

## ◀◀ Economic Expansion ▶▶

▶ **Ground Broken Hwy 14**  
Owatonna to Dodge Center



▶ **Rise Modular Retrofits Building**  
1st Quarter 2020



▶ **Costco Depot**  
Moves Dirt Fall 2020



▶ **Daikin Warehouse/**  
Distribution 2020



▶ **Revol Greens Expands**  
7 Acres Additional



▶ **Bushel Boy**  
80k sq ft R&D Space



▶ **Minimizer Building Work Starts**  
Fall 2020



**2019  
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- ▶ **Rich Pettet**  
Rich's Window Cleaning



**DECEMBER**

**Tuesday,  
December 10**  
5:30 – 7:00 PM  
**Sponsor: KOWZ & KRUE Radio and  
Owatonna Country Club**  
Location: 1991 Lemond Rd, Owatonna



**Secure your spot  
to host a Business  
After Hours in 2020!**  
**Months still available:  
May 26 and  
November 13, 2019.**  
*Call the chamber for details.*

**JANUARY**

**Tuesday,  
January 28**  
5:30 – 7:00 PM  
**Sponsor: SpareTime Entertainment**  
Location: 333 SE 18th ST, Owatonna



**OACCT 2020 ANNUAL DINNER  
Friday, January 17**

5:30 – 8:00 PM  
Location: Owatonna Country Club  
1991 Lemond Rd, Owatonna



**Who will win the Traveling Trophy for the 2019 Holiday Lighted Parade?**

This is the 19th parade and inaugural trophy award. The trophy will recognize the effort of our businesses to give back to the community. Stop down, see the parade, listen to the carolers and find out who the winner is in Central Park. Check out our Downtown Owatonna Facebook page for the winner if you miss the parade!

Here's a past float from AmeriGas & Edward Jones



HISTORIC DOWNTOWN  
**OWATONNA**  
MAIN STREET



## The 3-year vision of Visit Owatonna 2020-2022

To enhance Owatonna's position as the heart of southern Minnesota while increasing the economic impact through brand adoption and regional collaboration to promote Owatonna as a destination for new and returning visitors.

**BRANDING** - Build on Visit Owatonna

**REGIONAL COLLABORATION** - Collaborate with area Chamber's, CVB's and attractions.



**MEETINGS & EVENTS** - Continue to build relationships with event/meeting planners

**TRANSPORTATION** - Solutions for getting visitors around Owatonna

**CUSTOMER SERVICE TRAINING** - Create a plan and educate hospitality staff on how to ensure great customer service

## ► **BUSINESS BREAK** Member Announcements | Please submit by the 15th of the month

**Cashwise Liquor** recently made a donation of \$2650 to the Owatonna Foundation to help the Foundation's mission of improving the quality of life for present and future generations by supporting Owatonna projects that focus on community, arts, recreation and education.

**CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen)** believes the best way to serve our clients and communities is to support our people in building careers that match their personal and professional aspirations. We are thrilled to express our congratulations and announce the following individuals who have reached new states in their chosen career paths. Matt Goldade, Principal, Emerging Industries-Professional Services; Sara Theobald, BizOps Assistant Controller; Ashley Tschida, Senior, Manufacturing & Distribution. We are also pleased to announce the following students will be completing an internship with CLA in the months ahead. Nicholas Brown, Minnesota State University-Mankato and Nathan Deason, South Dakota State University.

**Hometown Credit Union of Owatonna** received the Editor's Choice Award for Community Commitment and was recognized for advancing financial wellness in southern Minnesota through education, counseling, and volunteerism. The award, sponsored by BadCredit.org, recognizes the financial education and resources Hometown Credit Union provided to community members, as well as their contributions to local, charitable organizations.

**Little Theatre of Owatonna (LTO)** has announced auditions for its winter production of "The Odd Couple" by Neil Simon. Auditions will take place from 6:30 – 9:00 PM on Sunday, December 8, and Monday December 9 at LTO, 560 Dunnell Drive in the West Hills Complex, Owatonna.

**Owatonna Foundation** is pleased to announce that a \$2,500 donation has been made to the Foundation by Home Federal Savings. The Owatonna branch is located at 1015 Frontage Road W #100.

**Steele County Historical Society's** Executive Director James Lundgren has submitted his resignation to the Societies Board. The Executive Board has begun the process of seeking a new Executive Director and applications can be submitted to Ryan Gillespie, Board President.

**Steele County Historical Society (SCHS)** is excited to host their annual Christmas in the Village event and Holiday Home Tour on Friday, December 6 from 4:30 – 8:00 pm and Saturday, December 7 from 10 am – 2 pm at the Village of Yesteryear, 1448 Austin Road, Owatonna

**United Prairie Bank** celebrates 100 Years of Helping you Get There. They are proud to be your family-owned community-minded bank celebrating 100 years of serving our communities.

## ▶ NEW Members

### ▶ American National the Zappa Agency

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### ▶ Mineral Springs Brewery

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### ▶ Fastenal

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### ▶ Sign Pro/Auto Trim Design of Owatonna

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### ▶ Innovative Basement Systems

Kimberly Mangskau  
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## ▶ DECEMBER & JANUARY Events

### ▶ CANADIAN PACIFIC HOLIDAY TRAIN

December 5  
Time: Local musicians: 3:00 PM, Train Arrives: 3:40 PM, Train Performers 3:45 PM – 4:15 PM  
Location: 1145 Park Drive

### ▶ LIGHTED HOLIDAY PARADE

December 5  
Time: 6:00 PM  
Location: Downtown N. Cedar  
Lighting Central Park to follow parade

### ▶ HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS

December 5 – 8

### ▶ BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

December 10  
5:30 – 7:00 PM  
Sponsor: KOWZ & KRUE Radio and Owatonna Country Club  
Location: 1991 Lemond RD, Owatonna

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**  
from the OACCT  
Board of Directors  
and staff!



### ▶ YOUNG PROFESSIONALS – SOCIAL EVENT

December 12  
Location & Time: Check Young Professionals Facebook Page

### ▶ BUSINESS BOOT CAMP

December 19  
12:00 – 1:00 pm  
Owatonna Public Library – Gainey Room, 105 N Elm AVE  
Topic: Millennials at Work with Becki Tindall, Federated Insurance  
Sponsor: CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen)



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### ▶ CHAMBER PACK INSERT DEADLINE

Supply 550 copies of your promotional insert by December 27 for January's mailing; \$150

### ▶ BUSINESS BOOT CAMP

January 16  
Owatonna Public Library – Gainey Room, 105 N Elm AVE  
Topic: Financial Health  
Sponsor:

### ▶ ANNUAL DINNER

January 17, 2020  
5:30 – 8:00 pm  
Location: Owatonna County Club, 1991 Lemond Rd



### ▶ BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

January 25  
5:30 – 7:00 PM  
Sponsor: SpareTime Entertainment  
Location: 333 SE 18th ST, Owatonna



The OACCT Office will be closed at noon on December 24 and on Christmas Day, December 25 in observance of the Christmas Holiday. Office hours will resume on December 26. The OACCT Office will be closed on January 1, 2020 for the New Year and will resume on January 2.



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