

Detroit Lakes Regional Chamber of Commerce

Weekly Eblast

700 Summit Avenue, Detroit Lakes

Open Monday-Friday, 9am to 5pm

New Chamber Website: www.DetroitLakesChamber.com

www.VisitDetroitLakes.com

218-847-9202

For our full event calendar go to: <https://visitdetroitlakes.com/events/>

*If you'd like to submit event information to be included in next week's eblast, please email jean@visitdetroitlakes.com no later than 12 noon on Monday.

What's happening this week:

Tuesday, Sept. 29

- **U-Pick Flower Day**, dawn to dusk, Ortenstone Gardens; cut flowers from the front annual bed near the main entrance only. Bring your own clippers or cutting shears, gloves and a vase or wrapping for your flowers. Gather any cut stems so the garden stays tidy. www.ortenstonegardens.org
- **Lakes Area Farmer's Market**, 10am-1pm, Peoples Park; this is the last Tuesday until next spring. www.lakesareafarmersmarket.info

Tuesday-Thursday, Sept. 29-Oct. 1

- **Community Blood Screening**, 7-9:30am, EMS Building, 225 Park Street; cost is \$40, cash or check payable to Noon Rotary Club

Wednesday, Sept. 30

- **SCAM JAM**, 8:30am-noon, Holmes Theatre Ballroom; fraud and identity theft can feel overwhelming, but you can take steps to protect yourself and your loved ones. Presented by AARP MN, the Better Business Bureau of MN & ND, Arvig and local organizations. Breakfast at 8:30am; reserve your ticket at 877-926-8300 or online at <https://www.aarp.org/events/details.detroit-lakes-area-scam-jam.p6nhjpplj2h>
- **Master Gardener Clinic**, 9am-noon, Becker County Extension Office, 1120-8th Street SE. Questions, call 218-846-7328
- **WE Fest Takeover**, 6-8pm, Unhynged Sports Bar in Fargo; in-person ticket offer for \$95, hosted by BOB 95 FM, www.wefest.com

The month of October

- **Socktober** (new sock drive), drop box at the parking lot entrance of First Lutheran Church; They will be accepting new socks of any kind as it is the least donated item received at their clothing closet for their social assistance ministry. They will also be accepted at the altar during worship. www.firstlutheranchurch.com, 218-847-5656

October 1-14

- **Break the Silence Memorial Display**, DL City Park; see this visual representation of Minnesota's victims of intimate partner homicide. Each silhouette represents someone's child, parent, sibling, husband, wife, partner, friend, neighbor or co-worker. www.lakescrisis.com

Thursday, Oct. 1

- **Plant Tours**, 8am-4:30pm, Dynamic Homes; tour the production plant, ask questions, and tour the model homes. Drop in or call 218-847-2611, www.dynamichomes.com
- **HR Connect, 8:15-9:30am, Chamber Office**; for anyone dealing with Human Resources; 218-847-9202, www.DetroitLakesChamber.com

Friday, Oct. 2

- **Blood Drive**, 9am-1:30pm, DL City Hall Community Room; for an appointment, contact Jenna at 701-371-9126, vitalant.org
- **Rural Democracy Summit 2026**, 10am-5pm, Moorhead Armory Event Center; hosted by West Central Initiative. Hear inspiring speakers, join in interactive discussions and leave with ideas to bring back to your community. Lunch is provided, space is limited. Reserve your seat at www.wcif.org/events
- **DL Homecoming Parade**, 2pm. Businesses that want to be part of the parade should be at the High School by 1:30pm. Businesses can line up on James Street along with our sports teams and organizations. If James Street gets full, we can utilize Madison Avenue. If you have questions, contact Hayden at haydenjackwilson2008@gmail.com
- **Live Music** by Slamabama, 8pm, Shooting Star Casino; for information call 800-453-7827, www.starcasino.com

Saturday, Oct. 3

- **Fall Open House**, 9am-3pm, Dynamic Homes; learn about our construction process, tour the factory and model homes, explore career opportunities. www.dynamichomes.com
- **Brunch & Build**, 10am-noon, Bucks Mill Brewing; proceeds benefit Fuller Center for Housing 2026-27 building project at Red Willow Heights in Frazee. Brunch by Lakeview Catering, cash bar and games of chance. Tickets available at the Chamber office for \$25.
- **Lakes Area Farmer's Market**, 10am-1pm, Peoples Park; www.lakesareafarmersmarket.info
- **Damien Home Tour**, 12:30-4pm, tour five area homes; \$25, cash or check, tickets available at the Chamber office
- **PHUN Walk and Bras on the Beach**, 1-4pm, Hub 41; hosted by Lakes Area Parrot Heads. There will be a ½ mile walk; also decorate and wear your best bra; best bra contest and bra auction. Fee charged, register at <https://hlnks.co/71911ee1>
- **Barktoberfest Fundraiser**, 5pm, Bucks Mill Brewing; this is a walk-in style pottery painting fundraiser for Humane Society of the Lakes taught by Young at Art Co.
- **Music** by Smokin' Amp DJ, 9pm, Holiday Inn; 218-847-2121, www.dlinn.com

Sunday, Oct. 4

- **Holy Rosary Parish Festival**, 11am Mass, followed by lots of food and activities, also an online silent auction. www.holyrosarycc.org, 218-847-1393

Monday-Friday, October 5-10

- **Client Appreciation Week**, Old National Bank; they will be doing secure document shredding, prize drawings and giveaways, refreshments, treats and more. 218-847-9292. www.oldnational.com

Tuesday, Oct. 6

- **Garden Talks – Pumpkins, Gourds and Squash**, noon, DL Public Library; given by Master Gardener Linda Perrine. www.larl.org, 218-847-2168
- **Indigenous Forestry Walk**, 3-5pm, Tamarac NWR; join White Earth Natural Resources Cultural Coordinator Jimmy Uran as he shares Anishinaabe tradition, forest medicines and more. Meet at the Discovery Center for a short walk meeting trees and other plants that have a significant role in Ojibwe culture. 218-847-2641, www.fws.gov/refuge/tamarac/
- **AI For Real Classes**, every Tuesday in October, 6-7pm, Lakes Golf Simulator. Learn how to use AI confidently to get better answers, solve real problems, save time, check accuracy and more. Fee charged, reserve your seat at www.lakesgolfsim.com. 218-325-9429

Coming

- **Coffee & Community, October 7, 8-9am, Becker County Museum**; topic is what homelessness looks like locally and how it impacts our schools, workplaces, healthcare system, public services and local economy. Expert panelists will share valuable insights.

Free to attend, but please RSVP to

<https://business.detroitlakeschamber.com/eventcalendar/Details/coffee-community-understanding-the-unhoused-in-our-community-1894766?sourceType=Hub>

- **Member Meet & Mingle, October 14, 4-6pm, Light Consulting**, 839 Washington Avenue. An opportunity to connect with fellow Chamber members in a casual, fun atmosphere. Whether you're a small business owner, part of a large organization, new to the Chamber or a longtime member, this event is for you and for all employees of Chamber member businesses. Free to attend, but please register at

<https://business.detroitlakeschamber.com/ap/Events/Register/ZRF3g0ZtgCeC2>.

M State Adult Education

- **Adult Basic Education office at M State has relocated to Room F114.** Use entrance door on East side. laae@detlakes.k12.mn.us
- **GED & Adult Diploma Orientation Sessions**, twice a month
- **Driver's License Written Exam Prep Class**, classes offered virtually every fall and spring
- **Free English Language Instruction** – schedule can be flexible and individualized. Call 218-844-5760, laae@detlakes.k12.mn.us
- **SERVSAFE Classes**, offered twice a year; additional class can be scheduled for 6 or more participants. Call 218-844-5760 or email laae@detlakes.k12.mn.us for more information.
- Additional Adult Education information can be found in the seasonal catalog at www.dlschools.net/departments/community-education

Up-to-date Information:

- Fishing report, <http://www.visitdetroitlakes.com/fishing-report> or call 218-847-5743.

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