

[Morning Business Advice for July](#)

When: Thursday, July 9, 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Where: FVTC DJ Bordini Center, 5 Systems Dr., Appleton

Lisa Van Beek, GBA, RPA, CEBS, president of Schenk Retirement Plan Solutions LLC will discuss if a SIMPLE IRA plan or a Safe Harbor401K plan is a better fit for your company. Learn the advantages and disadvantages in moving to a qualified plan. The event is sponsored by Business Lending Group. Registration is at 7:15 a.m. Cost is \$7.00 for Chamber members in advance or \$10.00 at the door and \$15.00 for non-members. Advance registration is accepted until noon the day prior to the event.

[Chamber Golf Outing](#)

When: Monday, July 27, 10:00 a.m.

Where: Ridgeway Country Club

The outing will remain a best ball scramble format, but the shotgun start will be at 10:00 a.m. with a boxed lunch being delivered to the golfers on the course. A reception with a large variety of hors d'oeuvres will be held at the conclusion of golfing instead of a sit-down dinner. Cost is \$125.00 per golfer or \$500.00 per foursome and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, the box lunch and hors d'oeuvres reception. Golfers can register online at www.foxcitieschamber.com Several sponsorship levels are still available for the event.

[Pulse event for July – “Got Culture?”](#)

The answer is “yes”. The Fox Valley has lots of culture! Explore the Fox Cities through the eyes of the Appleton Rotary Multi-Cultural Center. We will enjoy a Trolley tour highlighting some of the area’s cultural offerings. Along the way we will make a few stops, learn a few things and then enjoy a party at Solea Mexican Restaurant! Who knows, you may even learn how to Salsa dance.

Where: Starting and ending at Solea Mexican Restaurant off the Breezewood Exit from Hwy. 41 in Neenah.

When: Thursday, July 16th

5:15 – 5:45 Registration at Solea in Neenah

5:45 – 7:30 promptly leaving on tour

7:30 – 8:30 Party at Solea Mexican Restaurant (off Hwy 41 in Neenah)

Cost is \$12.00 for Pulse members and \$22.00 for non-Pulse members (price includes transportation, tour and fill your belly hors d'oeuvres). Cash bar available.

To register go to www.foxcitiesyoungprofessionals.com

[Breakfast Networking Connections](#)

When: Thursday, July 23, 8:30 a.m. (check our website for dates for the rest of year)

Where: Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce, 125 N. Superior St., Appleton

Members of the Fox Cities Chamber can now jump start their day with a hot cup of coffee and a handshake at the Breakfast Networking Connections. At the other end of the handshake might just be their next new customer! Meetings are held from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. A maximum of 30 people can attend. Each participant is given two minutes to talk about themselves and their company and each may distribute materials. The cost to attend is \$2.00 per person which include a continental breakfast.

[Business Connection for July](#)

When: Thursday, July 23, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Where: Michiels Bar and Grill, 1100 Appleton Road, Menasha

A monthly, informal, after-hours event sponsored by a Chamber member. Bring your business cards and mingle! Cost for Chamber members is \$2.00 if registered and paid in advance or \$4.00 at the door. Non-member cost to attend is \$20.00.

Save the Date -- August 19th, Barnes & Associates Dentistry, SC

The following events are co-sponsored with the Fox Cities Chamber

[Career Works Fox Valley -- Networking Workshops](#)

When: Thursday, July 9; Wednesday, July 15; Tuesday, July 21 – 8:30 a.m. to noon

Where: Career Works Fox Valley, 101 W. Edison Avenue, Suite 239, Appleton

This Workshop is for you if:

- You've run out of contacts.
- You need to approach people but you don't know how.
- You don't know what to talk about or what questions to ask.
- You don't know how to generate referrals through informational interviews.

The way most people get hired today is through networking! Strengthen your skills in this area in just a half day. Learn how to:

- Identify the people you need to talk to.
- Set-up appointments with people who can hire you.
- Learn what questions to ask and what NOT to ask.
- Generate referrals to grow your professional network.

The cost for these half-day workshops is \$89.00 and includes refreshments and a comprehensive manual. The manual includes: informational interview methodology, questions to ask and even phone. Each session is limited to 8 people so sign up early and take advantage of the personal attention you'll receive.

[Dale Carnegie -- Thriving During Difficult Economic Times Emotional Control](#)

When: Thursday, July 16, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m.

Where: Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce, 125 N. Superior St., Appleton

We have all noticed that many of our employees are competent in their job skills, yet some are far better at getting the job done, and far easier to work with than others. The defining factor is Emotional Intelligence (EI). Emotional Intelligence means being aware of our own emotions, understanding them, and managing them to bring about positive results. This Dale Carnegie seminar will provide participants with the tools you need to maintain positive energy and control emotions in difficult situations. Cost to attend is \$49.00 for Chamber members and \$59.00 for non-Chamber members. To register call Keith Plaster at (920) 217-1785 or email keith.plaster@dalecarnegie.com.

[2009-2010 Wage and Benefits Study](#)

The Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Northeast Wisconsin Chambers Coalition is currently conducting the 2009-2010 Fox Valley Wage & Benefit Study and we need your valuable input! This is a critical time due to changes in employment and the downturn in the economy to have accurate wage and benefit information available. More information and how to become a participant in this study can be found at the Chamber's website www.foxcitieschamber.com

[Christa McAuliffe Academy](#)

The 14th annual McAuliffe Academy is accepting applications for the summer workshop at North High School July 13-17. The Academy is a one-week teacher training for preK-12 teachers in the areas of math, science, technology, literacy and other areas of interest to teachers. Participants receive 1, 2, or 3 graduate credits from UW-O for their work. During the week teachers tour local companies to learn about their products, services and skill needs for workers. For more information, call Mary Jane Grissman at the Fox Cities Chamber by calling (920) 734-7101. View our web site at www.christamcauliffeacademy.com

Save the Date

Business Expo 2009 -- Tuesday, September 15

Annual Dinner -- Wednesday, October 28

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To register for any of the following Fox Cities Chamber events or to inquire about Chamber membership, call (920) 734-7101, [go online](#) or [email](#). To read a full description of the information, click on the title of the event or [go online](#) to www.foxcitieschamber.com