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Next Chamber Luncheon:

Thursday, April 19

12:00 noon

Jackson Energy Community Room

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LONDON - LAUREL COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018 @ 9 AM



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\$250 Registration Fee per Team

Registration Information coming soon!

LONDON - LAUREL CO. WELLNESS PARK

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Board Member
Karen Hyde
Legacy Nissan

Our Board of Directors is comprised of fifteen very dedicated business men and women who work hard to keep the Chamber running smoothly. We are excited to put them in the spotlight so that you can get to know them a little better.

Karen Hyde is co-owner of Legacy Automotive Network, the genesis of which is Legacy Nissan of London, established in 2000. Today, the network includes six businesses and employs more than 160 people in London and Corbin.

Other businesses included in the network are Legacy Ford Lincoln and Legacy Chevrolet, Buick, GMC, both in Corbin; Legacy Detail & Tint and Legacy Collision Center, both in London; and Legacy Auto Parts, the newest retail business, which celebrated its grand opening in London in March, 2018.

"All our dealerships are supported by our other businesses, but these other businesses serve the public, too," said Karen. "At first, Legacy Detail & Tint's only customer was Legacy Nissan. The same was true of Legacy Collision Center." But over time, demand grew, so these stores expanded into larger facilities with state-of-the-art equipment and business models designed to meet the needs of not just Legacy dealerships, but local consumers as well.

While her official role with Legacy is controller, Karen, along with her husband, Edward Hyde, is a true owner/operator who spends each day managing staff and cultivating business relationships. The couple often travels together representing Legacy at various industry-specific events, most notably representing Nissan, for whom Edward serves on both the National and Regional Dealer Advisory Boards. Due to their efforts and solid teamwork, Legacy has been nationally recognized for excellence in sales, service and customer loyalty.

Outside of work, Karen serves on the board for Saint Joseph London Foundation, a nonprofit fundraising group for KentuckyOne Health's Saint Joseph London Hospital. For the past two years, Karen has chaired the annual Saint Joseph London Foundation Gala for Hope, one of the many charitable events Legacy supports each year.

Karen grew up in Manchester, Ky., and lives in London. She and Edward have four sons, Michael Ryan, Gabriel, Zachary and Brayden; and two grandchildren, Hayden Grace and Gavin.

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- ◆ Bombs Away Portables, LLC
 - ◆ C2G Development
 - ◆ Select Lab
- ◆ Southern Tier Housing Corporation

Renewing Chamber Members

- AT&T
 - Benchmark Mortgage
 - Bimbo Bakeries USA, Inc.
 - Cracker Barrel of Corbin
 - Day's RV/Auto Sales, LLC
 - Eagle Financial Services, Inc.
- Eastern Kentucky University - Corbin
 - Glenn Shepard Seminars
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 - Laurel Financial Company
- Laurel Senior Living Communities
 - London Radio Service, Inc.
- London-Laurel County Tourist Commission
 - Patton Insurance Group
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 - Smokey Bear's BBQ
- Southeast Kentucky Doors, Inc.
- The Job Shop Staffing Services
- Window World of London, Inc.
- Windstream Communications





IN THE SPOTLIGHT



April marks First National Bank and Trust's 115th birthday! Since opening in April, 1903, First National Bank has remained locally owned and operated. They have four convenient locations in Laurel County—three in London and one in Corbin. These locations, plus their six ATMs, means that they are probably right around the corner from your home or business. Their 60 employees stand ready to assist you in planning your financial future.

First National Bank and Trust's lending staff represent decades of experience in helping local businesses, farmers, and consumers to achieve their dreams. Whether you're looking to buy a home, set up a home equity line of credit, or invest in your business or farm, they stand ready to assist. A new service that First National Bank and Trust will soon be offering is an online loan application process. *Simply 1st Mortgage* and *Simply 1st Loan* allow you to apply for a loan from home on your schedule. It's fast and easy, and available soon at www.fnblondonky.com.

A lot has changed in 115 years. Banking has gone from paper ledgers to mobile apps, debit cards, and mobile check deposit. But friendly, personal service never goes out of style. Let First National Bank and Trust help with your lending needs today!



Pictured :—First Row: Lenders Debbie Pierce, Les Sparks, Claudette Mitchell, Mark Williams, and Jason Burton
Second Row: Loan Operations Staff Jackie Lanham, Virginia Hinkle, Lauren Davis, Ernestine Wilson, and Leshia Minton



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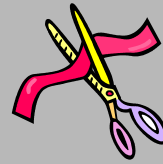


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Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings...



Select Lab

Thursday, April 19th
2:00 pm
140 East 5th Street

I'm So Fancy

Monday, April 23rd
11:00 am
468 North Laurel Road

Northwestern Mutual

Thursday, April 26th
12:00 pm
322 North Main Street, Suite 100

Health Express Urgent Care

Tuesday, May 1st
12:30 pm
94 Dog Patch Center, Suite 2

C2G Development

Wednesday, May 2nd
11:00 am
4900 South Laurel Road



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Congratulations

to

Garry Conley



Junior Achievement Volunteer of the Year

Chamber Board Member **Garry Conley** was recently named **Volunteer of the Year** by Junior Achievement of the Bluegrass. The mission of Junior Achievement is to inspire and prepare young people for success. JA does this by bringing volunteer role models from the community into the classroom to share their experiences with students and to facilitate JA's proven programs. The programs, which cover financial literacy, work readiness and entrepreneurship help students make the connection between what they learn in school and how it applies to their lives.

Garry Conley is the owner of Minuteman Press and has taught nine JA classes in the past four years. Garry was nominated by Monica Smith, Secondary Education Director for the Laurel County School System. Here is what she has to say about Conley:

Garry Conley consistently and continuously displays a devoted dedication to students in Laurel County. He is a rock star to those students! He uses the JA Career Success lessons along with his own testimonials to establish a growth mindset as he leads students in practicing skills to enhance their future success. It is tough to determine whether he or the students are having the most fun! As a parent, and as an educator, I can't thank Garry Conley enough for his time spent with our students. His volunteer service has definitely made a positive impact in our school district and in our community.

Congratulations Garry and thank you for your dedication and willingness to give of your time and talents to the students of our community.

The London Rotary Club is celebrating our 66th Birthday!



Thank you to our community partners for your support and encouragement. We look forward to many more birthday celebrations!

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**London Rotary Club
Pancake Breakfast**



**Tuesday, May 22, 2018
London Community
Center
6:00 am to noon
\$5.00 at the door**



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Located at 212 Thompson Poynter Road



Legacy Auto Parts
Located at 792 S. Laurel Road



New Hope Counseling and Recovery
Located at 60 Bennett Circle Drive

2018 May Election Candidate Forum



Monday, April 23rd

5:00 pm Meet & Greet

5:30 pm Forum Begins



Jackson Energy Community Room

Featuring these races:

Magistrates

Sheriff

Laurel County Court Clerk

Property Valuation

Supreme Court

State Representative

The London-Laurel County Chamber of Commerce does not endorse any particular candidate. It does, however, realize the importance of educating the voting population of our community as it relates to the issues that are facing London and Laurel County both now and in the future. As a Chamber member, we know you are concerned about the future of our city and county and making an informed choice in the upcoming election is critical to the continued growth and success of our community.

Job Fair

April 24th 2018

Sponsored by:



Location: Laurel County Library Auditorium
120 College Park Drive
London, KY 40741

Schedule:
9:00am EST Doors Open for Booth Set-Up

10:00am-3:00pm Job Fair opens to the public

There will be no cost for employers to participate.

For more information on the Job Fair, contact

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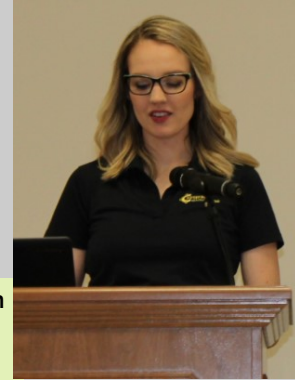
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March Luncheon Photos

Special thanks to our Luncheon Sponsor:



Shelby Brown informed the luncheon attendees of the services offered by Chiropractic Health Solutions.



Local City and County officials were our speakers for the March luncheon. London Mayor Troy Rudder and County Judge Executive David Westerfield gave an update on City and County affairs, while City Tourism Director Chris Robinson and County Tourism Director Rodney Hendrickson informed us on what tourism events are in the works for 2018.



Troy Rudder



David Westerfield



Chris Robinson



Rodney Hendrickson



The Chamber would like to thank the following businesses that donated prizes at our March luncheon. . .

- ◆ City of London Tourism
- ◆ First National Bank and Trust
- ◆ Hotwire Productions.net
- ◆ Jackson Energy Cooperative
- ◆ L&N Federal Credit Union
- ◆ Martin's Insurance Group
- ◆ Nesco Resource
- ◆ Old Town Grill
- ◆ Regency Cinema 8
- ◆ Smokey Bear's BBQ
- ◆ The Job Shop



The Ambassador Patrol Strikes Again!

The Chamber Ambassadors continued their “patrol” last month and surprised five of our members with balloons and cookies in hand. Each business was also presented a “free lunch” certificate to our general membership luncheon. The purpose of the Ambassador Patrol is to let our members know that we appreciate their commitment and support of our Chamber and to encourage further participation in Chamber events.

Be on the lookout. . . next month they might be visiting you!



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Chamber Calendar



Apr. 19— April Chamber Luncheon

12 noon at Jackson Energy

Sponsor—Bluegrass Care Navigators

Apr. 19— Ribbon Cutting at Select Lab 2 pm

Apr. 23— Ribbon Cutting at I'm So Fancy 11 am

Apr. 23— Political Candidate Forum

at Jackson Energy Community Room

5 pm Meet & Greet 5:30 Forum Begins

Apr. 24— Job Fair 10 am to 3 pm

Laurel Co. Public Library Auditorium

Apr. 26— Ribbon Cutting at Northwestern Mutual

R/C at 12 noon; Open House 11:30-1:30

For more information on any of these events, contact the Chamber office at 864-4789 or info@londonlaurelchamber.com

Mark your calendar . . .

Young Professionals Lunch 'n Learn

May 29th

12 noon Jackson Energy



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