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Alejandro Rivera, RE/MAX Sauk Valley

Geoff Wright, CGH Medical Center

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Dr. Jon Mandrell, SVCC

Rebecca Munoz-Ripley, YWCA

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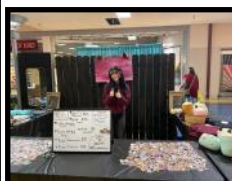
Executive Director—Kris Noble

Marketing Coordinator— Dallas Knack

Financial Specialist/Office Manager—Bailey Dorner

SVACC strives to uphold its mission of enhancing the economic climate and quality of life in the Sauk Valley area by supporting various initiatives in the area. One such initiative is the Whiteside Area Career Center's CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) Program.

Each year the class wraps up the program with a trade show of the students' businesses. It's always wonderful to see the community come out to support these young entrepreneurs! Below are some photos from the event. Hear more from the CEO students on page 5.



A Message from the Director

The spring session of the Illinois General Assembly concluded in the early morning hours of Saturday, April 9. The Chambers All In for Economic Recovery Coalition stayed keyed into the activity around our platform throughout the session. This note shares an update and celebrates our successes on each platform item. The SVACC is proud to be part of this coalition to continue to be a voice for you, our members!

- **Platform Item:** Utilize American Rescue Plan Act funding to help replenish the unemployment trust fund and alleviate the impending financial drain from the state's businesses.

- A new law was passed and signed to put \$2.7 billion dollars from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) monies into the \$4.5 billion Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund deficit. Chambers All In repeatedly shared with legislators the importance of this action for the business community's recovery. Replenishing this fund remained our highest priority this session. While we advocated for the entirety of the remaining ARPA funds to be used for this purpose, we recognize that this \$2.7 billion infusion is a critical step toward reducing the burden on the business community.

- This action is coupled with legislation (SB157) to extend the deadline that would trigger higher taxes and reduced benefits for the unemployed. Should the amendment be signed into law by Governor Pritzker, the deadline would be moved from July 3, 2022 to January 1, 2023, allowing additional time for negotiation on behalf of the business community.

- **Platform Item:** Provide legal protections to employers who follow the CDC established safety guidelines from claims that COVID-19 was contracted at the place of business.

- While this item failed to gain traction, we remain steadfast in our call that business owners must be protected.

- **Platform Item:** Restructure the Minimum Wage Credit's incremental phase-out to allow small businesses to capture the original intent of the credit.

- The coalition is proud that we got HB 5320 introduced in this session. The legislation would have allowed the state's small businesses to take advantage of more significant credit amounts through the credit's phase-out in 2025. We secured 16 sponsors for the legislation through our advocacy work and brought it to a subject matter hearing in committee. While our coalition was optimistic that the bill would get incorporated into a larger package, unfortunately, this did not materialize. This past session has set a foundation to continue work on this issue.

- **Platform Item:** Extend the EDGE credit sunset clause out for another ten years and utilize the tax credit as an incentive to attract new businesses to the state and allow for the growth and development of existing companies.

- Illinois' economic development tool is the EDGE credit. This call was a part of the Chambers All In platform, as retaining the program allows Illinois to remain competitive against other states. We are grateful that Gov. Pritzker acknowledged the need to renew this credit in his February budget address. We are pleased the General Assembly agreed and extended the program for another five years (SB157).

Chambers All In for Economic Recovery is proud to advocate for our members with our peer chambers from across the state. We recognize that advocacy is a process and we look forward to continued work to better the state's business community in the weeks to come.

Should you have any questions or seek additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Enjoy the Day,



Investor Update May 2022

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Chamber Ambassadors

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Brook Burlack – T-Mobile
Cassandra Salmon – Sauk Valley Bank
Chandra Meyer – Re/Max Sauk Valley
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Skip Dettman—LSSI
Tygen Bausman—Sterling Federal Bank

Ambassador Spotlight — Chandra Meyer, RE/MAX Sauk Valley

Chandra is a Realtor with RE/MAX Sauk Valley in Sterling. She loves helping people find the perfect home. It's so exciting to hand someone the keys to their new house! She also loves being able to tell her sellers that she found the perfect person to buy their home! She really enjoys being an Ambassador. Her favorite part is being at the ribbon cuttings for new businesses. It's so exciting to see a business owner's hard work and dedication pay off!



Written by: Alexsia Funderberg—Sterling High School

CEO. CEO is defined as "Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities", but CEO means more than that. CEO means if you don't come five minutes early, you're late. CEO means celebrating after victory. CEO means picking up slack to get the job done. CEO means always learning; you may not need it now, but you may use it later. CEO means you can mess up, embarrass yourself, and be uncomfortable, because CEO is about growing. The way the class, and myself, have grown this year- we are new people. It started with team building activities, to hanging out every weekend. It went from being scared to speak, to being so passionate we can butt heads over what we think. CEO brought growth, lessons, friendships, connections, and realizations of what the community has to offer, and each of us have to offer. As we wrap up the year with the trade show, it is exciting, but sad to know this will end. There is nothing like the CEO program, as much as there is nothing like our wonderful facilitator that made all of this growth, discomfort, push, and passion, LeAndra Hartman.



Written by: Carlos Garcia—Sterling High School

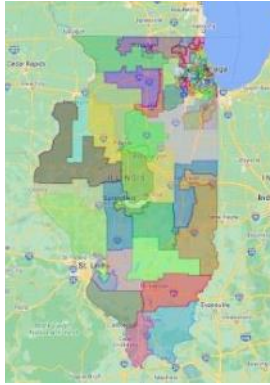
We have had so many wonderful and extremely valuable experiences throughout this CEO year. Sadly, it will be coming to an end shortly. Recently, the West and East classes met up and we discussed some of our favorite lessons throughout the year. There were many great ones, but some of my favorites were: you have to step out of your comfort zone to learn new things, the importance of communication, learning from failure, and how to be a leader. For example, when I first joined this class, I was so introverted and didn't enjoy speaking in front of others. This class pushed me outside my limits and eventually made me comfortable enough to speak in front of a crowd. Also, we worked a lot in teams, especially for our class business. There were some miscommunications and problems we encountered, but ended up working through them and learned from our mistakes. Through this all, we learned what qualities leaders have and how to become one. I have thoroughly enjoyed my CEO experience and I really do recommend this class.

Government Affairs Update

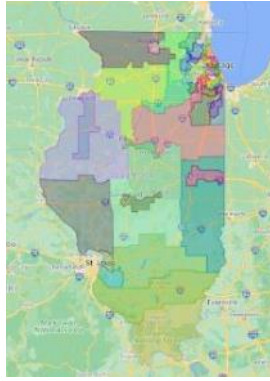
Elections are quickly approaching. Please see the information below to ensure that you are an informed voter on June 28.

Primary Elections State of Illinois: June 28 (note: June 12, 2022: Last day to [register online](#) to vote in Illinois. You can still register to vote in-person, up until and on election day)

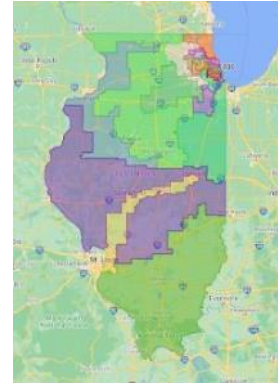
New Maps for 2022- Please check the maps as congressional districts have changed.



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State Representative Candidate District 73

Democratic Candidates:

None

Republican Candidates:

Ryan Spain

State Representative Candidates District 74

Democratic Candidates:

none

Republican Candidates:

Li Arellano Jr

Brad Fritts

State Representative District 89

Democratic Candidates:

None

Republican Candidates:

Tony McCombie

Victoria Onorato

State Senate Candidates District 37

Democratic Candidates:

none

Republican Candidates:

Win Stoller

Brett Nicklaus

Federal Representative Candidates District 16

Democratic Candidates:

none

Republican Candidates:

Darin LaHood

JoAnne Guillemette

Walt Peters

Michael Rebresh

State Treasurer

Democratic Candidates:

Mike Frerichs

Republican Candidates:

Tom Demmer

Patrice McDermand

Election information continued

United States Representative Candidates

District 17

Democratic Candidates:

Jonathon Logemann
Jacqueline McGowan
Linda McNeely
Angie Normoyle
Eric Sorenson
Litesa Wallace
Marsha Williams

Republican Candidates:

Esther Joy King
Charlie Helmick

United States Senate Candidates

Libertarian Candidates:

Bill Redpath

Democratic Candidates:

Tammy Duckworth

Republican Candidates:

Casey Chelbek
Matthew Dubiel
Peggy Hubbard
Mary Ann Mahlen
Bobby Piton
Kathy Salvi
Jimmy Lee Tillman II
Anthony Williams

Illinois Governor

Democratic Candidates:

J.B. Pritzker
Beverly Miles

Republican Candidates:

Darren Bailey
Richard Irvin
Emily Johnson
Gary Rabine
Paul Schimpf
Keisha Smith
Max Soloman
Jesse Sullivan

Whiteside County Board

District 1

Democratic Candidates:

James C. Duffy
Thomas L. Ausman
Fidencio Hooper-Campos
Owen Harrell
Christine Romesburg
Joan Padilla
Sean M. Bond
Ernest Smith
Alex Regalado

Republican Candidates:

Terry Woodard
Kurt E. Glazier
Michael J. Clark
Thomas P. Witmer
Sally Douglas

Whiteside County Board

District 2

Democratic Candidates:

Katherine A. Nelson
Karen Nelson
Shawn Dowd
Glenn C. Truesdell
Paul J. Cunniff
George P. Kelly
Cody Dornes

Republican Candidates:

Brhenan Linke
Linda Pennell
Douglas Wetzell
Matt Ward
Brooke Pearson

Whiteside County Board

District 3

Democratic Candidate:

Sue Britt
Daniel L. Bitler

Republican Candidates:

Mark Hamilton
Glenn A. Frank
Larry Russell
Douglas E. Crandall
Martin Koster
Brian R. Melton
Chad Weaver

Precinct Committeeperson

Democratic Candidates:

Mt Pleasant 1—Craig A. Brady
Sterling 1—Thomas L. Ausman
Sterling 2—Fidencio Hooper-Campos
Sterling 4—Sean M. Bond
Sterling 7—Owen Harrell
Sterling 12—James C. Duffy
Sterling 15—Robbie Niesen
Sterling 17—Joan Padilla
Coloma 1—Gabriella McKanna
Coloma 5—Steven Down
Coloma 6—Katherine A. Nelson
Coloma 10—Glenn C. Truesdell

Republican Candidates:

Clyde—Jennifer Suarez
Genesee—Sally Douglas
Union Grove—Connie Landheer
Hopkins 1—Brhenan Linke
Sterling 17—Kurt E. Glazier
Coloma 5—Linda Pennell
Newton—Marci E. Bohnert
Fenton—James C. Ellicott
Lyndon—Matt Ward
Montmorency 2—James A Starr
Erie 1—Woodrow Besse
Erie 2—Chad Weaver
Portland—Cami Schwenneker
Prophetstown 2—Douglas E. Crandall
Prophetstown 3—Jerri A. Robinson
Tampico—Gary Pearson

PWN Lunch & Learn Find Your Flow on April 13 brought together 60 professionals for a lesson on managing stress and building resilience. This session was presented by Natalie Moeller of Moeller, Myers & Associates.

Thank you to Sterling Federal Bank, Angelo's, and Culvers for your contributions to this event.

The Professional Women's Network meets on the third Wednesday of the month. For more information, please email knoble@saukvalleyareachamber.com



Business After Hours | April 22

Thank you to Rock River Hospice and Home for hosting the April Business After Hours. It was a great evening full of baseball, networking and beautiful weather.

Join us for our next BAH on May 19 at Smoked on 3rd.



On April 6th, the Sauk Valley College Leadership Program began the morning with WACC CEO West students, discussing generational stereotypes and assumptions. Le Hartman, CEO Facilitator, then led us in a conversation about the fundamentals of Gen Z.

The morning concluded with a thoughtful Q&A with a panel that focused on generational differences in the workplace: Chris Mitchell, Sauk Valley Bank; Cassandra Salmon, Sauk Valley Bank; Joe Strabala-Bright, SVCC; and Joanna Thiede, Walmart Distribution Center. Lunch from Kelly's was fantastic.

The story of Herbert Hoover came alive as SVCLP students toured the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum on April 20. The exhibits in the museum galleries reveal the life and times of Hoover from his birth, to his life as an engineer, Secretary of Commerce, President of the United States, and his post-presidential work. Students were allowed to hold and read Hoover's actual documents, complete with his copious edit marks. After a Hy-Vee catered lunch, we toured Hoover's birthplace cottage, his father's blacksmith shop, the Quaker meetinghouse, and Hoover's schoolroom. Even the non-historians of our group came away with a better understanding and appreciation of Hoover's life and accomplishments.



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Computer Technology



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Auto Technology



Guest Editorial

By Janna Groharing, Sterling Main Street



Sterling Main Street has set some big hairy audacious goals for 2022 and beyond. Along with our usual line up of community activities and events, we are embarking on two long lasting projects that we'd like to share with you: the creation of a retail incubator space, and the restoration of our historic murals.

THE SHOPPES AT GRANDON PLAZA

Inspired by the success of retail incubator programs such as the Batavia Boardwalk Shops (Batavia, IL) and Western Market (Muskegon, MI), and building upon existing community assets such as the year-round Twin City Farmers Market and the Kitchen Incubator of NW Illinois that support local entrepreneurship, The Shoppes at Grandon Plaza will offer an opportunity for local entrepreneurs to test the market and hone the skills necessary to succeed in today's competitive retail market. Running a business is a big venture and Sterling Main Street wants project participants to succeed. Whether it's an existing home-based or online business looking to grow, or a prospect just getting started, this incubator program will offer ongoing support and training in conjunction with Sterling Main Street, the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Sauk Valley Community College and other community partners. Our goal at the end of the 8-month incubation period is that vendors will be confident in taking the next step into a permanent brick & mortar location, be it downtown Sterling or elsewhere in the Sauk Valley region.



Thanks to the generous contribution of the site (vacant lot at 310 2nd Ave, Sterling) by Sterling Today, Inc. and an initial investment by the City of Sterling, construction will begin in the Summer of 2022. Additional partners have already committed their time and talent to the project, including McCloud & Associates Architecture, Wendler Engineering, and the Building Trades Program of the Whiteside Area Career Center, along with the countless hours of time the volunteers of Sterling Main Street's Economic Vitality Committee have dedicated to this project.

The long-term goal of this project is to continue to foster entrepreneurship in Sterling and the greater Sauk Valley region, specifically as it relates to retail shopping. To provide a structured setting for new businesses to test their market, while also providing the ongoing educational support and training for those entrepreneurs to help ensure their best chance of long-term success in a competitive and challenging retail environment. And further, to provide a pipeline of new businesses to keep storefronts occupied and add to the prosperity of the communities in which they locate.

How you can help....

Sterling Main Street is seeking community partners to invest in entrepreneurship in Sterling and the greater Sauk Valley area. Your one-time contribution to this project will help curate small businesses in our community for years to come.

Your investment will assist with construction costs of the incubator units, including the needed sitework. We are hopeful investor response will be great enough that we are able to fully complete the space with landscaping and other amenities to make the Shoppes at Grandon Plaza a destination in Downtown Sterling, complement the improvements the City is making to Central Memorial Park, and provide a pedestrian connection from the park to the rest of the Downtown. We are grateful to those who have already committed their services to bringing this project to life, and the opportunity to work with the next generation of entrepreneurs in its construction through our partnership with the Building Trades Program of the Whiteside Area Career Center (WACC).

Sterling has a long history of innovation and creativity. The addition of a retail-focused incubator will complement existing assets such as the Small Business Technology Center, the Kitchen Incubator of NW Illinois and the Twin City Farmers Market to further Sterling's legacy as the hub of entrepreneurship in the Sauk Valley. With the continued growth of local programs such as WACC's Creating Entrepreneurial (CEO) Program and the Sauk Valley Community Leadership Program, along with local events like Sterling Main Street's Pop-Up Market, the Shoppes at Grandon Plaza will continue to expand the pipeline of services our community can offer to continue to "grow our own" small businesses.

MURAL RESTORATION

Thanks to new energy from our Keystone Group, a revamped Mural Committee formed in late 2021. After a thorough inspection of the murals, the group began prioritizing their maintenance needs. "Adelante" (1999) by Muralist Roberto Valadez was selected as the first to focus our efforts on. The group is planning for the restoration of this mural depicting Sterling's rich Hispanic heritage over two-week's time in August 2022, for an unveiling in conjunction with the 2022 Fiesta Days Parade. The original muralist, Roberto Valadez, will be returning to Sterling to take part in its restoration and we will be enlisting additional assistance from the community.



While a few of the murals are in need of more significant repairs, many of them are just in need of a little cleaning and new layer of protective coating to preserve them for years to come. These tasks will be ongoing throughout the year as well, as planning and fundraising efforts take place to address some of the more detailed repairs needed to others.

For more information on these projects and the other activities of Sterling Main Street, please feel free to contact us at any time. You can find us in the newly rebranded "Sanborn Building" at 15 East 3rd St. in Downtown Sterling (we'd love to tell you about that project too), call 815-626-8610, email janna@sterlingmainstreet.org, or visit www.sterlingmainstreet.org.



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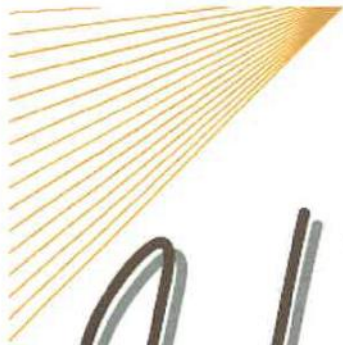
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- June 6 - July 14
- Aug 1 - Sept 9
- Oct 3 – Nov 10



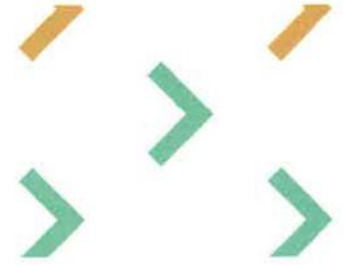
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SAUK VALLEY COMMUNITY L.E.A.D.E.R.S.H.I.P. PROGRAM

How long is the program?

Your program will run from August through May.

What topics does the curriculum include?

Direct experience with Community topics like economic development and local and state government; Leadership topics like public speaking and strategic planning; and a Volunteer project, working with fellow participants to achieve a common goal.

When are classes?

Either twice a month on the first and third Wednesday from 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or once a month on the second Wednesday from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

How much is tuition?

Program tuition is \$700 and covers all program costs. To learn about scholarship opportunities and to ask questions, email svleadership@svcc.edu.

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