

The Chamber

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Quarterly Newsletter



*Reopened for business*

July/Aug/Sept 2020

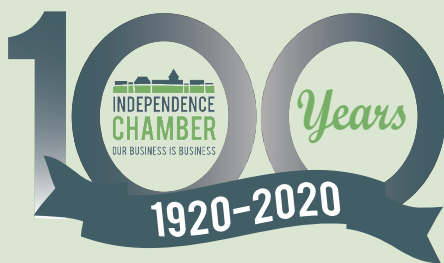
# Charter Members

The Independence Chamber of Commerce is grateful to our Charter members for their ongoing support, which allows us to offer programs and events that help our city and members grow and prosper.



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# JULY LUNCHEON



Plan to attend the July Membership Luncheon with us at the KC Zoo! Family members are welcome to attend at the same rate as Chamber members - \$25/person. While protective face masks are not required when eating your meal, in compliance with the requirements set by the City of Kansas City and Jackson County, masks will be mandatory at this event.

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS EVENT**

## Featured Speaker



*Randy Wisthoff*  
**Executive Director & CEO**

**When:**

Wednesday  
July 22, 2020  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

**Where:**

Kansas City Zoo  
6800 Zoo Drive  
Kansas City, MO 64132



## A message from the Chair

Dear Fellow Chamber Members,

Over the past few months, I hope you have relied on your Chamber to guide you through the uncertainty that we all faced. Tom and the Staff provided daily (sometimes hourly) updates to the resources available. From the early days of defining essential vs non-essential businesses and navigating through the government funding available, to now defining the varying phases of reopening, the Independence Chamber of Commerce is looked at as a Leader in the Region in providing business resources. Please check out this link, <https://ichamber.biz/resources/covid2020/> for details such as Restaurants with curbside pickup, Zoom, and other Online Meeting costs, Financial Support options, and more.

Like many of you, the Chamber is slowly reopening. Our Foodie Fridays continued throughout stay-at-home and now we have the opportunity to see one another in person with safety measures. Our LEAD class resumed their program in June and the Young Professionals and Ambassadors have also recently met in person. We hosted a Business After Hours in June at APEX Aleworks and are hopeful to return to our monthly luncheons, as it is deemed safe to do.

Unfortunately, the SantaCaliGon® Days Festival 2020 is cancelled. The committee, staff, and community are all disappointed, but with an annual attendance of 300,000, social distancing was going to be a challenge we could not overcome. On a positive note, we are planning ways to support our local non-profits and the craft vendors uniquely. Stay tuned for details.

Compassion, transformation, strong ...these words come to mind as I think of our community over the past 90 days. Compassion as we volunteered and donated to the social service agencies keeping our neighbors fed. Transformation as businesses implemented changes to the way they've operated for years. Strong because Independence as a whole WILL be stronger on the other side of this.

I hope to see you soon!

**Sonci Bleckinger**

*Your 2020 Chamber Board Chair*

# Calendar of Events

## JULY 7

IN BIZ RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM  
Online Via Zoom

## JULY 8

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
8:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce &  
Online via Zoom

## JULY 9

MEDICAID EXPANSION INFORMATIONAL  
CONFERENCE CALL  
10:00 AM  
Online via Zoom-Registration required

## JULY 14

AMBASSADORS COMMITTEE MEETING  
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## JULY 14

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION WEBINAR  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Online - Registration required

## JULY 16

DISASTER PLANNING FOR SMALL  
BUSINESS  
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
Online - Registration required

## JULY 16

QUALITY HOUSING & SAFE  
NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE MEETING  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## JULY 21

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION WEBINAR  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Online - Registration required

## JULY 22

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
Kansas City Zoo  
6800 Zoo Drive

Plan to attend the July Membership  
Luncheon with us at the KC Zoo!



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## JULY 23

MAINTAINING CONTINUITY & EFFECTIVE  
MANAGEMENT OF SMALL BUSINESSES  
IN REMOTE ENVIRONMENTS  
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
Online - Registration required

## JULY 28

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION WEBINAR  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Online - Registration required

## JULY 29

iMEMBERSHIP 101  
8:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## JULY 30

ONLINE ESSENTIALS FOR SMALL  
BUSINESS  
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
Online - Registration required

## AUGUST 4

IN BIZ RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM  
Online Via Zoom

## AUGUST 4

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION WEBINAR  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Online - Registration required

## AUGUST 5

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
8:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## AUGUST 6

PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING  
9:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## AUGUST 6

AGILE MARKETING, SALES &  
E-COMMERCE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES  
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
Online - Registration required

## AUGUST 11

AMBASSADORS COMMITTEE MEETING  
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## AUGUST 12

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
8:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce &  
Online via Zoom

## AUGUST 13

SCG FESTIVAL PARK COMMITTEE MEETING  
8:30 AM-9:30 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## AUGUST 13

SUPPLY CHAIN CHALLENGES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES  
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
Online - Registration required

## AUGUST 19

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
TBD

Be sure to join us for the August Membership Luncheon.

**SPONSORSHIP AVAILABLE**

## AUGUST 19

COMMUNITY BROADBAND COMMITTEE MEETING  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Chamber of Commerce & Online via Zoom

## AUGUST 20

ESSENTIALS OF CYBERSECURITY FOR SMALL BUSINESSES  
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
Online - Registration required

## AUGUST 20

QUALITY HOUSING & SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE MEETING  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

We're looking forward to seeing you at these upcoming Chamber networking events. To register for these events or for more information visit:  
[www.iChamber.biz](http://www.iChamber.biz)

*PLEASE NOTE: Event dates and details are subject to change.  
Please check the Chamber calendar for the most current event details.*

## AUGUST 21

MARKETING COMMITTEE MEETING  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## AUGUST 28

40TH ANNUAL CHAMBER GOLF CLASSIC  
7:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Winterstone Golf Course  
17101 E Kentucky Road



Grab your clubs in support of the 40th Annual Chamber Golf Classic! Every program the Independence Chamber of Commerce hosts is meant to be a business opportunity and this golf tournament is without exception. Participants will enjoy breakfast, lunch, contests, 50/50 Raffle, prizes and more!

### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Contact Trina to sponsor or to sign up your team - [trina@ichamber.biz](mailto:trina@ichamber.biz) or call (816) 356-6121

## SEPTEMBER 1

IN BIZ RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM  
Drury Inn & Suites  
20300 E 42nd Street S.

## SEPTEMBER 3

PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING  
9:00 AM  
Chamber of Commerce  
210 W. Truman Road

## SEPTEMBER 8

AMBASSADORS COMMITTEE MEETING  
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
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## SEPTEMBER 9

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
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Chamber of Commerce  
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## SEPTEMBER 10

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## SEPTEMBER 16

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
TBD

Be sure to join us for the September Membership Luncheon.

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## SEPTEMBER 16

COMMUNITY BROADBAND COMMITTEE MEETING  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Chamber of Commerce & Online via Zoom

## SEPTEMBER 24

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS  
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM  
Location: TBD



**SPONSORSHIP AVAILABLE!**

**PRIZES  
RAFFLES  
& fun!**

**FRIDAY | AUGUST 28, 2020**

**WINTERSTONE GOLF COURSE  
7:00 AM REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST  
8:00 AM SHOTGUN START**



**SIGN UP BY  
AUGUST 7TH  
FOR THE BEST  
PRICING!**

**SPONSORSHIPS  
ARE AVAILABLE!**

**EARLY BIRD TEAM PRICING UNTIL AUGUST 7TH!**

**CHAMBER MEMBERS: \$500/TEAM EARLY BIRD PRICING  
\$550/TEAM AFTER AUGUST 7TH - OR \$150/INDIVIDUAL**

**NON-MEMBER: \$600/TEAM EARLY BIRD PRICING  
\$650/TEAM AFTER AUGUST 7TH - OR \$175/INDIVIDUAL**

**TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE INFO CONTACT TRINA ANDERSON - TRINA@ICHAMBER.BIZ**

# Thank you!

## Special thanks to the following businesses who have given 110%:

- 1st MidAmerica Credit Union
- American Funding Solutions
- Beth Franklin Real Estate Team
- Downey Construction
- Evans & Steele
- Hartsook
- Hollis & Miller
- Independence EDC
- Rotary Club of Independence
- Speaks Chapels, LLC
- Independence Ennovation Center
- JE Dunn
- Kapke & Willerth
- Leone-Knipp Insurance Group
- RDS Equipment
- Rotary Club of Eastern Indep.

We invite you to join our 110% Club. When members voluntarily contribute an extra 10% over their annual investment amount, your contribution is tax deductible and will help the Chamber in strengthening our infrastructure.

As a member of the 110% Club, participating businesses will receive recognition on the Chamber's website, social media pages, in the Chamber's newsletter, and at Chamber events throughout the year. **QUESTIONS?** Contact Kris Zerr - kris@ichamber.biz or (816) 787-0313.



*The 2020-2021 L.E.A.D. class is forming!*

*Developed by the Independence Chamber of Commerce, L.E.A.D. Independence aims to provide a network of informed leaders with a commitment to the continued growth and development of our City. L.E.A.D. Independence provides a road map for successful community involvement through interaction with key community leaders and the issues that make Independence distinctive.*

### REGISTER TODAY!

The 2020-2021 LEAD class will meet 9 times on the third Thursday of each month from September to May. The class that make up LEAD 2020 will choose what they study and what businesses and sites they will visit.

### ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE:

Visit [www.ichamber.biz](http://www.ichamber.biz) and get more information or apply online. Or, if you prefer the personal touch, please contact Trina Anderson at (816) 252-4745 or email her at [Trina@ichamber.biz](mailto:Trina@ichamber.biz).

**More than 600 community leaders have graduated from LEAD Independence program.**

**Visit the website to register or for more information:  
[www.ichamber.biz/pages/lead-independence](http://www.ichamber.biz/pages/lead-independence)**

# Happy Anniversary!

Celebrating the membership anniversaries of longstanding Chamber supporters.

## 1-4 Years - April-September 2020

Summit Salon Academy KC  
Rothwell Construction  
JDog Junk Removal & Hauling  
Metro Motors KC  
Dentists of Independence  
Dutzel's Catering  
Deals Thrift Mart  
Mark One Electric Co., Inc.  
LaQuinta Inn and Suites  
Kansas City Structural Steel Inc  
Bolero Salon and Spa  
EPIC KC  
Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches  
KMC Dermatology  
HopeKids Kansas City  
ADP  
Pinnacle Bank  
RE/MAX Elite Realtors- Linda Pringle  
Marshall Arts Productions  
Crisp Cuts & Styles Barbershop  
Watchdog Advisory  
Square One Homes LLC  
Robert Sauls, State Representative  
CubeSmart  
Miller Theatres  
Edward Jones, Matt Flax  
Treo Marketing  
Mary Kay  
Restoration House of Greater Kansas City  
Blue Ridge Bank- Independence Square  
Blue Ridge Bank- Raytown  
Blue Ridge Bank- Sterling  
IAMXCLUSYVE LTD  
Kansas City Property Solutions LLC

Secret Service House  
The Pavilion Event Space  
Gerken Rent-All Inc.  
Landmark National Bank  
Vivilore  
West iND Connection 501(c)3  
Ecologix  
Pure Water Oasis  
Ghafoor Cook Ellis, LLC  
Cedarhurst of Blue Springs Inc  
BlendWell Community Cafe  
SCOOB'S TINT & DENTS  
Ennovation Center  
American Shaman Independence  
Farmers Insurance The Bryan Hunter Agency  
Lion's Choice  
AT&T Store  
Bryan Conley  
State Farm Alicia Allen  
Commercial Concepts & Furnishings  
Messiah Lutheran School  
Independence Army Recruiting Station  
Get Air Independence  
Lesley Siegfried Agency  
Under the Awning Boutique  
AVI Systems  
Hunter Properties  
First National Business Corporation (FN-BC-Kansas City)  
Sarah Cannon Cancer Center  
Avitus Group  
Partners in Primary Care  
McCownGordon Construction

Carter Broadcast Group, Inc.  
FISH Window Cleaning  
Rainbow Center for Communicative Disorders  
Osborne Global Investors, Inc  
Karatbars Affiliate  
Directed Wellness Center  
St. Mary's Medical Center  
Los Cabos Mexican Grill & Cantina  
JG Contracting, LLC  
University Health on the Go!- 23rd St  
Fullerton CPAs  
Cunningham Auto and Collision CARSTAR  
University Health on the Go!-Noland Rd  
Comfort Suites Independence  
Holiday Inn Express & Suites  
Kansas City Area Transportation Authority  
Laurie Dean Wiley, Financial Advisor, Associate of Justin Larkin at Waddell and Reed  
Centerpoint Orthopedics  
Centerpoint Physicians Group  
Family Care of Eastern Jackson County  
Family Care of Independence  
Jackson County Pulmonary Medical Group LLC  
Midwest Neurology Physicians  
Midwest Sports Medicine Physicians/Midwest  
Occupational Health and Wellness  
Neurosurgery Associates of Jackson County  
Hawthorn Bed and Breakfast  
John Kimak  
Nancy C. Kimak  
Bank Midwest  
Minsky's Pizza  
Summit Grill and Bar

## 5-14 Years - April-September

Edward Jones, Drew Hammer  
The Travel Store  
Sylvan Learning Center Lee's Summit  
Missouri  
Dental Excellence  
Driskill Business Development Group, Inc./Sandler Training  
Paychex  
JobOne  
Evans and Steele Financial Services  
Bass Pro Shops/Islamorada Fish Company  
Hollis+Miller Architects  
Kansas City Managed IT  
GFI Digital  
R & K Auto Body LLC  
Liberty Tax Service  
City of Independence Tourism  
Alissa's Flowers, Fashion & Interiors

St. Luke's Health System  
Arvest Bank  
Beth Franklin Real Estate Team at Keller Williams  
Rotary Club of Eastern Independence  
Susan Appleberry Widick, DDS, PC  
A Little Bar-B-Q-Joint  
Heart of America Council BSA Blue Elk District Jackson County  
JE Dunn Construction Co  
Planet Fitness- Noland Rd.  
Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity  
Cosentino's Catering  
Sound Check  
Palomino's Mexican Restaurant  
County Beverage Company Inc.  
Cinda Chapman CPA  
Pepperwood Apartments - Office  
Cable Dahmer Arena

Independence Hydraulics Inc.  
TNC Community  
AutoTek LLC  
Monterey Park Rehabilitation & Health Care Center  
Sunrise Montessori Academy of Independence  
Midwest Public Risk  
Town & Country Building Services  
Central Bank of the Midwest  
Central Bank of the Midwest- 23rd St  
Central Bank of the Midwest- Commercial Lending Center  
Drumm Farm Golf Club  
Staybridge Suites  
Mid-Continent Public Library - Midwest Genealogy Center  
Mid-Continent Public Library- North Independence Branch

## 5-14 Years Continued

Mid-Continent Public Library-Administrative Headquarters  
Mid-Continent Public Library-South Independence Branch  
Missouri Employers Mutual Insurance  
Associated Services in Insurance Inc  
Emerick & Company, CPAs  
Full Employment Council Inc./Missouri Job Center  
Paradise Park  
East Side Baptist Church  
GEHA Government Employees Health Association Inc.  
Reece & Nichols Realtors, Daniel O'Neill  
Belfonte's Mirror Image Car Wash  
Eastland Trails Apartments  
Adams Pointe Conference Center  
Better Business Bureau

## 15-24 Years - April-September

CPros Inc  
American Funding Solutions LLC  
American Sweeping Inc  
Burd & Fletcher Co.  
Opdahl & Bowen DDS, PC  
Pioneer Trails Adventures  
Premiere Outdoor Enterprises, Inc.  
Superior Bowen Asphalt Company LLC  
CommunityAmerica Credit Union- Noland  
Jackson County Audiology  
Jackson County Electrical Services Inc  
Fairmount Plaza Apartments  
McGrath Heating and Cooling LLC  
Winterstone Golf Course  
Swope Health Services  
Aldi Inc. - 16007 E 23rd Street  
Carrabba's Italian Grill  
Edward Jones, Corey Long  
Kiwanis Club of Independence  
McDonald's Restaurant - 18910 E US Highway 40  
Lew Printing  
Hilton Garden Inn Independence  
The Big Biscuit  
State Farm Insurance, Kim Downey Noble  
Marquee Event Rentals  
Hillcrest Transitional Housing of Eastern Jackson County  
Kansas City Chiefs Football Club, Inc  
Edward Jones, Craig Bolger  
Kansas City Royals  
Widick Marketing

## 25-39 Years - April-September

McDonald's Restaurant - 3921 Bolger Road  
ServiceMark Telecom  
Susquehanna Auto Clinic  
Corporate CopyPrint  
Custom Engineering Inc.  
Landmark Dodge Chrysler Jeep  
The Salvation Army  
American Medical Response  
AFS Insurance  
Edward Jones, Doug Hammer  
Metropolitan Community College - Blue River  
Community Services League  
Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA)  
Hi-Boy Drive-In  
Park University  
McDonald's Restaurant - 16235 E. 24 Highway  
McDonald Auto Body Inc.  
Burns & McDonnell  
Discover Vision Centers  
Scandinavia Place  
Community of Christ International Headquarters  
Mugs Up Drive In  
State Farm Insurance, Blake Roberson  
Independence Economic Development Council

## 40-49 Years

Graceland University - Independence Campus  
Independence Adult & Community Education  
Humphrey, Farrington, & McClain, PC  
McIntosh Heating & Cooling  
Cardwell & Associates  
Space Center Kansas City, Inc.  
Cable-Dahmer Chevrolet Inc  
HEMCO Corporation  
Cable-Dahmer Buick GMC  
Sladek Do it Best Hardware  
Examiner, The

*Congratulations on  
many successful years  
in business!*

For more info about these businesses & all Chamber members  
visit - [www.iChamber.biz](http://www.iChamber.biz)



## New Chamber Members

### January - June 2020

73-Productions, Event Planning Services  
Albonée Country Inn and Vineyards LLC  
Ambassador Corporate Renovations  
AML Insurance Services  
Anita's Home Team, REMAX Premier Properties  
Associated Audiologists  
Baker Bros. Contractors, Inc.  
BBBSKC  
Big Bob's Outlets of Kansas City Inc  
Big Boy Burgers  
Black Bear Diner  
Bridget McCandless  
BRS Photography  
Budget Blinds of Concordia/Blue Springs  
Budget Blinds of Lee's Summit  
Caduceus USA  
Cashew Creamery  
Ciao Bella Ice Creamery and Bakery, LLC  
Classy Canines  
Commcare/ Alternatives  
Culinary Provisions  
Deacon Lumber  
Dennis W Tharp  
Dynamic Chiropractic  
Edward Jones Financial Advisor: Carson F. Burke  
Forza Property Management  
Frannie Franks Coffee Cakes  
From Scratch Catering  
Fully Promoted  
Good Freedom Cookies  
Harbor Hospice  
Hathhorn CPA LC

Jessica Myers, LLC.  
Julie Moreno  
Keto Cook KC  
Lamb Transportation  
Leo Accounting  
LIME Life  
Lois McDonald  
Madden Media  
Maggie's Carb Cutting Kitchen  
Marr and Company, P.C.  
Noland Road Community Improvement District  
Novus Power Products LLC  
NS Custom Cakes LLC  
Old Town Barber College  
Philip Snodgrass State Farm Agency  
Phoenix Nail Lounge  
Planet Fitness- 291 Hwy  
Real Country 1030 AM KCWJ  
Real Stuff  
RPS Benefits by Design  
Salvatore's Restaurant  
Schooley Mitchell  
Tagine House  
Taylor Garner - American Republic Insurance Services  
Terrace Home Health  
Thomas R. and Eileen N. Weir  
Timeless Empire Salon  
Wells Fargo Home Mortgage  
WIL-PAV, INC  
Wine Down 109  
Workestrate LLC  
Yummy Favorites Catering

Please join us in welcoming them by visiting their website, social media page, sending them an email or stopping by to introduce yourself. The personal touch will help our Chamber continue to grow and thrive.

## Officers:

**Sonci Bleckinger**  
Chair of the Board  
Central Bank of the Midwest

**Beth Franklin**  
Chair Elect  
Keller Williams Real Estate

**Kim Deveney**  
Treasurer  
American Funding Solutions,  
LLC

**Terri Steele**  
Past Chair of the Board  
Evans & Steele Financial, LLC

## Ex Officio Members:

**Kurt Graham**  
Harry S Truman Library

**J.D. Kehrman**  
Independence EDC

**Dr. Dale Herl**  
Independence School District

**Dr. Jason Snodgrass**  
Fort Osage School District

**Dr. Paul Kinder**  
Blue Springs School District

**Zach Walker**  
City of Independence

**Dr. Thomas Meyer**  
MCC - Blue River

## Board of Directors:

**Jim Allin**  
Fish Window Cleaning

**Eric Knipp**  
Eric Knipp Agency, Inc.

**Austin Conley**  
Austin Conley Agency

**Bret Kolman**  
Centerpoint Medical Center

**Alec Cook**  
Continental Siding

**Cindy McClain**  
McClain Enterprises, Inc.

**Doug Cowan**  
Community Services League

**Matt Medley**  
Medley Smiles

**Ron Finke**  
Stewardship Capital

**Brad Smith**  
Drumm Farm Center for Children

**Bob Glaser**  
Community America Credit Union

**Brad Speaks**  
Speaks Family Legacy Chapels

**Steve Graffeo**  
Community of Christ

**Trevor Tilton**  
The Trevor Tilton Farmers Agency

**Yvonne Hall**  
Blue Ridge Bank & Trust

**Dr. Lynette Wheeler**  
Truman Medical Center Lakewood

**Mary House**  
Cruise Planners

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## Member News

A well deserved honor...Congratulations Bob Glaser!

Fellow Board member Bob Glaser was recognized by Missouri Lt. Governor Mike Kehoe who presented him with the 2020 Senior Service Award.

Bob was nominated by Missouri Senator Mike Cierpiot who joined Lt Governor Kehoe in the award presentation.





## Leadership

Quote of the Quarter

“Don’t let the noise of others’ opinions drown out your own inner voice.”

~ Steve Jobs ~



# Yes on 2

Healthcare

FOR MISSOURI



On the August 4th, 2020 ballot, Missouri has an opportunity to expand Medicaid that will help hard-working low-income Missourians have the health care they deserve. Billions of Missouri tax dollars will come back into our state and will save and create jobs statewide. It will also protect our hospitals from devastating budget cuts, which will result in loss of jobs and services for everyone. Expanding Medicaid will bring back these jobs and create thousands more.

**VOTE YES ON AMENDMENT 2  
AUGUST 4TH, 2020**

## Save the Date



**FRIDAY | AUGUST 28, 2020**

**7:00 AM - Registration & Breakfast**

**8:00 AM - Shot-Gun Start**

**WINTERSTONE GOLF COURSE**