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**Next Chamber Luncheon**

**Thursday, Oct. 19**

12:00 noon

London Community Center

**\$13.00 per person**

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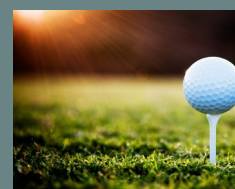


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## 2023 Chamber Golf Classic

The Chamber held it's annual fall golf tournament on Friday, October 6th at the London Country Club with 123 golfers participating. While the golfers enjoyed a delicious breakfast compliments of **Nesco Resource**, the ambassadors were busy selling golf balls for our 14th annual Golf Ball Drop and passing out goody bags to the golfers.

The weather started out a little rainy but ended up being a beautiful afternoon and everyone enjoyed a great day of golf and a delicious lunch catered by **Old Town Grill**, and sponsored by **H&R Block Income Tax**. Hole-in-One contests were sponsored by **Legacy Nissan** and **Wildcat Harley-Davidson**. Around 3 o'clock all the golfers had rolled in and the winners were announced. The First Place winner was **Kinetic by Windstream** Second Place went to **Tim Short Auto Mall** and **Greene, McCowan & Co., PLLC** 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 431 golf balls over the hole. The ball that was closest to the hole was lucky ball #163, purchased by **Ward Stokes**. Ward won an incredible prize package which included \$800 in Gift Cards from local restaurants, sponsored by **London Downtown** and a 3 hour Limo Ride, compliments of **Jaco Limos**.

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, 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!



Chamber Ambassadors hard at work!



Longest Drive winner Nick Vorbeck (above) and Closest to the Pin winner Seth Crabtree (left) show off their prizes.

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# Dolly Parton Imagination Library

## Thank you Sauced!

Sauced Owner, Gina Wilson presented a donation to the London-Laurel County Chamber of Commerce Foundation in support of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Sauced ran a special promotion day where a portion of their receipts were donated to support DPIL. This donation will directly fund free monthly books for Laurel County children ages 0—5.

We feel this program is so important to instill a love of reading into our children at a young age. Some states across the U.S. are looking at 3rd grade reading levels to determine the size and needs of their prisons. Studies have shown that the trajectory of someone's life can be greatly influenced by 3rd grade based on their reading level.

Thank you Sauced Craft Pizza, Pasta & Salad for being a part of the solution!



## Dolly Parton's Imagination Library UPDATE

Total Enrollment - 1332 Currently Active - 1131 Graduated - 201

Would you or your business like to support the  
Dolly Parton's 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](mailto:info@londonlaurelchamber.com)







RECENT RIBBON CUTTINGS



*The Party Palace  
Located at 1803 N. Main St.*



*Bluegrass International  
Located at 202 Faith Assembly Church Rd.*



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

First United Methodist Church has served God and our community for over 180 years. Service and love are hallmarks of our church family, which includes kind-hearted people from all ages, viewpoints, and walks of life. Some of us are new to the area, while others have deep family roots in Laurel County. But we all share a dream of seeing Jesus Christ transform lives and our community.

Our music is a joy, our sermons uplifting, and our church family welcoming and friendly. As United Methodists, our teachings reflect the classic Christian faith: God created us, Jesus saves us, and we can be born again and made new by the power of the Holy Spirit. We believe grace is better than judgment. We believe in the joy and power of singing the traditional hymns of our faith, led by gifted musicians and complemented by our Chancel Choir. We believe God wants our community to thrive as we serve, and we live our faith in various ways, including partnering with the Backpack Program of Laurel County and having a church Food Pantry, which is open Monday-Thursday, 10 AM-2 PM.

All are warmly welcome to join us in worship on Sundays at 8:30 and 11:00 AM in our historic sanctuary at 301 W. 5th Street, beside the City Parking Deck. Our on-line ministry thrives at Facebook.com/LondonUMC and 1umctv.com, and we are honored to celebrate nearly 70 years of live Sunday broadcasts on WFTG radio at 11:00 AM. Find out more at LondonUMC.org. Come see us soon!



## Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings...



### Family Health Care Associates

Monday, October 23rd - 10:00 am

Located at 203 Van House Lane, Ste. 1

### Serial Grillers & Killer Sweets

Thursday, November 2nd - 10:30 am

Located at 316 Dog Patch Trading Center



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# World Class Sponsorship

We are now enlisting Sponsors for 2024

As a World Class Sponsor you will receive:

- ◆ Annual Banquet Sponsorship - \$750 value
- ◆ Monthly Lunches (2 per month) - \$312 value
- ◆ Golf Sponsorship including team - \$700 value
- ◆ 1 Year Advertising on Website - \$600 value
- ◆ Company Logo in Emails & Newsletters - \$600 value
- ◆ Advertising at all lunches and events - \$1000 value

**Total Value of Package is \$3962**

**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, 2023.



*Women in Business*

**PNC BANK** *Chamber of Commerce*  
LONDON-LAUREL COUNTY



Thank you RRJ Solutions for your inviting space for October's Women's Power Hour! Communication Coach Jordyne Carmack shared great intel on how to communicate more clearly with non-verbal cues.

See everyone November 14th at 8:30am at Creekside Gardens with speaker Chauncey Hoffman of Nova Financials, LLC!

# CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT

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## CHAMBER G • O • L • F CLASSIC



Kinetic by Windstream



Tim Short Auto Mall



Greene, McCowan & Co.





*The Chamber appreciates the following businesses for their generous donations to our 2023 Chamber Golf Classic...*

- Air Raid Trampoline Park
  - Aisin Automotive
  - Bengé Farm Supply
  - Benqueil's Jewelry
- Bluegrass Care Navigators
  - Bluegrass International
- Borden Dairy of Kentucky
  - Buff City Soap
  - Burger King
  - Cabin Connections
- Century 21 Advantage Realty
  - Creekside Gardens
- Cumberland Valley National Bank & Trust
  - Dog Patch Trading Post
    - Embrase Med Spa
    - Esteem Aesthetics
      - Flowers Bakery
      - Flowerworks
      - Forcht Bank
      - Hometown Bank
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    - Jackson Propane Plus
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- Julie Ross Rea Media Consulting
  - Kemper Home Furnishings
    - Kentucky Utilities
    - Larkey HVAC
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  - London Downtown
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    - Pearl Apparel
  - Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co.
    - Powerhouse Gym
  - Robinson's Premium Meats
- Sauced Craft Pizza, Pasta & Salad
- Serial Grillers & Killer Sweets
  - Slim Chickens
- Southern Sips & Sweets
  - The Job Shop
  - The Sentinel Echo
    - Truist
    - Wal-mart
    - Wal-Mart DC
  - Weaver's Hotdogs

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## The Ambassador Patrol Strikes Again!

The Chamber Ambassadors continued their “patrol” this month and surprised six of our members with gifts and goodies. Each business was also given a Free Lunch certificate for this month’s membership luncheon. It’s always fun to visit members and learn more about their business.

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



**Kentucky Outdoorsman**  
8833 US Hwy 25



**Window World of London**  
142 American Greeting Card Rd.



**Surplus Sales, Inc.**  
1551 American Greeting Card Rd.



**SEKRI**  
1205 Cumberland Gap Parkway



**CC&M**  
1019 Cumberland Falls Highway



**Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company**  
1010 Cumberland Falls Highway

# CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT

## September Luncheon

Special Thanks to our Sponsors:



Julie Rea



Chris Robinson

## New Members



Embrase Med Spa  
Dale & Jeanne Slusser



Millstone Community Theatre  
Lydia Hughes & Liz Michael



First United Methodist Church  
Michael Kisner, Rev. Sean Ryan & Brad Jones



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

- ◆ City of London Tourism
- ◆ Edward Jones—Jonathon Hibbard
- ◆ Hotwire Productions.net
- ◆ London Downtown
- ◆ London Rotary Club
- ◆ Old Town Grill
- ◆ Somerset Community College
- ◆ The Job Shop Staffing Services



# CHAMBER SPOTLIGHT

## WORLD CLASS SPONSORS



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

- Big E Disposal
- McKee Lodge #144 F&AM
  - Wellcare



## Renewing Chamber Members

- Acute Title, LLC
- Ambulance Inc. of Laurel County
  - CG Bank
  - Cook Tire
- Cumberland Memorial Gardens
- Cumberland Valley Domestic Violence Service
  - London Women's Care
  - Martin's Insurance Group
    - MAXIMUS
  - Phil McDonald Insurance Agency
- Plaza Drug / Plaza Drug Specialty Care
  - RRJ Solutions
  - Shoe-Inn Family Footwear
    - Starr's Liquor
- State Beauty Supply of London, Inc.
- Structure House Sober Living Inc.
  - Tim Short Auto Mall
  - Uptown Florist LLC
- White & Maggard Orthodontics





**BOO ON MAIN**  
DOWNTOWN LONDON

Saturday, October 28  
4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

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[VisitLondonKY.com](http://VisitLondonKY.com)

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# Save the Dates

SAVE THE DATE

**VETERAN'S DAY EVENT**  
DOWNTOWN LONDON

Saturday, November 4

For more information visit:  
[VisitLondonKY.com](http://VisitLondonKY.com)

## Mark your calendar!

Your Chamber Board of Directors	
<p><b>Executive Committee</b></p> <p><b>President</b> Ward Stokes   Cumberland Valley National Bank</p> <p><b>President Elect</b> Scott Webster   Tooms, Dunaway &amp; Webster</p> <p><b>Vice-President</b> Donna Gregorich   Century 21 Advantage Realty</p> <p><b>Secretary</b> Sharon Bengé   Bengé Farm Supply</p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> Donevon Storm   Donevon Storm Insurance Agency</p> <p><b>Immediate Past President</b> Michael Sliter   Hotwire Productions.net</p>	<p><b>Directors</b></p> <p>Lisa Baker   Jackson Energy Cooperative</p> <p>Garry Conley   Minuteman Press</p> <p>Donnie Cox   Abner &amp; Cox, PLLC</p> <p>Kyle Gray   WB Transport LLC</p> <p>Winston Griffin   Laurel Grocery Company</p> <p>Karen Hyde   Legacy Nissan</p> <p>Brandon Keck   JBK, Inc. Roofing Division</p> <p>Eric Sproles   Aisin Automotive Casting, LLC</p> <p>John Yanes   Saint Joseph London</p>