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MARCH 2017

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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MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

ROCK ISLAND RAIL CORRIDOR UPDATE



WHEN: Wed., March 22

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

WHERE: V's Italiano Ristorante, 10819 E. 40 Highway

\$16.00/person - cash/check/credit at the door

- Register by Monday, Mar. 20

SPONSORED BY:



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.



RAYTOWN NIGHT AT THE ROYALS

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

KANSAS CITY ROYALS VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS

Don't miss the fun and excitement - join your community for a great time at the K!

★ HERE'S YOUR CHANCE OF A LIFETIME! ★

Win the opportunity to stand on home plate and catch the Ceremonial First Pitch from Chair of the Board, Carol Baker.

Only \$10/Raffle ticket - On sale NOW!

~ Winner announced at April Chamber Luncheon ~ Must be at least 18 years old. No one else allowed on field. ~ Must be able to catch a baseball from 60 feet away. ~ Must purchase a ticket to the game & bring your own glove.

This could be YOU!!!



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president@raytownchamber.com

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This month starts the promotion of Raytown Night at the Royals, the combination Raytown Chamber/Rotary Golf Tournament and the process of securing sponsors for Senior Celebration.

All of these events are considered fundraisers for the Chamber. They are also community events. For every ticket we sell to the Royals game, the Chamber retains a couple of dollars. Proceeds are split 50/50 with Rotary on the golf tournament. Even if you don't play golf, we have sponsorships available along with collecting of items for our themed raffle packages. What a great way to market your business than by securing a hole sponsor for only \$100! Golf flyer is located on page 4.

The 4th Annual Senior Celebration will be held on Saturday, September 23. This year's theme is a "sock hop". **We have one opening for a Platinum Sponsor for \$2,000.** KCP&L along with Hy-Vee are the other two. Benefits include: Company logo in all promotional material, plus it will be on the Chamber's website, Facebook page and all emails regarding the event. Your company logo will be displayed on the sponsorship sign and in the event program. ½ page marketing space in the Chamber newsletter. If you are interested in more information about this sponsorship, please contact me today.

My door is always open, come by anytime! *Vicki Turnbow, President*

CHANGE IN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors have voted to replace outgoing Board of Director, Charlotte Melson with Brian Wagler of ServPro. Brian will fill Charlotte's remaining term which will expire in 2018. The Board appreciates all of her guidance & professionalism during her time on the board.

Brian has been with ServPro since 2008 & is the team coach primarily handling the business development side but also project manager when needed. He went to UCM & has a degree in Marketing. He is from Washington, Illinois & served on their Chamber Board as well as the Northern Tazewell Water District. He has been married for 24 years, has two sons, & they love their German Shepard & Dachshund. ServPro has been a member of the Chamber since 2015 & Brian serves as Co-Chair of the Golf Committee with Terry Landers. Welcome Brian, to the Chamber's Board of Directors!

Come join us for the 4th Annual

Senior Celebration

Sat. September 23 5:00-8:00pm
The Point, 5600 Blue Ridge Cutoff



The Raytown Chamber wants to Celebrate Raytown's Senior Citizens that are 55 & older! We are inviting them to put on their Saddle Shoes, Poodle Skirts & come enjoy great Music, Dancing, Buffet Dinner, Door Prizes, Photo booth, & Meet New Neighbors!

*Help us put on a great event by signing up for a sponsorship by **August 15!** > [Click Here](#)*

Congratulations to retired Raytown Chamber President, Kathie Schutte for being named the Raytown Police Department 2016 Volunteer of the Year. Also, Raytown Chamber Board of Director, Melvin Norrington, who is a reserve officer for the Raytown Police Department for being named the Reserve Officer of the Year. The annual awards were presented on Saturday, February 25. Congratulations to all who received promotions, awards and accolades for everything from years of service to life saving awards. Vicki Turnbow and her husband Kris attended the awards reception as guests since Kris served as Raytown's Police Chief from 1983 - 1996.



MEMBER MARKET



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



NEED A RENTAL HALL?
 PARTIES ~ DANCES ~ RECEPTIONS ~ MEETINGS

SERVING THE GREATER KC AREA, THE HALL IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED 1½ MILES SOUTH OF THE TRUMAN SPORTS COMPLEX ON BLUE RIDGE CUTOFF AT SNI-A-BAR ROAD.

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

5101 BLUE RIDGE CUTOFF 816-356-4962

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

Business Card or 1/4 Page Space Available
 - 3 months or 1 year Run

All marketing may include a website link. All marketing must be prepaid.

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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Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce & Raytown Rotary Club

GOLF TOURNAMENT



THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017



ROYAL MEADOWS GOLF CLUB

10501 E. 47TH STREET - KANSAS CITY, MO 64133

TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

- 11:00 a.m. Registration, lunch, putting contest, silent auction
- 1:00 p.m. Shot-gun start – 4 person scramble – multiple flights (no metal spikes, no denim attire, collared shirts required)
- Entry fee includes green fees, cart, lunch, awards reception
- Silent auction ends 30 minutes after last team finishes
- Awards ceremony & reception immediately following tournament
- Prizes awarded to 1st and 2nd in two flights

TITLE SPONSOR

DICK SMITH



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

(All sponsorships include marketing in the Chamber Connections Newsletter, Facebook & Twitter posts plus what is listed below)

Title Sponsor: (\$1,500) **SOLD** Includes business mentioned as Title Sponsor, logo on marketing material, company banner, one hole sponsorship, a foursome in the tournament, signage at the event, opportunity to provide tee package items, and more. Limit of 1

Lunch Sponsor: (\$1,000) **SOLD** Includes a foursome and signage during lunch

Hole in One Sponsor (2): (\$499) Includes signage on multiple holes.

Beverage Cart Sponsor (2): (\$350) Signage on a beverage cart. Opportunity to help distribute beverages to players.

Awards Reception Sponsor: (\$300) Signage at awards reception.

Putting Contest Sponsor: (\$200) Signage at putting contest hole*

Hole Sponsor: (\$100) Signage prominently displayed at the tee box.

Golf Cart Sponsor: (\$35) Signage on a golf cart.



>> [Register for a sponsorship by April 28](#) <<

Deadline for teams: May 5, 2017

HELP GET THE WORD OUT! COPY THIS PAGE & PASS IT OUT & POST IT AT YOUR BUSINESS!



RAYTOWN NIGHT AT THE ROYALS

ONE OF THE LARGEST COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR OVER 20 YEARS!

A FUNDRAISER FOR THE RAYTOWN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

FRIDAY, JUNE 2 7:15 P.M.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS

OUTFIELD PLAZA SECTION \$ 36.00

VIEW RESERVE SECTION \$ 15.00

PARKING PASS **\$12.00** REGULAR PRICE \$15

* TICKET PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE & AVAILABILITY *

Don't miss the fun and excitement

— join your community for a great time at the "K"!



★ Buck Night & Summer Fireworks

★ Raytown Police Dept. will present the Color Guard!

★ Businesses and groups selling 20 or more tickets
get their name on the Royals Video Board!



BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY

★★★★★

TICKET SALES END May 12!

For more information call the Chamber office, 816-353-8500
or stop by to buy your tickets!



5909 Raytown Trafficway
M-F 9:00am-4:30pm Closed 12-1

You may also order discounted tickets from other sections
online through the Royals website

Royals.com/Raytown

NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

BLUE RIDGE OPTIMIST CLUB
Sherri Oaks, Marti Springer
 816-365-8660
 Not for Profit Organization
 Recruited by Chamber website

Welcome!

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

CHAMBER RENEWALS

Spire-Missouri Gas Energy 1991
 Jabbar Wesley
State Farm Insurance 2016 Sue Frank
Associate Member 2012
 Kris Turnbow
Affordable Elegance Catering 2009
 Dee-Dee Stokes
Our Lady of Lourdes Church 2005
 Deacon Richard Gross
 ☺ **United Consumers Credit Union**
2003 Kaylyn Morris, Tamara Wheeler

Aviation Institute of Maintenance 2009
 Frederick Thomas
Fun House Pizza & Pub 1980
 Gary Graham
Google Fiber 2014
 Rachel Hack Merlo,
 Phyllis Faulkner-Johnson
Jackson County 2013
 Johnny Sweeney, Miriam Hennosy



The February 17 Government Relations Committee heard updates from State Rep Jerome Barnes, Richard Brown and Rory Rowland along with Industry updates from those attending. Resolutions were presented to outgoing State Rep. Tom McDonald and Bonnaye Mims.

Pictured are:
 Rory Rowland, Bonnaye Mims,
 Tom McDonald & Jerome Barnes



Blue Ridge Presbyterian Church, 6425 Blue Ridge Blvd., is having a **Pancake Breakfast & Bake Sale** fundraiser for REAP on **March 18th, from 9am to noon.** *Enjoy great food, & help our neighbors!* Phone: 353-2296



JOB FAIR
with
WORK EXPRESS

Wednesday April 19, 2017
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Explore your employment options at a free job fair presented in partnership by Mid-Continent Public Library and Work Express. Meet with motivated employers looking for workers in a variety of positions.

Come prepared to apply and possibly interview for jobs.
 (For adults) Registration is required.
www.mymcpl.org/events/calendar
Work Express website: cslcares.org



RAYTOWN QUALITY SCHOOLS NEWS

Community Connections

Resources for Raytown School District Families

Save The Date

Saturday, April 8, 2017

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Location: **Raytown High School**
 If your organization or business would like to be part of this event or you would like to donate, please contact Carlene Henry (816-268-7000) by February 28, 2017 for more details.

Our Members in the News

RAYTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S AMBASSADORS

On **Monday, March 6th at 10am** the popular Ambassadors programs will reopen with an interesting and unusual subject, **“The Life and Works of Mary Rockwell Hook.”**

Well known and admired in the architectural world, her designs during the 1920's and 1930's in the Sunset Hills area of Kansas City have received many listings on the National Register of Historic Places. One of her designs is a home in our area, that of “Four Gates,” located at 13001 Little Blue Road.

Retired MU Professor Tom Cooke, who knew Mrs. Hook personally, will present the program which will include a slide presentation of many of the homes along with the fascinating facts of her life.

Event is free and open to the public, refreshments served
Raytown Historical Museum, 9705 E. 63rd Street



RideKC



Join the **Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority (RIRCA)** of Jackson County, Missouri and the **KCATA** for a series of **public open house meetings** to learn about the design and development plans for the **Rock Island Bicycle and Pedestrian Path Project***.

- *What will the path look like?*
- *How will it connect to other regional trails?*
- *When is the project scheduled to be completed?*

Come and ask your questions about the Rock Island Bicycle and Pedestrian Path!

SAVE THESE DATES:

MONDAY / MARCH 6

@ **KCPD South Patrol Community Room**
9701 MARION PARK DR / KANSAS CITY / 64137

WEDNESDAY / MARCH 8

@ **MCC-Longview Recreation Center**
3801 SW LONGVIEW RD / LEE'S SUMMIT / 64081

★ **WEDNESDAY / MARCH 15**

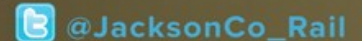
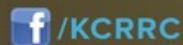
@ **Raytown Wellness Center**
10301 E 350 HWY / RAYTOWN / 64138

All meetings will be held from **5:30–7 P.M.**

*The Rock Island Corridor stretches 17.7 miles from Arrowhead and Kauffman Stadiums south through Raytown and into Lee's Summit. Part of the corridor will be transformed into a bicycle and pedestrian path with a focus on preserving the corridor's integrity as part of the national rail network.

816-503-4847

www.RockIslandCorridor.org



A.M. CONNECTIONS NETWORKING AT ...



Upcoming Member Events

CITY OF RAYTOWN ALDERMAN CANDIDATE FORUM

The Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce will co-sponsor with the League of Women Voters a Raytown Aldermen Candidate Forum on **March 28, 2017 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** The forum will be held at Raytown City Hall (10000 E. 59th Street) in the Council Chambers. Each Alderman Candidate will be asked an introductory question with 1 minute to respond, and then be allowed 1 minute to answer questions from the audience. All Candidates will be given a 2 minute closing statement at the end of the forum.

CHAMBER LUNCH & LEARN

Thu. March 30 - 11:30-12:30 @ Raytown Wellness Center \$12/person, includes lunch [Register by Mar. 27](#)

DISASTER PLANNING FOR BUSINESS & MUNICIPALITIES

Presented by Brian Wagler, SERVPRO of Lee's Summit / Raytown / East Kansas City

We will cover a range of topics that will help any size business or municipality put together an Emergency Preparedness plan to help the entity to protect their employees, lessen the financial impact of disasters, and re-open the business or offices quickly. We will discuss our process of providing a digital Emergency Response Plan that is able to be accessed from any device with access to the internet quickly and efficiently.

We will also discuss topics that include but are not limited to: resources need in different types of disasters, what steps to take before, during, and after the event, choosing the right size vendors for your entity, and last but not least understanding your responsibilities to your insurance carrier and vice versa.



APRIL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON *CELEBRATING THE HOME TEAM!*



WHEN: Wed., April 26

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

WHERE: Kauffman Stadium-Diamond Club, 1 Royal Way

\$21.00/person - cash/check/credit at the door - [Register by Monday, Apr. 24](#)

SPONSORED BY: Metropolitan Community College-Longview



HOST A NETWORKING EVENT AT YOUR BUSINESS!!!

The Raytown Chamber is looking for businesses to host a networking event. The **A.M. Connections Networking** events are scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month and by hosting, you agree to provide the coffee from 7:30-8:30am. Listed below are the dates available and the sponsorship for each event is \$50.00.

The **After Hours Networking** events are scheduled for the first Thursday of the month from 4:30-5:30pm (unless a different day would be better for your business) for those who prefer an evening event. By hosting an After Hours you agree to provide some beverages/refreshments, of your choice. Contact the Chamber office if you are interested in an After Hours, the sponsorship for each event is \$50.00.

By hosting a networking event you will be provided with invitations to hand out to your customers or neighboring businesses, advertisement in the monthly newsletter, notification for 30 days in the weekly c-mail and a listing in the event calendar on the Chamber's website. Morning Coffees/After Hours are offered on a first come first served basis. If you are a business that does not have a location in Raytown and are interested in hosting an A.M. Connections or After Hours, contact the Chamber to see about hosting it at the Chamber office.



2017 A.M. CONNECTIONS AVAILABLE:
Apr. 18 - June 20 - Aug. 15 - Sept. 19 - Oct. 17 - Nov. 7





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MARCH 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Check your weekly Chamber Connections C-mail for an up-to-date Calendar</p>			<p>1 12:00pm Membership Services Cmte.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 7:15am Board of Directors Mtg.</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12</p> 	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>  <p>Drury Inn & Suites - KC Stadium 3830 Blue Ridge Cutoff</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 8:30am Golf Tour. Task Force</p>	<p>17 8:00am Government Relations Committee</p> 	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20 12:00pm ▶DEADLINE◀ For lunch Reservations</p> 	<p>21</p>	<p>22 11:30am MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON</p> <p>ROCK ISLAND CORRIDOR UPDATE</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 6:30pm Candidate Forum</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 11:30am Chamber Lunch & Learn</p>	<p>31</p>	