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Next Chamber Luncheon  
**Thursday, August 19**

12:00 noon

London Community Center

\$10.00 per person

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## 2021 Business of the Year Recipients

Each year at the Chamber's Annual Banquet, we recognize three outstanding businesses for their contributions to our business community. Awards are given in three categories - Large Business, Small Business and Non-Profit. Here are this year's recipients:

### LARGE BUSINESS



**Saint Joseph London**

### SMALL BUSINESS



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### NON-PROFIT



**CASA of Knox & Laurel Counties**

*Another Annual Banquet is in the Books!*

The Chamber held it's Annual Banquet on Tuesday, August 10th at the London Community Center. The Community Center was beautifully decorated by Maple Leaf Furnishings and the delicious meal was provided by Local Honey. And, thanks to some very generous Chamber members, there was a great selection of items to bid on during the silent auction.

In addition to the Business of the Year awards (see page 1), the 2020-21 Teachers of the Year were also recognized. They are:  
 Todd Huffman—Hunter Hills Elementary School  
 Bettina Fields—South Laurel Middle School  
 Col. Mark Jones—South Laurel High School  
 In celebration of their accomplishment, each teacher was presented a \$1000 check from **Laurel County Farm Bureau**.

The Chamber recognized outgoing Directors Bud Stuber and Dana Johnson who served on the Board of Directors for many years. Also recognized was incoming director Dr. Doug Bennett.

The entertainment for the evening was provided by Magician and Mentalist Mike O'Donnell, compliments of our entertainment sponsor **WB Transport LLC**. Mike performed some amazing tricks with the help of some of the banquet attendees.

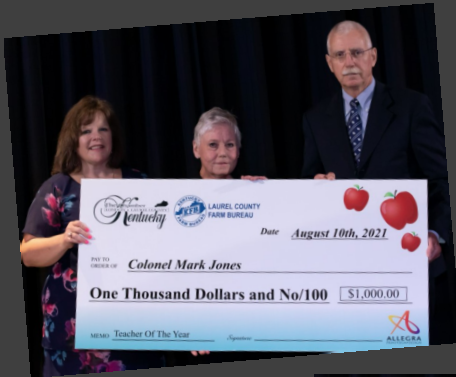
The evening would not have been possible without our sponsors and we would like to extend our appreciation to them for their unwavering support of the Chamber.

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Annual Banquet Photos



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## Inaugural Women's Summit

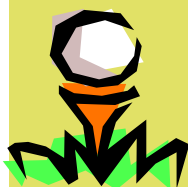
Women leaders from different backgrounds in Laurel County attended the Inaugural Women's summit hosted by the Kentucky Chamber on July 19th.

Some of the speakers at the event included Governor Martha Layne Collins, Elaine Cho, the former US Secretary of Labor and US Secretary of transportation and Susan Elkington president of Toyota just to name a few. Over 500 women from across the Commonwealth were in attendance to hear leadership advice and personal stories of perseverance and grit.

It was a full day of women uplifting one another and cheering one another on. We look forward to attending next year and hope you will consider joining us.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT





## CHAMBER GOLF CLASSIC

Friday,  
October 1st

London Country Club

\*\*\* Now Enlisting Sponsors \*\*\*

Cost of Sponsorship is \$600 and here is what is included:

- A four-member team in the tournament (a \$300.00 value)
- Company Name or Logo on all printed materials regarding golf tournament. This includes the Chamber's massive email data base (over 1000 business contacts), our Chamber newsletter, Chamber website and local media.
- Sponsors will be designated a hole with signage indicating their name/logo the day of the event. Hole Sponsors are encouraged to man their hole and promote their business.

Goody Bag items and Door Prizes are also needed . . .  
*Support your Chamber with a generous donation!*



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*The Chamber is pleased to welcome our newest members:*



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  - **Butch Sizemore Productions**
- **Melissa Kissel LPCC – Clinical Counselor**
- **Tye’s Lawn Care & Home Improvement**

## Renewing Chamber Members

- **Accent Marble dba Laurel River Stoneworks**
  - **Ambulance Inc. of Laurel County**
    - **ATS Construction**
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  - **Bledsoe Enterprises LLC**
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- **Independent Opportunities**
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- **Laurel County Cooperative Extension Service**
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    - **London Downtown**
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## New Member



**Notary Anywhere**  
Guy Greene

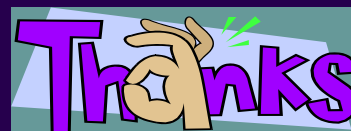


Our speaker was  
Michael G. Adams  
KY Secretary of State



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

- ◆ Air Raid Trampoline Park
- ◆ Donna Gregorich
- ◆ Grace Health
- ◆ Home Helpers Home Care
- ◆ Hotwire Productions.net
- ◆ Jonathon Hibbard-Edward Jones
- ◆ Regency Cinema 8
- ◆ Somerset Community College
- ◆ The Job Shop Staffing Services





*Congratulations to our  
2020-21 Teachers of the Year!*

*London-Laurel County  
Chamber of Commerce*

**Teacher**



**of the Year  
Award**

**Todd Huffman**

*Hunter Hills Elementary School*

**Bettina Fields**

*South Laurel Middle School*

**Col. Mark Jones**

*South Laurel High School*

*Special Thanks to*



**LAUREL COUNTY  
FARM BUREAU**

*For sponsoring our Teacher of the Year Awards*

**Are you hiring?**

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*Thanks to these businesses and their generous donations, our Silent Auction was a huge success!*

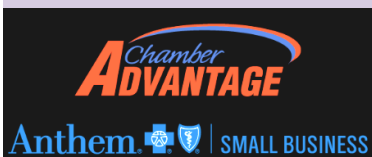
## Your Chamber Membership can Save you Money

*As a member of the Chamber, you have access to several discount programs that you may not be aware of. Keeping reading and find out how we can help you save!*



### ◆ Worker's Compensation Insurance Discount

Members will receive a total of 10% discount off their estimated annual premium on Workers' Compensation Insurance through ClearPath Mutual.



### ◆ Health Insurance Benefits/Discounts

The Kentucky Chamber has teamed up with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield to offer groups with 2 to 50 employees an opportunity to participate in a larger, self-funded pool that gives you financial protection backed by Anthem's stop loss coverage. This health care solution is called the Chamber-Advantage plan.

## Office DEPOT

### ◆ Office Depot Discount Program

This program is set up for our local Chamber by the Kentucky State Chamber and its contractual agreement with Office Depot. This offer brings exclusive savings to Chamber members with special pricing on hundreds of office depot products that you use every day! The product list is available to members upon request.



### ◆ Constant Contact Discount Program

As a benefit of your Chamber membership, you can grow your business with Constant Contact's industry-leading online marketing tools: newsletters and announcements; offers and promotions; events and registration; and feedback and surveys. Best of all, you'll enjoy exclusive savings of up to 25%, with plans starting as low as \$20 per month.

# Coming Soon . . .

## Chamber Golf Classic

**Friday, October 1st**  
**London Country Club**

*Hole Sponsors and Teams Needed!*



### Did you know?

According to a research study by The Shapiro Group and Market Street Services, when consumers know that a small business is a member of their local Chamber of Commerce, they are 44% more likely to think favorably of it and 63% more likely to purchase goods or services from the company in the future.



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