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## WELCOME

Welcome to the first edition of the monthly PACC Newsletter. It will serve as way to inform you of all the great things happening at the Chamber. The newsletter will include dates of upcoming events, important information from the chamber as well as from the City of Princeton and Princeton Public Schools.

If you have questions or ideas for the newsletter, please contact Kim at [kim.young@princetonmnchamber.org](mailto:kim.young@princetonmnchamber.org) or call 763-389-1764.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The PACC Board of Directors has been working hard to put together exciting new membership packages that work for you. Please watch your email soon for membership renewals.

We have a new email! Please discontinue use of the sherbtel email address and update your contact list. Our new general email address is: [pacc@princetonmnchamber.org](mailto:pacc@princetonmnchamber.org)

## NEW HOURS/EMAIL

Please note the new hours for the Chamber. The office will be open Monday—Thursday from 9 am—3 pm and closed on Fridays. We will be out of the office from time to time at meetings or visiting members, but we will do our best to leave a message on the white board located on the door that states our return. You can also reach us by phone or email as well.

## SAVE THE DATE

**Oct. 3: Manufacturers Breakfast**  
8-10 am at Glenn Metalcraft

**Oct. 10: SoAR Conference**  
8 am—6 pm at Northern Lights Ballroom, Milaca, MN

**Oct. 15: It's Just Desserts!**  
11:15 am—1:05 pm at Princeton Performing Arts Center

**Oct. 17: PACC Networking—Because Chamber Works!**

7:05-9:05 am Princeton Golf Course

**Oct. 19: Ribbon Cutting**  
11 am The Shepherd's Shanty  
1888 Aspen Road  
Princeton, MN

## NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome our newest members to the Chamber!

**T&L Sparkle Clean**  
1508 7th Street N  
Princeton, MN 55371

**Innovative Communication Solutions**  
763-238-0604

**First National Bank of Milaca**  
26120 3rd St E  
Zimmerman, MN 55398

**American Family Insurance—  
Logan Sargent**  
116 N Rum River Drive  
Princeton, MN 55371

**Edward Jones—Tracy Carlson**  
900 South Rum River Drive  
Princeton, MN 55371

## CHILI FEST

Although it wasn't the cool, crisp fall day we were expecting, we had a great time at the 2019 Chili Fest. We had eight chili makers and three salsa makers and all made delicious samples for the community to taste! Thank you to all who participated and came out to judge



1st place, Chili: ABRA Auto Body & Glass



2nd place, Chili: Fore Seasons Clubhouse Bar and Grill



3rd Place, Chili: Princeton Fire and Rescue



1st—3rd Salsa: Princeton Community Garden

Thank you to our sponsors: Crystal Cabinet Works, Plastic Products, Sterling Pointe Senior Living, Shepherd's Shanty, Edward Jones—Scott Liestman, Minuteman Press, First Bank & Trust

## MEMBER HIGHLIGHT—THE SHEPHERD'S SHANTY

The Shepherd's Shanty opened on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 in owner Tari Zortman's daughter's old playhouse and a 20x20 overflow tent. Her friend Emma, an Amish woman from the area, is also part of the business, selling her home baked breads, sweet rolls, bars, coffee cakes, and more.

The idea for the store started for Zortman years before it was opened. She said she has always loved retail and working with the public, helping people find that perfect outfit or the perfect gift. She began by making crafts and bringing them to craft fairs and even had a craft sale in the family basement. She found that it was often difficult to find places to sell her products, she had to travel far, was required to do volunteer hours and give a large part of her commission. She wanted to open a place where others might be able to sell their crafts as well, and the idea of The Shepherd's Shanty was born. (continued on next page)



### Learning and Living Committee



### POWERFUL PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN BUSINESS AND EDUCATION

- Mission to create and nurture active partnerships within our community to:
1. Develop and foster effective two-way communication between businesses and schools
  2. Ensure Princeton Public School graduates demonstrate competencies of career and college readiness
  3. Assure relevance in learning

[www.isd477.org/communitypartnerships](http://www.isd477.org/communitypartnerships)

Monthly Meetings  
1st Friday  
7:30-9:45 AM

District Center Board Room  
706 1st Street  
Princeton MN

## MEMBER BENEFITS

Are you taking advantage of all of your member benefits? Here are just a few:

As member of the PACC, you can send us up to four events per year and we'll blast it out on the Chamber's Facebook page.

Networking Opportunities! Don't forget about the PACC Networking Event on Oct. 17 at the Princeton Golf Club. Cost is \$1 and a business card.

Certificates of Origin  
Does your business ship products globally and require a Certificate of Origin? The Chamber can provide that for you!

## BOARD OF DIRECTOR OPENINGS

We have five positions on our Board of Directors that will come open at the end of the year. This is your opportunity to collaborate with other businesses to improve our entire community! If you are interested in serving on the Chamber Board of Directors, please contact Kim at [kim.young@princetonmnchamber.org](mailto:kim.young@princetonmnchamber.org) or call 763-389-1764.

## THE SHEPHERD'S SHANTY CONT.

There is something for everyone at The Shepherd's Shanty. Zortman said that moms of little ones come in for baby bath products, books, hats/gloves and more. While mom is shopping, the kids can play in the built in castle, where there are toys, books and puppets waiting for the kids. She said the castle has even become a hideout for teenagers as they check out their social media accounts while mom is shopping.

Zortman said the name of the store comes from her love of the picture in the Bible that shows Jesus being the Good Shepherd and us as His flock. When thinking about the place where the business would be and comparing where Jesus was born, she decided to look up the word shanty and found it meant a small, crudely built shack, and The Shepherd's Shanty was born!

In Zortman's words, The Shepherd's Shanty is a unique little store. They have now moved out of the 20x20 tent into a bigger building, and Emma sells baked goods out of the smaller building where The Shepherd's Shanty first began. Be sure to check them out!

## BOARD MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

PACC Board President Tracy Bailey has been on the board of directors for two years and a member of the Chamber for three. She said she serves on the board because she believes she can make a difference in our community by creating opportunities for our businesses to grow and to create relationships within the community, all while creating an environment of fun. "We are continuing to make some great changes for our members, and I look forward to continuing to serve with this great board that we have," she said.



Bailey said her favorite thing about our community is that "it feels like family in every sense! We pull together for whomever, whenever. There is so much giving. I grew up a Princeton Tiger and love that my kids are doing the same. Who would have thought?" Although free time is hard to come by, when she's not volunteering for the Chamber, Bailey enjoys every minute she can with her kids, hiking, biking, kayaking and anything Crossfit, including coaching. "I love being active and taking advantage of traveling whenever possible with family and friends," she said. Bailey is a Sales Manager for Colonial Life.