

Chamber recognizes Small Businesses

The Fox Cities Chamber handed out their Small Business of the Year and Rising Star Awards at their annual luncheon. Four businesses were recognized:

Manufacturing Category - [Innovative Machining, Inc.](#)

Wholesale/Retail Category - [GingeRootz Asian Grille](#)

Service Category - [Appleton Group Wealth Management](#)

RisingStar Award - [Apple Tree Connections, LLC](#)

Sponsors of this year's awards included [First National Bank - Fox Valley](#) and [Schenck SC](#) in conjunction with The Post-Crescent and WHBY 1150 AM.

Fox Cities Chamber Business

Fox Cities Chamber Business is the Chamber's bi-monthly magazine available to all members.

July/August issue - Editorial coverage will be Small Business - including the 2010 Small Business Award winners.

September/October issue - Editorial coverage will be Jobs of the Future - including wind energy jobs. This is also the Business Expo issue.

November/December issue - Editorial coverage will focus on Retail & Hospitality and also will feature the Manufacturer of the Year and Athena Award winners.

Capitalize on member-to-member business opportunities by

advertising in 2010. [Click on this link for the 2010 Editorial Calendar & Rate Sheet.](#) For more information about advertising, email to svandenheuvel@foxcitieschamber.com

Pulse, the Young Professionals Network

[June Event - Leadership - A Volunteer Firefighter Experience](#)

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be a firefighter, or wanted to be one? Well, this is your chance! We'll tour a volunteer fire department, put on some firefighting gear and experience the different requirements for their job. Forget the thoughts from when you were a kid, this is hard work and takes great skill and endurance. The evening will prove to be challenging and also will be an excellent lesson in communication and leadership.

When: Thursday, June 17

Where: Little Chute Volunteer Fire Department 200 W. McKinley Avenue, Little Chute

Cost: Pulse members \$10; non-members \$20

After June 14 the price will go up \$5.00 for both members and non-members. Price includes food and beverages.

Business Connections -- 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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.

June

[Tuesday, June 29](#)

[Appleton Yacht Club, 1200 S. Lutz Drive, Appleton](#)

July

[Tuesday, July 13](#)

[Miron Construction Company, 1471 McMahon Drive, Neenah](#)

August

[Wednesday, August 11](#)

[The Villas at Apple Creek, 2228 Milestone Drive, Appleton](#)

Breakfast Networking -- 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Members have the opportunity to meet at the Chamber office and give a two minute talk about themselves and their company and can distribute materials. A maximum of 30 people can attend. Individuals from Chamber member firms can sign up for as many dates as they would like. The cost to attend is \$2.00 per person which includes a continental breakfast. All meetings are held at the Fox Cities Chamber office, 125 N. Superior Street, Appleton. Click on the date below to register.

[Thursday, June 24](#)

[Thursday, July 22](#)

[Thursday, August 26](#)

Morning Business Advice

Monthly small business events planned by the Small Business Committee. 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.

When: [Thursday, July 15](#)

Where: Marian University, 720 N. Association Drive, Appleton
Dale Feinauer of the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh will speak about "Strategic Planning for the Future!" Feinauer will cover developing a strategy plan and how to make it come alive everyday. The event is sponsored by [Community First Credit Union](#).

Chamber Golf Scramble

When: [Monday, July 26, 2010 - 10:00 a.m. shotgun start](#)

Where: Ridgeway Country Club

The outing will be a best ball scramble format. A boxed lunch will be delivered to the golfers on the course and a reception with a large variety of hors d' oeuvres will be held at the conclusion of golfing. 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. Several sponsorship levels are still available for the event.

Co-Sponsored Events

[Discovering Your Memory Power - Memory Training Workshop](#)

Your profession demands that you remember a wealth of knowledge. A simple slip of the mind can result in thousands of dollars of lost sales or credibility. Build your competitive advantage by learning how to train your memory. [Freedom Personal Development](#) will be presenting the workshop

When: June 29, 2010; 7:30 to 9:00 a.m.

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

Cost: \$10.00 for Chamber members and \$15.00 for non-members.

Leadership Fox Cities

Leadership Fox Cities was initiated in 1991 to address concerns that we cultivate and train an ongoing pool of candidates who could continue to serve the community. The program attracts both long-time residents who want a deeper connection to their community, and newcomers who want to become familiar with the history, needs and resources of their new hometown. The program covers local history, biographies of past and current leaders and philanthropists, a wide-

ranging sampling of resources, attractions and leaders here. They ask questions and work to find the answers.

Information on the 2010-11 Leadership Fox Cities program, including a printable application form, is available at www.leadershipfoxcities.com or contact LFC Director Gayle Schultz at the Fox Cities Chamber at (920) 734-7101.

The program will celebrate its 20th year in 2011 and we would like to keep in contact with alumni. If friends, colleagues, associates have participated, invite them to contact us with their updated contact information by emailing to leadership@foxcitieschamber.com Type LFC Alumni in the subject line.

2010-2011 Fox Valley Wage & Benefit Study

The Northeast Wisconsin Chambers Coalition is conducting the 2010-2011 Fox Valley Wage & Benefit Study and needs 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.

The project is a joint effort between the Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Fond du Lac Area Association of Commerce, the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce. The Wage and Benefit Study is conducted annually to determine both salary levels and changes in fringe benefits offered to employees in the Fox Valley area. The Fox Valley Chapter of the Society of Human Resource Managers (SHRM) the Fond du Lac Human Resources Association (SHRM) and the Green Bay Chapter of the Society of Human Resource Managers (SHRM) are all providing their professional expertise in updating the benefit survey.

For more information, click on this link
<http://www.foxcitieschamber.com/resources/20102011registrationltr1.pdf>

or cut and paste into your browser.

Save the Date

Business Expo 2010

Tuesday, September 14, 2010, Players Choice, 3035 County Road JJ,
Appleton

Annual Meeting

Wednesday, October 27, 2010, Radisson Paper Valley Hotel,
downtown Appleton

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