

February 2018 Events

Luncheon

February 14th

Member Cost: \$15

Networking: 11:15 am

Lunch: 11:45—1:00 pm

RSVP by Noon Monday Jan. 8th

LOCATION:

Coz's Restaurant

Mt. Zion

SPEAKER:

Kelly Gagnon

TOPIC:

**Social Media -- 10 Tools and
Tricks to Get a Better ROI
CATERED BY**

Coz's Restaurant

EXHIBITOR:

**Decatur Earthmover Credit
Union**



Mark your Calendar

**25th Anniversary --Heroic
Age Studios Open House
Thurs. Feb. 1, 2018 5-8 p.m.**

LUNCH

**March 14th Luncheon
Speaker:**

**Tricia Cordulack
at the Shilling Center at
RCC**

**Catered by: Bistro 537
Topic: & Tour Carrol Innova-
tive Learning Center**



February from Chamber President Karen Jeffers

Fabulous February

2018 is now upon us and as always, the year is off to a quick pace here at the Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce. Our annual Business [EXPO & TASTE](#) is fast approaching. There is still time to register for a booth, better yet make it a double! Please contact Linda Harper at 864-2526 to reserve your booth, don't delay as booth space is filling up quickly. The EXPO & TASTE is the Decatur area's premier expo and an excellent venue for you to showcase your business.

Our 2018 Annual Banquet is set for April 19th at the Mt. Zion Convention Center. The banquet committee is hard at work to make this an extra special evening. We are in the process of securing this year's entertainment. More details are coming soon. You won't want to miss this event!

Please be thinking of your nomination for the Chamber Business of the Year. The form is included in this newsletter ([page 6](#)), and we will be passing out nomination forms at the upcoming luncheons and all forms must be submitted no later than April 1st.

The Mt. Zion Chamber Scholarship form ([page 7](#)) is also in this newsletter. We are accepting applications for the Mt. Zion Chamber Scholarship which will be awarded at our annual banquet. The applying student must attend Mt. Zion High School or be a child of a Mt. Zion Chamber Member in good standing. There are up to \$3,000 in total scholarships available.

The February luncheon will be held on the 14th at Coz's new party room. Mike and his staff are planning an awesome lunch including fried chicken and a fish option as the 14th is also Ash Wednesday. Our speaker will be Kelly Gagnon. Kelly's presentation is titled, Social Media: 10 tools and Tricks to Get a Better ROI ...you won't want to miss it. Please make your reservations no later than Monday, February 12th.

Since February is closely associated with Valentine's Day and affairs of the heart, I close with a quote from H. Jackson Brown Jr. *"Sometimes the Heart sees what is invisible to the eye"....* Have a fabulous February everybody.

With Warm Regards,

Karen

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out more information.**

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Ribbon Cutting



Red Barn Kitchen's ribbon cutting on January 9, 2018. Congratulations!

2018 Calendar of Events

Mt. Zion Chamber EXPO & TASTE - March 10, 2018

Mt. Zion Chamber Annual Banquet - April 19, 2018

Community Drive-up Chicken Dinner - May 10, 2018

Mt. Zion Community Prayer Breakfast - October 24, 2018

2018 Expo & Taste

The Mt. Zion Chamber Expo and Taste will be Saturday, March 10, 2018. 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. Included in this newsletter are the following deadlines:

Booth Contract Wednesday, February 28, 2018 (Regular Pricing of \$250)

Taste Contract Friday, February 9, 2018

Spaces fill up quickly so get your spot soon.

February Luncheon

The February luncheon speaker on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, is Kelly Gagnon. She will speak on Social Media tips and how to get the most return for your investment.

Our luncheon in February will be in the meeting room at Coz's Restaurant in Mt. Zion at 11:15 a.m. It will be catered by Coz's Restaurant and the Mt. Zion Kiwanis will be the exhibitor.

RSVP to mtzionilchamber@gmail.com by Mon., Feb. 12, 2018.

The Red Barn Kitchen will host one of our luncheons later in the year.

TUNE IN TO WXFM 99.3 FM FOR FEBRUARY BASKETBALL GAMES

February 2 Mt. Zion vs. Mahomet-Seymour (B)

February 8 Mt. Zion vs. Mattoon (G)

February 9 St. Teresa vs. Shelbyville (B)

February 10 Eisenhower vs. Mt. Zion (B)

February 20 MacArthur vs. Eisenhower (B)

Games start at about 7:30 p.m. except for Saturday games.

Only \$250



Get Your Booth

**Mt. Zion Chamber of
Commerce 2018 EXPO Contract**

Show Date: March 10, 2018 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
MTZ Convention Center

Set Up Date: March 9, 2018 9 - 4 p.m.
Booth Space: 8' X 8'

Fee: \$225.00 per booth space, if registered and paid before February 1, 2018. After February 1, 2018 booth space will be allocated on a first come first serve basis at \$250.00.

Each booth will be provided with one table and two chairs.

There is a \$25 charge for electricity for booths requiring electricity.

Gold Sponsorship includes electricity

Feb. 28th Deadline

1. All contracts and checks must be received by February 1, 2018 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 9th 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.
5. Exhibitors will **NOT** remove their display before 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 10th.
6. Exhibitors will **NOT** sell any illegal items.
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 February 1, 2018.
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 special requests, please call the Chamber @ 864-2526.
16. Make checks payable to the Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce and 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 is an added \$25 charge for booth electricity. (\$25.00)**

Booth: Business _____ Taste _____ Electricity _____

(\$225/single for early or \$250/after February 1, 2017 **(\$25.00)**)

Mail to:

Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 84

Mt. Zion, IL 62549



2018 TASTE Contract

Do not miss this opportunity to serve one of your delicious entrees to the crowd of local residents attending the EXPO & TASTE on Saturday, March 10, 2018.

Setup is Friday, March 9th from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

NO CHARGE for Booth— size 8x8

Serve time: 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Each booth provides a minimum of 200 single food servings for one ticket

Each booth provides necessary serving items (extension cords, napkins, plates, forks, etc.)

3,000 food tickets will be for sale day of the event

Tickets will be sold at the Mt. Zion Chamber Booth only in packs of 5 tickets for \$6

Vendors will be reimbursed \$.50 for each ticket turned in by 2:00 p.m. that day

If you would like to be part of the TASTE, please complete the attached reservation and

return by mail: PO BOX 84, Mt. Zion, IL or email: admin@mtzchamber.org by **February 9, 2018.**

BOOTH RESERVATION

Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____



Nomination for Outstanding Business of the Year Award 2017

Let the Chamber of Commerce Board members know who the Business of the Year is and why this Business is a candidate to be nominated.

Criteria to keep in mind: Service to the community, a positive economic impact on the community, attendance & service to the chamber and longevity in the community.

Any member whose dues are current can send in a nomination. Employees/contractors of a paid membership cannot nominate a business unless they are the designated contact person. Please, only one nomination per membership.

Nominations can be sent by email (admin@mtzchamber.org) or mailed (PO Box 84, Mt. Zion, IL 62549) **no later than April 1, 2018.**

The nominating member must sign their name and the business they represent. The Board members will vote and the winner will be announced at our Annual Banquet on April 19, 2018 held at the Mt. Zion Convention Center.

Business Nomination: _____

Owner: _____

Reason:

Nominated by: _____ Date: _____

Your Business Name: _____

Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce

2018 College Scholarship Application

\$3,000 Total to be Awarded

Submit to:

Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 84 Mt. Zion, IL 62549

Applications due no later than March 1, 2018

Criteria

- Must be in the current graduating class from Mt. Zion High School or if attending another high school must be the child of dues-paying Mt. Zion Chamber member. If home-schooled must provide proof of eligibility.
- Must provide acceptance letter from a post-secondary institution to pursue and associate or baccalaureate degree in a business-related field.
- Must enroll as a full-time college student (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester)
- Must submit completed application and official transcripts to the Chamber by March 1, 2018
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (weighted scale) by the end of 7th semester
- Must demonstrate service to the Macon County community.

Student Data

Last Name _____ First _____ M.I. _____
Street Address _____
City State Zip _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Post- Secondary Data

College/Technical School _____
Anticipated Enrollment Date _____
Declared Major _____

Description of Service

-Describe the service you have performed (include extra-curricular activities, church community service, work experience, etc.) Please attach a separate page.

Essay

Describe the benefits of affiliations such as the Chamber of Commerce in promoting business and business professionals. Please submit separate page and keep to a minimum of 250 words.

Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors reserves the right to choose recipients at its discretion.

And at times may choose to withhold the awarding of scholarships.

For more information: Call 217-864-2526 or email admin@mtzionchamber.org



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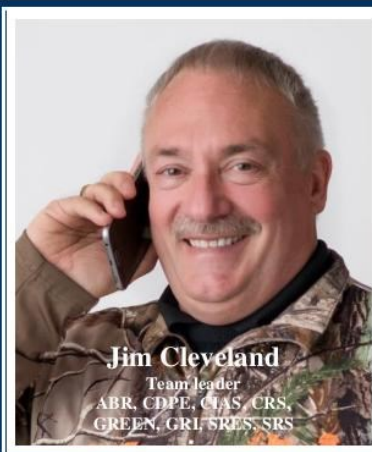
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Address	Details	Price	MLS #
2099 N Woodford St	NEW PRICE! 2bdr/1bth/1car garage/investor special/ready for rehab	Under \$10K	6173891
1514 E Clay St	2bdr/1bth/wood floors/original claw foot tub/rehab ready	Low \$10's	6174477
231 S 19 th St	NEW PRICE! PRE-INSPECTED! 2bdr/1bth/1car/original woodwork	Mid \$20's	6174834
825 S 21 st St	2bdr/1bth/1-car garage/brick/fireplace/hardwood floors/corner lot	Mid \$30's	6171608
5 Virginia Dr, Lovington	NEW PRICE! 2(3)bdrs/1.5bth/1car garage/.28 acre lot/fixer-upper	Upper \$30's	6175421
3664 N Dove Dr	3bdr/1.5bth/2car garage/spacious family room/NE bi-level/deck	Upper \$40's	6172868
100 W Glenn St, Macon	3bdr/1bth/ranch/deck/.29 acre level lot/Meridian schools	Mid \$50's	6175086
7455 W Wood St	3bdr/1bth/1car garage/.90 level acre/Sangamon Valley schools	Upper \$50's	6175485
300 S East St, Moweaqua	NEW PRICE! 2bdr/1bth/1car garage/roof 2016/corner lot/Central A&M	Upper \$50's	6175602
679 N Moffet Ave	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2bth/1.5car garage/updated bathrooms, paint, roof	Low \$60's	6174270
32 Sickles Dr	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/1bth/1.5car garage/hardwood floors/ So Shores	Mid \$60's	6172409
559 W Prairie Ave	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/1bth/1.5car garage/historic westend Tudor/hardwd flrs	Low \$70's	6173963
640 Country Manor Dr	3bdr/1.5bth/2car gar/ 2.5-sty/2 fireplaces/needs rehab, bring your skills	Upper \$80's	6170601
2315 W Forest Ave	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/1bth/2.5car garage/blonde brick/full basement	Upper \$80's	6175450
4101 Park Lane	3bdr/3bth/2car garage/bi-level/ready for your HGTV skills!	Mid \$90's	6174651
3050 N University Ave	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2bth/2car garage/well-maintained brick ranch/north!	Upper \$90's	6172924
1725 S Fairview Ave	COMMERCIAL! Office space!/.84 acre/Formerly veterinarian's office	Low \$100's	6175256
12 Lake Grove Club	NEW PRICE! 2bdr/1bth/2car garage/lake cottage/updated/fireplace/dock	Upper \$100's	6155231
129 S Putnam St, Moweaqua	3bdr/1.5bth/2car garage/updated roof/corner lot/Central A&M Schools	Low \$110's	6163910
925 Dee Lee Lane, Mt Zion	NEW LISTING! 3bdr/2.5bth/2car garage/great layout!/large yard/Mt Z sch	Upper \$110's	6180097
2461 S 34 th St	4bdr/2bth/1car garage/.46 acre treed lot/loads of updates!/near lake	Upper \$110's	6175016
4486 Lawson Dr	4bdr/2.5bth/2car garage/hickory cabinets/updates!/home warranty	Upper \$120's	6175597
4729 Wisteria Ct	NEW PRICE! 3bdr/2bth/2car garage/lge fam room/Maroon-Forsyth Schls	Upper \$130's	6174832
1425 Meadowview Dr	3bdr/2bth/2car gar/energy efficient/open layout/split bdr design/W-L Schls	Upper \$140's	6172013
4726 Wisteria Ct	4bdr/2.5bth/2-car garage/updates/PRE-INSPECTED!/north end bi-level	Low \$150's	6173475
102 Seiberling, Blue Mound	Queen Ann Victorian/4bdr/2.5bth/carriage house/half acre/Meridian Sch	Mid \$150's	6173503
5150 Birch Church Rd, Oreana	2-story/4bdr/3bth/2car gar/hardwood floors/A-O schls/warranty	Upper \$180's	6170882
1920 Shore Oak Dr	3bdr/2.5bth/gorgeous remodeled contemporary/lake neighborhd/Mt Z sch.	Mid \$220's	6175680
2 Forest Knolls Est	NEW PRICE! 5bdr/4bth/2car garage/lake front/3,000+ SF/decks/dock	Lower \$250's	6173774
339 Cale Ct, Forsyth	3bdr/2bth/2.5car garage/ranch/full basement/by park/M-F schools	Upper \$250's	6174707

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Mt. Zion Parks & Recreation Commission Presents:



**Valentine Dinner Fundraiser
Featuring Midwest Dueling Pianos**

Saturday, February 10th, 2018

Doors open at 6:30 pm; Dinner at 7:00 pm; Music at 8:00 pm

Mt. Zion Convention Center - Mt. Zion, Illinois

Fee: \$40 for single/\$80 per couple

Fundraiser for the Splash Pad at Fletcher Park

You may purchase tickets at Village Hall or online at www.mtzion.com

Tickets are also available at Kenney's Ace Hardware
and Sav-Mor Pharmacy in Mt. Zion.

Tables of 10 are available for \$400;
tickets must be purchased in one transaction

Questions? 217.864.5424

Ticket Sale ends February 5, 2018

Dinner by Angelo's Catering

Marinated Grilled Chicken
Bacon Wrapped Pork
Twice-baked Potatoes
Green Beans, Salad, Rolls
Dessert
Water & Tea, Cash Bar



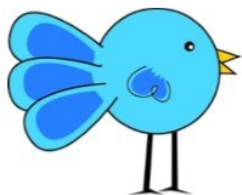
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Craft Show

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The Village of Mt. Zion



Over 70 vendors!

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This is a "must see" show!

Friday, March 2, 2018 from 7 pm - 9 pm

Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 9 am - 3 pm

**Mt. Zion Convention Center
1400 Mt. Zion Parkway,
Mt. Zion, Illinois
217/864-5424 www.mtZion.com**

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Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce Members,

The Village of Mt. Zion will be hosting our 1st Annual Mt. Zion Summer Kickoff on May 24th and 25th, 2018 to kickoff Memorial Day weekend. This event is for the community to come out and have fun, while listening to great music!

We are so excited to bring in multiple bands and artists such as **"Imagine That Band"** and **"Randy McAllister"** out to Fletcher Park! There will also be great food and inflatables for the kids.

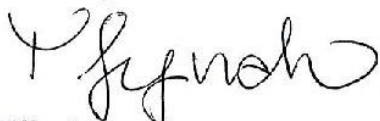
Because we are bringing talent in from out of town, we are in need of sponsors for this event. Each Sponsorship Level comes with tons of recognition and complimentary VIP, food and drink passes! Attached to this letter are our Sponsorship Levels, along with their value. All we need you to do is fill out the Sponsorship Form, send the form and your donation to the Village of Mt. Zion, and email me a PDF or JPEG attachment of your organization's logo (t_lynch@mtzion.com).

All donations are tax deductible and should be made payable to:

**Village of Mt. Zion
1400 Mt. Zion Parkway
Mt. Zion, IL 62549**

On behalf of the Village of Mt. Zion, thank you for your continued support! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Sincerely,



Tiffanie Lynch
Mt. Zion Convention Center
Event Coordinator
t_lynch@mtzion.com
217-864-5424



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SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Level of Support	Bronze Sponsor	Silver Sponsor	Gold Sponsor	Platinum Sponsor
Value	\$500	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,500
Corporate Logo on Event Banner and Additional Promo Materials	✓	✓	✓	✓
Corporate Logo on Website and Facebook Page	✓	✓	✓	✓
Organization Recognition at Event	Visual	Visual	Visual and Verbal	Visual and Verbal
Complimentary VIP Passes	5 passes	10 passes	15 passes	20 passes
Complimentary Food Passes	5 passes	10 passes	15 passes	20 passes
Complimentary Drink Passes <i>*pass holder must be at least 21 years of age*</i>	5 passes	10 passes	15 passes	20 passes
Booth to Market your Organization				✓

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Non-monetary donations are greatly appreciated and are essential to the success of the event. Contact our Event Coordinator, Tiffanie, to design a customized sponsorship arrangement for your organization!



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SPONSORSHIP FORM

Mt. Zion's Summer Kickoff
5.24.18 and 5.25.18 at Fletcher Park

Business Name: _____

Main Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Sponsorship Level Selected:

☐ **BRONZE**
\$500

☐ **SILVER**
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☐ **GOLD**
\$2,000

☐ **PLATINUM**
\$3,500

All donations are tax deductible and should be made payable to:

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1400 Mt. Zion Parkway
Mt. Zion, IL 62549

Thank you for your continued support!!

Don't forget to email your Business Logo to Tiffanie Lynch at t_lynch@mtzion.com



Movie Night in the Park!

We are looking for sponsors for the Friday night movies in Fletcher Park. You pick the night and the movie. Your sponsorship of \$350.00 pays for the rights to show the movie. Your business will be advertised as sponsor of the movie in the summer brochure and you will have a radio tag with the commercials the week of the showing. Pass out candy, have a table of information about your business, play a game with the children in attendance, it's your night.

We need a sponsor for July and August Movie nights.

Please contact Judy at 864-5424 or email j_roessler@mtzion.com

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**Mt. Zion High School Auditorium
305 S. Henderson, Mt. Zion
Sunday, February 25th at 6 PM**

Det. Wistocki is an expert in the field of internet safety whose involvement in high profile cases and key legislation makes him one of the most sought-after speakers in this critical area. He can be found giving a recent TedX presentation if you wish to preview the presentation topic.

Don't miss this great opportunity to bring your questions and concerns to Det. Wistocki in an informal setting. For more information, contact Katie Boltz at boltzk@mtzschools.org.