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The Raytown
Area Chamber
of Commerce
supports our
business community
to enhance
the quality of life
for our citizens.

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MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

MEMBER2MEMBER Power Networking



One of the most valuable benefits of Chamber membership is the opportunity to share about your business and learn about other businesses in the community. For our membership luncheon, we are inviting members to participate in a fast-paced networking session with 7 other members at their table.

To get the most from this program:

- >> Bring business cards, brochures, materials or giveaways for 7 people.
- >> Be prepared to share about your business for three minutes.
- >> Invite a non-member to experience Chamber benefits.
- >> Remember, more representatives can network with more groups!

WHEN: Wed., June 22 <u>Register online</u> Networking begins at 11:00am, Lunch at 11:30am

WHERE: REAP Community Room \$16.00/person - RSVP by Monday, June 20

LUNCHEON RSVP POLICY

- Registrations *must* be made by NOON on the Monday before luncheon.
- ➤ Cancellations will be accepted until 24 hours prior to the luncheon.
- Cancellation after 24 hours, or No-shows will be invoiced with a \$2.00 fee added.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

June will be an exciting month for me personally. My daughter, Amanda and her husband Pat are expecting their first baby and I couldn't be more happier. They will be wonderful parents. I hope to share some photos and the little boy's name after he is born. His name is being kept a surprise. My grandson, Blake (son of Klayton & Kirsten) says "GaGa, I can't wait for the baby to come so we can play!"

In June, Nancy Bruns current President of the Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce will retire after being in Lee's Summit for 15+ years. Prior to being in Lee's Summit she was the President of the Raytown Chamber and worked for the Independence Chamber. Nancy has been a great mentor to me and will be greatly missed in the Chamber world. She is retiring to spend more time with her granddaughter. I am sure we will be able to connect after work sometime to catch up.

In looking over the list of this year's golf tournament, we had in attendance 12 Chair/ Presidents of the Chamber Board. They were: Bob Easley-1984; Dr. Jerry Hamblin-1986; Mike Apprill-1994; Shirley Wurth-1997; Paul Broome-1999; Allan Thompson-2000; Judy Ness-2001; John Ness-2004; Tom Gibbens-2008; Dr. Tim Chirpich-2009, Pat Ertz-2012 and current Chair, Michelle Williams. I really appreciate the support of this group.

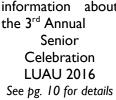
Even though it is summertime, your Chamber Staff is still working hard for you the Chamber member. Besides the day to day operation of the Chamber, we are keeping in touch with Jackson County in regards to the Rock Island Corridor and what we can do to help spread the word about this great project; we are on a steering committee for the city of Kansas city for the Blue Ridge Area Plan; we are part of the Mayor's Marketing Committee to help develop a new tag line or marketing points for the City, we attend the monthly Raytown Main Street Association meetings, we meet with City Staff to get update on projects such as the downtown Streetscape and we are currently working with the League of Women Voters to hold a candidate forum for the State Representative District 28 race.

My door is always open, come by anytime!

Vicki Turnbow, President

The Raytown Chamber Staff attended the Council on Aging's Senior Expo held on May 5 in the Council Chambers at Raytown City Hall. Thank you to Alyse Stoll for allowing us to attend this event and hand out information about







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At the May 20 Government Relations meeting, attendees were given an update from Raytown City officials (Mayor Mike McDonough, Aldermen Josh Greene and Janet Emerson) and State Representative Tom McDonald from District 28 provided an overview of what happened in Jefferson City

since session had just ended. Mr. Calvin Williford, Executive Director of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority along with Matt Davis and Josh Boehm provided an update on the



Rock Island Corridor. They handed out a Fact Sheet about the Rock Island Corridor (included) and invited those in attendance to visit their website for up to date information. The Raytown Chamber has offered their assistance to Jackson County and the Authority. This is an exciting time not only for Jackson County but for Raytown itself. A hiking/bicycle trail will be first on the list to complete coming right through Raytown. Be watching for updates through the Chamber's newsletter, email and Facebook page.

From their website- http://www.jacksongov.org/776/Rock-Island-Rail-Corridor-Authority

The Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority (RIRCA) was established to manage and maintain the Rock Island Corridor, which Jackson County acquired in the spring of 2016.

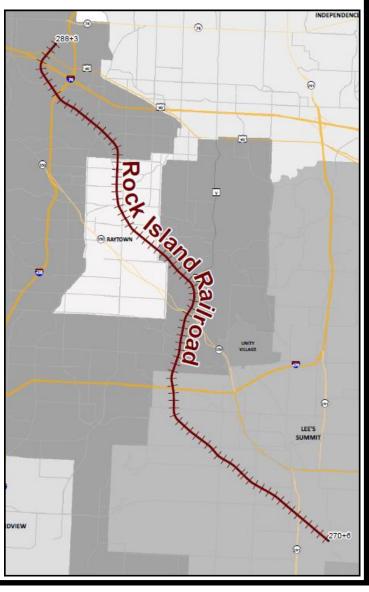
The RIRCA works on a variety of topics related to the Rock Island Corridor, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Corridor engineering and design
- Legal and regulatory issues related to corridor real estate and property development
- Corridor maintenance
- Corridor safety
- Communications
- Branding regarding the corridor
- Procuring federal funding
- Administrative support

The 17.7-mile corridor stretches from Arrowhead and Kauffman Stadiums south through Raytown and into Lee's Summit. Transforming a portion of the Rock Island Corridor into a hiking/bicycle trail will commence immediately. Corridor planning and design will focus on preservation of the national rail network corridor's most notably railroad corridor's integrity, the unencumbered continuity, and on multi-modal transportation options as the corridor remains available for freight service.

Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority

22501 Woods Chapel Road Blue Springs, MO 64015 Phone: 816-503-4847



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Trails:

- Trail development in corridor will bring \$1.3 million in economic activity per year
- Over 19,000 bicyclists will use the corridor
- 17.7 mile corridor connects cities of Kansas City, Raytown and Lee's Summit
- Provides for potential of a Kansas City connection to the KATY Trail
- 40% of trail users are expected to be daily work commuters

Economic Development:

- Hundreds of millions of dollars in public and private investments planned within ½ mile of corridor through 2020
- Trail development will increase property values by about \$45 million for residents within ¼ of corridor
- A National Association of Realtors study found homes near trails sell up to 15% more than homes not near trails
- * For every dollar invested significant benefits generated to the local community
- Trail and transit infrastructure projects, more labor intensive than material intensive, create more jobs per dollar spent than highway and bridge projects and are more suitable for small businesses and MBE/WBE enterprises.
- Within 1 mile of corridor
 - * Over 25,000 jobs * Over 23,000 households * Over 56,000 residents

Transit

- Transit and trails will connect regional users to Arrowhead and Kauffman Stadiums
- Provides for potential of connecting future transit to the River Market
- Transit in corridor will connect with greater KCATA bi-state network

Environmental Impact:

- Over 14 million fewer vehicle-miles will be traveled in 20-year period due to trail development
- New transportation options offered will save the region 477,000 gallons in gasoline over 20 years
- Trail development will clean up existing eyesores, safety hazards and contamination

Sources: Parsons Brinckerhoff, Groundswell Consulting, Jackson County GIS Department and University of Maryland







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Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce & Raytown Rotary Club



THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016







The Raytown Chamber/Raytown Rotary Golf Tournament was held on Thursday, May 19 at Hillcrest Golf Club. A big thank you to the sponsors listed on page 6. Eighty golfers, four virtual golfers and 15 volunteers were able to network and had a great time. Each virtual golfer was assigned to an actual team/golfer and if their golfer won something so did the virtual golfer. Unfortunately, none of our virtual golfers won anything, but were able to come out and enjoy lunch, register and get their tee package and network with the rest of the group. The tournament was a four person scramble and prizes were awarded in two flights for first, second and third place. Those winners were:

Ist Place Teams

A Flight: Wagler, Kimbley, Wilson & North B Flight: Bethel, Harding, Turnbow & McDonough

2nd Place Teams

A Flight: Markley, Shelton, Bradshaw & Lynch B Flight: Parker, Mock, Mock & Hamblin

3rd Place Teams:

A Flight: Smith, Stephens, Howitt & Sisk B Flight: Chirpich, Gillig, Gillig & Easley

The putting contest was won by Terry Allee and split the pot with the Chamber/Rotary group taking home

\$115.00. Bill Pence won closest to the line on hole 18 and Todd Kodas won longest putt on hole 9.





This year several sponsors took the opportunity to come out and greet the players at their sponsor holes. Crane Brewing Company was stationed at hole I and treated golfers to samples of two of their craft beers. Comcast Business was at hole 4 and Adam's Mark Hotel & Conference Center was on hole 7 just waiting for someone to get a hole in one and win \$10,000. Sadly no one won the cash prize. Arvest Bank handed out frozen snickers on hole I8. Central Bank of the Midwest took care of the putting contest and Express Employment Professionals and Raytown-Brooking Eagle made sure the players were well hydrated by taking care of the beverage cart/area. Thank you to the golf committee who stepped up and really helped with the securing of donated product (water, soda and beer) plus prepared the items for the awards reception. If you loved the homemade desserts, please make sure to thank Shirley Wurth. Terry Landers, Matt Tholen, Tom and Donna Gibbens, Kaylie Baker, Ashley Duncan, Paul Broome and Michelle Williams volunteered their time to help with setup and teardown along with registration and making sure the tournament ran smoothly. A big thank you to Jeff Locke and his staff at Hillcrest Golf Club for their patience and guidance in planning and executing the golf tournament.







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A Special Thanks to All Our Golf Sponsors



HOLE IN ONE SPONSOR

Adam's Mark Hotel & Conference Center

BEVERAGE CART SPONSORS

Express Employment Professionals Raytown-Brooking Eagle

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Tom & Donna Gibbens

PUTTING CONTEST SPONSOR

Central Bank of the Midwest

HOLE SPONSORS

A & D Heating and Cooling, Inc. Advanced Eyecare - Arvest Bank Raytown Police Benefit Fund Comcast Business Crane Brewing Company, LLC Dave & Shirley Wurth

Dick Smith Ford Hv-Vee - Kapke & Willerth Knights of Columbus 4962 Marr and Company - Mr. Sign Raytown Educational Foundation Raytown Gregory Animal Health Center RE&P Midwest, Inc. (2) - SERVPRO Terry & Susan Landers Two Rivers Behavioral System USA800 - Watkins Consulting

GOLF CART SPONSOR

David & Cathy Allie

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Market your business to more than **400 Chamber Members** in the CHAMBER CONNECTIONS.

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Contact the Chamber for more information. You may also insert a full page brochure in the newsletter or buy a set of address labels to do a personal mailing.







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NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

KAREN GILKEY AGENCY Karen Gilkey

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Welcome!

Best Security 2015 Brian DeMoss Raytown EMS 1995

Doug Jonesi, Kim LeSage City of Raytown 1995 Mayor Mike McDonough,

Karen Black, Janet Emerson, Jason Hanson, Teresa Henry, Mark Loughry, Steve Meyers, Steve Mock, Sheila Payne, Kathie Schutte, Eric Teeman,

Bill Van Buskirk

① Otto Service 2014 Alan Otto **Beacon Press 2012**

George Schwagerman

Congratulations to The Barber Shop, 5845 Raytown Rd for their ribbon cutting ceremony.



C&S Furnace Co. Inc. 1996 Kendall Schottel Brian's Car Care 2014 Brian & Peggy Johnson **⊙** ITT Technical

Institute-KC 2015 Heather Ford-Hoffman Faith Presbyterian Church 2014 Sandra Melton

SERC Raytown 2014 **Emily Parrish**

Boan Heating & Cooling, Inc. 2014 Shelly Seagraves **◯** DSB Services, LLC

1988 Douglas Burson, Raymond Downing, Cynthia Strickland

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Derek Ward

CHAMBER RENEWALS

⊙ Gibbens Drake Scott, Inc. 2001 Alexis St. Clair

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© Cosentino's Food Stores 2004 Khara Cosentino

○ Cosentino's Apple Market #137 2004 Beth Pratt

○ Cosentino's Apple Market #70 2004 Phil Brown

○ Cosentino's Price Chopper 2004 Jeff Quigley

© Extreme Grand Prix 2013 Matt Tholen, Chris Payne Raytown Water Co. 1995

Neal Clevenger, Chiki Thompson

Graceway 1995 Donna Bruce, lay Grimwood, John Baxter

© River of Refuge 2012 Ron King Wel-Don Plumbing & Drain Inc. 2012 William Wright

1 We would like to thank our members who gave 110%.



BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT ON...

CHAMBER REP.: Emily Parrish **ADDRESS:** 4277 Sterling Ave.

Raytown MO 64133 **PHONE:** 816-356-3018

WEB: serctherapy.com **EMAIL:** eparrish@serctherapy.com

CHAMBER MEMBER SINCE: 2014 HOURS: Varies # EMPLOYEES: 3

SERVICES: Physical Therapy services & other retail products

FUTURE PLANS: Continue to provide best quality therapy to the community

BUSINESS PHILOSOPHY: Provide best customer service possible, empower & inspire

OUR BUSINESS IS A CHAMBER MEMBER BECAUSE: We want to be an active member within the community & provide a much needed service, by helping the community with their physical therapy needs.

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Our Members in the News









RAYTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO HOST ANNUAL FREE SAFETY FAIR

The Raytown Police Department will be hosting their annual Safety Fair on Tuesday night, June 14, from 5:30pm to 8:30 pm at Kenagy Park, 9700 East 79th Street. The event, now in its fifth year, provides the public with an evening of crime awareness and prevention through interactive vendor displays, including up-close and personal vehicle displays from the Raytown Public Works Department, Raytown Police Department, Raytown EMS, and the Raytown Fire Department. Other vendors and displays include the Jackson County Sheriff's Mounted Posse, the Missouri Search and Rescue Group (MOSAR), and The Lee's Summit Bomb Squad.

The Raytown Police Department will be providing free hot dogs for the public as long as supplies last. There will be various giveaways and demonstrations will occur throughout the evening. The Safety Fair is the perfect way for Raytown community residents to come together for a family-friendly event. Residents are encouraged to invite their neighbors, bring their family and their friends, and learn about safety for themselves and as a community.

For questions about Safety Fair, please contact the Community Services Unit at 816-737-6018.

RAYTOWN'S 5TH ANNUAL ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Raytown Arts & Music Festival will be hosted at **Kenagy Park, 9608 E. 79**TH **St., August 27**th from 12:00-7:00PM. There will be a wide variety of art displays throughout the park, a free concert of 5 different bands through the day. Multiple food trucks will be selling food & drinks at the event to give you a variety of options on site. The Raytown First Baptist will be sponsoring a kid's area with art projects & play games for free. This is going to be a great event for Raytown music & art lovers of all kinds. This festival is sponsored by the Raytown Parks Department, Dick Smith Ford, Raytown Brooking Eagle, Funhouse Pizza, Teetering Rocks Golf Course, KCP&L, & Raytown Lee's Summit Credit Union.

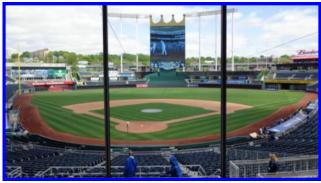
If you would like to become a sponsor of the event, or a supporter, please contact Dave Turner at the Raytown Parks Department to see how you can become involved in Raytown's largest community event of the year! We work with business and individuals who are interested in advertising their business, as well as those who would like to support the development of their community. Last year we had 6,000 people attend the Raytown Arts & Music Festival, and we never would have had such success without our sponsors and volunteers. This is a great event to start your involvement in Raytown, and show your community support. For more information, please contact the Raytown Parks Department at 358-4100. We hope to see you there!

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Our Members in the News







The April Membership luncheon was held at the Royals Diamond Club with speaker Dayton Moore, Sr. VP Baseball Operations/Gen. Manager and a visit from the 2015 World Series trophy.

Raytown Night at the Royals was held May 13 with Chair Michelle Williams throwing out the

Honorary First Pitch to Pat Ertz. The Raytown Police presented the Color Guard. The Raytown Chamber sold almost 1,100 tickets to the KC Royals vs. Atlanta Braves baseball game. Thank you to the following groups for

purchasing 20 tickets or more: Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce - Advanced Eyecare - Aviation Institute of Maintenance - Cornerstone Home Improvement - Graceway - Guenther Mills Keating Architects, Inc. - Heartland Cremation & Burial Society - Public Water Supply District #2 - Raytown Quality Schools - River Church Family - USA800, Inc.



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Upcoming Member Events

AFTER HOURS NETWORKING

The event will be hosted by LADY'S SPORTS BAR, 6635 Raytown Road. Come by anytime between



4:30 to 5:30pm, have a refreshment & network with other businesses within the community. An added bonus will be to see the business who has agreed to host the event & find out what they can offer to you!

A.M. CONNECTIONS NETWORKING

The next "A.M. Connections" will be held at My YOGA CENTRE, 6111 Blue Ridge Blvd. Come by anytime

between 7:30 to 8:30am & network with other businesses within the community. An added bonus will be to see the business who has agreed to host the event and find out what they can offer to you!





RYP NETWORKING EVENT

Monday July 11 - 4:30 to 6:00 pm @ Crane Brewing Company 6515 Railroad Street

\$10 per person gets you a Crane Brewing Glass, your first beer, a hot dog & chips

> Must pre-register by July 1 Limited to 50 people



JULY MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

DETAILS TO FOLLOW...!

WHEN: Wed., July 27

WHERE: REAP Community Room \$16.00/person - RSVP by Monday, July 25

LUNCHEON SPONSOR:

Longview Funeral Home & Cemetery

Join us for the 3rd Annual enior celebrat Sat. September 24 5:00-8:00pm

The Point, 5600 Blue Ridge Cutoff



Grab your Friends, put on your Hawaiian Shirts & Grass Skirts! We are inviting Raytown's Senior Citizens that are 55 & older to come Celebrate!

Enjoy Great Music, Hula Dancing, Dinner/Dessert, Door Prizes, Photo Booth, & Meet New Neighbors!

Tickets on sale Aug. 15 - \$13.00 Singles, Couples & Groups Welcome!



HyVee.



Raytown Chamber 5909 Raytown Trafficway (816) 353-8500 Raytown Hy-Vee 9400 E. 350 Hwy.

Ticket sales end September 15



Help us put on a great event by choosing one of these sponsorship levels by August 1!

Sponsorskip Opportunities:

Platinum Sponsor \$2,000 One remaining!

Sponsorship includes a company logo in all promotional material, plus it will be on the Chamber's website, Facebook & all emails regarding the event. Your company logo sign will be displayed at the event, on the sponsorship sign & in the event program. 1/2 page marketing space in the Chamber newsletter.

GOLD SPONSOR - \$1,000

Company name listed in all promotional material, Chamber's website & event emails. Your company logo will be on the sponsorship sign & event program. 1/4 page marketing space in Chamber newsletter.

Silver Sponsor - \$500

Company name listed in all promotional material, Chamber's website, event emails, on the sponsorship sign & event program. 1/8pg marketing space in Chamber newsletter.

Bronze Sponsor - \$250

Company name listed on the sponsorship sign & event program

Community Sponsor - \$100

Company name listed in the event program

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Check your weekly Chamber Connections C-mail for an up-to-date calendar			I 12:00pm Membership Services Committee	AFTER HOURS 4:30pm	3	4
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12	13	14 Flag Day CONNECTIONS 7:30A.M.	3:00pm Senior Celebration Task Force	16	8am Government Relations Committee	18
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26	27	28	29	30		