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Vision

The Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce will be the preferred provider of watch-dog, education and advocacy services that form a mission-critical catalyst for business success.

Mission

The Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce is a member-driven organization, dedicated to a strong, private sector regional economy.

Guiding Principles

Chambers of Commerce honor and respect capitalism and well-informed private sector job creators as a central and foundational element of regional and national prosperity. Chambers of Commerce actively facilitate collaboration and open discussion between business and public officials through education, business advocacy and leadership.

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SAVOR: Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Restaurant Week – September 20–29

SAVOR 2019 is Edwardsville/Glen Carbon’s nationally recognized restaurant week – the inaugural 2016 initiative was honored with an Award of Excellence by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives (ACCE).

SAVOR is a salute to our community’s restaurateurs, cuisine and diners, and a celebration of the cuisine that makes our region a culinary hot spot. The chamber’s goal is to further brand our market as a dining destination, promote our dining establishments, and increase trips and transactions. The week, running from September 20–29, features a special opportunity for diners to visit old favorites and also try the many new restaurants that have opened in our market. Specially priced lunch and dinner menus are offered for fixed prices.

All local restaurants that are able to offer a value-driven menu are welcomed to join in, and for Ed/Glen Chamber members the cost to participate is just $89. Call 618.656.7600 or email or membership@edglenchamber.com to learn more and sign up.

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“...My franchise strongly recommends joining the local chamber of commerce, and I have found the Ed/Glen Chamber to be an invaluable resource. The credibility that comes from being a chamber member has been a huge benefit in getting to know and to be known in the community. I have used the membership list on different campaigns to meet other businesses and I get terrific referrals. The Ed/Glen Chamber is a dynamic organization, always coming up with new ideas and twists such as Restaurant Week to support me and my fellow small businesses. Chamber membership is a key marketing investment for Big Frog Custom T-Shirts and More.”

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The Ed/Glen Chamber offers a full menu of high-visibility sponsorship opportunities. As you begin planning your 2020 budget, please contact us to learn about our variety of options designed to fit your marketing and community investment budgets. Call 618-656-7600 or email membership@edglenchamber.com to learn more.
We would like to recognize the many Ed/Glen Chamber investors who are celebrating membership anniversaries in the month of August. This monthly feature spotlights members for their ongoing support of the Ed/Glen Chamber. We offer our sincerest thanks to each of the following business for their continued membership!

**40+ YEARS**
Oak Brook Golf Club

**30–39 YEARS**
Travel Express
Kettle River Furniture
YMCA Edwardsville

**20–29 YEARS**
Wooff Realtors
Allergy & Asthma Care Center
Home Buyers AdvantEDGE Realty
Mark’s Appliance

**10–19 YEARS**
Metro East Montessori School
Sivia Business & Legal Services, PC
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Dimond Bros. Insurance, LLC
Fr. McGivney Catholic High School

**5–9 YEARS**
Castelli’s Moonlight Restaurant at 255
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**1–4 YEARS**
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What does ACCREDITATION mean for you?

A five-star accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce signifies excellence in alignment with industry best practices and represents a high level of commitment to our most valuable resource – YOU.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARD

This drives the Ed/Glen Chamber to relentlessly pursue a pro-business regional economy on behalf of your business. It allows for maximum collaboration because it clearly defines a chamber’s role in the community while allowing other contributors to do what they do best. Fewer than 2% of chambers in the country have earned this distinction.

TRUSTWORTHY

By earning the highest designation available, members of the Ed/Glen Chamber can trust that we are representing your interests every day, and that decisions are in alignment with what is necessary to ensure a business-friendly climate. You are able to focus on what your business needs most from you on a daily basis.

MISSION-FOCUSED

The Ed/Glen Chamber must make decisions that propel our mission forward. This includes representing your voice before all levels of government, keeping you informed as decisions are made and encouraging the growth of the local business community. Our commitment to you is visible in five-star accreditation.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Your membership dollars are a legitimate cost of doing business when you invest with the Ed/Glen Chamber. Accreditation means we exercise stewardship of your dollars. Your investment supports advocacy initiatives, high-quality programs and five-star customer service. It also allows for re-investment into our growing business ecosystem.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Accreditation means that the U.S. Chamber of Commerce is holding the Ed/Glen Chamber accountable for continuing to support your business growth. Adherence to the industry best practices and commitment to maintaining relevance is critical to maintaining this designation. A high level of integrity is what you expect and deserve.

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business of the month

Express Employment Professionals


ECONOMIC IMPACT: Express Employment Professionals has helped hundreds of local companies find the best candidates to sustain their growth and success. Express has been honored to help place thousands of people into careers that positively impact their families and communities.

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT: Express Employment Professionals has donated countless hours of service and thousands of dollars to a variety of local charitable, civic, educational, and religious organizations. Serving others truly is the privilege of each Express team member.

WORKFORCE COMMITMENT: Express Employment Professionals helps individuals achieve their dreams through employment and coaching, helping them to advance their careers and quality of life. The Express team is committed to the organization’s corporate code of honor and works to instill those values in everyone they serve.

LEADERSHIP: Employees of Express Employment Professionals are active in nine local chambers of commerce. Marc is past chairman of the board for the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce, and Diana was honored with the Ed/Glen Chamber Ambassador of the Year Award. They are involved with many local CEO programs, which encourage entrepreneurship and foster business acumen in students. Express allows time and encourages staff to give back to the community – because of this, employees are involved with a number of organizations throughout the region.

INNOVATION: Express Employment Professionals has been a national leader in the staffing industry for decades, excelling in adapting to both marketplace and workforce changes. The Express process has evolved over time and continues to produce the outstanding candidates for client companies and providing the best fit for job-seekers.

EXCELLENCE: Both offices have been recognized multiple times for achieving the Express Circle of Excellence Award, and have been selected as training offices for new Express franchises being established across the country. The entire team is continually involved in professional development, skills and leadership training.

CHARACTER: Express Employment Professionals’ corporate motto has always been: “Helping good people find good jobs, and helping good companies find good people!” The firm’s goal is to build long-lasting relationships, and do so in a manner that honors and pleases God.

FUTURE FOCUS: The entire Express Employment Professionals team enjoys coming to work each day with the opportunity to positively impact lives.
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business after 5

July 18: Meridian Village

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ribbon cuttings

July 19: Scott Credit Union Community Heroes Exhibit
@ Edwardsville Children’s Museum

July 22: Culver’s of Edwardsville Grand Re-Opening

LOVE LOCAL
SHOP CHAMBER
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Networking Breakfast
Thursday, Oct. 3
8-9:30 a.m.
Ralph Korte Stadium
SIUE Campus

We have big plans for Ralph Korte Stadium, and we want to share them with you!
Join us for SIUE Day to strengthen your relationship with the University and network with fellow community members.

8:15 a.m. Welcome and Emcee - Rachel Stack, CFRE, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement, CEO, SIUE Foundation
8:20 a.m. Dr. Randall Pembroke, ’78, ’79, ’80, SIUE Chancellor
8:30 a.m. Welcome Video — Featuring Ralph Korte ’65, ’68 Founder and Chairman, The Korte Company
8:45 a.m. Tim Hall, SIUE Director of Athletics
9:00 a.m. SIUE Day Networking Opportunity and Optional Ralph Korte Stadium Tours

Complimentary parking available at Ralph Korte Stadium, 3345 Stadium Dr., Edwardsville, IL 62026

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Edwardsville Community Foundation Grants Available

The Edwardsville Community Foundation (ECF) has recently announced a grant application opportunity for non-profit organizations providing community services within Edwardsville Community Unit School District #7 boundaries. Edwardsville Community Foundation Executive Director Pam Farrar said ECF grants have helped fulfill many emerging community needs and support areas where nonprofits require additional assistance.

"Over the last few years, our grant application process has helped make us aware of some extremely worthy community projects that needed support," said Farrar. "We want to encourage any group or non-profit that is interested in enhancing the quality of life for people in District 7 to consider applying."

Non-profits interested in applying for an ECF grant can download the application at www.edwardsvillecommunityfoundation.org/grants.html. Contact Pam at 618-520-8099 with questions. The grant application deadline is October 1, 2019.

GCS Credit Union Donates $1,000+ To Backstoppers

GCS Credit Union employees joined together to raise $1,031.70 to benefit The BackStoppers.

In an ongoing effort to support the local community, GCS employees participate in jeans days each month. In exchange for a donation of $15 or more, employees are allowed to wear jeans on Fridays and Saturdays.

The BackStoppers support families of fallen heroes by paying off all debt, providing health and dental insurance, reimbursing for out-of-pocket medical expenses and assisting with tuition and education cost from day care through university. The BackStoppers currently supports approximately 80 families with 65 dependent children. They have supported more than 160 families since 1959 and provides roughly $1.5 million in assistance annually.
IMPACT Strategies
Hospice Project

IMPACT Strategies has completed another project for Hospice of Southern Illinois. IMPACT was selected to oversee the renovations of a 7,500 square foot building located next to their office on South Illinois Street in Belleville, IL. The building had previously been occupied by three separate tenants and required an extensive amount of demolition before the renovations could begin. Hospice of Southern Illinois will relocate their staff from the East Main Street location to the new office space, centralizing their Belleville resources to a single campus.

IMPACT Strategies was pleased to have worked with Hospice of Southern Illinois on this second project to enhance their overall mission. Amy Richter, president & CEO of Hospice of Southern Illinois said, “Working with IMPACT strategies has been a great experience. They are responsive, professional and very easy to work with. We couldn’t have chosen a better partner for our building renovation project.”

IMPACT collaborated with Hurford Architects and Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. on this project.

First Community Arena At The Vadalabene Center

First Community Credit Union has acquired the naming rights for the arena within Southern Illinois University Edwardsville’s Vadalabene Center for $2.3 million over the next 10 years.

Beginning immediately, the facility will be known as First Community Arena at the Vadalabene Center. The partnership represents the largest corporate naming rights arrangement at SIUE. The initial term is for 10 years through June 30, 2029. One two-year extension is provided, making the potential end date June 30, 2031.

“This is a wonderful example of emerging community relationships,” said SIUE Chancellor Randy Pembrook. “We thank First Community for their generosity, as well as their enthusiasm for higher education in general and SIUE specifically.”

“We are extremely pleased to be in Illinois and growing our branch network there” said Glenn D. Barks, First Community chief executive officer. “We truly believe that we have all the services families need for every stage of their lives, so a partnership with SIUE makes perfect sense.”
Andres Promoted To Principal Of Scheffel Boyle CPAs, 25 Employees Recently Promoted

Scheffel Boyle CPAs is pleased to announce the promotion of Josh Andres, CPA to principal. Josh joined the firm’s Alton office in 2006. He is a senior leader on the construction accounting team and also specializes in serving governmental agencies and privately held businesses.

Josh graduated with both Bachelor of Science and Master of Business Administration degrees from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, and earned his CPA designation in 2010. He is active in the Riverbend Growth Association, the North Alton Godfrey Business Council, the Young Professionals Group of Alton, and serves on the board of directors for the Boys and Girls Club of Alton.

Additionally, Scheffel Boyle recently announced the promotion of 25 professionals throughout its seven offices. Crystal Bock, CPA was promoted to manager. Jason Grunlund, CPA and Christopher Sobrino, CPA were promoted to supervisor. Patrick Meyer, CPA, Taylor Janvis, CPA, Andrew Patterson, Nick Hoff, CPA, Kayla Ervin, Katelin Feldman, Travis Wellen, CPA, Noah Feldmeier, CPA, Chad Frerichs, CPA and Michael Kanallakan, CPA were promoted to senior accountant. Kyle Moist, Matt Caraway, Alyssa Kelsey, Kara Evans, Aaron Schumacher, Chloe Brock, Lauren Nettles, Alex Stoff, CPA, Julia Billhartz and Jordan Vander Haar were promoted to semi-senior accountant. Kayla Mitchell was promoted to accounting supervisor.

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Style: Oktoberfest Marzen
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Scott Credit Union Finances Multi-Purpose Turf Soccer Field at Edwardsville’s Plummer Family Park

Scott Credit Union has partnered with the Glen-Ed Sports Association to finance a third multi-purpose turf soccer field at the new Plummer Family Park being built in Edwardsville. SCU representatives met recently with officials from the sports association and with Mayor Hal Patton to finalize the financing and discuss the future of the partnership for the sports park.

Scott Credit Union is providing $320,000 in financing to the sport association to fund the third turf field. In June, Glen-Ed Sports Association provided $120,000 to the City of Edwardsville for the usage and installation of the third turf field. The sports association will have more high quality multi-purpose fields and a home for its activities in the new park with the help of Scott Credit Union’s financing, according to SCU Vice President Chris Davis.

“This is a great opportunity for Scott Credit Union to be involved with a local organization on a project that will bring this top-tier sports facility to our community,” Davis said. “We are extremely excited to be working with the Glen-Ed Sports Association. It is a great organization with people who really want to make Edwardsville a great place to live.”

The Glen-Ed Sports Association facility in the new park will allow the soccer club to train on premium fields and offer more league games for Missouri, Southern and Central Illinois. The City of Edwardsville is in the process of building the Plummer Family Park on 83 acres off Goshen Road and will have a mix of baseball and soccer fields, pickle ball courts, and open green space.

“We are proud to be partnering with the city of Edwardsville and Scott Credit Union on this project that will benefit the community,” Glen-Ed Sports Association Treasurer Chuck Hentz said. “We are happy to bring Scott Credit Union in on the project to provide the funding. This is truly a great community effort.”

On May 23, representatives from Anderson Healthcare, SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children’s Hospital, City of Edwardsville, Korte Construction and other community supporters ceremoniously broke ground on an 18,000 square foot building that will house the Anderson Surgery Center and Cardinal Glennon Specialty Clinic to open in 2020.
MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE

Illinois Minimum Wage Schedule

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Under the new state minimum wage law, the minimum wage will increase to $9.25 per hour January 1, 2020, with incremental increases through 2025 when the minimum wage will top out at $15. Note that the new Illinois law is a minimum wage floor – if your local minimum wage is higher, you must abide by the higher minimum wage.

Part-time employees under 18 years of age, working fewer than 650 hours per year, fall under a separate minimum wage schedule starting at $8.00 January 1, 2020, and increasing to $13.00 January 1, 2025. Any employee, regardless of age, who works more than 650 hours per year falls under the full-time schedule.

There are no changes to the Illinois Tip Law. The 60/40 rule remains, but total hourly earnings cannot be less than the new minimum wage.

Small Business Payroll Tax Credit

Businesses with 50 or fewer full-time employees can take advantage of a payroll tax credit. Employers with five or fewer employees can use the tax credit through 2027. For employers with 6–50 employees, the tax credit is available through 2026. The tax credit is a percentage of the amount of state income taxes withheld from employers. Businesses of all sizes are encouraged to seek accounting guidance.

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