





#### **Silver Sponsors:**

Angel's Pet World | Citizens State Bank | County Market | Hudson Grocery Cooperative | Hudson Physicians, S.C. | Royal Credit Union | Walmart | WESTconsin Credit Union | **Xcel Energy** 

Childrens' Area Sponsor: Hamption Inn & Suites by Hilton

Balloon Arch: Dot & Daisy

Venue Sponsor: Hudson High School



Guests enjoyed meeting the animal ambassadors from Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center.



Attendees had a great time connecting with all of the businesses and organizations at the Expo.



Ask your banker how a 504 loan can cut costs on equipment purchases by reducing down payments and including installation in your financing

FIND OUT MORE









Our May Good Morning Hudson program featured local municipal leaders providing updates and identifying issues to be addressed in their respective communities. Common themes included the effect of population growth and affordable housing.

Thank you to the following leaders for participating:

- City of Hudson Mayor Rich O'Connor
- Town of Hudson Chairman Tim Foster
- Town of St. Joseph Chair Theresa Johnson
- Town of Troy Chairperson Doug Rowen
- Village of North Hudson President Stan Wekkin

#### Thank you to our Event and Host Sponsor:





Over 40 community business leaders came together to hear from the local municipal leaders on the opportunities and issues facing the St. Croix County.



#### **WEBSITE LAUNCH**

We've given our tourism pages a refresh, just in time for the summer season! We utilize a variety of landing pages to promote one-of-akind tours, family fun activities, unique stores, nature experiences, and more. Take a peak online to see how we promote the Hudson area locally and regionally:

https://www.hudsonwi.org/discover/



# Retention Visits

Every member of the Chamber is important, and each offers unique contributions to the community. In-person retention visits offer additional opportunities to connect with our members and provide support as needed. We look forward to connecting with you in 2024!





Oso Clean - located at 265 Mound View Rd #6, River Falls. Oso clean is a family-owned company that provides regular janitorial service for small and mid-sized commercial facilities.





River Valley Catering - located at 709 N Main Street, River Falls. River Valley Catering provides exceptional food and professional service for every event, proudly serving the Twin Cities Metro area, as well as the Greater St. Croix Valley





Viking Coca-Cola Bottling Company - located at 2814 Prairie Dr, River Falls. Viking Coca-Cola has evolved with the beverage industry to provide refreshments to energize and fuel with a commitment to sustainability, community, quality, excellence, and integrity.







# **Sponsor & Support Local Art!**

This annual free art festival boasts a weekend of festivities, creativity, and fun, and offers you



#### Platinum Sponsor: \$2,500

The event's presenting sponsor, the Platinum Sponsor(s), has their company logo included on all event marketing materials and receives a complimentary booth space at the event. They also receive a full-page Chamber newsletter ad and an online Website banner ad for three

#### Gold Sponsor: \$1.000

Gold Sponsors are essential to our event, helping cover the cost of entertainment, food, and children's activities. Their logos are included on the event banner, and their names are on several marketing pieces. Gold sponsors also receive a complimentary booth space at the event.

#### Silver Sponsor: \$400 | Bronze: \$200

If your business has a smaller marketing budget, these are excellent opportunities to support the community! Both Silver and Bronze Sponsors receive their logos on the event banner and their names on several marketing pieces.

Learn more on page five of our Sponsorship Brochure, or email MaryClaire@hudsonwi.org for more details.

### Join the Fun!

During Spirit of the St. Croix, thousands of people will experience all that Hudson has to offer...and that includes YOU! Any business can participate in the festival as an "Art of" vendor and have a booth at the event. This is an opportunity for your business to meet the public, build awareness of your products and services, and, in addition, sell those products/services on site during the event.

#### Vendor Fee: Members - \$250 | Non-Members - \$350

Get creative with your booth! All "Art of" vendors need to have an artrelated activity. Whether that's coloring sheets, painting kits, slime. vegetable art, or something completely different is up to you! Connect with the community and have fun. To learn more information and signup as a vendor, contact us at 715-386-8411 or Tyler@hudsonwi.org.

#### **EVENT DETAILS:**

Saturday, September 28 | 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, September 29 | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Lakefront Park, Downtown Hudson For more information, click here.





# **Ribbon Cuttings**



Art Doyle's Spokes and Pedals - located at 607 2nd Street, Hudson. Art Doyle's Spokes and Pedals sells and services all types of bikes. Congratulations on 40 years of business!



ChiroWay of River Falls - located at 123 S Main Street. River Falls. ChiroWay of River Falls offers the convenience of walk-in visits and affordable plans great for individuals or the whole family. Congratulations on opening your location. Gavin, and welcome to the Chamber!



City of Hudson Pubic Transit - The City of Hudson has launched its new Hudson Public Transit program, a doorto-door shared-ride taxi service. To schedule an appointment, call 715-961-4707 or visit the Runnings Inc. Hudson Public Transit website. The program operates daily from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



**<u>Hudson Hospital Foundation</u>** - located at 405 Stageline Road, Hudson. The Hudson Hospital Foundation has officially opened its new Healing Garden located just east of the emergency department. Congratulations on opening a wonderful space for people to connect with nature and reflect in a hospital environment!



Hudson Women's Club - After being vandalized in the 70s, a historical marker in Lakefront Park has finally been replaced thanks to the hard work of the Hudson Women's Club. Thank you for helping to preserve the history of Hudson!



Pedro's Pizza Lounge - located at 212 Walnut Street, Hudson. Pedro's Pizza Lounge offers traditional New York style slices, whole pies, inspired starters, fresh salads & enticing desserts. Congratulations on opening the new restaurant, Pete!

# **Ambassador Visits**



Applebee's Grill + Bar - located at 2201 Coulee Road, Hudson. The Ambassadors had their monthly meeting alongside great appetizers! Applebee's Grill + Bar offers delicious and affordable meals, refreshing and fun drinks, and a welcoming environment.



Best Western Plus - located at 1200 Gateway Blvd, Hudson. The Ambassadors stopped by the Best Western Plus for their first retention visit. This award-winning, newly renovated Hotel features a fitness center, business center, breakfast, pool and hot tub, and beautiful patio and gazebo.



Holiday Inn Express & Suites - located at 181 Carmichael Road, Hudson, The Ambassadors stopped by the Holiday Inn Express & Suites for their second retention visit. The Hotel opened in 2019 and features breakfast, a fitness center, a heated pool and spa, a patio, and free Tesla charging stations.



**The Hudson Chamber Foundation** is the philanthropic branch of the Chamber of Commerce, focused on advancing education and workforce development initiatives in Hudson and the surrounding area. Click here to read more about the Foundation's recent work and upcoming ways to support its efforts.



#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MAY BRAND CHAMPION, KAY TIMM WITH GRAND FÊTE**

Kay has been an active member of the Chamber for over 14 years, first by opening Urban Olive & Vine in 2010 and then selling that to open Grand Fête in 2017. Kay has supported the community in many ways, including having two different homes on the Christmas Tour of Homes. One home was featured in the Christmas Lovers Anonymous movie filmed in Hudson in 2020.

In addition, Kay has led the Have a Hudson Holiday Candlelight Stroll Committee and participated in the Christmas Tour of Homes, Small Business Saturday, March Lucky Clover, Small Business Crawl, Hudson Food Walk, and the Retail/Restaurant Committee.

Through a variety of classes at Grand Fête, Kay offers many opportunities for local community members and visitors to enhance their cooking and baking skills. Thank you, Kay, for all you do. We look forward to our continued partnership.

Wondering about the qualities of a Brand Champion? They include:

- Passionate and Supportive
- Knowledgeable and Communicative
- Invested in Success
- Interested in Building Lovalty

If you know of a great Chamber Brand Champion, let us know so we can recognize them and award them \$25 in Chamber Checks.

Guidelines: Submit 100 words or less by the 15th of the month for the next month's Chamber news. We reserve the right to edit or omit any submitted business briefs. Email submissions to info@HudsonWI.org.



**CHECK OUT OUR UPDATED MAY STATS!**  **WEBSITE:** 13K Visitors **LINKEDIN:** 483 Followers **CHAMBER FACEBOOK:** 

**DISCOVER HUDSON FACEBOOK: REACH:** 52.8K **FOLLOWERS:** 17.8K **DISCOVER HUDSON INSTAGRAM: REACH:** 25.8K **FOLLOWERS:** 6.4K **REACH:** 15.4K **FOLLOWERS:** 5.3K

#### Andersen Corporation Employees: Are You on Track for Retirement? Register to attend a Q&A Webinar on Tuesday, June 11, at 12:00 PM or an In-Person Workshop on Thursday, June 13, at 1:30 or 3:00 PM at the Bayport Public Library. These informal Q&A sessions are hosted by Landmark Wealth Management Group. Topics will include your Andersen Corporation ESOP, 401(k) options, and pension options. Registration ends one day prior to each event. To learn more & register, email info@landmarkwealth.net or call 651-779-9720.

**Booze & Books** with Chapter2Books continues featuring author Toni Morrison on Thursday, June 13th at 6 pm. This is the most laid-back book club you've ever heard of because there is no reading required. Just come learn about the featured author. If you've read her work, great! There is time for group discussion after the presentation. Cost is \$12 and includes a custom cocktail created for the event to help feature the author and their work. Tickets available on our website www.blackroosterbistro.com

Father's Day is June 16th. Campfire Old Fashioned kits will be available for gift-giving. Supply is limited. Watch our social media posts for release and availability.

Discover the joy of movement during Helmer Dance Studio's three-week summer dance session or a 5day summer kid's camp. From toddlers taking their first steps in the world of movement to adults looking to get their bodies moving and refine their skills, Helmer offers dance classes in a variety of genres for all ages and skill levels. Their summer dance session runs July 15-Aug 1. Summer Kid's Camps include: Disney Magic (June 17-21), Barbie Camp (June 24-28), Under the Sea (Aug 19-23), and Fairytale Fantasy (Aug 26-30). Visit helmerdance.com/summer-2024 to learn more and to

Calling all artists! Living Vine Church is hosting a "Celebrate the Arts" Art Gallery on June 29 and 30. All local artists are welcome to submit pieces for display or for sale. There will be a "Performance Arts Portion" of the Gallery on Saturday night, for any of you who perform your art pieces! Please see the link for registration details (register by June 7) and how to submit pieces for display. Event is open to the public, no admission fee. Connect on EVENTS with this link to our website: Celebrate the Arts!

Corbin's Cup Golf Benefit for BRIDGE For Community Life is on Thursday, July 18th, 2024 hosted by Bjorn Nesvold of Landmark Wealth Management Group at Troy Burne Golf Course in Hudson. Proceeds provide yearround services for individuals with disabilities in the St. Croix Valley area. "BRIDGE does important work in our community," said Bjorn. "I'm grateful supporting them through this tournament year after year." At \$225 per player, the event includes 18 holes of best ball scramble, raffle tickets, dinner, and more. Sponsorships start at \$250. Raffle donations are appreciated. For more information call Bjorn at 715-808-0454.



#### **Celebrating Member Milestones**

As a member of the Hudson Area Chamber, your milestones are our milestones. We love to celebrate the successes of our local businesses. especially anniversary years. If your business is celebrating a one-year anniversary, or any anniversary in a denomination of 5 (5, 10, 15, 20, etc.), we would love to highlight it in our newsletter and offer a ribbon cutting! For more information on how to highlight your business successes, give us a call at 715-386-8411 or email Anna@hudsonwi.org.



#### Join us as for a new opportunity to connect at the first Let's Do Lunch!

Each month, on the last Wednesday at Noon, we will meet at a local restaurant for lunch and conversation. This event is open to all members, and we will rotate to different member locations. Attendees will pay for their own lunch.

Let's Do Lunch! offers a different time for members to connect and support local restaurants.

On June 26, 2024, at Noon we will meet at Bennett's Chop & Railhouse - Hudson located at 517 2nd Street.

To register, Click Here.



Join us for our monthly networking meeting in June as we continue to network and build relationships with other members of the business community. Please note that the meeting location for this month has changed to Christian Community Homes and Services, Inc. in the Marie Blakeman Community Center.

#### **EVENT DETAILS:**

Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2024 | Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Christian Community Homes and Services | 1320 Wisconsin St, Hudson To register, click here.





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# **June Calendar of Events**

- 3 Leadership Hudson Steering Committee, Noon, Zoom
- Ribbon Cutting Our Backyard Escape by GroundsPro, 1:30 p.m., Chamber office
- Connections & Coffee, 9:00 a.m., Christian Community Homes and Services, Inc., 1320 Wisconsin Street
- 6 Community Affairs, 9:00 a.m., Zoom
- 6 Good Morning Hudson: Mike Max with WCCO-TV, 11:30 a.m., Hudson Sports & Civic Center, 1820 Hanley Road
- 11 Hudson Area Chamber Business Roundtable, 12:00 p.m., Valley Companies, 721 1st Street
- 12 Retail/Restaurant Committee, 9:00 a.m., Post American Eatery, 225 Locust Street
- 18 Golf Committee, 11:30 a.m., St. Croix National Golf & Event Center, 1603 32nd Street, Somerset
- 19 Juneteenth
- 19 Welcome to the Hudson Chamber Membership Orientation, 9:00 a.m., Chamber office
- 19 Tourism Committee, 1:30 p.m., Zoom
- 20 Board of Directors, 9:00 a.m., Chamber office
- 22 Ribbon Cutting Hudson Rod, Gun & Archery Club, 2:00 p.m., 285 Krattley Lane
- 24 Chamber Golf Outing, 11:00 a.m., St. Croix National Golf & Event Center, 1603 32nd Street, Somerset
- 26 Let's Do Lunch!, Noon, Bennett's Chop & Railhouse Hudson, 517 2nd St.
- 27 Ambassador Retention Visit, 3:00 p.m.
- 27 Ambassador Committee Meeting, 3:45 p.m.



#### **Summer Fun in Hudson**

Hudson has offers unique experiences year-round, but summer is where the fun begins! From weekly **Concerts in the Park** to a fun-filled **RiverFest**, and everything in between. Hudson has something for everyone! Check out our **Summer Fun** blog post to get inspired, and find more options on our **website**.

#### Chris Kost - YMCA in Hudson

David Ritter - Discovery Financial Centers, Inc

Amy Salama - Post - American Eatery

2024 Board of Directors

Angel Duratti - Angel's Pet World

Mark Hein - Integrity Cleaners, LLC

Jacob Skramstad - Cardinal Glass Kevin Urbik - Hevwood, Cari & Anderson, S.C.

Jennifer Vieth - Carpenter St. Croix Valley Nature Center

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#### **Chamber Staff**

The Chamber Newsletter is published monthly by the Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau.

Mary Claire Olson Potter, President Anna Gunderson, Administrative Assistant Tyler Warwick-Mick, Events & Marketing Coordinator

MISSION: To provide value to and serve our members, promote a strong local economy, advocate for the interests of the business community, champion sustainability, and market the recreational and cultural opportunities in the Hudson area.

#### Congratulations to the Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau 2023 Award Winners!

Large Business of the Year - Citizens State Bank
Small Business of the Year - SEASONS Gallery
Chamber Member of the Year - Pete Keskey, Minuteman
Press - Hudson

Community Volunteer of the Year - Tricia Christiansen,
Christiansen Creative

Manufacturer of the Year Award - Hop & Barrel Brewing Company, LLC

Marie Blakeman Award - Jacki Bradham, Hudson Hot Air
Affair

# 2024 Resources

Membership Brochure | Sponsorship Brochure





Summer sun means plenty of nice weather for outdoor adventures! As you hike, bike, or sail around Hudson, invest in a reusable water bottle to keep you hydrated. Reusable water bottles reduce the amount of plastic waste in landfills, with the added bonus of keeping your water cooler for longer. Refreshing!

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