

2011-2012

GRUNDY CENTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership Packet

**Welcome To Grundy Center
Chamber of Commerce**

SERVING THE COMMUNITY OF GRUNDY CENTER

Grundy Center Chamber of Commerce

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Mission Statement

Our Mission as a Chamber is “to promote new and existing businesses while maintaining and improving the quality of life in the Grundy Center area.”

Purpose of the Chamber

The Grundy Center Chamber of Commerce is an association of individuals, businesses and organizations wishing to improve the local community. The Chamber is an independent, non-profit organization run by its members through an elected board of directors.

The Chamber brings local businesses, industries, professional firms and individuals together to create a unified voice working to improve business and build a better community.

The Chamber seeks to promote business and community growth by strengthening the economic, civic, commercial, industrial, agricultural and educational interests of the Grundy Center area.

The Chamber organizes and directs the energy, talent and money contributed by the members into projects which improve the business climate in our community.

The Chamber works in partnership with Grundy County Development Alliance, City of Grundy Center, Grundy Center Development Corporation and the Iowa Chamber of Commerce Executives.

Support your community.

Invest in your Chamber of Commerce.

Member Benefits

Increase exposure for your business.

By investing in a Chamber membership, members gain credibility, visibility and marketability. Members can take advantage of numerous promotional opportunities, including:

- Inclusion in promotional tourism and welcome materials sent on request to those interested in visiting or moving to the area.
- Free extended listings in the Chamber's online membership directory.
- Ribbon cuttings for a grand opening, ground breaking, anniversary celebration, expansion or other special event.
- Member referrals through the Chamber in response to inquiries about particular products or services in the area.

Develop business contacts.

The Chamber offers networking opportunities for members to interact, build relationships and share ideas through Chamber meetings and events. These opportunities include:

- Special events like Downtown Coffee Break and Business After Hours.
- Chamber Board meetings, which provide a forum for members to share their goals and ideas to improve the business community.
- The June Annual Meeting, which brings members together to network and discuss the Chamber's plans for the coming year and recognizes the volunteer of the year.

Get involved to improve the community.

Members have the opportunity to make Grundy Center a better place to live and do business. Involvement in a Chamber task force or committee gives members exposure in the community and provides the Chamber skilled individuals to help sustain and improve the community. Get involved with a Chamber task force or committee, including:

- The Chamber Board of Directors, which governs the Chamber.
- Grundy Center Ambassadors, which serve as goodwill representatives of the Chamber and the community.
- Special events committees which plan and organize Felix Grundy Days, Festival of Trees and Tour of Homes.
- Retail Trade Committee, which plans and organizes retail promotions to attract customers and enhance the business community.

Benefit from business services.

The Chamber works to enhance the local business climate and community as a whole by offering services including:

- Relocation packets, which include information about the community, local businesses, housing, local events and other benefits of living in Grundy Center.
- Chamber Bucks, which act as gift certificates to any member business. They are easy to use, easy to redeem and keep dollars circulating locally.
- Media coverage of local events through local newspapers and radio stations.

Board Members

2011 - 2012

President	Glenda Moeller	Green Belt Bank & Trust
Vice President	Keely Harken	Grundy National Bank
Secretary	Tiffany Carson	
Director	Shelly Luiken	Subway
Director	Kent Venenga	Phelps Implement
Director	Andrew Peters	Grundy Family YMCA
Director	Lori Newton	Shear Image
Ex-Officio Director	Kelly Riskedahl	Chamber of Commerce

NEW APPLICATION

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Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____ Fax Number: _____

Contact Person: _____

Email Address: _____ Website: _____

Describe Type of Business: _____

Number of Employees: _____ Part Time: _____

Membership investments in the Chamber of Commerce are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution, but are deductible as a business expense. The Chamber's Tax ID number is 42-1027358. The Chamber does not engage in lobbying or political activities.

Please make checks payable to Grundy Center Chamber of Commerce.

Renewals for Chamber Members are due July 1.

RENEWAL

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