# CHAMBERLink



The Chamber and Chamber Young Professionals hosted a Trunk or Treat Spooktacular event Monday, Oct. 30. More than 25 members donned costumes and handed out candy and promotional materials to families along the trail at William B. Howard Station Park and inside the Chamber Depot parking lot. It was a spooktacular, fang-tastic night indeed!

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## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



"Don't forget

to pay your

respects to

monthly

all veterans at

our November

membership

Luncheon."

-Matt Baird, President

This month, the Lee's Summit Chamber will recognize Veterans Day by hosting our monthly luncheon in their honor.

Hopefully during the months of September and October you were able to see the 20 banners hanging in downtown Lee's Summit that honored military veterans in our community.

The Chamber will honor those veterans at this luncheon by displaying their banners one final time to all who will be in attendance.

I can't think of a better way to show our respect for the service they provided to our country.

The Chamber's Military Affairs Committee helped initiate the Banner Program along with many other great initiatives throughout the year dedicated to the veteran community and Whiteman Air Force

Yes, the Chamber has a "sister" squadron, the 509 Civil Engineer Squadron, that is tasked with providing all the base services to ensure it runs smoothly.

The Military Affairs Committee provides welcome bags to all new incoming airmen and their families that includes gift cards and coupons of Chamber member businesses in Lee's Summit, encouraging them to come enjoy all that we have to offer.

If you are interested in supporting Whiteman AFB and veterans, please call or email me and I'd be happy to invite you to attend our meetings.

Don't forget to register and pay your respects to all veterans at our November monthly membership luncheon on Friday, Nov. 17 at 11:30 a.m. at Abundant Life Church Administrative Building.

Make it an awesome day!

Yours Truly,

Matt Baird | President Lee's Summit Chamber 816.524.2424 | mbaird@lschamber.com

# MINGLE AND JINGLE ALL NIGHT **Chamber to host annual Holiday Reception**

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Join the LS Chamber for an end-of-year Christmas gathering at the beautiful Lone Summit Ranch Wednesday, Dec. 6 from 5-7 p.m.

Plan to "Mingle and Jingle" throughout the evening as you enjoy tasty appetizers from a variety of Chamber member businesses.

Wet your whistle with frosty beverages and spend time getting to know the many Chamber member nonprofits that are doing great work in our community.

There will be multiple opportunities to visit with friends and network with new faces. Please come dressed in your favorite festive

We can't wait to see you then! Register today to reserve your spot!



# **NETWORK WITH CHAMBER YOUNG PROFESSIONALS**

You're officially invited to attend the LS Chamber Young Professionals night of networking at Summit Ice Nov. 29 from

Enjoy hot chocolate, s'mores and warm company. Don't enjoy ice skating? No problem, gather around a fire and chat with new and familiar faces. All young professionals are welcome to attend - even if you aren't a member of the committee.

To learn more about young professionals, contact Denise Elam at delam@lschamber.com.



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# A SPOOKTACULAR NIGHT! Chamber hosts first-ever trunk or treat

The Lee's Summit community had a ghoulishly good time Monday, Oct. 30 during the Chamber's first-ever trunk or treat spooktacular hosted by Chamber Young Professionals.

A special shoutout to our 25 vendors for decorating their trunks and tables along the trail with such enthusiasm. Your efforts made this event extra special! And another shoutout to all of our volunteers! Your hard work is so appreciated and does not go unnoticed!

We can't wait to do it all over again next year and make it even more fangtastic!

The Chamber hosted a contest for Best Decorated Trunk, Best Decorated

Trail Vendor and Best Overall Activity. Community members voted on their favorites. And the results are in!

**Best Decorated Trunk:** John Coleman with Coleman Equipment **Best Decorated Trail Vendor:** Isiah Sykes- American Family Insurance **Best Overall Activity:** Amanda Krier with Krier Photo

The Chamber also hosted a Pumpkin Carving Contest, with one creative winner awarded a \$50 gift card from Great Southern Bank. Congrats to Jose and his family for their hard work!

We hope you had an amazing Halloween! Special thanks to Preferred Pediatrics for sponsoring!











# HONORING OUR VETERANS **November Monthly Membership Luncheon**

Join us as we honor our veterans who have so bravely served our country during our November Monthly Membership Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 17 at Abundant Life Church Administrative Building.

Our guest speaker is Kelly "Murph" Murphy, who currently works for the Civil Engineering Squadron at Whiteman Air Force Base. Murphy joined the Marine Corps in 1990 at age 18. During his career, he deployed multiple times and served in a variety of units from aviation squadrons to infantry battalions.

In 2020, he competed and won the TV show "Tough as Nails" on CBS Television.

We will also honor the veterans who were displayed on our Veteran Banners throughout the months of September and October.

This lunchen is sponsored by Legacy For LS Parks Foundation. Register now to reserve your spot!





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New & Prospective Member Expo Nov. 15 | Bridge Space | 3:30 p.m



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Calling all new and prospective members!

The Chamber is set to host its New & Prospective Member Expo Wednesday, Nov. 15 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Bridge Space.

This is an expo-style networking event geared toward new and prospective members, or current members who have not yet plugged into the Chamber.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about what the Chamber offers while networking and meeting new members.

Sponsored by Joey Zarrillo, ZTeam at RE/MAX Heritage and Bridge Space. For more information, contact Lisa Frogge, Director of Membership, at lfrogge@lschamber.com.



## LS Chamber Members supporting other Members

'Summit Strength has worked with Bev and B&T Branding for over 15 years. It is important to keep our brand awareness in the community. We have tried several vendors and online ordering over the years and always come back to Bev. Her communication and personal service cannot be matched." Lori Knoche and Kathy Decker

"Pro Deo Youth Center has partnered with B&T for almost 10 years for our t-shirts and promotional products. We love working with Bev because she is local and can see the mpact our organization has on our shared community. Bev has a heart for supporting our teens, something a random online company wouldn't do.' Melissa Ward and Elaine Metcalf

I love using B&T because Bev always finds just the right promotional products that I need for my marketing and branding efforts! She is a true partner! Pam Lakey. Community Manager MID O X O V A X





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# MEMBER NEWS



### **HELP FEED LEE'S SUMMIT**

Join Feed Lee's Summit for a night of giving and camaraderie Nov. 10. Indulge in the finer things in life with whiskey, cigars and chocolate featuring Bootleg Bourbon balls, honored with a gold award for best dessert in KC and a silver award for best candy shop in KC. Don't miss out on this unforgettable evening. Get your tickets today and help make a positive difference on the community at www.feedls.org.

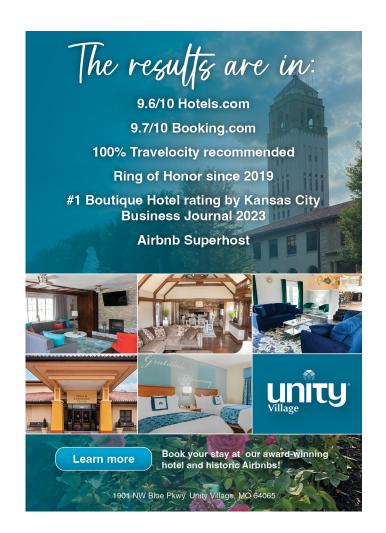
#### **GIVE JOY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

Kids in foster care hurt during the holidays, but gifts help give joy. Last year, FosterAdopt Connect provided gifts to more than 1,500 children during the holidays. With the generosity of donors like you, foster kids can have happier childhoods. To match with a child or donate to support, visit fosteradopt.org/ event/givejoy.



### FIND THE PERFECT GIFT AT **COLONIAL GARDENS**

Check out a new selection of holiday gifts at colonialgardenskc.com. You can even pre-order a pie — a great way to make life a litte easier this time of year.





## PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES TO NETWORK

Register online at Ischamber.com!



# **RECESS**

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#### **RECESS FOR SUCCESS**

**Building a Successful Team** 

4-5:15 p.m. | Nov. 7 | Missouri Innovation Campus

During Brian's coaching career he developed a philosophy in coaching that allowed him to develop a team and a long term program. Now he applies that same philosophy in the workplace to help create a successful team. Sponsored by Nate Tate The Insurance Guv.



# CHAMBER AFTER HOURS: Budget Blinds

4:30-6 p.m. | Nov. 9 | 239 SE Main St.

Choo-Choose Budget Blinds to network after hours with professionals, exchange ideas and build valuable connections.



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#### **CHAMBER BEFORE HOURS:** Coldwater

8-10 a.m. | Nov. 28 | 838 SW Blue Pkwy.

Join us at Coldwater as we complete our service project together, just in time for the holiday season! Chamber members are invited to hep Coldwater pack holiday boxes of side dishes for Christmas distribution.

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## **WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST CHAMBER MEMBERS**

Since Oct. 1

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# MEMBER RENEWALS

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

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Legacy for LS Parks Foundation
Abacus Accounting Solutions, LLC
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ADT
Pan Caliente KC
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St. Paul's Episcopal Church2
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Taco-Holics Club
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Return to Nature
Carmen's Cantina & Mexican Grill
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Amy Schield Coaching
Mathnasium of Lee's Summit LLC
Firebirds Wood Fired Grill
Meinershagen & Co., LLC
Real Property Management Consultants
Checklist Media
Accounting & Tax Solutions, Inc
The Downtown Deli and FLAVOR Spice Shop & Specialty Food Market
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Heartland Podiatry, PC
US Asset Services, LLC
Pearl Tavern
FosterAdopt Connect5
Harbor Hospice
Pet Supplies Plus 6
Nothing Bundt Cakes
B & B on Madison
The Williams Group
Topgolf
Select Physical Therapy - EPIC Sports Lodge 7

Ask Cathy Marketing Group LLC, Keller Williams	7
The Goddard School-New Longview	7
Marian Hope	3
Andy's Frozen Custard	3
Historical Society of Lee's Summit	9
Speaks Chapels	)
Lee's Summit MSTA	)
Bridge Space	)
Summit Park Church	)
Dana R. Arth CPA, LLC	)
Select Physical Therapy - Douglas St	)
Select Physical Therapy - Melody Lane	)
School of Rock	)
Community Services League	)
Sarpino's Pizzeria	L
Our Lady of the Presentation Catholic Church	L
Our Lady of the Presentation Catholic School	L
Command Research, LLC	•
KC Constructors, Inc	•
Summit Theatre Group	•
Law Offices of Jonathan R. Whitehead	•
Pro Deo Youth Center	3
Bruce Holiman State Farm Insurance	7
Heritage Companies	7
Morehead Agency, LLC	
Lee's Summit Roofing	9
Crowley Furniture	9
Our Lady of the Presentation Early Childhood Center 20	
Lee's Summit CARES	
AssuredPartners	
Spilker McKeone & Nelson PC	
Space Center Kansas City, Inc	
Missouri Central Credit Union	)
Lee's Summit Fire Fighters Local 2195	5
Comcast Cable	8
ABI Corporation	8
Lee's Summit Medical Center	
Berry Jennings State Farm Insurance 49	
Blackwell, Nill & Francois, DDS, PC 50	)

**THANK YOU!** 

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# MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP

## Package your dollars for 2024!

As you plan for the upcoming year, consider the opportunities the Lee's Summit Chamber provides in promoting your business. Members receive the exclusive opportunity to be a part of the partnership program, in addition to your membership investment.

Chamber partnerships are a unique marketing tool reaching both Chamber member businesses, as well as the local community. Your business automatically gains the publicity and brand recognition you need, in a positive and receptive environment in front of a number of business and community leaders year round.

The Chamber offers a variety of partnerships, allowing you to combine all or some of our events into one package. We have created a menu from which you can customize your partnership. If you are already planning to participate in some of our events, a partnership package can save you money – and gives you great year-round exposure in our weekly e-blasts, Chamber Link newsletter, Chamber publications, signage and more.

Take a look at the next page and consider the opportunities, then select the package that best fits your business.

The deadline to sign up for a 2024 Partnership Package is **Friday, Dec.** 8, 2023. You're welcome to pay in 2023, or may request to be invoiced after the first of the year, depending on your preference. If you have any questions, please call or email President Matt Baird at your convenience at 816.524.2424 or mbaird@lschamber.com.

If you would prefer to sponsor individual events, we will be providing a list of those options in the near future so that you can budget accordingly. These options range from small to large event sponsorships. Monthly event sponsorships are sold on a first-come, first-served basis so if you are interested, we would encourage you to act quickly! Call the Chamber office to reserve your spot.

## Partnership LEVELS

**PLATINUM** 

Select up to \$8,100

but pay only \$7,500

GOLD

\$6.100

but pay only **\$5,500** 

**SILVER** 

Select up to \$3.300

but pay only **\$3,000** 

**BRONZE** 

Select up to \$1.600

but pay only **\$1,500** 





'Tis the season for spreading cheer, and we need YOUR help!

- Drop-off location: The Lee's Summit Chamber Office
- Deadline: Friday, December 15th, 2023

## **How to Participate:**

- Craft or select a beautiful holiday card
- Sign your heartfelt wishes inside
- Our young professionals will take it from there, delivering to the residents at John Knox Village

Remember, it's the little things that make a big difference.



# **SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL GALA**

Most fun event of the year slated for Feb. 17, 2024

The Chamber's annual Gala is scheduled to take place Saturday, Feb. 17 2024 at John Knox Village!

With a live and silent auction, dancing, fantastic food and a VIP Experience, the annual gala is not only a Chamber fundraiser, but also the funnest night of the year!

You won't want to miss what's in store this year. To get involved with planning, we suggest joining our Annual Gala Task Force. The next meeting will take place Tuesday, Nov. 28 at 3 p.m at the Chamber office.

To learn more or join the task force, contact Director of Special Events Megan Gray at mgray@lschamber.com.



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

#### November 2

- 8 a.m., Health & Human Services Committee, Lee's Summit Medical Center
- 2 p.m., Ribbon Cutting: Destination Home Team/Crawford Creek Estates

#### November 7

• 4 p.m., Recess for Success, Missouri Innovation Campus

#### **November 8**

- 8 a.m., Business Development Council, Chamber Office
- 8 a.m., Women in Business Conference, Abundant Life Church

#### November 9

- 8 a.m., Executive Committee Meeting, Chamber Office
  - 4:30 p.m., Chamber After Hours: Budget Blinds

#### **November 14**

- 8 a.m., Leadership Lee's Summit Program: Closed Meeting
- Noon, Networkers at Noon Leads Group, Johnny's Tavern
- 5 p.m., Partnership Appreciation Event, Closed Meeting

#### November 15

- 8:30 a.m., Education Committee Meeting, Sylvan Learning Center
- 10:15 a.m., Ribbon Cutting: Xaboo Mephaa LLC, 1196 NE Douglas Rd
  - Noon, Board of Directors Meeting, TBD
  - 3 p.m., Ambassador Committee Meeting, Bridge Space
  - 3:30 p.m., New and Prospective Member Expo, Bridge Space

#### November 16

• 4:30 p.m., Business Field Trip: Summit Tech Academy at Paradise Park

#### **November 17**

- 7:30 a.m., Governmental Relations Committee Meeting, Missouri Innovation Campus
- 11:30 a.m., Monthly Membership Luncheon, Abundant Life Church Administrative Building

#### November 21

• 11 a.m., Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Bridge Space

#### **November 28**

- 8 a.m., Chamber Before Hours, Coldwater
- Noon, Networkers at Noon Leads Group, Johnny's Tavern
  - 3 p.m., Gala Task Force Meeting, Chamber Office

#### November 29

- 11 a.m., Young Professionals Committee Meeting, Chamber Office
- 4 p.m., Young Professionals Networking Event: Ice Skating, Summit Ice

#### November 30

- 8 a.m., Council of Chairs, Chamber Office
- 4 p.m., Ribbon Cutting: Rocktops Granite, 2888 NE Independence Ave.



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