

The official newsletter of The Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce

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### March into a New Membership!

Spring is synonymous with growth and renewal, and the Chamber of Commerce seizes this opportunity to promote economic prosperity. This March 19th, from 11 am to 2 pm, Wahpeton Breckenridge Area Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce a Membership Drive that highlights the valuable connections a business and local community can create through mutual support.

Hosted at the Chamber, 1505 11th St N, in Wahpeton, come and chat while grabbing a bite to eat. Hot Dogs, Chips and a Drink are on us! Learn about what the Chamber of Commerce can do to help your business be an integral part of our community.

We will see you all there and Happy Spring!



Katie Ranber







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Sons Funeral Homes

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Alisha Vanek - Someplace Safe

Katie Baumann - Edward Jones



Join our Team

We are currently looking to add more ambassadors to our group. The Twin Town Ambassadors meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 8:30 am at the chamber office. Being an ambassador is a great way to learn more about what is happening in the businesses in our community.

If you would like to join this fun, energetic group and help us celebrate the milestones of our business community, please feel free to contact us and we'd be happy to give you more information.



Scan to sign up!

WELCOME ALISHA VANEK!

Hello! I am Alisha, and I work for Someplace Safe in Breckenridge as a Crime Victim Advocate. I started this position in July of 2023 and have loved every minute of it! This organization is wonderful to work for and I truly enjoy being a part of such a great team! I have lived in this area all my life, graduating from Breckenridge and live out in the big town of Foxhome. I have 6 beautiful children, 3 Boys and 3 Girls and a wonderful Fiancé named Nick. We enjoy going to the lake in the summer and enjoy Ice Fishing, or as I call it "Winter Camping", in the winter months. In our spare time we love spending time with all our families and friends, which we have a lot of, so it seems like we are always on the go! My favorite season is Summer, even though I

love spending time with all our families and friends, which we have a lot of, so it seems like we are always on the go! My favorite season is Summer, even though I am a die-hard Christmas fanatic! Anyone who knows me, knows I may have an addiction to flowers and solar lights! Some say they can see my house from the moon! I am grateful for this opportunity and am excited for this new adventure as a Twin Town Ambassador!







# CHAMBER BUCKS CHAMBER BUCKS Shop local. eat local. spend local. enjoy local

The Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce is happy to offer the Chamber Bucks Program to the Twin Town Communities. The Chamber Bucks Program is designed to keep dollars local. They are great as employee incentives/rewards, giveaways or gifts from friends and family. Anyone can buy Chamber Bucks. They can be purchased at the Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce office in \$5, \$10 and \$20 denominations and used for goods and services at participating businesses in the Twin Towns.

#### WHERE CAN I USE CHAMBER BUCKS?

Chamber Bucks can be used for products and services at participating chamber member businesses in Wahpeton and Breckenridge. Please scan the QR Code below to view all participating members.

#### **HOW DO I USE CHAMBER BUCKS?**

Customers will redeem Chamber Bucks at participating businesses toward a single purchase of equal or greater value. They are not redeemable for cash. After you accept a valid Chamber Buck at your place of business from a customer for goods and services, you may go ahead and cash the Chamber Bucks just as you would any check. This is an exciting change to our program.

#### WHERE CAN I BUY CHAMBER BUCKS?

Chamber Bucks can be purchased at the Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce office during regular business hours.

#### HOW DO I BECOME A PARTICIPATING BUSINESS?

To become a participating business, you need to be a member in good standing of the Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber of Commerce. There is no charge for being a participating business. This program is offered as a benefit of your chamber membership.

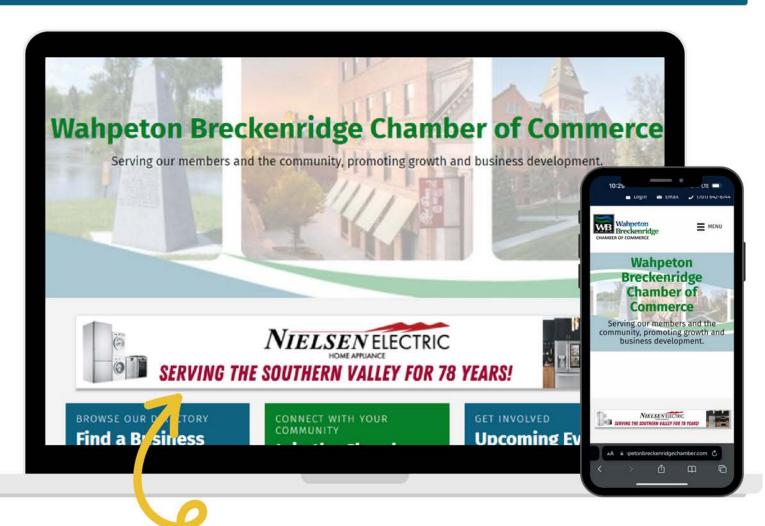
### SCAN THE CODE TO VIEW PARTICIPATING CHAMBER BUSINESSES



### Advertise on our Website!

www.wahpetonbreckenridgechamber.com





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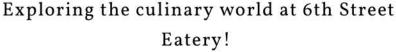
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### The Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber Ambassadors would like to thank Kyle Armitage and Jenna Lovgren for making it happen!





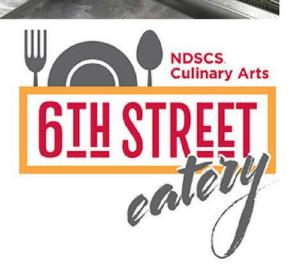
Director Kyle Armitage took the TTA on a fascinating journey through the program, the bustling kitchen, and the delicious offerings at the eatery. Open every Tuesday and Thursday

through March, the menu is a masterpiece crafted by students who not only cook but also handle pricing, descriptions, and menu design. Don't miss the chance to savor unique specials

from featured chefs every Tuesday and
Thursday. Make your reservations by calling
the help desk or visiting their Facebook page!
LASTLY - A very special Save the date - Join
the 6th Street Eatery on the 29th for a
spectacular 6-course meal paired with
exquisite wines at their annual Wine and Dine

Thanks Kyle & Students for having the Twin Town Ambassadors!

Fundraiser!



Facebook

Website





### The Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber Ambassadors would like to Thank Mandy Steinberger for making it happen!







6th Street North and Beede Avenue, Breckenridge

The Twin Town Ambassadors visited the Family
Community Center - Breckenridge. The Community
Center has a free after school program with activities
that include air hockey, skating, sledding, and pool.
And they also have snacks!

Hours: Monday-Friday from 3:15-5:30pm Early School Dismissal 1:15-5:30pm & No School 3:15-5:30pm.

The Community Center is also looking for donated equipment such as ping pong balls and paddles, good quality sleds, and pool ques for their recreational spaces. If you would like to donate, please contact Mandy Steinberger at

msteinberger@breckenridgemn.net, call 218-643-1282 or find them on the web.

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Website



Thanks Mandy and crew for having the Twin Town Ambassadors!



The Wahpeton Breckenridge Chamber Ambassadors would like to thank Annette Vanhovel & Ashley Fudge for making it happen!



Today the Twin Town Ambassadors welcomed

Antelope Creek Bar and Grill officially to the
Chamber and the community with a special
ribbon cutting! ACBG in the past year got new
management, made many renovations, and
even added an outdoor patio!

Ashley gave us a tour as well as walked us through all the new changes they've undergone.

Facebook







Although we didn't get to see Dan today, we thank Ashley and the ACBG team for having us!

TikTok

Sip it. Drink it. Slam it



Contact (701) 274-8302 Antelope Creek Bar & Grill 102 Mooreton Ave S Mooreton, ND 58061 Hours
Monday - Saturday
11:00AM - 2:00AM
Sunday
11:00AM - Midnight

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# OUR BUILDING ONE VIII STORY



1924

Clark Morrell Comstock sells the family farm and starts Comstock Construction focusing on barn straightenings and small remodeling projects.

1972

Bob Comstock, Lynn's son, starts the third generation of Comstock Construction. Bob, like Lynn, actively works alongside staff in the field and office.

2000

Continuing to grow, the first additional office opens in Fergus Falls, MN.

2005

An additional office opens in Fargo, ND to better serve the region.

1945

Clark's son, Lynn joins the construction business after serving in WWII. He expands into light commercial projects.

1976

Comstock Construction is incorporated and expands from light to large commercial projects and offers dirtwork.

2002

The fourth generation legacy begins as Michael Comstock, Bob's son, joins the team.

2024

Comstock Construction celebrates 100 years in business!







### DAWN & JAKE KUBELA

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Everyone meet the new owners of Three Rivers Decorating:

Dawn & Jake Kubela! ..

### PREVENT T2

A PROVEN PROGRAM TO PREVENT OR DELAY TYPE 2 DIABETES

PreventT2 is a CDC recognized program by the National Diabetes Prevention Program (NDPP) to help individuals delay or lower their risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes.

Place: Essentia Health (lower level conference rm), Wahpeton

Date: Monday's from January 29 to May 20, 2024 --- then

once a month until Dec. 16, plus June 3

Time: 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Cost: FREE!!

#### What do I get when I sign up for this program?

- Support and guidance from trained Lifestyle Coaches
- Access to a 1-year (12 months) program
- Support from other participants

#### How do I know if I qualify?

- Your doctor can help you find out of you have prediabetes or are at risk for Type 2 diabetes
- You can also take a free risk test at www.doihaveprediabetes.org



Lifestyle Coaches:

Miranda Andel, Richland County Health Department Ronda Gripentrog, NDSU Extension/Richland County

Registration Deadline: January 26, 2024

To sign up, please contact: Ronda Gripentrog, Extension Agent, Coach (701) 642-7793 ronda.gripentrog@ndsu.edu

**NDSU** 

EXTENSION RICHLAND COUNTY

SUPPORT TO LOSE 5-7% BODY

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150 MINUTES OF ACTIVITY A WEEK

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### What is Scouting for Food and why should you donate?

The Scout Oath states, "To help other people at all times."
Scouting For Food is a nationwide initiative to help
combat hunger in our community. Food collected will be
donated to the local Food Shelf.



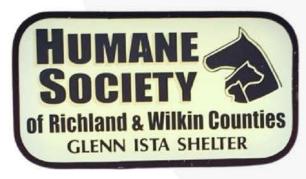
Looking for a drop box to help our cause and your community??

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Econo Foods-Wahpeton – Scouts will be present on March 16 from 8-5

<sup>□</sup> Gate City Bank-Wahpeton March 4 - March 28





### RICHLAND WILKIN **HUMANE SOCIETY FUNDRAISER**

Come join the festivities on March 9th from 10 am to 12 pm at Tractor Supply for a delightful morning of capturing moments with the Easter Bunny, along with opportunities for free-will donations and plenty of

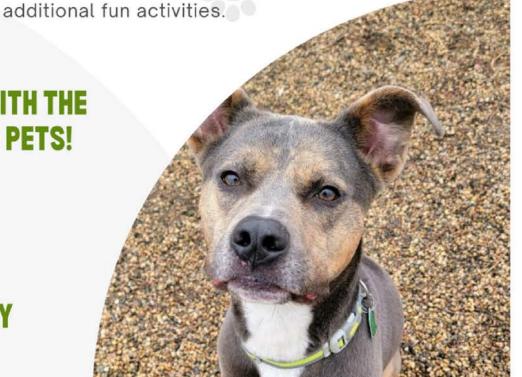
SPECIAL VISIT WITH THE **EASTER BUNNY + PETS!** 



**MARCH 9TH** 10AM - 12PM



**TRACTOR SUPPLY** 





### PUZZŁE CONTEST

BENEFITTING

### Red Door Art Gallery

SUNDAY, MARCH 10 2:00 - 5:00 P.M.

\$100 PER TEAM OF 4 \$80 IF A MEMBER ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTLY SUPPORT GALLERY OPERATIONS.

> Red Door Art Gallery 418 Dakota Avenue

To register, visit: http://www.reddoorgallerywahpeton.com or stop in the gallery.

> Cash prize for winning team! Other prizes, and more information to be announced soon!



### WAHPETON EVENT CENTER 3.15.2024 7:00PM - 11:00 PM WELCOMES

GMC Enterainment for a fun filled night of KARAOKE



995 21ST AVE NORTH, WAHPETON ND 58075

Concessions will be available:

**WALKING TACOS - \$8.00** 

**NACHOS - \$4.00** 

**POP/SODA -\$2.00** 

**ADULT BEVERAGES: PRICING WILL VARY** 

**DOORS OPEN: 6:00 PM** 

**ADMISSION COST IS \$5.00 (5 and under are free)** 

## JOIN US for the NDSCS Spring Musical

# THE LITTLE MAIL OF THE LITTLE MAIL OF THE LITTLE MAIL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE P

Music by Alan Menken

Lyrics by Howard Ashman & Glenn Slater Book by

Doug Wright

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story and the Disney film Music Adapted & Arranged by David Weinstein

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

7 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

2 p.m.

Bremer Bank Theatre in the Harry Stern and Ella Stern Cultural Center

Disney's The Little Mermaid JR, is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019. Script, music and all other materials © 2010 iTheatrics. Broadway Junior and MTI's Broadway Junior Collection are trademarks of Music Theatre International. All rights reserved.

General Admission Tickets: Adults \$5 Students \$1

NDSCS students, faculty & staff are FREE with I.D.



# MARCH INTO MEMBERSHIP

Step into spring with a new membership – March 19th, where growth begins!

Interested in becoming a chamber member or would like to know more about what the chamber does? Here's your chance! Join us on the first day of spring for a parking lot party and learn how the chamber can better serve your business. Plus if you join before the end of March you will get your first three months of membership free!

Food & Drinks will be provided! We'd love to chat with you so come see us on March 19th!

### 19TH, MARCH 2024 11 AM

1505 11th Street North Wahpeton, ND 58075



Southern Valley Figure Skating Club

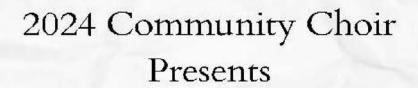




STERN'S SPORTS ARENA - WAHPETON, ND \$5 K-12 STUDENTS | \$10 ADULTS | 5 AND UNDER FREE

2024 SPRING SHOW Featuring guest skater Kelly Smith





### To the Risen

### An Easter Cantata

under the direction of Linda Klindt

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St John's Catholic Church March 23rd at 7:30 PM March 24th at 1:30 PM

Free Will Donation



### EASTER EGG EXTRAVAGANZA

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

9:15-11:00 AM

DOORS OPEN AT 9 AM ENTER THROUGH DOOR #2

Breckenridge Elementary Gym

\* Please bring a non-perishable item for the food pantry.\*

#### **Bunny's Back in Town!**

- Take picture with the Easter Bunny!
- Bounce House!
- 10-foot coloring pages!
- Egg Hunt!
- Easter Crafts!

#### **Easter Egg Hunt!**

9:15	Age 3 &	Under
9:30		Age 4
9:45		Age 5
10:00.		Age 6
10:15		. Age 7
10:30.	Age 8 &	Over

### Thank you to our community sponsors!

Wahpeton Parks and Recreation • Bell Bank • Bremer Bank • Minn-Kota Ag Products
Lies, Bullis & Hatting • Breckenridge Fire Department • Optimist Club • Headwater Lions
Essentia Health • Jawaski Glass & Repair • James Anderson • Ace Hardware
Vaderstad • Red River Communications • City Brew Hall • Miller Realty



## Chamber Chets





Thursday March 28th



8:00 am



Topic: Appeal



Online Auction Item Viewing Opens April 1

### 29th Annual auction

### **Friday, April 12, 2024**

Clair T. Blikre Activities Center, Ed Werre Arena North Dakota State College of Science - Wahpeton Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets sold in advance only. Please call 701-671-2187 for table or ticket reservations.

#### Silent Auction will be online beginning April 11.

Bring your cellphone or tablet and bid from the convenience of your table or home.

Scan code to view items and register to bid. Bidding registration opens April 1.



Föllow us for the latest DREAMS updates!





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Find more event information at NDSCSalumni.com/DREAMS



### COMMUNITY BLOOD SCREENINGS

April 29-May 3, 2024

6:00-9:30 A.M.

CHI ST. FRANCIS - BRECKENRIDGE, MN
WALK-IN CLINIC ENTRANCE



BY APPOINTMENT CALL 218-643-0123

\$60 Guard Your Health & Your Wallet \$60 NO FASTING REQUIRED

Includes Kidney & Liver Function, Cholesterol, Complete Blood Counts, A1C & TSH Tests

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Mooreton ND 18+

SEE MINI-PUNCHES, KICKS AND PUNCHES

LIVE IN MOORETON, NORTH DAKOTA!

Wednesday May 22nd 7-9 pm
Antelope Creek Bar & grill
102 Mooreton Avenue South Mooreton, ND
58106



#### **Greetings!**



Richland County 4-H Shooting Sports with affiliation to the Wahpeton Public Schools, Breckenridge Public Schools and Campbell-Tintah Public School provides a youth archery league using NASP equipment and guidelines. This league is open to students in 4th grade through 12th grade.

WHAT IS NASP? The National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) was developed to serve specific educational and conservation purposes by the Kentucky Departments of Fish & Wildlife Resources and Department of Education and Mathews Archery in 2001. The program was launched in 21 Kentucky middle schools. The effort's goal was to enroll 120 schools and teach target archery skills to 24,000 students each year. Kentucky gave itself three years to achieve this goal. Within the program's first year the 120-school goal was achieved and because of neighboring-state interest, "National" replaced "Kentucky" in the program's name. (www.archeryintheschools.org)

We are in our 17th year of programming here in the twin towns and currently have enrolled 77 students this year. We have a coaching staff of 16 volunteer coaches, including the head coach.

We are asking for your consideration of a donation to help cover the rising costs for our students, coaches, and parents. Our program is self-funded through registration fees and donations only. Your donation will help us:

- Maintain and purchase new equipment/supplies,
- Cover rental fees for the gym we practice in on Sundays (approx. \$50/week x 12 weeks minimum),
- If archers qualify to move on to nationals it will help to offset those costs for us to travel as a team. As
  of now we estimate a trip to Nationals (Louisville, KY) to be approximately \$22,000.00 for bus, hotel,
  tournament fees and a team meal.

If donations allow, we will be able to:

 Keep participation fees low (currently \$50/archer which includes Archer's uniform jerseys (currently \$35/each)); keeping participation fees low will allow for more students to participate.

Donations received by March 1, of:

- \$1-\$399 will be recognized on a banner at our home tournament on March 9, 2023, at the Wahpeton Middle and Elementary School Gyms.
- \$400-\$999 will be recognized by name on the banner and we will print and display a poster size (minimum 16x20) of your company logo. In addition, if you would like a table space to advertise, please let us know!
- \$1,000+ will be recognized by name on the banner, we will display 3'x5' flag/sign of your company logo
  (you provide, or we can print) and we will give verbal recognition of your donation throughout the
  tournament. In addition, if you would like a table space to advertise, please let us know!

Thank you again for your support!

Sincerely,
Heather Retzer, Program Coordinator / Head Coach
Twin Town Archery
P: 701-640-5925 | E: WahpetonNASPArchery@gmail.com

#### Please return this form with your donation.

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	I wish to assist Twin Town Archery with an annual sponsorship.  Enclosed is my check for: \$
	i wish to assist Twin Town Archery with a one-time donation.  Enclosed is my-check for: \$
	I do not wish to assist at this time.
lf y	ou would like us to keep you informed of our activities, please complete the following (please print):
	Business/Organization:
	Contact Name:
	Mailing Address:
	Phone Number:

Checks can be made payable to Twin Town Archery

Please return this form and your donation to:

Twin Town Archery Heather Retzer, Program Coordinator / Head Coach 7715 County Road 10 Wahpeton, ND 58075 701-640-5925

Email: WahpetonNASPArchery@gmail.com

