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General Meeting Notes 12/21/05

Attendees: Dave Olson, Adam Kienberger, Candy Retka, Paul Haglund, Wendy Wulff, Rod Borg, Tom Barnard, Jon Koznick, Nancy Smith, Chris Pommerenke, Robert Joswiak, Mike Jetchick, Kristina Clark, James Isaacson, Todd Bornhauser, Linda Thierry

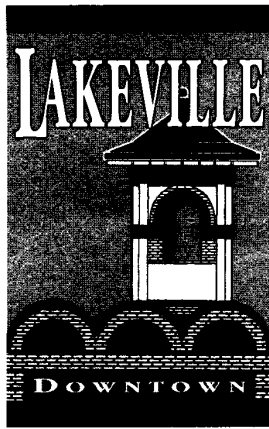
City of Lakeville Update – Dave Olson

- Adam Kienberger has joined the City of Lakeville staff. Adam's official title is Economic Development Specialist. We can expect to see a lot of Adam since he will become a key contact for the DLBA. Adam brings a wealth of experience with him and will be a great asset to the community.
- Monday, January 9th the City of Lakeville will host their second community meeting. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and be held at the Lakeville Area Arts Center. Everyone is encouraged to attend. The last meeting was very interactive and those that attended felt it was a positive experience. Visit the City of Lakeville website www.ci.lakeville.mn.us for more information regarding the activities of the Downtown Redevelopment Task Force or you can link to the site via the DLBA website.
- The Lakeville City Council approved expansion of Darts Services in Lakeville starting 1/06/06. Darts provides transportation services to seniors 55 and older. CBDG grant dollars will pay for this expanded service. In addition, there will be \$53,765 available for Downtown code improvement in 2006. Contact Dave Olson if you would like to apply.
- Copper Bleu Restaurant hosted a pre-opening event and everyone that attended said is a beautiful building offering a unique dining experience, and the food was delicious.

Holiday on Main Wrap Up – Linda Thierry

Another successful Downtown event by all measure – large crowds at Art Center and Enggren's Mall, smiles everywhere. We have reached maximum capacity at both of our main locations.

- Recruit volunteers from student groups
- Scavenger hunt in Downtown
- Activity ideas – tree lighting, caroling in Downtown, frosty the snowman,
- Signage DLBA on stage at Art Center (sponsored by),
- Indoor/outdoor traffic flow at Arts Center
- Move Art Sale
- Move Book Sale
- Keep number system but change process 1 thru 250.



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2006 DLBA Meeting Schedule

We will continue to meet the third Monday of each month. The request has been made to move the meeting place around town. If you are interested in hosting a meeting let Linda Thierry know. See attached schedule for details.

DLBA Executive Board and Advisory Board Nominations

The DLBA Executive and Advisory Boards have openings. We are asking for nominations between now and our January meeting. If you are interested please contact one of the current board members listed on this letterhead.

2006 DLBA Events Calendar

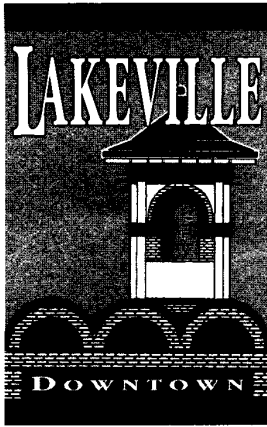
See attached. We will be needing volunteers for these events so please mark your calendars.

Chamber update – Todd Bornhauser

- Business Person of the Year nominations being accepted. See website for details. The Chamber Annual Membership Meeting & Holiday Dinner is scheduled for Monday, 1/30 at 6:00 at Crystal Lake Golf Course.
- Final proof of the membership directory is in process and hopefully they'll be sent out in early 2006.
- The new city map (Village Profile) is almost ready for distribution. This map will be in place for 2006/07 and is expected to be sent to 5,000 new residents during this time. Tear off maps will be available in area hotels (10,000 were used in 04/05).
- The Chamber is in the process of finalizing their budget over the next 30 days.
- New board starts in January.
- It the Chamber moving? Maybe, maybe not. The Chamber has had a long term stated goal of owning their own facility. For the past 2 years there has been a subcommittee in place reviewing the Chamber's space needs and opportunities that have come up. They have outgrown their current space. They need 1500 sf and have been looking at a range of options both in the short term and the long term. At this time not final decision has been made. Feel free to stop by and talk to Todd if you have any concerns or questions on this matter.

Lakeville Area Arts Center News

Gift certificates are available year round for the LAAC. Their schedule is busy and shows are selling out. Important dates in 2006: Taste of Lakeville – Thurs. 5/4; Lakeville Art Festival, 9/16, 17 ; Oktoberfest, Sat. 9/30.



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News from Your Downtown Businesses

- Social Security Administration Representatives will be in Lakeville to answer your questions. Kristina Clark, of Edward Jones, will be hosting this FREE 1 hour session at the Lakeville Area Arts Center on Wednesday, 2/1 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. For more details visit www.edwardjones.com and go to Kristina's page.
- Holly's Centre Stage Dance – Holly Hewitt is in the process of redrawing the interior design for her new building (next to Erickson Drug). This will result in the front half of her 2-story building (storefront on Holyoke Avenue). The front half will be a shell and businesses leaseing space in her building will have the opportunity to work with her on plumbing/electrical requirements. Everyone's help in networking for prospective renter(s) is appreciated.

Other

The DLBA has decided to change their meeting start times to 12:00 noon. So effective 2/20 DLBA general meetings will start at 12:00 noon and run until 1:00 p.m.