

Calendar of Events

April 24, 2026

Herrin High School Career Expo

08:00 AM - 12:00 PM CST

Good morning,

The Herrin Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce the return of our annual Career Expo at Herrin High School! Last year, over 50 local businesses joined us to provide Sophomore through Senior students with valuable exposure to a wide range of career opportunities, helping them explore potential career paths and connect with professionals in our community.

We are once again seeking your support and participation for this year's event, which will be held on Friday, April 24, 2026. Check-in and setup will take place from 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM, with the Career Expo running from 8:50 AM to 11:00 AM.

This event offers a wonderful opportunity to engage with local students, share information about your industry, highlight career pathways within your organization, and inspire the next generation of our workforce. Whether you can provide hands-on demonstrations, informational materials, or simply speak about your career journey, your involvement makes a meaningful impact.

In addition, we are seeking door prizes and gift card donations to award to students during the event. These giveaways help encourage engagement and make the experience even more memorable for participants. If you are interested in contributing a prize or gift card, please let us know.

We hope you will consider joining us again this year to make the 2026 Career Expo another great success. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

We look forward to partnering with you!

April 28, 2026

Festa Day at the Chamber

Herrin Civic Center

101 S. 16th Street

Herrin, IL 62948

11:45 AM - 01:00 PM CST

May 7, 2026

Guardian Grounds Ribbon Cutting

Guardian Grounds

908 S. Park Ave

Herrin, IL 62948

12:00 PM - 02:00 PM CST

Guardian Grounds is a coffee shop founded by an artistic entrepreneur and a dedicated veteran—a perfectly balanced partnership rooted in purpose and community.

What began as a simple vision has grown into something more: a space shaped by experience, resilience, and a shared determination to build something meaningful from the ground up. Guests will find thoughtfully crafted coffee, house-blended beans, Italian sodas, teas, and artisan candles—each created with care and intention.

Guardian Grounds isn't driven by trends, but by authenticity, hard work, and the courage to create something lasting.

It's a place for those who are building something, carrying something, or becoming something—early risers, thinkers, and doers alike.

Some carry the light. Some guard the flame.

At Guardian Grounds, they do both.

? Ribbon Cutting & Open House ?

Join us as we celebrate and welcome a new Chamber member and local business!

Guardian Grounds

? May 7, 2026

? Open House: 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

?? Official Ribbon Cutting: 1:00 PM

? 908 S Park Ave, Herrin, IL 62948

Come out to show your support, meet the team, and check out everything Guardian Grounds has to offer. Click on the link below to let us know you are attending!!