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Next Chamber Luncheon

Thursday, Oct. 15

12:00 noon London Community Center

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2020 Chamber Golf Classic

The Chamber held it's annual fall golf tournament on Friday, October 2nd at the London Country Club with 105 golfers participating. While the golfers enjoyed a delicious breakfast compliments of **Nesco Resource**, the ambassadors were busy selling golf balls for our 11th annual Golf Ball Drop and passing out goody bags and t-shirts to the golfers.

The weather was perfect and everyone enjoyed a great day of golf and a delicious lunch catered by **Sonny's BBQ** and served by **Century 21 Advantage Realty**. Also, **Day Bros Auto & RV Sales** brought a luxury RV for the golfers to tour. Hole-in-One contests were sponsored by **Adrenaline Cycles** and **Wildcat Harley-Davidson** with a chance to win a Can-am Maverick or Harley-Davidson motorcycle on those holes. Around 3 o'clock all the golfers had rolled in and the winners were announced. First Place went to **Custom Designs**, Second Place went to **Precision Duplicating Solutions** and **Grace Health** took Third Place.

To cap off a great day, everyone gathered to watch as a **Jackson Energy** lift truck was raised over the green and dropped 265 golf balls over the hole. The ball that was closest to the hole was lucky ball #147, purchased by Brandon Keck. Brandon won a prize package which included an outdoor griddle, donated by **Wal-Mart**; a Corn Hole set, donated by **Maple Leaf Furnishings**; and a \$100 meat certificate, donated by **C&P Quality Meats**.

The Chamber would like to express appreciation to this year's sponsors (page 1) and to the businesses that donated door prizes, goody bag items, food, snacks and drinks (page 8). We could not be the successful Chamber that we are without the help and support from so many generous members. Thanks to all!



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Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Executives Announce 2020 Excellence Awards

On September 30th the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Executives (KCCE) announced the 2020 KCCE Annual Excellence Awards. These awards pay tribute to local chambers of commerce in areas of operational excellence that include membership growth and retention, website, social media, special publication and newsletter communications, and special events. This year two additional awards were added: excellence in innovation and excellence in advocacy.

The awards event culminates with the presentation of the KCCE Chamber Professional of the Year, which is awarded to an individual that shows outstanding dedication and achievement in chamber leadership and service to the community. The **2020 Chamber Executive of the Year** is Deanna Herrmann, executive director of the London - Laurel County Chamber of Commerce.

Herrmann has served the London-Laurel County Chamber of Commerce for ten years. Her accomplishments include graduating from the Institute for Organization Management (IOM) Program offered through the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and Leadership Kentucky in 2019. Herrmann served as chair of the KCCE board between 2018 and 2019 and continues to serve the organization as a board member.

“Thank you so much to KCCE and the Kentucky Chamber for mentoring me for the past 10 years, and many thanks to the London-Laurel County Chamber Board for believing in our shared vision,” Herrmann said. “I am overwhelmed with this award. I am beyond words to know I was selected from several wonderful deserving candidates.”

Awards were given in five categories: annual dues income less than \$75,000 (Group I); annual dues between \$75,001 and \$150,000 (Group II); annual dues income between \$150,001 and \$250,000 (Group III); annual dues between \$250,001 and \$650,000 (Group IV); and annual dues income more than \$650,001 (Group V).

The London-Laurel County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to report that we also won awards for **Outstanding Website and Outstanding Social Media** in our category.

A big congratulations to Deanna Herrmann and also to Michael Sliter who manages the Chamber’s website and social media. We are thrilled to be selected for these awards and thankful for this honor from KCCE!



2020 Chamber Executive of the Year



World Class Sponsorship

We are now enlisting Sponsors for 2021

As a World Class Sponsor you will receive:

- ◆ Annual Banquet Sponsorship - \$600 value
- ◆ Monthly Lunches (2 per month) - \$240 value
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- ◆ Company Logo in Emails & Newsletters - \$600 value
- ◆ Advertising at all lunches and events - \$1000 value

Total Value of Package is \$3640

**Total Cost to become a World Class Sponsor
is only \$2500**



To sign up, contact the Chamber office
today at 606-864-4789.

The deadline is December 31, 2020.



Coming soon . . .

LondonOpoly

Join the London-Laurel Co. Chamber of Commerce in a *once-in-a-lifetime* historical opportunity! London is being transformed into the classic board game Monopoly. Kentucky Avenue? Park Place? Where do you see your business on the game board? LondonOpoly will be a high quality, fully functioning board game featuring London's landmarks and businesses. More details coming soon!!





First Fruits Designs makes custom wreaths for all seasons or everyday decor for residential and commercial clients.

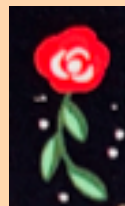
First Fruits Designs was started by Lois Chesnut as a vision she had for a way to bless others without any monetary return. She said she had been praying for God to give her a gift. When she finally realized what it was He wanted her to do, she had no idea how big or small this gift would be. What started out blessing others in the beginning ended up blessing her with more than she ever deserved.

Lois started making wreaths in a spare room in her home in 2018. She now has a 1000 sq. ft. commercial building just for making wreaths. God continued to bless her by opening more doors of opportunities by sending more business. Her customer base has grown from residential to commercial clients. What was around 10 orders a month has grown to over 10 times that each month.

Lois says that God sent her help when He knew she couldn't do it on her own and has blessed her again by sending her Angela Asher. Now she and Angela are not only making wreaths and decorating churches but they are holding classes as a way for small groups to gather outside of church or work.

First Fruits Designs has a Facebook page and is in the process of getting their own website designed for online orders and classes to be filled.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



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The Chamber is pleased to welcome our newest member:

- **First Fruits Designs**

Welcome!

Renewing Chamber Members

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- Begley Properties, LLC
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- Cumberland Valley Children's Advocacy Center
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- Revolution Physical Therapy
- Somerset Community College
 - Sonic Drive-In
- Wildcat Harley-Davidson

Special thanks to Wal-Mart, Maple Leaf Furnishing & C&P Quality Meats for providing the items for our Ball Drop Gift Package.



Thank you!

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Custom Designs



2nd

Precision Duplicating Solutions



3rd

Grace Health



Closest to the Pin
Winner—Jason Vance



Closest to the Pin
Winner—Seth Reed



CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT

September Luncheon

Special Thanks to our
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New Members



WJTE 98.5 The Light of London
Kip Jervis



WeCare Medical LLC
Laura Carrigan & Liz Koehler



Thank you to Walgreens for coming
to give flu shots.



Our guest speaker
was
Dr. Sherisa Warren,
Vascular Surgeon
at
Saint Joseph London.

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

- ◆ Donna Gregorich
- ◆ Edward Jones, Jonathon Hibbard
- ◆ Home Helpers Home Care
- ◆ Hotwire Productions.net
- ◆ RE/MAX Property Professionals
- ◆ The Sentinel-Echo





Presented by City of London Tourism

**THE RANDY SMITH
CHRISTMAS ON MAIN
PARADE!**

**Friday, December 4
7:00PM**

City of London Tourism will present The Randy Smith Christmas on Main Parade on December 4th. This is the 31st year of the celebration and the theme this year will be "LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH AND LET IT BEGIN WITH ME". Festivities that typically take place in conjunction with the parade have been put on hold due to Covid-19 safety recommendations.

Any person, group or entity may participate. As this is a lighted parade, participants are encouraged to place festive Christmas lights on a tractor, ATV, truck, car or build a float and be a part of the Christmas Cheer!

Guests of the parade will have a nearly one mile span of Main Street to social distance.

Parade information can be found at www.londonky.gov.



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