



CHAMBER CONNECTIONS

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Come join us for the 1st Annual  
**SENIOR CELEBRATION**

Sat. September 13 5:00-8:00pm

The Point at Graceway, 5600 Blue Ridge Cutoff

We are inviting Raytown's senior citizens that are 55 and older to come celebrate! You can enjoy great music, Italian buffet dinner, Chocolate fountain & cake, great door prizes, free photo booth and meet some new neighbors! Grab your friends, put on your Sunday best

and don't forget those dancing shoes!

Tickets are still on sale UNTIL SEPT. 3 at the Raytown Chamber office (5909 Raytown Trafficway). Tickets are required and non-refundable. The cost is \$10 per person for this great event. Questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 816-353-8500.

See you on the dance floor!

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## THINK RAYTOWN FIRST



Do you want to know what is happening in Raytown?

Go to [www.ThinkRaytownFirst.com](http://www.ThinkRaytownFirst.com) and click on the Community Calendar. There is also a place to sign up to receive future emails about What's Happening in Raytown! The Community Survey is still on the website. We want to know what you know about Raytown. If you are on Facebook, please go out and like Think Raytown First and spread the word. Don't forget the Raytown Chamber also has a Facebook page and a Twitter account. Stay up to date on all that is happening in the Raytown Chamber as well as the community in general.

### Board of Directors

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**Vicki Turnbow**, President  
president@raytownchamber.com

**Kyle Phillips**, Operations Manager  
kphillips@raytownchamber.com

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The month of September will be busy in Raytown. September 13 is the 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Celebration. The Task Force members have done a great job in planning what I think will be one of the premier events for the community. September 16 is the morning coffee being hosted by Public Water Supply District #2 – come out and see all the improvements they have made along with enjoying a cup of coffee while networking with other businesses from the area. September 19 & 20 is Hall of Fame Weekend. Come out on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> to cheer on your favorite team RHS Bluejays or RSHS Cardinals and introduce yourself to the next Hall of Fame class. September 24 is the monthly luncheon and Dr. Allan Markley, Superintendent of Raytown Quality Schools will give us an update on how the first month of school is going and I am sure will highlight some of the great things happening within the district. The Raytown Parks Department will be hosting this year's Raytown Arts & Music Festival on September 27 at Kenagy Park. Food, arts, music, kid's activities highlight the day from 11:00 am until 6:30 pm. Fun House Pizza & Pub to sponsor the beverage area and Brewer & Shipley is the headlining band.

October will be just as busy. So get out those calendars, mark down these great events and match for more details to come out in your weekly email.

Don't forget to stop by the **After Hours Networking, Thu. September 4, at Fun House Pizza & Pub, 9120 E. 350 Highway!** Come help Fun House celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

My door is always open, come by anytime!

*Vicki Turnbow, President*



The Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce wants to wish Quentin Clark (Clark's Appliances) a very happy birthday. Quentin has been a member since 1973! Happy Birthday Quentin!!!



### QUENTIN CLARK IS TURNING 90!

STOP BY CLARK'S APPLIANCES  
TO WISH HIM A "HAPPY BIRTHDAY"  
Tuesday September 2, 2014 1:30 – 3:30 pm  
\*WELL WISHES ONLY PLEASE!\*

**SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON**

**RAYTOWN  
QUALITY  
SCHOOLS**  
Expect the Exceptional

# UPDATE FROM RQS SUPERINTENDENT, DR. ALLAN MARKLEY

**WHEN: Wednesday, September 24**  
- Networking begins at 11:00am, Lunch at 11:30am

**WHERE: REAP Conference Room,  
9300 E. 75th St.**

*\$15.00/person - cash/check/credit at the door*  
*- RSVP by Mon. Sept. 22*

**SPONSORED BY**



**WESTRIDGE GARDENS**  
REHABILITATION & HEALTH CARE CENTER

This month you will receive information about the **2015 Chamber Directory & Community Profile**. This publication is the only Raytown "community profile" that is distributed to citizens looking for community information and prospective businesses or residents considering a move to our area. In addition, it is given to all current and prospective members, and is used by other businesses when they are looking for a reputable company to do business with.

Also remember to review the membership profile update forms and send them back to us as soon as possible. This is what will be printed in the directory and we want to make sure it's the correct information. Questions or if you don't receive the information, please let us know.



## MEMBER MARKET

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OF COLUMBUS**



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**PARTIES ~ DANCES ~ RECEPTIONS ~ MEETINGS**

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ON BLUE RIDGE CUTOFF AT SNI-A-BAR ROAD.

OFFICE HOURS: TUE.~SAT. 8AM~12PM

5101 BLUE RIDGE CUTOFF 816-356-4962

*You're Invited to "Feel the Power" at the*

# MEGA CHAMBER OFFICE PARTY

10th Annual

**AND METRO EXPO**

**October 15, 2014**

**4:30 to 7:00 pm**

*Join nearly 300  
of your Chamber  
colleagues for  
an evening of  
networking,*

*vendor showcases, heavy hors d'oeuvres,  
door prizes, cash bar and fun!*

*Explore this amazing venue and take a ride  
on the bike simulator!*



*Gail's Harley-Davidson*

**5900 E. 150 Highway  
Grandview, MO**

*Participating Chambers:*

Belton • Blue Springs • Grain Valley  
Grandview • Harrisonville  
Independence • Lee's Summit  
Peculiar • Pleasant Hill • Raymore  
Raytown • South Kansas City



**Individual Reservations: \$20 each**

*Deadline Oct. 8*

**Mega Chamber Sponsor: \$250** *Deadline Oct. 1*

Includes 8' Table, 4 reservations, logo on program, sponsor sign, ad in 4 Chamber newsletters (Grandview, Lee's Summit, Raytown, South Kansas City)

**Full Metro Expo Display: \$150** *Deadline Oct. 1*

Includes 8' Table, 2 reservations

**Half Metro Expo Display: \$85** *Deadline Oct. 1*

Includes 1/2 of 8' Table, 1 reservation

*Need electricity? Have a floor display?  
Please let us know when registering!*

Call the Raytown Chamber at

816-353-8500 or email

[staff@raytownchamber.com](mailto:staff@raytownchamber.com)

for Mega Sponsorships, Metro Expo displays and individual reservations.

*Each of the hosting Chambers will have  
a total of 10 vendor tables for  
40 tables total.*

**Sign up now!**

*Title Sponsor*

*Venue Sponsor*

*Catering Sponsor*



## CHAMBER RENEWALS

### ☺Knights of Columbus #4962 2012

John Hernandez

### ☺Lutfi's Fried Fish-Raytown 2008

Loretha Hayden

### Jimmy John's #1949-Raytown 2013

Scott Hinz

### CareSpot 2013

Vince Teglia, Kelly Mullinax

### First Federal Bank FSB 1984

Pam Bucklew, Brenda Howard,  
Traci Keck

### H&R Block 2001 Marsha Clark

### The Golf Doctor 1998 David Skitek

### Edward Jones 2007 George Koepp

### Royal Meadows Golf Club 2004

Drew Van Scyoc

### Rycom Instruments, Inc. 2008

Douglas Reitz

### Aldi Inc. #93 2011 Mark Bersted

### ☺Maywood Printing Company, Inc.

1998 Colleen Pruetting

### Andy Powelson 2008

### ☺Dirty Don's Bargain Center 2001

Don Glenn

### ☺Royal Engineering 2009

Bob Quick

### Bukaty Companies 2013

Brad Bukaty

### The Irish Pub House 2007

April Harrington

### ☺Dancin' 2 Wynn 1978 Jann Wynn

### UMB Bank 1994 Laura Trybom

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

## NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

### PHASE 2 CONSIGNMENT

### Tammy Thurston,

### Lisa Holiman

6218 Raytown Trafficway

Raytown MO 64133

816-358-5277

www.center63boutique.com

Retail Sales

New secondary location

### JOHN IVEY

2525 Main St. Apt. 614

Kansas City MO 64108

816-373-4138

jivey@lakewoodpark.com

Associate Member

Recruited by Vicki Turnbow

*Welcome!*



## BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT ON...



## First Federal Bank

Chamber Member Since: 1984

Number of Employees: 140 (bank-wide)

**ADDRESS:** 9330 E. Gregory Blvd., Raytown, MO 64133

**Phone:** (816) 356-6400 **Fax:** (816) 737-4382

**E-mail:** raytown@ffbkc.com

**Web:** www.ffbkc.com/raytown **Founded:** April, 1934

**Owners:** Mutual bank owned by our deposit customers

**Hours of Operation:** Lobby: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-Noon Drive-Up: Mon-Fri 8am-6pm, Sat. 8am-Noon

**Services/Products:** First Federal's mission is helping individuals, families and small businesses become more financially successful. They offer a full range of checking, savings and home lending solutions to help their customers achieve their financial goals.

**Future Plans:** First Federal is constantly looking at ways to help our customers manage their financial lives more easily. Products and services coming soon include enhanced account statements, revised online bill payment, mobile banking and more!

**Business Philosophy:** We're a community bank that exists to help customers become more financially successful through building savings and owning homes. We not only want to know your name, we want to have a relationship with you that goes above and beyond helping you with deposits or loans. We've invested a great deal of time to reinvent the banking relationship in Kansas City even though we've enjoyed eight decades of success.

So, what does this mean to you? Not only do we know your name, we understand your dreams and goals. We're here to ensure that you're getting solid financial advice so you can eliminate your credit card debt, save your pennies for a rainy day, buy a home and even pay for college.

**Our Business is a Chamber Member Because:** Being involved in making Raytown an even better community for businesses and families is a cornerstone of our mission. Being a chamber member gives us the opportunity of working with like-minded business people who share our passion for making Raytown a great place to live and work.



## Our Members in the News

### Morning Coffee Networking at ...



### Home Skillet Restaurant 6225 Blue Ridge Blvd.

*\*due to a power outage...  
we had it in the parking lot!*



### AFTER HOURS NETWORKING AT ...

### FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON 401 I BLUE RIDGE CUTOFF

### The Hope Network 5K Dog Jog & First Baptist Raytown Bark in the Park events want you to Let the Dogs Out on September 13 at Kenagy Park!



Our pedestrian & paw perfect certified & timed 5K run/walk begins at 8am & winds through beautiful Raytown neighborhoods before ending back at the park. Hope Network greatly appreciates our partnership with Raytown Parks & Recreation & encourages everyone to come out & enjoy the 5K even if you don't have a dog. Those wishing to participate in the 5K Dog Jog can find more information concerning registration by visiting [www.hopenetworkraytown.org](http://www.hopenetworkraytown.org) or by calling Christie at 816-778-1105. Funds raised by the 5K Dog Jog will assist Hope Network in the ongoing effort to bring hope to those who feel hopeless in the local community. Bark in the Park (9-noon) will feature vendors for families & their furry friends, local dog adoption agencies, & demonstrations on obedience, agility and more! A children's area will be featured at the event and Chiefs mascot KC Wolf will make a special appearance. Families are encouraged to enter their fluffy family members in the contests including best kisser, best costume and best trick. For more information on Bark in the Park, visit [www.firstbaptistraytown.com](http://www.firstbaptistraytown.com). For more information on how to become a vendor or exhibitor, call Carmen at 816-268-1526.



The Raytown Parks is hosting the **Raytown Arts and Music Festival September 27<sup>th</sup>** at Kenagy Park (9608 E 79<sup>th</sup> St.), from 11:00am-6:30pm.

#### The performance schedule is:

12:00pm - AFU Featuring KC Kelsey

1:30pm - Linda Shell & the Blues Thang

3:00pm - Sharp Dressed Man

4:30pm - Headlining band, Brewer & Shipley

The major sponsorships for the event from Congressman Emanuel Cleaver, Fun House Pizza, & the Raytown Brooking Eagle. There will be many local artists at the event to show their work, a free kids area with balloons & face painting, which will be hosted by Insure One, and Nancy Dempsey's Kid Parties. This event will attract thousands of spectators who will appreciate the music & art that will be filling Kenagy Park! **To get involved with this event, or to be a sponsor, contact the Raytown Parks Department by phone 358-4100, or email, [davet@raytownparks.com](mailto:davet@raytownparks.com).** This is going to be a big event in Raytown, & they would love to have local businesses show support & get their business name on the sponsor banners & advertising that will go out to promote this great free event!

## Upcoming Member Events

### SEPTEMBER MORNING COFFEE NETWORKING

The next "Morning Coffee" will be held at **PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY DIST. #2, 6945 BLUE RIDGE BLVD.** Come by anytime between **7:30 to 8:30 a.m.** to have a cup of coffee and network with other businesses within the community. An added bonus will be to see the business who has agreed to host the Morning Coffee and find out what they can offer to you.



**Oct. 2**

### OCTOBER AFTER HOURS NETWORKING

The event will be held at **ROK'IT ADVERTISING, 10009 E. 67TH STREET.** Come by anytime between **4:30 to 5:30 p.m.** to have a refreshment and network with other businesses within the community. An added bonus will be to see the business who has agreed to host the After Hours and find out what they can offer to you.

The Family of **St. John Francis Regis Catholic Parish, 8941 James A. Reed Rd.,** has been committed to welcoming and serving one another and our community since our inception in 1964. Please join us as we celebrate the Golden Jubilee Celebration - 50th Anniversary of our Parish community. We have organized a variety of events to celebrate the past, present, and future. We hope you will join us as we take a walk down memory lane and as well as dedicate our new church façade and elevator.

There will be a **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Tuesday, September 23 from 9-10am** with the ceremony at 9:15. There will be a reception immediately following. There are also many other celebration activities including; a special mass on Thur., O'Hara Tailgate Party on Friday, Golden Gait 5K Run/Walk and Jubilee Party on Saturday, and a Jubilee Mass and Reception on Sunday. More information can be found at [www.regischurch.org](http://www.regischurch.org)



Raytown Police Department will hold **CERT training classes** beginning **September 15 through October 11.** CERT members learn basic safety skills to help keep themselves, their families and their neighborhoods safer in the event of an emergency. CERT members may provide care, stabilization and information following an event when first responders are not immediately available, as well as assist at emergency operation centers and evacuation shelters.

This 20 hour CERT course will include disaster preparedness, basic disaster response skills such as; fire safety, light search & rescue, team organization, terrorism & disaster medical operations. There is no cost for this training. It will be held at Fire Station #1, 6020 Raytown Trafficway. Contact Marilyn Fleming for more information: 816-737-6018 or [csu@raytownpolice.org](mailto:csu@raytownpolice.org).

**Applications are due by Sept. 9**

### OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON



#### Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster Overview and update on the Attorney General's office for the state of Missouri.

On January 14th, 2013, Chris Koster was sworn in for a second term as the 41st Attorney General of the state of Missouri. As Attorney General, Koster created a Domestic Violence Task Force which led to comprehensive new laws to protect domestic violence survivors; recovered a record \$200 million to the state's health care system from fraudulent Medicaid providers; cracked down on violations of workers' rights; aggressively protected Missouri consumers against fraud, including mortgage-relief and debt-settlement scams; and supported law enforcement in fighting the spread of methamphetamine and violent crime.

During the October luncheon, the Chamber will conduct it's Annual Membership Meeting. As we prepare for the future, the 2015 Officers and the Class of 2017 will also be presented to you and voted on.

**WHEN: Wednesday, October 22**

- Networking begins at 11:00am, Lunch at 11:30am

**WHERE: First Baptist Church of Raytown, 10500 E. 350 Hwy.**

**\$20.00/person - cash/check/credit at the door - RSVP by Mon. Oct. 20**

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# SEPTEMBER 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Check your weekly Chamber Connections C-mail for an up-to-date calendar</p>	<p>1 <b>LABOR DAY</b> Chamber office Closed</p>	<p>2 </p>	<p>3 12:00pm Member Services - Recruitment Cmte.</p>	<p>4  <b>After Hours</b> 4:30pm</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 7:15am Board of Directors <b>PATRIOT DAY</b> </p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13  <b>SENIOR CELEBRATION</b></p>
<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16  7:30am Morning Coffee</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 8am Government Relations Committee</p>	<p>20 RQS Hall of Fame Weekend</p>
<p>21 </p>	<p>22 12:00pm ➤<b>DEADLINE</b>◀ For lunch reservations <b>AUTUMN BEGINS</b></p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 11:30am <b>MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON</b></p>	<p>25 </p>	<p>26 8:30am Member Services - Retention Cmte.</p>	<p>27 <b>RAYTOWN ARTS &amp; MUSIC FESTIVAL</b></p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>				