



June 9, 2026

Dear Mr. Flick,

On behalf of U.S. Venture and the U.S. Venture Open, I am writing to request permission to utilize Jones Park for the 2026 U.S. Venture Open Welcome Reception.

The U.S. Venture Open, a philanthropic golf outing that raises funds for the Basic Needs Giving Partnership, is entering its 41st year. Each year millions of dollars are raised to end poverty in Northeast Wisconsin.

We kick-off the event, with a welcome reception on the evening prior to the golf outing. We would like to host this reception at Jones Park on **Tuesday, August 11**, from **4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** This is a perfect tie this year with our new move to 222 downtown. The main golf outing, dinner, and program will follow on **Wednesday, August 12** taking place at 6 golf courses and Van Abel's of Hollandtown.

All attendees are invited (1350 attendees), but around **650 guests** usually attend. The event kicks off the U.S. Venture Open and welcomes many people to Appleton locally and from around the country. It includes live music, hors d'oeuvres, and beverages in a relaxed, professional setting. Our team is committed to respecting the park's facilities, ensuring proper cleanup, and adhering to all City of Appleton regulations and requirements.

We would be happy to provide any additional information needed. We look forward to partnering to make this year's event a success. You can find additional event information at: www.usventureopen.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dawn Ruchala".

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