

## OUR MEMBERSHIP

### PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Send us your retail or business promotions. Coupons, percentage off, whatever it may be. We will post them in our “HOT DEALS” section. This will give your company an additional venue of driving traffic to your business. Also, send us your open jobs so we can post them on the SACC website. Email [lori@salinechamber.org](mailto:lori@salinechamber.org)



### SACC BOOTH AT THE SALINE FAIR

Would you like to have a booth at the Saline Fair but don't have the time? Why not use the SACC booth to promote your products/services? Just drop off your swag promotional materials at the Chamber office and we will be happy to display and promote your business at the Saline Fair. The Fair dates are September 1st to September 5th from 10 am – 10 pm. If you would like to volunteer, contact Lori to get on the volunteer list.



### Board Members Wanted!!

Would you like to serve on the SACC Board for the coming year? The Chamber is looking for board members. Please let Lori know if you are interested in serving on the Chamber Board!

## OUR PROGRAMS

### SHARE IDEAS, DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



Rebuilding our events & industry groups have been our priority as we continue to adjust during these times. We are encouraging our membership to stay involved with our programs to maximize their benefits.

**HR Excellence** – Thank you to all that joined us for the HR Excellence Webinar on Change Management. To those of you who were not able to join, here is the link to watch the replay <https://youtu.be/ENeo5LT-3K0>

Our September topic will be The Workplace Impact of Changing Marijuana Laws, scheduled for Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. How well do you understand the workplace impact of legal marijuana use? Register here:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkfumspzosH9HFSy4KBCI1\\_ttDqbta mX2U](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkfumspzosH9HFSy4KBCI1_ttDqbta mX2U)

**Business Networking Events** – So far, we have been able to host a few networking events this year at Oscar's Sports Bar & Grill and Dan's Downtown Tavern. Ryan McGovern from Edward Jones and Leah Nauseda from SCS Image Group are the coordinators for this program. The networking program is designed to allow you share with others what makes your company unique, plus raise your company's visibility as an active part of the SACC community. Our next lunch date is, Tuesday, August 24, 2021. Time is 1-2:30 pm, at Dan's Downtown Tavern. See our Facebook page and SACC event calendar for further dates and times.

**Annual Golf Outing** – The annual golf outing date has been set for September 21, 2021, at Stonebridge Golf Club. We are still looking for sponsors and volunteers for this grand event. If you would like to donate to the golf outing contact Tammie King at Bemis Farms Preschool & Childcare or Lori Little at the Chamber. Our online registration is available on our Chamber website. Please sign up today!!! [www.salinechamber.org](http://www.salinechamber.org)



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## CHAMBER CHAT.....



## The People's Choice Awards

The voting has now begun for the People's Choice Awards. We have 16 different categories. They are as followed:

**Best Burger:** Dan's, Lefty's, Mac's. Mark's Midtown Coney Island, Oscar's, Salt Springs, Brewery.

**Best Coffee Shop:** Brewed Awakenings, Carrigan Café, and Baker's Nook.

**Best Pizza:** Domino's Pizza, Hungry Howie's, Jets Pizza, Little Caesars Pizza, Mancino's, Oscars, Salt Springs.

**Best In-house dining:** Mac's, Salt Springs, Oscar's, Brecon Grille, Smokehouse 52, Mark's Midtown Coney Island, City Limits Diner, Saline Inn.

**Best Take-out Food (not pizza):** Mark's Midtown Coney Island, Oscar's, Biwako Sushi, Salt Springs, Saline Inn, Dan's, Lefty's Cheesesteaks, Brewed Awakenings, Baker's Nook, City Limits Diner, Smokehouse 52.

**Best Local Bar/Brewery:** Dan's, Salt Springs, Brecon Grille, Mac's, Oscar's.

**Best Salon/Stylist:** Mod Squad, Cani Nails, Voila Salon/Spa, Hometown Roots, Sammi's.

**Best Automobile Repair Shop:** Harry's, Express Tire, Gerry's Tire & Alignment, Saline Automotive, Fender Mender, Brian Coffman Auto Repair, Bill Crispin, Briarwood Ford.

**Best Bank/Financial Services:** Comerica, Edward Jones-Ryan McGovern, Bank of Ann Arbor, Key Bank, Rehmann Financial, Reau & Associates, Professional Consulting Group/Schooly Mitchell, JA Johnson Group, Greenstone Farm Credit Services, Fox River Group, Baughman Capital Management, University Bank, True Community CU, Foresight Capital Management Advisors.



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**Best Lawn Services:** A&H Lawn Services, Back to Nature Lawn Care, Clink's Landscaping.

**Best Automobile Dealership/Parts:** LaFontaine Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Bill Crispin Chevrolet, Briarwood Ford.

**Best Grocery Store/Party Store:** Busch's Fresh Food Market, Village Party Store, Walmart.

**Best Specialty Retail Store:** McPhersons, Nu2U again, Saline Flowerland, Cobblestone Rose, Baker's Nook, Pet's n Things, Jensen's Pharmacy, Earth Elements, Elanor's Candy Shop, Quilting Season Shop, Accent Jewelers, Lily's.

**Best New Business (Opened since January 1, 2020):** Eleanor's Candy Shop, Edward Jones-Ryan McGovern, Lefty's Cheesesteaks, "Rock, Paper, Scissors", Whitepine Studios.

**Best Breakfast:** Saline Inn, Benny's Bakery, City Limits Diner, Mark's Midtown Coney Island, Brewed Awakenings, Baker's Nook.

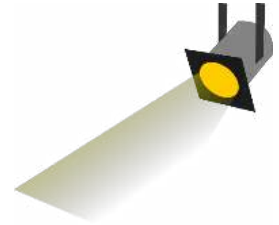
**Best Golf Course:** Brookside Golf Course, Travis Point CC, Stonebridge Golf Club, Rustic Glen Golf Course.

We have reserved Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> from 6-7 pm for the presentation of the winners of the People's Choice awards at the Saline Fair Grandstand. The SACC and Saline Mainstreet will be giving out the awards and the event is currently being sponsored by DTE. Each category winner will receive a 4x3 People's Choice Award Banner to display in their place of business for the month of September.

**New Members** – The SACC is pleased to announce several new members to the Chamber. Please welcome Baker's Nook, Hunny's Pizza, Mancino's, and Mark's Midtown Coney Island. We are very happy to have them. Please make sure you drop in and welcome them to the SACC and see if there is anything they need.

## **LOCAL HAPPENINGS – SPOTLIGHTING OF A LOCAL BUSINESSES**

### ***SHARING WHAT MAKES YOUR COMPANY SPECIAL***



#### **The Michigan Chamber of Commerce**

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce is hosting a webinar on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. The subject will be “To Mandate or Not? Vaccine Policy Decisions and Liability Analysis for Employers and Businesses” You can go to <https://www.michamber.com/member-resources/training-education/> to register. It is free to Michigan Chamber Members/Non-Members \$49

#### **Lastly.... We have a new Executive Director!**

We would like to welcome Jeff Williams to the SACC as our new Executive Director. Jeff grew up in the Ann Arbor area and graduated from Huron High School in 1978. He went to the University of Michigan and graduated in 1982 with a BA in English Lit and Political Science. He is also a graduate from Eastern Michigan University with a Master of Public Administration degree. He has also completed executive education work at Harvard Business School and the University of Oxford’s Saïd Business School, and Cornell University.

Jeff began his 35-year career first as a Financial Analyst in 1986 with University Microfilms (now ProQuest). He then worked as a Senior Financial Analyst for the Michigan Medical system until 1993 when, soon after completing his master’s degree, he joined a software firm in Knoxville, Tennessee, as Manager of Financial Analysis to prepare them for an initial public offering.

After the successful IPO in 1995, a promotion to Corporate Controller, and a merger with Emerson Electric in 1998, Jeff returned to Michigan and founded an award-winning publishing company; where for seven years he authored, marketed, and published family history books that were sold in 42 states and four countries, and which in 2004 won a State of North Carolina award for best family history book.

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Jeff then returned to the financial arena in the non-profit sector. In 2005 he became the Finance Director for YCUA (the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority). In 2008 he entered the higher education sector as Chief Financial Officer of Concordia University in Ann Arbor. For the past 13 years Jeff has been a CFO to universities on the east coast and the Midwest; as well as a K-12 start up in Hanoi Vietnam. His most recent role, ending this month, was as the interim CFO for Muskegon Community College.

Jeff has been active in volunteer work as financial peer-review accreditation team member for universities in the Midwest, east coast, Puerto Rico and Texas for the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, and the Association of Theological Seminaries. He has served as a Scholarship Committee Member for American Mensa, and as an Audit Committee member for the United Way of Washtenaw County; and as a Member/Past Chairman of the Canton Township Leisure Services Advisory Committee. Jeff is a Life Member of the National Eagle Scout Association and Life Member of the University of Michigan Alumni Association.

Stop in the Chamber office and meet Jeff and welcome him into the SACC.

### FOLLOW US



Connect with SACC on social media or on our website, [www.salinechamber.org](http://www.salinechamber.org) Stay up to date with the latest community involvement and information. Please feel free to contact Lori Little at the Chamber for any news you would like to share with Chamber members.