

AMBASSADOR

Spotlight

THE CHAMBER AMBASSADORS WELCOME AMY WIELAND

This year, the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors welcomes 3 new members, one of them being Amy Wieland. Amy decided to accept the invitation to become a Chamber Ambassador because “volunteering has always been a part of how I live my life and my new position as Executive Director of the Charlevoix County Commission on Aging has opened up my personal time to do more of that. I believe in the benefits of Chamber membership and I love our community, so it’s a perfect fit. I get to boast about our little town, support the work of the Chamber and do some volunteering in an area that interests me. I think the Ambassadors are important to the Chamber as we are Chamber members who have experienced what the Chamber does and how it supports our business community and we can give testimony to our experience. In addition, we each have our own networks to share information, events, and changes happening in our community”.

When asked what she likes most about Charlevoix, Amy’s response was, “It’s funny, when people ask me what I love most about Charlevoix, the answer is exactly what I hated about Charlevoix when I was a teen. I love that we are a close-knit community. Everyone knows each other or the family you come from or even an extension of your family. That was hard as a teen. As an adult, I can now see how in that closeness, we step up to help each other when there is an emergency or crisis and we all share in the successes of getting through that challenging time. We look out for our neighbors, and support the aging and the youth in our community. Charlevoix is beautiful, but we are more than just a “Pretty Face”.

The Ambassador Committee is not the only group that Amy volunteers her time for. She has also volunteered for Hospice of Northwest Michigan, The Sue DeYoung/Judy Edger Breast Cancer Walk, Charlevoix Main Street events, as well as the Charlevoix Elk Club and their events. So, even with all those commitments, Amy still finds the time to relax. She said, “My husband just so happens to be my best friend, so we are rarely apart when we have time off. Family and friends are the priority. I love to cook so most of that time is centered around food, entertaining and celebrating the present. I love being near or on the water and some days there is nothing better than just a good book.”