

# The Voice of Business for October



When: October 20, 2025

Where: Timberlake Lodge

Time: 11:45 am: Buffet 12:00 pm: Luncheon

Cost: \$15.00 members \$20.00 non-members

#### **RSVP** required:

218-326-6619 or email iennifer@grandmn.com by October 17th, 2025

#### Calendar of Events

Be sure to visit our website for a listing of all of our events including NEW learning opportunities!



Luncheon **Impossible Choices: An ALICE Simulation** presented by United Way of 1000 Lakes October 20, 2025

**GRAND CONNECTIONS:** A Small Business **Networking event for** connection, opportunity & growth October 20, 2025

**Photo Contest Submission deadline:** October 31 2025

Taking Care of Business December 3, 2025

#### **Chamber Committee** Meetings

**Ambassador** - Third Wednesday/monthly, noon - 1:00pm

### **Government Affairs**

Last Friday/monthly, 7:30am - 9:00am

**Natural Resources -**

Last Friday/monthly, 9:15am - 10:45 am

To be added to the invite list for these committees, email April: april@grandmn.com

**September Customer Service Award** 

Grand Rapids Area September Customer Service Award HOLLY HENRIKSEN





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**Guide Cover Photo Contest** 

**Grand Rapids Area Chamber & Visit Grand Rapids** are looking for stunning outdoor photos that capture the beauty, culture, and spirit of Itasca County!

Submit your best vertical shots for a chance to be featured in our 2026 Grand Rapids Area Visitor Guide and win Chamber Bucks to be used at any Chamber member business!





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### **Upcoming Opportunities**

### **Monday, October 20 Luncheon: Impossible Choices:** An ALICE Simulation presented by United Way of 1000 Lakes

Join us for a thought-provoking luncheon as attendees are led through Impossible Choices, an interactive simulation bringing to life the tough financial decisions faced by ALICE households – those who are Asset-Limited, Income-Constrained, and Employed. Those who work hard but struggle to afford basic essentials. It is a powerful opportunity to reflect on what it means to live on the financial edge, and why the work of organizations like United Way is so critical.



11:45 am - 1:00 pm Timberlake Lodge, Grand Rapids



# **Monday, October 20: GRAND CONNECTIONS**



a focused, small business, open house-style event for connection, opportunity, and growth.

GRAND CONNECTIONS is a partnership between:





The Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce and the Small Business Development Center at IEDC will host a networking evening designed to connect local business owners across sectors and spark actionable collaborations for the holiday season and beyond. Our goal for the event is two-fold:

- We want to hear from YOU, our small business community, to learn how we can best support and enrich your work
- Facilitate an environment for cross collaboration in preparation for the holiday season and beyond

There will be representatives from the Grand Rapids Chamber and IEDC present to hear your ideas, voice your wishes, ask questions, and learn about what is valuable to you and your business. This event is not exclusive to Chamber businesses, rather is open to all small businesses – through all sectors - in our area.

> 4:00 pm- 7:00 pm Rapids Brewing Co., Grand Rapids Drop-in when you can!

### THANK YOU TO SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON SPONSOR:



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