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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I write this letter from Long Beach, CA we are at the Association of Chamber of Commerce Chamber of the Year awards process. I am reminded once again of the tremendous Chamber we have.



During the Chamber of the Year interview, Matt Cekander and I were able to share with the judges the many ways the Effingham County Chamber of Commerce not only supports our members, but the whole Effingham County community as well. Whether it's through our active involvement with the Effingham Regional Career Academy, Effingham Regional Incubator Network, Effingham County Vision 2020/Impact 2030 or our many member-focused programs and services, your Chamber is in the forefront of Effingham County's growth and development.

The ACCE Conference allows us the opportunity to connect with our peers in the Chamber industry, bring home fresh ideas to support our members and our community and increase our knowledge on operations and processes to make the Effingham County Chamber even better.

I hope that each business owner and manager takes advantage of their industry learning opportunities as well as it not only refreshes us mentally but makes our commitment to our company even stronger. I also strongly recommend that you take a look at the many learning opportunities offered locally by the Chamber and others to make you and your business stronger.

In this issue, members can learn about all things Ham Jam! From our new events - 5K Hog Jog to Beers, Wine, Swine & Dine, July 26 and 27 will be jam-packed with food, fun and fellowship. Check out our special section for all the details.

The Chamber's newest annual fundraiser - Win at Woodstock Reverse Raffle is just weeks away. Get your ticket for a chance to win great prizes including the \$5,000 grand prize!

As always, we place a big spotlight on our members and their recognitions, staff changes and other news. And, the inside back cover features upcoming Chamber events. We encourage you to tear it off and post for your employees.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Norma Lansing'.

Norma Lansing, President & CEO
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Circle **July 26 and 27** on your calendar and join us in downtown Effingham, Illinois for the **EffingHAM-JAM** and **Hometown Throwdown & Corporate Challenge**, sponsored by Koerner Distributor, The Chamber Foundation, and John Boos.

New this year, runners can start the weekend off with the Hog Jog 5K Run/Walk on Friday evening. The Hometown Throwdown local BBQ competition sponsored by Martin's IGA continues to impress. Judging and tastings start at 5:30 on Friday! Amateur BBQ enthusiasts will compete for category trophies and the "Top Hog" Traveling Trophy along with a \$250 Grand Prize. We'll also have great music, food and beverages. Thanks to the City of Effingham, participants will be able to move around the event area with beverages purchased at the Beer and Wine Tent. Friday night, Kilborn Alley Blues band from Champaign returns, along with Ultrasonic and 1973 (formerly Super Deluxe.)

Saturday is kicked off with the Farmers Market and Pigs & Pancakes. The official KCBS State Championship Competition wraps up with awards at 4:00 P.M. There will be plenty of returning favorites and new events. Participating businesses of the The Downtown Effingham Business Group will be hosting sidewalk sales all day. Our brand new events – Beer, Wine, Swine, and Dine and EffingHAM Jam Open Mic will be sure to please. Check the schedule closely so you and the family don't miss a second of the action!

We would like to thank all of this year's sponsors for their support. More information about our Ham-Jam sponsors available at EffinghamJam.com.

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Race begins at
6:00 P.M. at the
Effingham Public Library

\$35 per Runner
Registration ends
July 25, 2019

Proceeds from the
Hog Jog will go to the
Chamber Foundation
Scholarship Program



Schedule of Events

Friday, July 26

Starting at 5:30 PM

Hometown Throwdown & Corporate Challenge

Sponsored by Martin's IGA | Judging & Tastings (while supplies last)

Starting at 6 PM

Hog Jog 5K Walk/Fun Run

Sponsored by HSHS St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital

Music By:

5:30-6:30 PM 1973

7:30-9 PM Ultrasonic

9:15-10:30 PM Kilborn Alley Blues

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JULY 26 & 27

downtown effingham

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Schedule of Events

Saturday, July 27

8 AM - 12 PM
Farmers Market

8-11 AM
EffingHAM JAM Open Mic

10 AM - 2 PM
Courthouse Museum

12-2 PM, Awards 4 PM
Official KCBS BBQ Competition

Sponsored by AKRA Builders,
Effingham Prompt Care The City of Effingham

8-10 AM
Pigs & Pancakes

Sponsored by Siemer Milling Company &
Continental Mills in conjunction with
Effingham Rotary Club

1-2 PM
Kids Activities
Power Wheels Derby
Obstacle Course
Sponsored by The Equity

12-3 PM
Beer, Wine, Swine, & Dine

1-2 PM
Dilly Bar Contest
Sponsored by Dairy Queen

11 AM-4 PM
Music By:
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BEER, WINE, SWINE, & DINE



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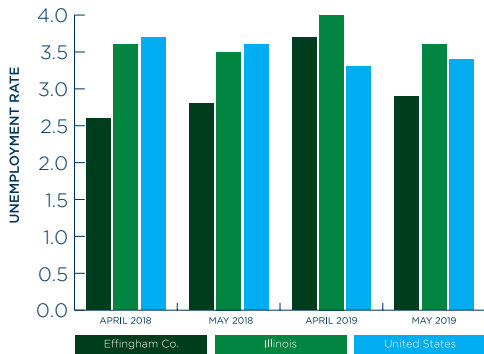
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MARCH-JUNE BUILDING PERMITS - 2018

Estimated Costs of Construction

\$1,501,024

RESIDENTIAL
18 PERMITS ISSUED



\$763,574

COMMERCIAL
15 PERMITS ISSUED

YEAR-TO-DATE BUILDING PERMITS - 2018

Estimated Costs of Construction

\$3,776,782

RESIDENTIAL
33 PERMITS ISSUED



\$1,641,788

COMMERCIAL
39 PERMITS ISSUED

MARCH-JUNE BUILDING PERMITS - 2019

Estimated Costs of Construction

\$2,607,545

RESIDENTIAL
8 PERMITS ISSUED



\$8,689,956

COMMERCIAL
20 PERMITS ISSUED

YEAR-TO-DATE BUILDING PERMITS - 2019

Estimated Costs of Construction

\$2,698,264

RESIDENTIAL
11 PERMITS ISSUED



\$10,353,336

COMMERCIAL
22 PERMITS ISSUED

Q3 RETAIL SALES



\$184,762,268
COUNTY FY18



\$163,695,056
CITY FY18



\$183,484,675
COUNTY FY19



\$162,272,996
CITY FY19

SOURCES:

Illinois Department of Revenue
www.revenue.state.il.us

Effingham City Building Official
www.effinghamil.com

U.S. Census Bureau
www.census.gov

Illinois Department of Employment Security
www.lmi.ides.state.il.us/laws/laumenu.htm

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
www.fdic.gov

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MEMBER NEWS



US Rep. John Shimkus (R-IL) visited Tick Tock Energy, Inc. recently to learn more about the quickly growing solar industry in Illinois and discuss energy policy issues. Shimkus recognized Tick Tock Energy's strong growth and being one of the first solar companies to pioneer the renewable energy sector in Illinois. Capping off the visit, Shimkus ceremoniously flipped the disconnect switch of Tick Tock's brand new 12 kW rooftop solar array. The solar install will provide a majority of the businesses' power needs and be a powerful tool to educate customers and the public about solar power. Shimkus is the ranking member of the House Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change.

On World Water Day Friday, March 22nd, EJ Water Cooperative was invited to be a part of the Small



Communities Water Dialogue at the U.S. Chamber in Washington, D.C. that included attendees from the EPA, USDA, RCAP, National Government Association, FEMA, Goldman Sachs, Rural Development, and nationwide banks like CoBank. The US Chamber is working to identify the best strategy to invest in grants and funding towards water in communities.

EJ Water was invited specifically to share the small community perspective on water challenges. EJ Water's representative, Eric Emmerich, led a discussion on the Policy and Technical Barriers for Small Town Communities. EJ Water shared that among small communities, some of the largest water challenges include a lack of a succession plan, lack of raising water rates as grants decrease nationwide, and a lack of preventative maintenance.

EJ Water continues to attend the US Chamber meetings as thought leaders of the utility of tomorrow. This opportunity has allowed EJ Water to now be working with the National Government Association and share what it would look like for small communities to partner together and regionalize, as well as a strategy for how to incentivize it.



The City of Effingham is one of 15 locations in Illinois designated as a Super Site by the state's Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity putting the City in a top position for economic development site selection projects. The Effingham Super Site is comprised of a vacant lot along south U. S. Route 45 near the Effingham County Memorial Airport and consists of almost 260 acres. Super Sites have infrastructure in place such as utilities and rail access, making it certified as a property ready for development.

MEMBER NEWS

Dieterich Bank was named a 2019 Best Places to Work in Illinois, an award presented by the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, MRA - The Management Association, the Small Business Advocacy Council and Best Companies Group at the Daily Herald's Business Ledger annual awards reception. A total of 69 businesses were honored at the event.



First Mid Bank & Trust was named the Central/Southern Illinois Community Lender of the Year by the U.S. Small Business Administration's Illinois District Office for the sixth consecutive year. This award is presented to the community bank with the best overall performance record for lending to small businesses in Central and Southern Illinois in 2018.

Cancer Care Specialists of Illinois has met all criteria for Laboratory Accreditation by COLA, a national healthcare accreditation organization, and has received COLA's Laboratory Excellence Award for full compliance with all requirements. The practice group has also received re-certification by the QOPI® Certification Program LLC, providing a three-year certification for outpatient hematology-oncology practices that meet nationally recognized standards for quality cancer care.

Effingham Public Library has won two national "Best of Show" marketing awards from the American Library Association. Awards were presented for the Library's 2018 Annual Fund Mailer RISE! and its 2018 Summer Read t-shirt design.

Sarah Bush Lincoln's Advanced Wound Center received the 2018 Presidents Circle Award for clinical excellence from Healogics, one of only 39 out of 413 eligible centers nationwide to be recognized. The Center also received a Robert A. Warriner Center of Excellence award for achieving patient satisfaction

rates of higher than 92% and a healing rate of at least 91% in less than 30 days. Sarah Bush also recently received an "A" from The Leapfrog Group's Hospital Safety Grade.



Dr. Nash Naam of **Southern Illinois Hand Center** has been recognized as a pioneer of hand surgery by the international Federation for Societies of Surgery of the Hand.

SHHS St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital's Weight Management Program has received multiple 2018 HMR Gold Standard certificates of achievement.

Willowbrook Memory Support Residences was awarded the 2019 Innovative Program of the Year for their Forget-Me-Not Cafe program, monthly gatherings for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.

Two **Lakeland Rehabilitation and Health Care Center** employees have been recognized with 2019 Illinois Health Care Association Staff and Specialty Awards. Activity Director Crystal Risner was named IHCA Activity Professional of the Year and Maintenance Director Buster Rosa, the Environmental Services Professional of the Year. The facility also received the Communications Award and Photograph of the Year.

Dieterich Unit 30 School Superintendent Cary Jackson has been named the 2019 Superintendent of Distinction in the Wabash Valley Region-of the Illinois Association of School Administrators.



Effingham County Memorial Airport has been named 2019 Illinois General Aviation Airport of the Year.

Nathan Earnest has been named a partner with **West and Company LLC**.

Heartland Human Services has earned a Behavioral Health Care Certification from the Joint Commission.

MEMBER NEWS

WELCOME



Altamont High School has been named one of "America's Best High Schools" by U.S. News and World Report for 2019, with the school ranking 163 out of a total of 684 high schools in the state of Illinois. The NICHE ranking placed Altamont High School in the top 24 percent of high schools in Illinois.

CHANGES & NOTES

SDS Computers has changed their company name to **SDS Technology** and welcomes Liz Jones as their new Accounting Manager.

Effingham Printing Company has relocated to 801 N Third Street, Effingham.

Team ITS has opened an office at 305 Professional Park Avenue in Effingham.

Whitney Roofing has moved to 10110 IL 33, Effingham (located inside of Artcraft Building).

Attorney Q. Anthony ("Tony") Siemer has relocated his law practice to the Lincolnland Building at 1901 South Fourth Street, Suite 203.

Glik's will be celebrating the opening of their new location, 1302 Avenue of Mid America, Space 24 (formerly Payless Shoe Store) with a Ribbon Cutting on August 9.

Maggie Meylor is the new Grants Administrator for **South Central Illinois Community Foundation**.

Kate Williams is the new Community Relations Specialists at **Caritas Family Solutions**

Jeremiah Rowe is the new General Manager/Operational Manager for **Effing Brew Company**.

Drs. Sehy and Jones Optometrists PC welcomes Craig Woods, O.D. to the practice.

McDevitt, Osteen, Chojnicki & Deters LLC welcomes Sophie Hoffman Kabbes to the firm.

Brett Hartman is the new General Manager for **Clayton Homes of Effingham**.

Effingham Country Club has hired Ann Doedtmann as Business Manager, replacing Diane Kreke who has retired.

Kingery Printing Company has hired Erin Bloemer as CFO, as Terry Probst transitions into retirement.

Effingham County Chamber of Commerce welcomes Justine Carlson as Office Manager.



If you have news you want to share with the Chamber membership on special awards, recognition, employee promotions, etc. please e-mail the information to Norma Lansing at nlansing@effinghamcountychamber.com.

THE CHAMBER NEEDS YOU!

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Community Development	EffingHAM-JAM
Community Celebration	Chamber Reverse Raffle
of Excellence Breakfast	Under 40 Awards Dinner
Business Development	Kick-Off to Education
Chamber Foundation	Effingham Co. Job Fair
Community Scholarship	Manufacturing Day

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CELEBRATIONS



Dieterich Business Association Scholarship Winners Seth Bohnhoff (left,) and Jennifer Robards (right) with Cory Niebrugge, DBA President



Chamber Golf Outing Golf Ball Drop Winner Josh McElravey, Lincolnland Building Trades Council
Below: StaffQuick, Golf Outing winning team



Ribbon cutting at Wright at Home Interiors



Ryder Systems ribbon cutting



Jeanine Blankenship, Reverse Raffle Early Bird Drawing Winner



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AUGUST

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- event: 7:30-9am
Coffee & Connections
@ Siemer Milling Company
- event: 12-1pm
YBNext Professional Development Luncheon
@ Midland Corporate Headquarters
- 2 event: 12-1pm
First Friday Luncheon
@ Keller Convention Center
- 9 event: 10am
Ribbon Cutting
@ Glik's
- 14 event: 5:30-8pm
YBNext Social
@ Country Rhodes Fundraising & Catering
- 22 event: 5-7pm
Business After Hours
@ Effingham Obstetrics & Gynecology Assoc.
- 29

SEPTEMBER

- event: 7:30-9am
Executive Espresso
@ The Chamber Office
- 4
- event: 5-7pm
Business After Hours
@ Schumacher Orthodontics
- 5
- event: 12-1pm
First Friday Luncheon
@ Keller Convention Center
- 6
- 10
- event: 15-22
Show Up & Serve Week
September 15-22
- 15-22
- 19
- event: 24
Top Community Leaders Under 40 Awards Dinner
@ Keller Convention Center
- 24
- 25
- event: 7:30-9am
Kickoff to Education Breakfast
@ Keller Convention Center
- event:
Effingham County Job Fair
@ Keller Convention Center
- event:
YBNext/CEO Fundraiser
@ Joe's Pizza & Pasta
- event:
Community Celebration of Excellence Breakfast
@ Keller Convention Center

OCTOBER

- event: 5-7pm
Business After Hours
@ Bushue HR
- 3
- event: 17
Chamber Radio Day
@ WXF 97.9
- event:
Effingham Co. Manufacturing Day

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