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A Legacy of Leadership

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We honored our Leadership Lee's Summit class of 2023 graduates during the Chamber's monthly membership luncheon May 19. These leaders are poised and ready to leave a lasting legacy on our growing community.

Yours Truly,



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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



"Our goal is to ensure the business community is top of mind when it comes to issues facing any type and size of business."

or opposing certain initiatives. To help educate members and the community on ballot measures, the Chamber disseminates press releases to the public and provides updates on behalf of all members — keeping them abreast of their position.

The Chamber also hosts yearly candidate forums to educate the community on individuals running for elected positions.

Members will receive these updates through the Chamber’s weekly email, the Chamber Voice, where council and school board meetings are highlighted, positions of endorsements are posted and other key reminders are provided to the members and community.

Want to know what your state representative or senator is doing? Chamber members have access to the Chamber’s GovWatch report that sheds light on bills being filed, what’s passed and failed and other legislative actions taking place across the state.

If there’s an issue impacting your business and you need help deciding what to do or how to do it, please contact us and we’ll point you in the right direction.

Yours Truly,
Matt Baird

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In honor of this month’s annual legislative luncheon, I want to take this time to highlight how the Lee’s Summit Chamber advocates for ALL its member businesses.

That’s right, the Chamber has several initiatives when it comes to effective advocacy efforts on the member’s behalf.

From establishing relationships with all of the local and state elected officials to monitoring and highlighting actions at the federal, state, county, city and school district level, our goal is to ensure the business community is top of mind when it comes to issues facing any type and size of business.

Whether it’s meeting with the city council to discuss a development or the possibility of a landfill or infrastructure issue, the Chamber ensures it has its pulse on all matters facing the business community.

From a state and federal level, the Chamber is meeting with state elected officials to discuss bills that are being debated and the impact they could have, both positively and negatively.

The Chamber also takes a position on issues facing the business community by endorsing

A SIMPLE AND AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE ALTERNATIVE

Many small businesses in our community continue to search for affordable health coverage options.

That’s why the Lee’s Summit Chamber is proud to partner with the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry to provide a health insurance program that offers potential savings to businesses with 2-50 eligible employees.

Join us for this educational forum to meet our member providers and be able to have any questions you may have answered.

JUNE 20. 8-9 A.M. 210 SW Market St.



BIG HELP FOR YOUR SMALL BUSINESS

Business Growth Opportunities Abound; Learn How to Access Them Today!

6/22/23, 4:00 - 5:15 pm, Colbern Road Community Room

Big Help for Your Small Business:
Square One, Mid-Continent Public Library



Sponsored by Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce

The Square One Small Business Service Team, through the Mid-Continent Public Library, will host an informative session to help local businesses grow on June 22 from 4-5:15 p.m. in the Colbern Road Community Room.

Square One's mission is to save small businesses pain, money and time in the long run by providing valuable resources.

Square One supports local entrepreneurs through access to information, programs, and opportunity.

This presentation is designed to teach you the many opportunities to grow and nurture your business with all that the Square One Team provides.

You'll not want to miss this great program and the opportunities it will provide to you both personally and professionally.

RIBBON CUTTINGS



Ellie Mental Health



Bill Fry the Plumbing Guy



Southern Bank



Independence Hall Hillcrest Youth Transitional Housing



Whistle Stop Coffee & Mercantile



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A Legacy of Leadership

Congrats to the Leadership
Lee's Summit class of 2023!



Each year, more than 25 of Lee's Summit's finest leaders participate in a nine-month intensive program to sharpen their skills and learn more about the unique community around them. Many go on to be important community leaders and distinguished members of society.

Established in 1991 by the Lee's Summit Chamber and MCC-Longview, Leadership Lee's Summit (LLS) was developed to motivate the visionary leaders of the area. Participants acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to become effective leaders in the community.

Participants are required to attend day-long sessions focused on leadership, business and government and the history and culture of Lee's Summit. Volunteerism and commitment to community service is a requirement.

Please join us in congratulating the following 2023 LLS graduates:

- Anna Burgen, Job One
- Jayme Cable, Country Club Bank
- Alexis Campbell, Hampton Inn Kansas City Lee's Summit
- Taylor Connor, Turner Construction
- Debra Conrad, Security Bank of Kansas City
- Megan Crews, Lee's Summit Parks Department
- Maribeth Doss, Lee's Summit Sunrise Rotary Club
- Nicole Ervin, Sterling Bank
- Talia Evans, Lee's Summit R7 School District
- Nathan Flowers, UCM Lee's Summit Campus
- Jenny Gale, Downtown Lee's Summit Main Street

- Greg Gilliam, KC Scholars
- Jessica Gronau, Kelly Construction Group
- Heath Harris, Lee's Summit Parks Department
- Jeff Hasty, Lee's Summit Medical Center
- Vanessa Hickman, Lee's Summit Cares
- Ray Hill, Equity Bank
- Amy Koeneman, City of Lee's Summit
- Emily Powell, Burns and McDonnell
- Tina Rockhold, Saint Luke's East Hospital
- Megan Salerno, Lee's Summit Social Services
- Joe San Nicholas, City of Lee's Summit
- Eric Scott, John Knox Village
- Neill Smith, Paragon Star
- Jody Springer, Stone Amp SEO
- Sara Taylor, KC Dumpster
- Ja'Nice Ward, GEHA
- Damon Weatherspoon, Blue Springs School District
- Preston Weigel, Bergan KDV
- Trent Welch, Diffactory
- Lizabeth White, Blue Springs School District
- Josh Wooley, Missouri Central Credit Union

Applications for the LLS class of 2024 will open soon. Stay tuned to Chamber communication for more information or contact Lisa Frogge at lfrogge@lschamber.com.



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST CHAMBER MEMBERS

Since May 1, 2023

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MEMBER RENEWALS

The following are this month's renewals and the number of years they've been members:

Michael Vestweber . . . . .	.1	GFI. . . . .	.2
Yayuh . . . . .	.1	City of Greenwood . . . . .	.3
Ryan Alcantara Photography. . . . .	.1	Ingersoll Rand . . . . .	.3
U.S Army Blue Springs Recruiting Office . . . . .	.1	FASTSIGNS of Lee's Summit . . . . .	.3
SBK Advertising . . . . .	.1	KC Property Group . . . . .	.3
The Stonum Agency, Inc. . . . .	.1	Studdard Moving Group . . . . .	.3
Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant. . . . .	.1	Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #50 . . . . .	.4
Black Banner Productions . . . . .	.1	Horn Law . . . . .	.4
Air Representatives, LLC . . . . .	.1	Leigh + O'Kane. . . . .	.4
Furniture Mall of Missouri . . . . .	.1	The Goddard School - Lee's Summit - Lakewood . . . . .	.4
Farmers Insurance - Hanke Insurance Agency. . . . .	.1	Primrose School of Lee's Summit . . . . .	.4
MRKT on Main. . . . .	.1	Wings 4 Water. . . . .	.5
HopeKids Kansas City . . . . .	.2	Apollo Insurance Group . . . . .	.5
Academy Bank. . . . .	.2	CBM, Inc. . . . .	.5
Truman Heritage Habitat ReStore. . . . .	.2	Schlotzsky's/Cinnabon . . . . .	.6
Angi's Art LLC . . . . .	.2	Brain Balance of Lee's Summit . . . . .	.6
McCownGordon Construction. . . . .	.2	INSPO by KHL Design Studio . . . . .	.6
Mitsu Sato Hair Academy . . . . .	.2	Third Street Social. . . . .	.7
Central States Beverage Company . . . . .	.2	Mize CPAs Inc. . . . .	.7
Marquee Event Rentals. . . . .	.2	Summit Pizza. . . . .	.7
Red Crab Inc . . . . .	.2	Shirley Olson . . . . .	.9
Concrete Craft . . . . .	.2	A.L. Huber Construction . . . . .	.9
Kansas City Facial and Oral Surgery . . . . .	.2	The Asplund Group, LLC . . . . .	.10
Dog Training Elite Kansas City . . . . .	.2	Strange Music, Inc. . . . .	.11



HONORING OUR HOMETOWN HEROES

To highlight and honor our service veterans, the Lee's Summit Chamber will be proudly displaying hero banners throughout downtown Lee's Summit this September!

Banner sponsorships are now open and include your business name at the bottom of the banner and social media highlights throughout the month of September. Cost to sponsor is \$600 per banner.

A portion of the proceeds will go directly toward welcome bags for Whiteman Air Force Base airmen who are new to the Lee's Summit community.

Banners are to be given to the family of those honored or to the sponsoring organization at the conclusion of the month.

To sponsor, simply pay and send a photo of your hero, their branch of service, years served and the name of the business who will be sponsoring.

For more information, contact Chamber President Matt Baird at mbaird@lschamber.com.

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ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON

Learn major takeaways from the 2023 Legislative Session

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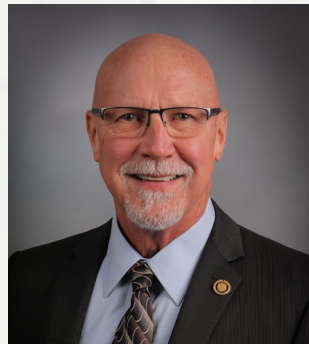
Did you know more than 3,000 non-budget bills were introduced during the 2023 session of the Missouri General Assembly?

The Missouri State Legislature convened on Jan. 4 and adjourned May 12. In total, 43 bills were passed and await review by Gov. Parson.

What were the major takeaways? What changes will Missouri business owners see in the coming year?

Learn this and more at our upcoming Legislative Luncheon Friday, June 16 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Missouri Innovation Campus.

Hear from our four panelists: Sen. Mike Cierpiot, Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Keri Ingle, and Rep. Kemp Strickler as they recap the recent legislative session.



Sen. Mike Cierpiot, District 8



Rep. John Patterson, District 30



Rep. Kemp Strickler, District 34



Rep. Keri Ingle, District 35

PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES TO NETWORK

Register online at lschamber.com!



RECESS FOR SUCCESS

Achieving Your Goals When the Going Gets Tough

4 p.m. | June 6

Missouri Innovation Campus

Join Certified Professional Life Coach Amy Schield to learn how to set great goals and manage your mindset when the going gets tough. *Sponsored by UCM Lee's Summit.*



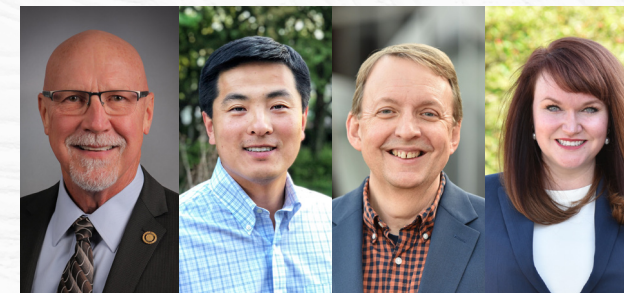
CHAMBER AFTER HOURS

4:30 p.m. | June 8

Luminate Home Loans - Lauren Wittig Team

205 SW Jefferson St.

Join us as we kickoff the start of summer during Chamber After Hours at Luminate Home Loans! Enjoy pulled pork and buffalo chicken sliders, chips and cold beverages while networking with new and familiar faces.



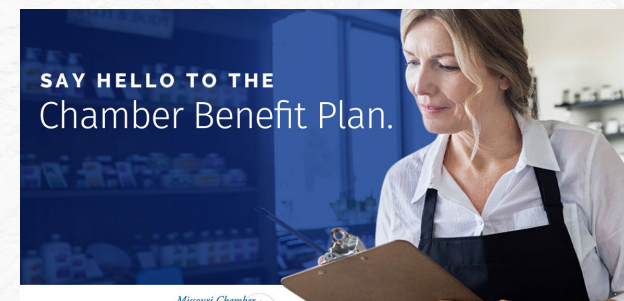
MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

11:30 a.m. | June 16

Missouri Innovation Campus

1101 NW Innovation Pkwy.

Learn the major takeaways from the 2023 Legislative Session during our monthly membership luncheon Friday, June 16 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Register by Monday, June 12. *Sponsored by St. Luke's Health System.*



CHAMBER HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT PLAN FORUM

8-9 a.m. | June 20

Bridge Space

210 SW Market St.

Join us for this educational forum to meet our member providers and answer any questions you may have regarding an advantageous health insurance plan. *Sponsored by the Chamber Benefit Plan.*



CHAMBER BEFORE HOURS

7:30 a.m. | June 27

Kim Connects HOME Team

3751 NE Ralph Powell Rd.

The early bird gets the coffee! Network with us at Kim Connects HOME Team Tuesday, June 27 from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Register now at lschamber.com/events.

LS CHAMBER
Young Professionals

Pickleball

with young professionals

Chicken N Pickle • June 21 • 4:30-6 p.m.

GAME ON!

Join Young Professionals from the Lee's Summit and Overland Park Chambers of Commerce for some friendly competition at Chicken N Pickle June 21 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Appetizers will be served.

Register online at lschamber.com/events.

For more information, contact Denise Elam, Director of Marketing and Communications, at delam@lschamber.com.

EVENTS THIS MONTH

Please note: All events are subject to change. Please visit LSchamber.com for the most up-to-date information.

June 1

- 8 a.m., Health & Human Services Committee Meeting, Lee's Summit Medical Center
- 3:30 p.m., Ribbon Cutting, Connect CoWorking/ACA

June 6

- 8 a.m., Ambassador Committee, Chamber Office
- 9:15 a.m., New Member Orientation, Chamber Office
- 4 p.m., Recess for Success, Missouri Innovation Campus

June 8

- 4:30 p.m., Chamber After Hours, Luminate Home Loans Lauren Wittig Team

June 9

- 9 a.m., Ribbon Cutting, Sleep Outfitters

June 13

- 11 a.m., Ribbon Cutting, Sterling Pharmacy/Three Rivers Hospice
- Noon, Networkers at Noon Leads Group, Johnny's Tavern

June 14

- 8 a.m., Business Development Council, Chamber Office

June 15

- 8 a.m., Executive Committee Meeting, Chamber Office
- 3:30 p.m., Military Affairs Committee Meeting, American Legion Building

June 16

- 11:30 a.m., Monthly Membership Luncheon: Legislative Update, Missouri Innovation Campus

June 20

- 8 a.m., Chamber Health Insurance Benefit Plan, Bridge Space
- 11 a.m., Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Connect Coworking, LLC
- 11 a.m., Ribbon Cutting, Big O Tires

June 21

- 8:30 a.m., Education Committee Meeting, Missouri Innovation Campus
- Noon, Board of Directors Meeting, TBD
- 4 p.m., Partnership Appreciation, Colonial Gardens
- 4:30 p.m., Chamber Young Professionals OP Mix and Mingle, Chicken N Pickle OP

June 22

- 3:30, Oktoberfest Committee Meeting, Connect Coworking
- 4 p.m., Square One Small Business Growth Presentation, Mid-Continent Public Library

June 23

- 7:30 a.m., Governmental Relations Committee, Missouri Innovation Campus

June 27

- 7:30 a.m., Chamber Before Hours, Kim Connects HOME Team
- Noon, Networkers at Noon Leads Group, Johnny's Tavern

June 28

- 10:30 a.m., Ribbon Cutting, Summit Pet Care
- 11 a.m., Young Professionals Committee Meeting, Chamber Office

June 30

- 8:30 a.m., Fun Fridays Networking Event, Bridge Space



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