



2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Board of Directors

Rene Purtee, Chair of the Board
Arvest Bank

Chiki Thompson, Chair Elect
Raytown Water

Kaylie Baker, Secretary/Treasurer
Rok'lt Advertising

Carol Macken, Past Chair
KCP&L

At Large Members

Erik Blaney
Shamrock Cabinets & Fixture Corp.

Pat Ertz
Public Water Supply District #2

Board Members

Melissa Beall
Longview Funeral Home & Cemetery

Dr. Ryan Crider
MCC - Longview

Steve Dempsey
Missouri Job Center - FEC

Melvin Norrington
KCP&L

Madeline Romious
AT&T

Brian Ross
Edward Jones

Kevin Sharp
Sutherland's Lumbar

Brian Wagler
ServPro Raytown / East Kansas City

Tamara Wheeler
United Consumers Credit Union

Missy Wilson, Liaison
City of Raytown

Chief Matt Mace, Liaison
Raytown Fire Protection District

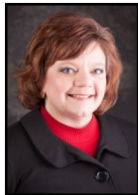
Dr. Allan Markley, Liaison
Raytown Quality Schools

Phylis Goforth, Liaison
Raytown Main Street Assoc.

Staff

Vicki Turnbow, President

Kirsten Turnbow, Operations



It is hard to believe that 2018 is about to come to a close as my time as Chamber Chair. I believe it has been another successful year for our Chamber. I have been honored and humbled that you allowed me to serve as your Chair of the Board. In January I challenged each member to attend two additional events during 2018 and I was happy to see additional faces at many of our events. Keep showing up, I guarantee it will benefit you in your business and personal relationships in our community.

The Chamber offered many events each month for members to participate in. Our monthly luncheons offered dynamic and informative speakers brought to us by our Membership Services committee. Business owners showcased their locations by hosting A.M. Connections and After Hours Networking events. A successful Raytown Night at The Royals allowed Chamber and Community members to enjoy an evening at The K together. The Chamber/Rotary Golf tournament raised money for both organizations. The Chamber partnered with the Raytown Educational Foundation for Raytown Nigh at the Mavericks which resulted in one of the highest selling Chuck-A-Pucks the Mavericks have ever had. We celebrated our Seniors this fall for the fifth year in a row at our successful Harvest Moon Hootenanny. We added a new event in the fall, the Holiday Shopping Frenzy which allowed 50 local business owners to sell their goods to happy shoppers in our community. The event was a success and we have many vendors already signed up to return next year. These great events would not be possible without all of the help of the Chairs and Co-Chairs of each of these committees along with committee members volunteering to ensure your time at each event is well spent.

My many thanks to the Board of Directors, At-Large Board Members, Committee Chairs and Chamber Membership for helping make 2018 a wonderful year for the Raytown Chamber, I truly believe it takes us all. I look forward to Chiki Thompson stepping into the role of Chair of the Board in 2019 during the Chamber's 90th Anniversary Year. Great things are planned for 2019. The Building Foundation will continue to improve the Chamber property with the continued forward progress of the Rock Island Trail.

My final thank you goes to the staff at the Chamber. Vicki, thank you for your dedication to the Chamber. I am very thankful for your support and guidance during my year as Chair of the Board. Kristen, you have been a wonderful addition to the Chamber Staff, we are so happy that you have been able to join this great organization.

Thank you again to the membership for allowing me to serve as your Chair in 2018. I wish all of you the very best in 2019.

Rene Purtee, Arvest Bank

NUMBER OF MEMBERS:

Total	238
Businesses	200
Not for profit	28
Individuals/Associates	13
Lifetime	7
Additional reps	121
Total Employees	13,076

INCOME: As of 12/15/18

Administration	5%	
Membership	71%	\$149,824.00
Events/Programs	24%	

EXPENSE: As of 12/15/18

Administration	69%	
Membership	16%	\$128,888.00
Events/Programs	15%	

WEBSITE HITS:

- 11,203 DIRECTORY SEARCHES
- 16,812 EVENT PAGE VIEWS
- 11,372 WEBSITE HITS

CHAMBER IS A MEMBER OF:

Better Business Bureau of Greater KC
Chamber of Commerce Executives of Missouri
Missouri Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Missouri Chamber Federation
Missouri Economic Development Council

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Membership Services Committee
– Rene Purtee, Arvest Bank

Government Relations Committee
– Madeline Romious, AT&T
– Carol Macken, KCP&L

Raytown Night at the Royals
– Jason Hanson, City of Raytown

Chamber/Rotary Club Golf Tournament
– Terry Landers, Raytown Quality School Board
– Brian Wagler, ServPro Raytown/ East KC

Raytown Young Professionals
– Kaylie Baker, Rok'lt Advertising
– Chris Meyers, Crane Brewing Company



CHAMBER STAFF & BOARD HAVE PARTICIPATED IN:

- Board of Aldermen Meetings
- Jackson County Public Policy Council Coalition Of Chambers
- Mayor's Raytown Live Committee
- Raytown Arts & Music Festival
- Raytown Educational Foundation
- Raytown Main Street Association (Holiday Lighting, Egg-Extravaganza, BBQ & monthly meetings)
- Raytown Police Dept. CERT Member
- Raytown Rotary Club
- Relay for Life (American Cancer Society)
- Rock Island Meetings
- RQS Business & Marketing Meetings
- RQS Citizen's Advisory Council
- RQS Hall of Fame Weekend
- Steering Committee for the Deron Cherry Charitable Foundation (proceeds benefit Score One for Health, Camp Quality and Midwest Animal ResQ)



COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT:

January: Chamber Celebration

February: RQS Legislative Breakfast
Rock Island Bike Share Demo Event
Raytown Night with the Mavericks
Chamber Day at the Capital

March: Rock Island Ground Breaking Phase I
Chamber Lunch & Learn
State of the City Luncheon
83rd Street Demolition

April: Royals Luncheon

May: Senior Expo, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast
RYP Community Service Project
Raytown Night at the Royals
Raytown Live
RHS Ground Breaking Softball/Baseball Field
RSHS Ribbon Cutting Softball/Baseball Field
Raytown Chamber/Raytown Rotary Golf Tournament

June: National Selfie Day
Raytown Live

July: Raytown Summer Lunch Program
Raytown Live

August: 83rd Street Dedication
Raytown Historical Society Museum Grand Re-Opening
Raytown Live / RYP Trivia
Planet Fitness Grand Re-Opening Ribbon Cutting
Raytown Arts & Music Festival

September: RHS Ribbon Cutting Softball/Baseball Field
Sword of Joy Ribbon Cutting
Raytown Live
Dick Smith Ford Ribbon Cutting
Harvest Moon Hootenanny Senior Celebration

October: Partners in Primary Care Ribbon Cutting
Holiday Shopping Frenzy

November: BeneFocus Ribbon Cutting
RQS Legislative Breakfast

December: Maximize Your Membership at Crane Brewing
RMSA - Holiday Lighting

