

## Mission Statement

Your Greater Lake Stevens Chamber of Commerce is an independent, non-profit agency committed to advancing the needs of our business community.

We are community problem-solvers, adding a pro-business voice to discussions regarding the future of our region. We promote our community and its economy and positive relations between business and government in an effort to maintain the best possible business environment.

We are committed to providing tangible benefits to our members. We support efforts locally, regionally and nationally that promote healthy communities and schools that are essential to prosperous businesses.

We believe that membership in the Greater Lake Stevens Chamber of Commerce is a sound investment for your business, your community and your future.

## Investing in Your Community

Two of the major elements that make our Chamber successful are the involvement of our members and the financial investments they make. The Chamber is an investment in the future of your business community.

Through membership, you have the opportunity to address the most challenging issues facing business. If you cannot be directly involved due to time constraints, your financial support will work on your behalf, insuring that we continue to have a healthy business environment.

Whether your involvement is personal or financial, you will be an important part of the Chamber. *YOUR membership* will make a difference.

## Thoughts from current members

Del Thompson, Windermere/RMI: *"Our motto, Strength through Unity, really says it all. Together we can accomplish anything!"*

Jan Larsen, Larsen Financial Services: *"The Chamber allows me to develop relationships throughout the community. Over the years, I have received many referrals from fellow Chamber members and have referred clients to them in turn."*

## Annual Membership Dues

Individual & Non-Profit	\$ 80.00
Self Employed - no employees	\$100.00
Government Agency	\$120.00
Business with 1 - 4 employees	\$125.00
Business with 5 - 9 employees	\$165.00
Business with 10 - 25 employees	\$200.00
Business with 26 - 49 employees	\$250.00
Business with 50+ employees	\$300.00

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### The Greater Lake Stevens Chamber of Commerce

Please print business name as you would like it to appear on your plaque.

Business name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Business location: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Web address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner (name & title): \_\_\_\_\_

Participating Rep. (name & title): \_\_\_\_\_

Type and nature of business: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

# of employees: \_\_\_\_\_

First year dues: \_\_\_\_\_

One-time initiation fee:     \$25.00    

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We accept your invitation to membership and agree to honor this membership in accordance with the by-laws of the Greater Lake Stevens Chamber of Commerce.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Membership Has Its Benefits

### The Greater Lake Stevens **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

*Serving Our Community Since 1981*



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#### Chamber Office

located inside the Village License Agency  
9327 4th Street N.E., Suite 7  
Just South of Frontier Village

#### Mailing Address

PO Box 439  
Lake Stevens, WA 98258

#### Monthly Luncheons

2nd Monday of each month\*  
11:30 AM

LSSD Education Service Center  
12309 22nd Street NE, Lake Stevens

\*Occasionally 1st or 3rd due to holidays

## *Membership Has Its Benefits . . .*

### **Chamber Website**

- ◆ The new updated website will enhance the businesses and the community of Lake Stevens.
- ◆ The Chamber will continue investing money to promote the businesses of Lake Stevens and have a marketing program to get individuals outside of Lake Stevens, and from Lake Stevens, looking for information about schools, business and events in our community to use this site as a “best reference guide.”
- ◆ Chamber members will be highlighted on the website with the ability to post reviews and share information regarding the services they provide. This will allow visitors to gain more information about Chamber businesses than those just listed in the directory — it’s like having a bigger ad in the yellow pages with rave reviews vs. a one line directory ad.
- ◆ This is all **FREE** to Chamber members!

### **Chamber Business Showcase**

- ◆ A Chamber sponsored event, FREE to members, in which businesses can “showcase” their company at a community event.
- ◆ The Chamber offers free prizes and giveaways to encourage the community to attend.
- ◆ Headline speakers and performances for the public to enjoy while visiting the individual businesses of Lake Stevens.

### **Educational Classes**

- ◆ The Chamber provides low cost educational classes for its members and member’s employees. The Chamber helps co-sponsor the educational classes to make them accessible to all its members and allow owners to bring all or several employees into classes. Educating and providing learning opportunities to staff aids in the retention of those key employees.
- ◆ Typical classes may include: Quick Books (a 4 part series for beginners, intermediate and advanced); Microsoft Office classes for Excel, Word, Publisher, etc.; Human resources class; plus many other valuable classes.

### **Medical and Long Term Care Benefits**

- ◆ The Chamber has negotiated group rates for small businesses so they can collectively get discounted rates for business owners and their employees. This helps many small businesses be more competitive and retain employees.

### **Monthly Chamber Meeting**

- ◆ On the second Monday of each month the Chamber businesses meet to connect with other members and to benefit from an informative meeting/mixer.
- ◆ These monthly luncheons connect the members with an informative speaker that adds value to businesses and keeps the members aware of upcoming events in the community that they may want to participate in.
- ◆ Provides direct access to community leaders that give insight on the direction of our community or possibly discuss concerns you might have about the community.

### **Annual Leadership Breakfast**

- ◆ The Chamber connects individual business owners and its members with community leaders, elected government officials from our area, and inspirational speakers to communicate the direction of our community and have the opportunity to connect with the needs of the business community.

### **Annual Chamber Gala**

- ◆ A yearly event in which Chamber businesses and employees get together and enjoy a fun evening out together. There is fun entertainment and many special items to choose from and bid on in our silent auction. This provides a great evening for members to meet and promote business.

### **After Hours Community Mixers**

- ◆ Your business and others will have the opportunity to conduct business mixers at your place of business and other locations. This builds business relationships as well as promotes your business to the leaders of the community.
- ◆ This also allows business owners and staff to network with other businesses and connect with potential clients.
- ◆ You may pair up with another business to co-host an event.

### **The Ambassadors Club**

- ◆ Ambassadors welcome the newest members of the Chamber to educate, involve them in the Chamber and to reinforce the value of Chamber membership. They act as representatives of the Chamber at functions and events and actively promote the Chamber through their community involvement. Ambassadors participate in and provide much needed and appreciated support for activities such as Business after Hours and other Chamber events.

### **New Resident Packets**

- ◆ You can include information about your company in our new resident relocation packets FREE of charge.

### **Membership Placard**

- ◆ Placard may be prominently displayed in your place of business to show that you are a Chamber member.

### **Newsletter Inserts**

- ◆ For \$25 your company can provide a digital flier to the Chamber office and have it sent with the monthly newsletter. First time is free.

### **Mailing Labels**

- ◆ If you prefer to do your own mailing, we can provide you with a set of Chamber address labels for only \$10.00 (first set free upon request to new members).

### **Discounts in the Community**

- ◆ Upon joining the Chamber there are many discounts available to promote your business to the community. So whether you are a new business looking to gain public awareness, or an established business in the community, there are discounts to help you get noticed.

### **Seminars**

- ◆ The Chamber hosts and co-sponsors seminars on topics that have an impact on the business community.

### **Economic Development**

- ◆ The Chamber works to retain, expand and strengthen existing business and job opportunities which benefit the "Quality of Life" in the community.

### **Exclusive New Chamber Member Benefits**

- ◆ The Chamber offers a free bio in the newsletter — with over 250 distributed each month — and your first flyer inserted in the newsletter for free (\$25 value).
- ◆ The Lake Stevens Journal offers a certificate to “buy one ad, get one ad free.”
- ◆ The Everett Herald offers up to \$500.00 dollars in matching advertising funds.