



BROOKFIELD

Chamber of Commerce

November 2017

Message from the President

Greetings chamber members.

I hope you and your businesses are doing well. Fall is in the air. What a great fall it has been for the chamber so far. The conclusion of another successful farmers market.

Despite the torrential downpour our last Farmers Market drew in 300 attendees.

Another spooktacular event took place on Saturday, October 28th with the Monsters on Main Street event, Trick or treating in the Grand Boulevard & Broadway business districts followed by refreshments, pumpkin and taffy apple giveaways, and a costume contest were just some of the ghoulish fun that were had by all.

We still have a few drawings left for the 60 to Win Raffle...so come join us on Thursdays at 4:30 pm at Joe's Saloon. It's always a good time!

Plans are coming together for the annual Brookfield Holiday Celebration & Tree Lighting, which will be held on Saturday December 2nd. The train setup has been secured. Irish Times will host Santa again. Village Hall will host performing groups and children's games. Two trolleys will run through the business district. The Grossdale Station will host the woodcarver. The Grand Blvd businesses will have different events. A petting zoo will be at the circle, Snowmen and the tree lighting will be at 6 P.M. Tischler's will be hosting Tommy Twister, and "Elsa" will be at Betty's Flowers. Mary's Morning Mixup will have special sweets at the circle.

It is that time of year again...the Chamber Holiday Party/Installation of Officers as well as the Snowmen auction, December 14, 2017. Save the date and look for more information coming this month.

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Brookfield Chamber of Commerce 2017 Officers & Directors

President

Todd Hitzeman

Hitzeman Funeral Home, LTD.
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First Vice President

Steven Langworthy

Edward Jones
485-8291

Second Vice President

Open

Secretary/ Treasurer

Amy Weinert

First National Bank of Brookfield

485-2770

Directors

Term Ending 2017

Betty LeClere (Betty's Flowers)

372-1005

Charles T. Hitzeman (Hitzeman Funeral Home)

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Phillip Richard (First National Bank of Brookfield)

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Mary Vasquez (Mary's Morning Mixup)

387-0552

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Doug Fiala (Douglas Auto Body)

485-7774

Brian Sharenow (FMG Events)

485-9230

Clara D'Onofrio (Ms. Clara's Mini Musicians)

704-1716

Immediate Past President- Tom Milani (House Pros)

“CATCH THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT”

at SOKOL SPIRIT



Start your Holiday Shopping Now!

We will have vendors and crafters in our lower hall!

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sokol Spirit is located at
3909 S. Prairie Ave.
Brookfield, Illinois

Food and Beverages will be available for purchase.

Like trivia?



Think you have a team
that can't be beat?

Come join us at Sokol Spirit for our annual
adult team trivia night!

When: Saturday November 18 7:00pm

Where: Sokol Spirit's lower hall
3909 S. Prairie Ave in Brookfield, IL

Details: Bring a friend, bring a team, or just bring
yourself!

This event is BYOB and BYOS (snacks!)

We also have beer available for purchase.

The cost is \$10 per person. Teams (of no more
than 10 people) are encouraged!

We will also have split the pot raffles.

Questions?

Call Kathy at 708-485-3269. See you there-open
to the public!



Dates to Remember

Thursday, November 9th, 2017

Business Luncheon, Noon
Zubar, 8436 Brookfield Ave, Brookfield

Thursday November 16th, 2017

Board Meeting, Noon
Brookfield Public Library

Thursday, November 23rd, 2017

No Business After-Hours
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

Thursday, December 14th, 2017

Holiday and Installation of Officers
Irish Times, 8869 Burlington Avenue, Brookfield
5:30pm - 9:00pm

Message from the President, con't.

All Board Positions have been filled: Todd Hitzeman, Steven Langworth and Tom Milani nominating committee distributed the proposed Slate for 2018. Please review, Voting will be Thursday November 9, 2017, at Zubar and Grill, 8436 Brookfield Ave. Brookfield, IL.

The Village has asked the Chamber to be a part of the 125th Anniversary Celebration Committee in the Village. This will be a great opportunity. Brian Sharenow is our Chamber representative. More information will follow.

Farmers Market Sarah Thomas, has made a fantastic video on the farmers market it will be a great asset for marketing for next year!

Hoping that everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving!!

Todd Hitzeman
President Brookfield Chamber of Commerce



Brookfield's Aging Well team invites
you to ...

“Aging Care Connections”

Get all the updates about programs, services
and news available to area seniors
offered through our
La Grange-based social service agency

Thursday, November 9, 2017
10:00 - 11:00AM

The Brookfield Colgrass Café in Elks Lodge
9022 31st Street, Brookfield

Light refreshments will be served.
Bring a friend.

If you would like to stay for lunch please call 708-310-4434
to make a reservation. Suggested donation for lunch \$2.

For more program information, call
Aging Care Connections at 708-603-2342

www.agingcareconnections.org

Aging Well is a program of Aging Care Connections

Slate for 2018

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Phillip Richard (First National Bank of Brookfield) 485-2770
Betty LeClere (Betty's Flowers) 372-1005
Tim Gannon (Farmers Insurance) [708-905-5906](tel:708-905-5906)

Director Term Ending 2019

Doug Fiala (Douglas Auto Body) 485-7774
Will Knippenberg (Priority Print) 485-7080
Mary Vasquez (Mary's Morning Mixup) [708-387-0552](tel:708-387-0552)

Directors Term Ending 2020

Charles Hitzeman (Hitzeman Funeral Home Ltd) 485-2000
Monika Fogarty (Realtor at Keller Williams Experience
Realty) [773-988-7720](tel:773-988-7720)
Maria Verduzco (Loca Mocha) 485-7990

Everyone has said yes they would be happy to serve !
Thank You from the Nominating Committee



Are You Surge Protected?

FUTURE TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

708.485.8940

The advertisement features a dramatic scene of a lightning bolt striking a house at night. To the right, a collection of modern household appliances is displayed, including a refrigerator, a microwave, a television, a laptop, and a washing machine. The text is bold and clear, emphasizing the company's name and contact information.

ARE YOU PROTECTED AGAINST A SURGE?

If you are like most people, you feel that you have Surge Protection; you are far from really having the protection you think you have. You probably have a few power strip surge protectors throughout your house to protect your home from power surges. Unfortunately, most provide little to no protection against power surges.

What is at risk? All items that have a microprocessor are at risk during a power surge. This includes items like: televisions, computers, refrigerators, washers, dryers, ovens, alarm systems, microwaves and telephones, heating and cooling equipment. It is amazing how many items in your house actually need to be protected from an electrical surge. If an electrical surge were to occur today, how much money would you stand to lose?

What causes power surges? Lightning, problems with the utility company's equipment, large appliances cycling power on and off, faulty wiring, and downed power lines are just a few things that cause power surges.

Wouldn't it make sense to have ONE surge protector that would protect your entire house?

Call Allen at Future Systems now for a free in-home assessment. 708-485-8940

Save the Date!

Holiday and Installation of Officers Party

Thursday, December 14th, 2017

Irish Times

8869 Burlington Avenue, Brookfield

5:30pm - 9:00pm



Sokol Spirit's ANNUAL Spaghetti Dinner!!

All-you-can-eat! Bring your family, friends and neighbors!

Saturday November 4

Time: 4:00pm-7:00pm

Adults: \$8 Children under 12: \$4

Served up by the finest staff on Prairie Avenue!

3909 S. Prairie Ave, Brookfield

www.sokolspirit.org

