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A Word from the Chamber President



Brad Gruhot
Marshall Chamber President

Happenings at the Capitol | We are closely watching significant developments in St. Paul this past week, as a new power-sharing agreement is taking shape. This agreement has allowed the House of Representatives to fully return to work and begin making progress on key issues for the state—particularly in this critical budget year. Beyond the budget, we are eager to see movement on other priorities we've partnered with other chambers with in the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce Federation. The business community, with the Minnesota Chamber leading the way, is actively engaged at the Capitol to ensure businesses are heard, protected, and positioned for a more competitive and prosperous future.

One of these issues continues to the Paid Family Medical Leave Law which is supposed to go into effect come January 1st, 2026. Still lots of confusion and as I talk to businesses. They still aren't clear about the effects about the burden of costs that will be placed both on the employer and the employee. Let me be clear, we are not opposed to a Paid Leave program, we just don't feel that a program like this should be mandated as many businesses already had something in place.

There has been legislation introduced to delay the Paid Leave program to 2027 to give DEED more time to iron out the kinks as we do not want a program of this significance rolled out with as many questions there are still around it.

Another important issue this session is permitting reform. It is a prime example of how we can strike a balance in our state — thoughtful policymaking that improves Minnesota's economic outlook while ensuring bipartisan cooperation. Support for this reform continues to grow through the work of a statewide coalition and partners at the Capitol. *-Brad*

Events & More



Chamber 101

Led by Chamber President Brad Gruhot



Young Professionals

Speaker: Chad Drake - "Tough Times Never Last, Tough People Do!"



GreenSeam Roundtable Discussion

Led by Holly Callaghan with GreenSeam



Marshall Leadership Academy
Agriculture Month



Women's Connect

Speakers: Jana Reilly & Shakhri Isaeva
"2025 Real Estate Insights"

Important Announcements!

2025 State of the City Address
Wednesday, February 26th • 11:30am
Held at SMSU. Find all the details of this event and register online now at: <https://rb.gy/x7a230>

2025 Chamber Coupon Books
Out now! \$30 each & include over 200 coupons from 120+ businesses. Get yours at the Chamber office or find a list of organizations selling them at: marshallmn.org/stay-local/chamber-coupon-book

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