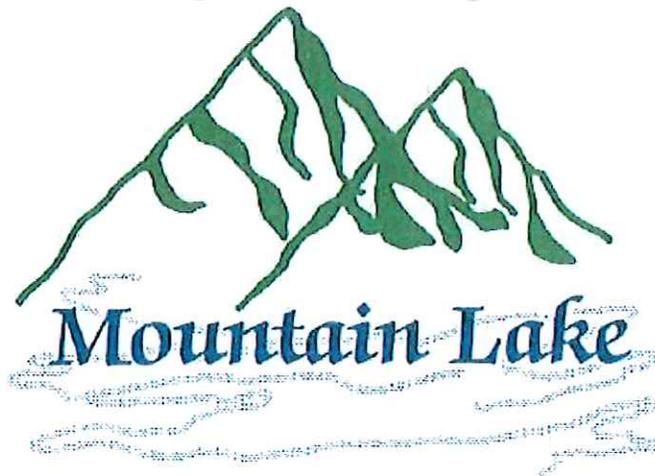


# Membership Packet

November 2016 - October 2017



## Chamber of Commerce

*Advancing the economic and civic well being of the entire Mt. Lake Area.*

*Together We Prosper!*

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October 27, 2016

Dear Business Owner and Community Supporters:

It is once again that time of year when the Mt. Lake Chamber of Commerce wraps-up activities for 2016 and starts thinking about plans for 2017.

I would like to share with you some of our thoughts for continued operation of the Chamber of Commerce and the importance that each business within the community thinks about Chamber membership. If you have been and plan to continue to be a Chamber member, we thank you very much! If you've never been or haven't been a chamber member for some time, we hope that you will consider joining many other businesses as we work together to strengthen the Mountain Lake community.

## **New Benefits!**

- New City Web Site

The City of Mt. Lake has developed a new city web site. The City has been gracious enough to allow the Chamber to have a part of the new site. With this new site, Chamber members will have the ability to promote their business through increased exposure. Each chamber member will have their own web page within the city's web site complete with pictures, business description, links and contact information. Additionally, each Chamber member will have access to their own page to update business information; sorry, no advertising.

- Member-to-Member Discount Card

Another new Chamber member benefit is a Member-to-Member Discount Card. If you elect to participate, the card will include your business and the special that you want to offer to other Chamber member employees (it's a benefit only available to Chamber members and their employees).

Mt. Lake is a small, rural community with a strong but relatively small business base. Because of this we do not have a very large budget to operate and put-on important community functions such as Pow Wow. Staff positions are "shared" with the City's Economic Development Authority which has allowed the Chamber to remain a viable entity.

Here is a list of the typical activities that the Chamber Board and Staff plan for and put on every year:

- ✓ Easter Egg Hunt
- ✓ Pow Wow, including Ms. Mt. Lake, parade, etc.
- ✓ Sunflower Day
- ✓ Chamber Golf Outing
- ✓ Christmas Event
- ✓ Adult Prom Event
- ✓ Volunteer of the Quarter

- ✓ Yard of the Month
- ✓ Chamber Coffee
- ✓ Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies and "Presentation of 1<sup>st</sup> \$2 in Business" Certificates and Progress Awards
- ✓ Downtown Beautification Projects

Mt. Lake has a very active Chamber of Commerce! All activities are intended to promote the community and increase business opportunities for all businesses.

For 2017, the Chamber Board of Directors voted to increase dues by 3%. The increase will help enable the Chamber to remain financially viable and allow us to continue to provide the activities and business promotion that are essential to a community. Please be assured that the Chamber Board of Directors keeps a very tight watch over budget income and expenditures and we make every effort to make up as much of the budget as possible with income from various fund raising events. Also, we continually strive to attract new members through an ongoing membership drive.

In conclusion, please give consideration to joining the Chamber of Commerce in 2017 if you have not been a member recently or in the past. And, if you are a member, your continued support means a great deal to us and the community.

We would be more than happy to visit your business if you have any questions about the role of the Chamber in Mt. Lake or about the membership dues structure.

The attached dues schedule allows members to select a level that suits their business. The chart below describes the benefits of membership at each level. Individual/Couple memberships are given a membership certificate. Other levels are given a laminated certificate.

<i>Base Membership</i>	<i>Silver Membership</i>	<i>Gold Membership</i>	<i>Platinum Membership</i>
Full price POW WOW Parade Entry	½ price POW WOW Parade Entry	Free POW WOW Parade Entry	Free POW WOW Parade Entry
Update of Membership Certificate	Laminated Membership Certificate	Laminated Membership Certificate	Laminated Membership Certificate/ \$50 Chamber Bucks

Sincerely,

Rob M. Anderson  
Chamber Director

Michelle Quintero  
Chamber President

# Meet Your Chamber of Commerce

## Board of Directors for 2017

Michelle Quintero, President, Bargaen, Inc.  
Cheri Hanson, Vice-President, Peterson Drug & Gifts  
Cheryl Hiebert, The Observer/Advocate  
Rick Oeltjenbruns, City  
Emily Adrian, Midway Farm Equipment  
Joyce Bucklin, Ten Thousand Villages/Care & Share  
Jean Haberman, Mt. Lake Public School  
Sue Garloff, Maynard's of Mt. Lake  
Anne Reese, Good Samaritan Society of Mountain Lake  
Dana Kass, Mark Hanson Agency  
Carolyn Rempel, KBQ, Inc.  
Jenni Shousse-Klassen, JSK Bridal

Director, Rob Anderson  
Chamber Assistant, Marva Ott



Chamber Board of Directors meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month at Mt. Lake City Hall.



### Chamber Committees:

Pow Wow, Membership, Signs of Mt. Lake, Downtown Beautification, Social Events, Web Site, Shop  
Local/Retail Development, Golf Tournament, Float, Nominating

## 2016 Chamber Members

10th Street Pickers  
Alvin Wiens  
Balzer, Inc.  
Bargen, Inc.  
Bolton & Menk  
Brian and Carol Harder  
Care & Share/10,000 Villages  
Community Bible Church  
Cornerstone Bible Church  
Country Pride Services  
Fast Farms, LLC-Fast Seed & Chemical  
Gladys Crawford  
Good Samaritan Society - Mt. Lake  
Hanson Plumbing  
Heritage Village  
Hometown Sanitation  
James & Joan Harder  
Jerry & Jean Haberman  
John & Evie Oeltjenbruns  
JSK Bridal  
Jubilee Market & Peacemeals  
Kass Insurance Agency  
KBQ, Inc.  
KDOM Radio  
Kevin Ella  
Laker Grill  
Maynard's Foods  
Mayo Health Systems - St. James  
Midway Farm Equipment  
Milk Specialties Global  
Mt. Lake Floral

ML Insurance Agency  
Mt. Lake Christian School  
Mt. Lake Assembly of God Church  
Mt. Lake Golf Development  
Municipal Utilities  
Mt. Lake Antiques  
Muske, Muske & Suhrhoff, Ltd.  
American Family Insurance-Stan Schroeder  
Mt. Lake Public Schools  
Casey's General Store  
Pop'd Kerns-Krienke Foods International  
Observer/Advocate  
Our Hometown Cafe  
Peterson Drug & Gifts  
United Prairie Insurance Agency  
Progressive Chiropractic  
Red Brick Inn  
Salon 310  
Sanford Clinic - Mt. Lake  
Schwartz Farms  
Sid & Marcella Ewert  
Town's Edge Auto  
Sturm Funeral Home  
The Lodge of Mt. Lake  
Karen's Little Care Bears Daycare  
Loren and Becky Epp  
Uncle B's Liquor Store  
United Prairie Bank  
PJ's II  
Windom Area Hospital  
Ninth Street Inn

# ***Mountain Lake Chamber of Commerce*** **2017 Chamber Membership Dues**

## **General Categories**

- ***General Membership (including non-profits)***
  - Base - \$190 plus \$10 per employee in excess of five
  - Silver - \$315 plus \$10 per employee in excess of five
  - Gold - \$495 plus \$10 per employee in excess of five
  - Platinum - \$788 plus \$10 per employee in excess of five

## **Special Categories**

- ***Small or Home-Based Businesses ( under 10 employees) or Individuals/Couples***
  - Base - \$58
  - Silver - \$83
  - Gold – \$130
  - Platinum - \$209
- ***Churches***
  - Base - \$90
  - Silver – \$136
  - Gold – \$214
  - Platinum – \$338
- ***Out-of-Town Businesses ( No Physical Presence in Mtn. Lake )***
  - Base - \$102 plus \$5 per employee in excess of five
  - Silver - \$156 plus \$5 per employee in excess of five
  - Gold - \$248 plus \$5 per employee in excess of five
  - Platinum - \$405 plus \$5 per employee in excess of five

**Remember - Your annual investment in the Mountain Lake Chamber of Commerce is a tax deductible business expense!**

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## MEMBERSHIP FORM:

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Please fill out completely and return this page with your payment.

**\*Required information**

**\*Business/Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Social Media:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Website Category business should be listed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Number of Employees:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Membership Category:** *(please check one)*

\_\_\_\_ General    \_\_\_\_ Small or Home-Based (under 10 employees)    \_\_\_\_ Ind./Couples    \_\_\_\_ Churches    \_\_\_\_ Out-of-Town

**\*\*\*Membership level:** *(please check one)*

\_\_\_\_ Base    \_\_\_\_ Silver    \_\_\_\_ Gold    \_\_\_\_ Platinum

Payment method: **All Memberships are due January 1, 2017 unless otherwise noted.**

\_\_\_\_ Annual (enclosed in full)    \_\_\_\_ Semi-annual (1/2 enclosed, 1/2 billed July 1)

If you would like a business visit please indicate here: \_\_\_\_\_ (yes or no)

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