



September Newsletter 2025

From the President's Desk



Ryan Milligan
2025 Chamber
President

Dear Chamber Members,

As we turn the page to September, the rhythm of fall starts to settle in. School buses are back on the roads, football lights glow on Friday nights, and Carroll's community calendar remains as lively as ever.

This month, we celebrate the return of routine and the strength of local connections. Whether you're cheering for the Tigers or Knights, enjoying a warm drink, or attending a Chamber Coffee, September is the perfect time to reconnect with neighbors and support our local businesses.

We're also preparing for several exciting Chamber events. Be sure to mark your calendars for our upcoming Chamber Coffees and Live + Local evening. These gatherings consistently attract strong attendance and are full of community spirit. Don't forget to join us on Thursday, September 11th, for a Night Shift at Windstar Lines/Star Destinations/Town & Country Travel to see their beautiful new remodel. Then, the following Thursday, September 18th, is our final Live & Local event of the season.

Behind the scenes, your Chamber team is working hard to support local entrepreneurs and promote economic growth. We are also inviting all marching bands, businesses, and community groups to join us for Carroll's largest parade, the 68th Annual Band Day Parade, on October 4th. Register your group online or by calling the Chamber.

Thank you for being a valued member of the Carroll Chamber of Commerce. Your energy and dedication help Carroll thrive.

As always, Go Local.

Choose Carroll!



Chamber Landing Pages

FREE FOR ALL MEMBERS

- ✓ Every member will receive one
- ✓ No action is needed on your part
- ✓ Login info will be sent when your page is completed
- ✓ Support will be available



Work has begun on each Chamber member's custom landing page. This is a process and you will be contacted with login info when your page is ready. Remember, this page is designed to drive Chamber website traffic to your company website and boost your website's Google rankings.

We encourage you to login and explore all your page has to offer. Add to it and make it your website if you don't have one. Turn it into your online store if you're ready to take your sales online. Or post jobs or coupons. Free support is available to help you take advantage of all the tools available.

We're excited to bring you this new service as part of your Chamber membership. Thank you for your support! Please contact Dani at chamber@carrolliowa.com or 712.792.4383 with questions.

Ag Golf Outing a success!

The Carroll Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual Agri-business Barbecue and Golf Outing on Friday, August 8 at the Carroll Municipal Golf Course. The event is our way of showing appreciation for our agribusinesses and farmers for their contributions to Carroll County.



This year, 35 teams of four participated in our golf tournament with a few others joining for the evening barbecue. It was a beautiful day for golfing and socializing.

Thank you to all of the participants as well as our hole, event and door prize sponsors.

Thanks to this year's Hole Sponsors:

Culligan of Carroll, Performance Tire and Service, Mid-Iowa Insurance & Real Estate, Westside State Bank, Champion Ford, Commercial Savings Bank, Availa Bank, FAC Cooperative, Farm Credit Services of America, Iowa Savings Bank, Haley Equipment, Stone Printing and Office Supply, Community Oil, Western Iowa Networks, Landus Cooperative, Olsen, Muhlbauer & Co., Lenz Insurance and RE/MAX, Van Wall Equipment, Rueter Red Power, Iowa Corn Processors, Auen Distributing.

Thank you to our Event Sponsors:

Barrett Agri, Inc; Champion Ford; Drees Oil Co.; Hy-Vee; Industrial Bearing Supply; Motor Inn of Carroll; Minnich, Comito, Neu, & Hawley; Olsem Plumbing; Sparky's One Stop; State Farm - Doug Gifford; Templeton Family Farms; Templeton Savings Bank; United Bank of Iowa; Vonnahme Construction.

Thank you to our Door Prize Sponsors:

American Home Shield/Front Door, Arcadia Meats, Auen Distributing, Availa Bank, Barrett Agri Inc, Carroll Broadcasting, Carroll Municipal Golf Course, Carroll Vet Clinic, CD Custom Ag, Commercial Savings Bank, Crossroads Nutrition, Culver's, Drees Oil Co., Farmer's Cooperative, Game One, Haley Equipment, Iowa Savings Bank, JEO Consulting, Koster Grain, Kuemper Catholic School, Landus Cooperative, Lenz Insurance and RE/MAX, Raccoon Valley Electric, Sparky's One Stop, Stine Seeds, Templeton Distillery, Templeton Family Farms, Van Wall Equipment, Wyffels Hybrids - Dave Slechta.



Also thanks to Ag Scholarship Raffle Sponsors: Auen Distributing, Carroll County Cattlemen's, Raccoon Valley Electric Cooperative, and Templeton Distillery. Combined \$1,800 was raised for the Ag Scholarship Fund this year.



The Carroll County Leadership Institute (CCLI) is a program of the Carroll Chamber of Commerce, designed to develop leadership skills and community awareness among participants.

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Your support builds Carroll County's Leaders

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Thank you to the above sponsors who enable the Carroll County Leadership Institute to develop the next generation of great Carroll County leaders. We are very excited to welcome the 2025-2026 class!



Welcome to the 2025-2026 Leadership Class

Scot Aden, New Hope

Jenna Anthofer, Carroll Family Chiropractic & Acupuncture

Krysten Bernholtz, City of Glidden

Carter Brodersen, United Bank of Iowa

Cody Davis, Collins Aerospace

Stephen Grimm, Landus

Cory Haberl, Van Meter Industrial, Inc.

Nathan Mertz, Commercial Savings Bank

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Chris Ozarowicz, St. Anthony Regional Hospital

Tera Petersen, Sparky's One Stop

Roger Pieken, Frontdoor - American Home Shield

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Josh Sporrer, Frontdoor - American Home Shield

Joe Stouffer, DMACC

Tracy Sturm, New Hope

Erin Sundrup, Kuemper Catholic Schools

Tammie Wetzel, St. Anthony Regional Hospital

Ericka Willenborg, United Bank of Iowa

Josh Young, Pella Corporation - Carroll





Thursday, September 11th, 4:30 – 6:30 PM



Check out their beautiful new remodel!

Grab your friends— Bring your co-workers.

Clock-in for the Night Shift!

Nothing hits the spot after a long day of work like ... refreshments!

Don't miss out — come join the fun at

Windstar Lines | Star Destinations |

Town & County Travel

1903 US Highway 71 N, Carroll, IA

FOOD & DRINK

NETWORKING

... AND MUCH MORE

Live + Local in September

September's Live + Local is Thursday the 18th with the band Aged Spirits entertaining the crowd. Drees Co and Mid-Iowa Insurance & Real Estate are sponsoring the event. The T-shirt cannon and giveaways are always a hit with the kids, so bring them along for the fun!



FREE CONCERT

Thursday, September 18th - Depot Park
6:00 - 9:00 PM

Bring your own lawn chair and your own soda, beer or seltzer.
Cans only-No Glass. No hard liquor!



Sponsored by:



Strengthening Our Region's Competitive Potential



HUB 712 and Carroll County Growth Partnership are partnering with the Iowa Farm Bureau and other regional organizations to bring a great business seminar to Carroll on **Thursday, September 25th from 8:15 am - 1:00 pm.**

Hosted by Commercial Savings Bank, the seminar focuses on the stages of business growth, obstacles you may encounter, and the tools available to overcome them.

The seminar is free, but you must pre-register >> [Register Now!](#)

Iowa Farm Bureau's



presents

THE JOURNEY TO YOUR VISION

Seminar



September 25, 2025 - Carroll, IA

Commercial Savings Bank, 325 W. US-30 Carroll, IA 51401

Every business faces peaks and valleys as they progress through stages of growth. Do you know what stage your business is in and how you can reach the next level?

Attend this valuable half-day seminar to help stack the odds in your favor by understanding the stages of business growth, their unique challenges, and methods to overcome them.

Led by **Joel Bennett, Lead Consultant - Veel Hoeden Consulting**, this "hands-on" event will provide an opportunity to discuss your challenges with other business owners and non-profit officers to utilize the collective power of their experience to help you address these barriers head on.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Top decision makers across all business types, including current CEOs, presidents, non-profit executives, development officers, business owners, and general managers.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Bring clarity to where you want your business to go.
- Identify your current stage of growth and navigate your organization along its own growth curve.
- Understand and uncover the hidden agents that may cause obstacles to your growth.
- Recognize your top 5 challenges, focus on impact, and create methods to address them.
- Understand resources available to help you grow.
- Commit to new leadership behaviors and receive 30 days of support.

AGENDA

8:15 AM	-	Coffee / Continental Breakfast
8:30 AM	-	In your seats / Welcome
9:30 AM	-	Understanding Where You Are
10:30 AM	-	Understanding What's Ahead
11:30 AM	-	Roundtable Session
12:00 PM	-	Lunch / Collaborative Networking
12:30 PM	-	Action Planning
1:00 PM	-	Adjourn

REGISTRATION

This session is complimentary to participants but pre-registration required. Call (800) 254-9670 or visit <https://carrolljtyv.eventbrite.com> to register.



Provided through a partnership of:





BAND DAY

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Calling all marching bands, businesses, and community groups—show your spirit, showcase your talent, and be part of one of

Carroll's favorite traditions!

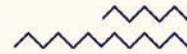
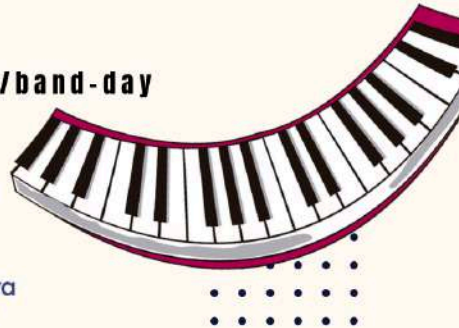
Bring the music, the fun, and your best parade style for a day filled with community pride and celebration.

MAKE SOME
NOISE

SEE YOU
IN THE PARADE

Register at
www.carrolliowa.com/band-day

Thanks to our sponsors:



MOONLIGHT MADNESS SALE THURSDAY, OCT 9TH

The Chamber Retail Committee is planning a Moonlight Madness
ONE DAY SALE Thursday, October 9th

Each participating business plans their Moonlight Madness Sale and is responsible for their own advertising. The Chamber will promote the event and list participating businesses.



***Businesses are encouraged to offer
adult drinks and treats from 4-7pm.***



The Retail Committee is asking merchants to get in the spirit of Halloween and dress in costume for Moonlight Madness.

The Chamber staff will be handing out treats to shoppers and taking photos of merchants in their Halloween attire.

If you would like to participate, call the Chamber office at 712-792-4383 or email Rosanne at r.nees@carrolliowa.com.

The deadline to sign up is Friday, September 12



HOST A CHAMBER COFFEE!

8-9 on Friday mornings

Call 712.792.9793 or email chamber@carrolliowa.com to schedule!



- Get one week of free advertising on the Chamber website, Facebook page, newsletter, and weekly eblast for your Coffee.
- Have your five minutes of fame on Facebook live during the event.

...and check out our upcoming coffees!



Upcoming Chamber Coffees:

- **Friday, September 5** - Carroll Broadcasting, 1119 E Plaza Drive, Carroll
- **Friday, September 12** - Rolling Meadows, 1024 E 12th St, Carroll
- **Friday, September 26** - Swan Lake Conservation Center, 22676 Swan Lake Trail, Carroll
- **Friday, October 3** - Family Resource Center, 502 W 7th St, Carroll

2025 Board Members

Ryan Milligan - President
Justin Yetmar - Vice President
Noah Dryden - Secretary/Treasurer
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Eric Boes
Quentin Buswell
Beth Glynn
Stephanie Hackfort
Kelsea Hawley
Lisa Irlbeck
Chad Lawson
Nicole McCarville
Dr. Thomas Parrish
Heather Pietig

CALENDAR

Friday, September 5

Coffee at Carroll
Broadcasting, 8-9 a.m.

Friday, September 12

Coffee at Rolling Meadows
Senior Living, 8-9 a.m.

Thursday, September 18

Live + Local, 6-9 p.m.

Friday, September 26

Coffee at Swan Lake

Sondra Riersen
Benet Snyder
Keeley Young

Conservation Center,
8-9 a.m.

Staff

Kimberly Tiefenthaler - Executive Director
Rosanne Nees - Business Development Director
Ashley Schable - Program Director
Dani Stipe - Administrative Assistant
Della Lappe - Financial Director

Friday, October 3

Coffee at Family Resource
Center, 8-9 a.m.

Saturday, October 4

Band Day, 10:30 a.m.

Focus Statement

Carroll Chamber of Commerce is a membership organization dedicated to promoting the Carroll area businesses and developing community assets and resources to encourage growth within the area.

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