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December *NEWS* from Chamber President Wendy Kernan

Well, here go at the end of another year. Whether you own a business or not this time of year is all about looking back, giving thanks, and looking at the year to come.

When I take a look back at the year for the Chamber, I am proud of everything we have accomplished. I am not sure if everyone realizes it, but we are all volunteer. The only paid position the Chamber has is a part-time (25 hours a week) administrator. Think about that for a second ... from our invoicing to our luncheons, events, community service, fundraising, even this newsletter; is all done with 25 hours. That is what in the business world we call efficiency. It is also how we strive to keep all of costs low from our membership dues to the luncheons to the ticket sales. We are also able to give back to the community. Here is what the Mt. Zion Chamber Sponsored in 2019 that you may not have been aware of:

- Member Spotlights Ran radio ads to highlight our members on WDKR and WSOY \$1,250
- 2. Scholarships to Graduating Seniors \$3,500
- 3. Economic Development The Mt. Zion Chamber sponsors one Chamber member and pays for their seat. \$200
- 4. Decatur Score \$100
- 5. Mt Zion Children's Fund Provides support to those in need in the Mt. Zion Community all year around \$1,000
- 6. PawPrint Ministries 10% of Prayer Breakfast profits donated to the speaker's charity approx. \$400.00
- 7. Annual Banquet The annual banquet is a give back to our members. The Chamber breaks even on the event and the ticket prices are based on the meal and entertainment price.

We have also volunteered each year for Adopt a Highway and with the Salvation Army to ring bells for 2 days. I hope each of you are proud and know that we are putting the membership dues to good use in our community. As we look into 2020, we have more member programs, advertising and sponsorships that we would like to accomplish.

I hope this gave you some insight and makes you proud to be a Mt. Zion Chamber Member.

Thank you for all your support and I wish your business and your family the very best in everything you set out to do in the years ahead.

"Your success and happiness lies in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties." Helen Keller

Wendy J Kernan

Mt Zion Chamber President

December 2019 Events <u>Luncheon</u>

December 11th

Networking: 11:15 am
Luncheon: 11:45 a.m.-1:00 pm
RSVP by Noon Monday Dec. 9th

Member Cost: \$15

LOCATION:

Mt. Zion Convention
Center

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Catered by The Kitchen of Doris Yoder







Mark your Calendar

January 8th

Fletcher Park Recreation

Ctr.

Mt. Zion

Topic:

Forensic Accounting

Exhibitor:

Cromwell Radio Group

2020 Calendar of Events

Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce Business Expo & Taste - March 14, 2020
Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet - April 16, 2020

2019-20 Board of Directors

President: Wendy Kernan Jeff Chambers

Vice President: Carolyn Ridenour Dusti Corum

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MZCC Contact Info

Please mtzionilchamber@gmail.com to communicate to the Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce. Be sure to clear your email cache of our old email address, which was admin@mtzionchamber.org; that email is no longer active. Our phone number is 217-864-2526.



Holiday Luncheon



Come and enjoy our special Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 11th presented by our Mt. Zion pastors and a delicious luncheon catered by The Kitchen of Doris Yoder at the Mt. Zion Convention Center at 11:15 a.m.

Have some fun by participating in our White Elephant Gift Exchange part of the program. If you wish to participate, bring one wrapped gift: gift or regift something fun or unusual, strange knick knacks, unidentifiable kitchen items, and the like are typical white elephants. Wrap them nicely and to leave no identifying markings on the presents.

Send in your RSVP by Monday, December 9th by emailing mtzionilchamber@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!



Welcome New Members

New Hope Animal Outreach

"Rescue, Rehab, Educate, Re-home" New Hope Animal Shelter is a NEW non-profit organization established in 2016 after identifying the need for an additional no-kill animal rescue and shelter in the Macon county area. We are a volunteer based organization that is focused on paving a new way to rescue and foster animals in our community! Contact Matthew Schmahl at P.O. Box 22, Decatur, IL 62525 or call 217-853-2072.

Scott Rueter for Macon County State's Attorney

Decatur lawyer Scott Rueter is entering the Republican race to be the next Macon County State's Attorney. He has been with the Macon County Public Defender's Office for the last 15 years . Scott Rueter is originally from Mt. Zion. He also teaches at Millikin University and helped found the Teen Court program, now run by Millikin. You can contact Scott Rueter at rueterforstatesattorney@gmail.com.

MZCC / Mt. Zion
School District
American Education Week
Appreciation Breakfast November 13, 2019





Expo and Taste

March 14, 2020

Sponsorship Packages

Sponsorships Due January 17, 2020

	Gold Sponsorship \$600	Silver Sponsorship \$350	Booth Space Member: \$250/Early \$200 Non Member: \$400/Early \$350
Booth Space	Double (8x16) Booth Electricity Included	8X8 Booth Electricity Available \$25	8X8 Booth Electricity Available \$25
Sponsor Promotion	Promotional Display at Event (no electricity)	Promotional Display at Event (no electricity)	
Sponsor Publicity	Sponsor Name Announced at Event	Sponsor Name Announced at Event	
Sponsor Inclusion	Sponsor Name and Logo on Map Handed Out at the Door	Sponsor Name Printed on Map Handed Out at the Door	
Sponsor Inclusion In Pre-Expo Event Advertisement	Sponsor Logo on Expo flyer, newspaper MTZ Region News Logo on Large Banners Sponsor Logo on Expo	Sponsor Name on Expo Flyer	
Early Bird Pricing			If Registered and Paid Before January 31, 2020



Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce 2020 EXPO Contract

Show Date: March 14, 2020 | 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. MTZ Convention Center

Set Up Date: March 13, 2020 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Booth Space: 8' x 8'

Fee: Early Bird Non-Member \$350 or Early Bird Member \$200 per booth space, <u>if registered by January 31, 2020.</u>

After January 31, 2020 booth space will be allocated on a first-come first-serve basis at

Non-Member Price of \$400 or Member Price \$250.

- 1. All contracts and checks must be received by January 31, 2020 to retain a discounted booth space.
- 2. All exhibitors must restrict their exhibit to the business registered with the Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce. All multiple businesses that are Chamber members, must register each business they wish to exhibit.
- 3. Doors will be open Friday, March 13th at 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for set up.

All exhibitors are to be set up by 4:00 p.m.

- 4. Exhibitors will unload in the front and park to the immediate north & east of the Convention Center on March 13th & 14th.
- 5. Exhibitors will NOT remove their display before 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 14th.
- 6. Exhibitors will **NOT** sell any illegal items.

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Mt. Zion, IL 62549

- 7. Exhibitors will remove all trash, paper, boxes, tape, etc. from their space.
- 8. Exhibitors will cooperate with all requests of show personnel.
- 9. Exhibitors MUST keep display within confines of their space and not go into the aisles.
- 10. The Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce or the Mt. Zion Convention Center will not be held liable for any losses, damages or injuries sustained by exhibitors in any manner whatsoever.
- 11. No refunds or credits for cancellations for any reason after January 31, 2020.
- 12. Exhibitors will be supplied (1) table, (2) chairs, table cloth, pipe and drape on three sides.

 You must supply extension cords and display accessories. Wall booth spaces are for booths that need electrical outlets.

 Electrical Booth space will be available to those who pay the \$25.00 fee.
- 13. Door prizes can be announced during the Expo. It is suggested that you arrange for door prize and sign-ups and/or drawings at your booth.
- 14. All Chamber exhibitors must be a member in good standing at the time of the Expo.
- 15. For questions or sepcial requests, please call the Chamber @ 864-2526.
- 16. Make checks payable to: Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce. Mail to: P.O. Box 84, Mt. Zion, IL 62549.

Return The Bottom Half With Your Payment

Business Name (Please Print)		Contact Person (Please Print)		Phone
Electricity:	Yes No	(110v)		
Note: There	e is an added \$25 charge	for booth electi	ricity. (\$25.00)	
Booth:	Business	Taste	Electricity	
	Early Bird 1	Non-Member \$3	50 or \$200 Member per booth	n price.
	After January 31, 20	20, price for No	n-Member \$400 or Member \$	3250 per booth.
Mail to:				
Mt. Zion C	hamber of Commerce			



Member Spotlight





The Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce loves its member businesses and wants you to learn more about them by bringing you this month's Member Spotlight – Heritage Health Therapy and Senior Care. Their staff makes residents and family feel at home, a smile is found at every turn. "Heritage Health is nestled in a beautiful wooded area. As a Medicare and Medicaid certified facility, they also offer respite and hospice care, physical, occupational, and speech therapies. Residents stay involved in various activities both on-site and within the community. Visit Heritageofcare.com for full facility details.

2020 Expo & Taste

The Mt. Zion Chamber Expo and Taste will be Saturday, March 14, 2020. We hope you all will participate in this coming year's Expo & Taste. This event is held in the beautiful Mt. Zion Convention Center. It is very well attended each year by about 2,000 attendees. You will be invoiced for each level of participation; there is no charge for being in the Taste. Here are the deadlines:

Sponsorships Friday, January 17, 2020

Booth Contract Friday, January 31, 2020 -- Early Bird Pricing

Taste Contract Friday, February 14, 2020

Spaces fill up quickly so get your spot soon.

If you need a Booth contract or Taste contract sent to you, email mtzionilchamber@gmail.com.

2020 Prepaid Luncheons

If you want to get all your luncheons for the whole year at \$12 each instead of the full price of \$15 each, let me know if you want to enroll for the 2020 Prepaid Luncheons. Linda Harper will invoice you for \$144. The deadline to let Linda know is Monday, January 6, 2020. Email mtzionilchamber@gmail.com.

2019-2020 Membership Directories

The new directories are in. We started distributing them at the November luncheon. They will also be available at the December luncheon. After that they will be mailed out to the member of record. The alphabetical and categorical member directory information will soon be available on our new website that has been under development. Thank you to all our advertisers.



Christine Poland









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Address	Details	Price	MLS#
506 W Macon St.	Investors! West end 2-story converted to upper-lower apartments	Under \$20's	6190770
24 South Dr.	NEW LISTING! 2bdr/1bth/formal dining room/updated roof and furnace	Upper \$30's	6198273
525 S. 23rd St.	NEW LISTING! 3bdr/2bth/1.5car garage/hardwood floors/HWA Gold Wrrnty	Mid \$40'S	6197701
917 S 44th St.	3bdr/1bth/nearly half acre corner lot/hardwood floors/needs TLC	Mid \$40's	6195809
3997 Camelot Dr.	NEW PRICE! 2bdr/1bth/1car gar/1-story CONDO/fireplace/A-O schls.	Mid \$40's	6185129
18 East Dr.	2bdr/1bth/2.5car garage/fresh paint/Nice screened patio/The Elms	Mid \$50's	6194781
117 Ridgeway Dr.	2bdr/1bth/ranch/hardwood floors/walk-out basement/fenced yard	Upper \$50's	6192706
512 E Maywood Ct.	NEW LISTING! 3bdr/1bth/1-car garage/move-in ready/nice brick patio	Low \$60's	6197350
29 Wyoming Dr.	3bdr/1bth/RANCH/2car garage/north side ranch/full bsmnt	Upper \$60's	6190275
34 Medial Dr.	2bdr/1bth/RANCH/hardwood floors/4-car detached garage/deck	Mid \$70's	6194430
130 N Rt 128, Dalton City	NEW LISTING! 3 bdr/1bth/24x30 garage/.97 acre yard/woodfirs/Mt Z schis	Mid \$70's	6198290
2315 W Forest Ave.	NEW LISTING! 3bdr./1bth/2.5cargarage/West End/hardwood floors	Mid \$80's	6198299
2355 S File Dr.	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2bth/half ac/large deck, pool/fenced yard/newer roof	Low \$90's	6196157
1311 W Macon St.	6bdr/2bth/classic west end farm house style/near Millikin University	Mid \$90's	6192946
2065 Friel Ct.	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/1.5bth/2car garage/unique floor plan/newer roof	Mid \$90's	6197184
227 N East St., Moweaque	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2bth/2.5car garage/well maintained/20x40 pole bdg.	Upper \$90's	6197406
2350 Longwood Pl.	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2.5bth/2car garage/open concept/ fenced yard	Under \$105	6194729
4741 Barberry Ct.	3bdr/2bth ranch/2car garage/full basement/north/M-F schools	Mid \$110's	6182349
2366 S Lost Bridge Rd.	3bdr/2bth/2car garage/hardwood floors/updated HVAC	Mid\$110's	6194620
2174 Ravina Park Ct.	NEW PRICE! 5bdr/3bth/2,800+ SF/2-Story/lg. rooms/scrnd patio/cul de sac	Upper \$110's	6185206
404 N Summit Ave.	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2bth/1car(2car tandem) garage/beautiful woodwork	Upper \$110's	6197345
1610 Oakcrest Ct, Mt Zion	n NEW PRICE! 4 bdr/2.5bth/prow-front chalet/Mt Zion schools/cul de sac	Mid \$130's	6193655
58 Hillcrest Way	NEW LISTING! 3bdr/2.5bth/2car gar./beautiful & unique/brick/marble flrs.	Upper \$140's	6197802
904 E. Marlin Dr.	NEW LISTING! 3bdr/3bth/2car garage/COMPLETE REMODEL/finished bsmnt	Upper \$140's	6197352
1320 Alpine Ct.	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2bth/open floor plan/patio/55+ community/south end	Upper \$160's	6194234
2633 Bayshore Heights	NEW LISTING! EXCEPTIONAL 5bdr/4.5bth/2car garage/upscale remodel!!	Upper \$170's	6198109
786 Spyglass Blvd, Forsyt	h NEW LISTING! 3bdr/3.5bth/2car gar./Custom kit./M-F Schls/updated roof	Upper \$230's	6198134
990 Blind Horse Rd, Illiope	olis 5 Ac./3,000 sf brick country home/outbldg/pre-inspected	Under \$305	6193901
	h NEW PRICE! 5bdr/3.5bth/3car gar./hrdwd firs/gorgeous kit./fenced yard	Mid \$330's	6195782
1. 12 영화 영화 시간하는 이 전쟁을 다 없어 있다는 그리고 있었다.	GORGEOUS 4bdr/2bth/walk out ranch/guest house/5.5 car garages/22 ac	Upper \$570's	6193784
4045 Meadow Park Dr	6bdr/6F&2H bath/4car garage/in-ground pool & pool house/one acre	Upper \$690's	6182827



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