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April
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Next Chamber Luncheon

Thursday, April 20th

12:00 noon

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Don't miss the Chamber of Commerce...

Annual Banquet

Tuesday, April 18th

6 pm London Community Center

Contact the Chamber office to reserve your seat!

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT



WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE COMEDIAN
Collin Moulton
 AS OUR 2023 ANNUAL BANQUET ENTERTAINMENT

London-Laurel County Chamber of Commerce
Annual ★ Banquet

6:00 PM • TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023
 LONDON COMMUNITY CENTER

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The Chamber of Commerce will hold it's Annual Banquet on Tuesday, April 18th at the London Community Center. The festivities will include Business of the Year and Teacher of the Year awards as well as a silent auction. The meal will be catered by Local Honey. The entertainment for the night will be comedian Collin Moulton.

Collin brings a fast paced and highly engaging mix of clever stand-up and gut busting physical comedy that appeals to people from Earth. He draws on life experiences, current events, and incisive personal observations to create a comedy ride that is hilarious, and memorable. This is the guy you've been waiting for. Collin can be heard regularly on Satellite Radio, has appeared on Comedy Central, Bob and Tom Show, and currently writes for Showtime. A big thanks to our Entertainment Sponsor, WB Transport LLC.



Chamber Elects New Officers



IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Scott Webster was recently elected as the Chamber Board of Director's President-Elect. He will be the Board President in 2024.

Scott is a partner at Tooms, Dunaway & Webster, where his practice is primarily devoted to business and commercial law matters and complicated estates. Scott has been an attorney in London since 1995 and says he really enjoys helping people make money.

Scott has served on the Chamber Board of Directors since 2016 and has relished serving as the Christmas on Main Santa for many years.

Scott and his wife, Rebecca, are originally from eastern Kentucky, and for almost 30 years have made London their home with their son, Lincoln, who is a freshman at UK. Scott devotes most of his free time to trail running (slowly) and hunting.

Thank you Scott for your dedication to the Chamber and to the London-Laurel community!

Thank you!



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Spotlight on . . .

April Luncheon Speaker—James Davis

James M. Davis, Ed.D. has extensive and diverse professional service as a teacher, counselor, program coordinator, educational consultant, professor, and currently serves as a technical school principal. Dr. Davis's servant leadership style and passion for making a difference in the lives and futures of students has provided him the opportunity to work with students all across eastern Kentucky. His mantra is *#EveryStudentMatters* and he expects that all students can set and achieve many of their goals given quality instruction and support services. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders and James believes that we must prepare students and adults to be successful in their respective college and career endeavors.

James earned a doctoral degree in educational leadership and policy studies, has K-12 school principal certification, holds a master's degree in educational psychology, and a bachelor's degree in psychology. He has served on numerous program advisory committees, task forces, and working groups across the K-20 spectrum. He has worked in both public and private K-12 schools, two-year community and technical colleges, as well as four-year colleges and university settings. James has presented at a number of conferences and delivered various professional development workshops. He has been recognized for his work serving at-risk, low-SES, and first-generation youth. James was elected twice to serve as President of the Upper Cumberland Counseling Association in 2001 and 2009, and he received Counselor of the Year honors from his counseling peers in 2003. He received the Diamond FACET Award for excellence in student services in 2009 and was recognized with a citation from the Kentucky Senate recognizing his leadership in the counseling field in 2009. James was selected as the Founding Principal of the Laurel County Schools Center for Innovation in 2014. He was recognized by the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) for excellence in educational leadership and innovation in 2019. Dr. Davis was commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel for his significant contributions made to the field of education in 2019.



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AUCTION ITEMS FOR THE CHAMBER'S ANNUAL BANQUET

The Chamber's Annual Banquet is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. Please consider a donation for our SILENT AUCTION. To donate, contact the Chamber office, or any Chamber Ambassador TODAY!



RECENT RIBBON CUTTINGS



Triple Threat Martial Arts
Located at 1413 South Main Street



The Make Space
Located at 300 North Main Street



The Chamber's Women in Business sponsored a Mentorship Meetup on April 12th at Local Honey. The Chamber is so thankful for all the strong female leaders in our community that are working together to lift each other up!



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The Chamber is pleased to welcome our newest members:



- Bret McIntosh, Realtor
- Commonwealth Hand & Physical Therapy
 - PraXel Line Services
 - Slim Chickens
- Triple Threat Martial Arts, LLC

Renewing Chamber Members

- Air Raid Trampoline Park LLC
- American Legion Mart Gentry Post 16
 - Benchmark Mortgage
 - C2G Environmental
 - Cabin Connections
 - Cloyd & Associates, PSC
 - Country Inn & Suites
- Don Franklin Ford Lincoln LLC
 - East Bernstadt Eye Center
- Eastern Kentucky University – Corbin/Manchester
 - First Baptist Church
- Ford Brothers Inc. Auctioneers-Realtors
 - Grace Health
 - Hacker Brothers, Inc.
 - Herren Family Dentistry
 - Integrity Family Quick Lube
 - J & J Enterprises
 - LaDonna's Catering
- Laurel-London Optimist Foundation
- Laurel County Republican Women's Club
 - Laurel Financial Company, Inc.
 - Lifetime Insurance Services, Inc.
 - London Auto Truck Center
- London Foods, Inc. DBA DQ Grill & Chill
 - London Technology Services, LLC
- London-Laurel County Tourist Commission
 - McTribe dba McDonald's
 - Nesco Resource
 - Patton Insurance Group
 - PB&J Tshirt Company
 - Peckham Inc.
 - Pittsburg Marine, LLC
 - Serco Inc.
- Servpro of Pulaski & Laurel Counties
- Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth (SAFY)
 - Southern Tier Housing Corporation
 - The Job Shop Staffing Services
 - Window World of London, Inc.





Dolly Parton Imagination Library UPDATE

Total Enrollment - 996

Currently Active - 919

Graduated - 77

Would you or your business like to support the Dolly Parton Imagination Library project?

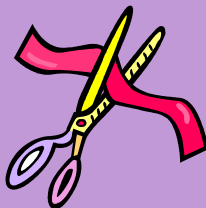
The London-Laurel County Chamber of Commerce Foundation is currently seeking individuals and businesses who would financially support this very worthy cause.

Instilling a love of reading at a young age can make a huge difference in the lives of these children as well as in our community as a whole.

If you are interested, please contact us at 606-864-4789 or email us at info@londonlaurelchamber.com



Opening a new business, a second location or moving to a new location?



**Contact the Chamber office to schedule
a ribbon cutting and let us help
you celebrate!**

Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings. . .

Believe Fitness Studio

Friday, May 5th

10:00 am

Located at 441 S. Laurel Rd. Suite 3

March Luncheon

Thank you to our
Luncheon Sponsor:



New Members



**Commonwealth Hand
& Physical Therapy**
Dr, Greg Pitts



London Children's Museum
James & Maryann Hendrix



Slim Chickens
Marco Rosas, Elizabeth Weis, Jennifer Andrews & Amanda Quayle

More Photos from the
March Luncheon



Kelly Burton spoke on behalf of our sponsor, the London-Laurel County Tourist Commission.



Our speaker was Aaron Poynter, Director of Reentry Programming for the Cumberlands and South Central Workforce Development Boards.



A great crowd attended our March luncheon. Since it was the beginning of March madness, we had attendees fill out brackets for a chance to win Chamber Bucks! Pictured left is Nathan Reynolds with Heads Up Digital TV.

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

- Bret McIntosh, Realtor**
- Donna Gregorich**
- Edward Jones—Jonathon Hibbard**
- Heads Up Digital TV**
- Hotwire Productions.net**
- London-Laurel Tourist Commission**
- Monticello Banking Company**

- Old Town Grill**
- Slim Chickens**
- The Job Shop**

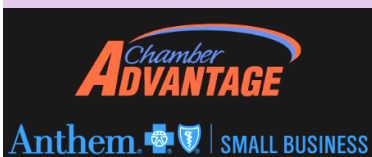


Your Chamber Membership can Save you Money

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



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



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

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.



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.

Reserve your seat today!

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Tickets are \$50 each.

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