



Bill Strong  
Team Leader

## Greetings from your Membership Team

Tracy Bedeker, First Federal Savings Bank  
 Deb Clausen, Manpower  
 Tom Hoffman, Retired  
 Karen Karparti, First Federal Savings Bank  
 Ken Murata, MBL Corporation  
 Dr. Maureen Work, BodyCare Chiropractic  
 Mike Wickkiser, UnionBank

Don't Miss the  
**OAC Golf & Tennis Outing**  
**SEPTEMBER 4TH**

### Chamber members wanted:

Yes, we want you to be an active, involved and energized member of the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is your organization. So I encourage you to join a committee, attend an event, volunteer, and I guarantee that your experience will be rewarding. Through our committee structure the goals and objectives of the Chamber are developed and implemented through a team approach. We welcome your input.

Our Membership Team is here to assist you in meeting your fellow chamber members and providing an orientation to the many benefits and opportunities for participation that membership brings.

It's an exciting time at the Chamber and again, I encourage you to take the steps to becoming a more active Chamber member.

*Bill Strong*

### CELEBRITIES *on the Green...*

**September 4th.** Get your foursome ready. Join **Reggie Doss**, retired defensive end for the LA Rams, **Brian Herring**, former Chicago Bear and **Sarah Neville Futures Golf Pro**, as they step on the Green to raise funds for the OAC Economic Development Foundation. **Find out how you or your child can have their picture taken with our celebs:** Call the OAC today: (815) 433-0084.

*Chamber Chatter...Everybody's talking about...Riverfest. Congratulations to: Mayor Eschbach and The City of Ottawa, Harold Clemens' ADventure Management for hosting such a grand event. Thanks to John Stone for not letting the weather rain out the Parade....Kudos to the Ambassadors for taking 1st Place in the Professional Organization Float Category. Everybody's Talking about Seattle Sutton's Healthy Eating sale of another franchise—the state of Georgia... Dan Parker's (WCMY) retirement announcement. Everybody's talking about.. Mayor Bob's & Joe Gurski's grilling at the OAC Farmers' Market and those delicious sausages from Handy Foods and Polancic's.*

OAC TEAM MEETING SCHEDULE			
Membership (9:00 –10:00 a.m.)	Sept. 11	Oct. 9	Nov. 13
Communications (4:00—5:00 p.m.)	Sept. 17	Oct. 15	Nov. 19
Downtown Dev. (8:00—9:00 a.m.)	Sept. 18	Oct. 16	Nov. 20
Tourism (8:00—9:00 a.m.)	Sept. 10	No Meeting	Nov. 12
Public Policy (9:15—10:30 am.)	Sept. 18	Oct. 16	Nov. 20

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*The following businesses were approved for membership at the 6/25/03 OAC Board meeting:*

- ◆ Apple Way Catering
- ◆ Rainbow International
- ◆ Income Tax Etc.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday's Through October 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	<b>OAC Farmers' Market</b> Washington Park & Jackson St.
September 4 1:00 Tee Off	<b>Golf &amp; Tennis Outing</b> Deer Park Country Club
September 17 5:00—7:00 p.m.	<b>Business After Hours</b> Celebration of the Year of the Ambassador Ottawa Boat Club
October 4-5	<b>Scarecrow Festival</b> Downtown Ottawa
October 7 11:30 am– 1:30 p.m.	<b>OAC State of the City</b> K of C Hall
November 6 4:00-5:00 p.m.	<b>OAC General Membership Meeting</b>

*Join us for these Chamber sponsored events!*