



Save the Date

January 5

Lunch & Learn, Noon on Zoom
What we learned in 2020 to bring to the new year, by Goenner Consulting

January 13:

Morning Networking - Because Chamber Works at Princeton
Fitness/CrossFit Beyond Sport - 8 am on Zoom

January 18: Silent Auction items due to Chamber

January 21:

Mobile Mixer - Paint Party!
5 pm on Zoom

Thank you to our 2021 Chamber Sponsors:

ABRA Auto Body & Glass
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First Bank & Trust
M Health Fairview
Marv's True Value
Minuteman Press
Sterling Pointe Senior Living

Happy New Year!

I think we can all safely say that we are more than happy to put the year 2020 behind us! Although it was a tough year, we also saw some really amazing things done by our businesses and community. We weren't able to host in-person networking or events and were disappointed to have to cancel several events, but our chamber persevered by hosting fun networking groups online. We had nearly 350 people in attendance at our online networking events in 2020. I know we are all experiencing Zoom fatigue - it's a real thing - but we will continue to bring you informative and fun networking groups in 2021 to help you grow your business. [Click here](#) to watch the 2020 PACC Review video.

We will no longer be holding our Chamber Check-In and will be moving back to our more typical schedule so that we can easily transition into in-person events when we are able. **Lunch & Learn** will take place the first Tuesday of the month, **Morning Networking** the 2nd Wednesday of the month, and **Mobile Mixer/After Hours** will take place the 3rd Thursday of the month. We look forward to seeing you there and moving into 2021 with positivity and optimism! [CLICK HERE](#) to access the 2021 Chamber Calendar.

Executive Committee

Congratulations to our newly elected PACC Board Executive Committee: President Carrie Vesel, **ABRA Auto Body & Glass**, Vice President Mary Patnode, **Innovative Communication Strategies**, Treasurer Michelle Czech, **Princeton Public Schools**, and Secretary Alisha Lueck, **Marv's True Value**.



Host AM Networking

Our 2021 Morning Networking slots are almost full! This meeting is a fantastic way to promote your business. It is a structured format that begins with all attendees sharing their tag lines. Then the host gets “15 minutes of fame” where they talk about their business, often times in a really fun format. During the time of Covid, we have held these meetings online as well as outdoors in parks where we can social distance, but we look forward to being in person as soon as we can. Our 2021 Schedule:

January: Princeton Fitness/Cross Fit Beyond Sport

February: Bopha Sar

March: Small Business Casual

April: SendOut Cards

May: Minuteman Press

June: City of Princeton

July: Marv's True Value

August: Goenner Consulting

September: Age Friendly Community

October: ABRA Auto Body & Glass

November/December: Open

Mobile Mixer Paint Party

Have you ever wanted to feel like an artist? Well, here's your chance! We are excited to offer a Paint Party at our January Mobile Mixer. The cost of the paint party is \$25/person to cover the cost of supplies, and pre-registration is required. **You must register no later than January 10** in order to secure a spot, so be sure to get registered today by [CLICKING HERE](#). Once you get registered, you'll find instructions to access the Zoom link and Kim will be in contact on where you can pick up your paint kit. Thank you to Create & Connect Mobile Studio for bringing this fun night to us in the comfort of our own homes!



We'll be creating the painting above called “Breathe,” and it will all take place on **January 21st at 5 pm on Zoom**.

Incoming and outgoing board members

We want to take the time to thank our outgoing board members, Tracy Bailey of **Colonial Life Insurance** and Amber Wilkinson of **First Bank & Trust**. Tracy served the board for one term and was Board President for two of those years. Amber



Wilkinson served two terms on the board. Both

Tracy and Amber were always willing to help out in any way while serving the board and are huge advocates for our businesses and community. We will miss them both on the board!



As we start the new year, we'd also like to welcome our two new board members. Ashly Hughes from **Midsota Canvas** and Sara Rutten from **Mandy Moore & Associates**. Tim Siercks from **Minuteman Press** was also reelected to the board. Congratulations to all!

2021 PACC Silent Auction

Due to the current pandemic and restrictions, we will be unable to host our annual gala in person this year. Instead, we are planning a great online silent auction. We are looking for donations of baskets and other items. If you would like to donate but aren't sure what to give, we have put together a list of items where you can sign up. We look forward to having a lot of great items on the auction. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to visit the Silent Auction page and to sign up. **All items must be dropped off by January 18**, and the auction will take place in February. You can drop off at ABRA Auto Body & Glass or contact Kim to have your item picked up. Thank you for your help!

Welcome New Members!

Welcome to our newest members: Midsota Canvas and Friends of the Princeton Community Library!

Midsota Canvas is a family owned and operated business that creates custom fabric coverings, custom boat covers, custom coverings and more! Check them out at www.midsotacanvas.com.

Friends of the Princeton Community Library supports the Princeton Library and its services, providing volunteer help for public use for the education and enjoyment of all. You can visit them on their Facebook page - Princeton Friends of the Library.

Congratulations to the 2020 Business/Nonprofit and Volunteer of the Year!



Business of the Year: **Marv's True Value**

Nonprofit of the Year: **Friends of Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge**

Volunteer of the Year: **Carrie Vesel**

Congratulations to **all** of the nominees: Bopha Sar, Plastic Products, Ruff Start Rescue, Rum River Life Choices, Mary E. Anderson and Mike McCoy. [CLICK HERE](#) to watch the video announcement.