

OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

2023 MT. ZION COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST



We hope you are attending the 11th Annual Mt. Zion Community Prayer Breakfast on October 18, 2023 at the Mt. Zion Convention Center from 7-8 a.m.

Sarah Butts is our speaker. Her late husband, Tommy Butts was fighting a kidney virus. During his fight, he was in need of a kidney donation, which he never got. Sarah will be telling her family's story and their mission to educate our community on the desperate need for organ/Kidney donation, "SHARE your SPARE".

Individual tickets are \$13 each. Tickets can be ordered by emailing mtzionchamber@gmail.com or online at <https://www.mtzionchamber.org/events>. If ordering from our Events page, click the payment link to complete your order. You can also get tickets from any

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President's Message

Shelly Coslow

October is here already. Farmers are working hard in the fields. Pumpkin patches are open and caramel apples are available. Trees are starting to turn to their beautiful fall colors. Such a fun season.

I wanted to thank all of the sponsors and volunteers for all of the help in making the MZCC Teacher Appreciation event a huge success. It was so much fun celebrating the MTZ School Teachers and administrative staff for all the hard work and dedication they provide to the students.

We have lots of great things happening this fall. The MZCC Community Prayer Breakfast is Wednesday, October 18th with our guest speaker Sarah Butts. Widow of retired Decatur Police Office Tommy Butts. Tickets and tables are on sale now.

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UPCOMING

OCTOBER 11th LUNCHEON

12:00-1:00

LOCATION

Antioch Christian Church

PROGRAM

"Mental Health and
the Workplace"

Member cost \$15

RSVP by Tuesday, Oct. 10th

OCTOBER 18th PRAYER BREAKFAST

7-8 a.m.

Mt. Zion Convention Ctr

OCTOBER 25th BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

4-6 Synergy HomeCare

NOVEMBER 3rd RIBBON CUTTING

11:30 NSU/Decatur Computers

NOVEMBER 8th LUNCHEON

12-1 p.m. "Domestic Violence"

NOVEMBER 10th VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

7-8 a.m.



October Luncheon



Our luncheon is October 11, 2023, at the Antioch Christian Church at 5409 E. US Route 36, Decatur, IL 62521.

Mary Garrison will be our speaker. Mary is the CEO and President of Heritage Behavioral Health Center in downtown Decatur. She will be speaking on the importance of supporting mental health initiatives in the workplace.

Come enjoy our speaker and the delicious food prepared by the Antioch Christian Church. Bring your business cards and network. If you have any information flyers you want to put on the luncheon tables before the luncheon begins, please do so and be sure to pick up any remaining flyers at the end of the luncheon.

Please send your RSVP's to mtzionchamber@gmail.com by Tuesday, October 10th. You can also RSVP at www.mtzionchamber.org/events/meetings/reservations. If you have a prepaid luncheon, you still need to RSVP for each month's luncheon so that we have an accurate count of members attending.

The Any Queen raffle prize will start out at \$139 at the beginning of this luncheon.

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MZCC Business After hours/Wine Event at Synergy. Wednesday, October 25, 2023. Great event and opportunity for networking.

Moving on to November, we are having a Veterans Day Breakfast on Friday November 10th from 7a.m. – 8 a.m. This event will be in honor and celebration of our Veterans. Event will be at Mt. Zion Fletcher Park Recreation Center.

Lots of things are happening this year in the Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce. We highly encourage your business and staff to get involved. Please reach out to any of the board members or ambassador for more details.

Sincerely,
Shelly Coslow - President

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Board member or Ambassador.

Tables can only be ordered by emailing mtzionchamber@gmail.com. Table of 6 is \$70; each business or organization that orders a table or is getting a table with their sponsorship, gets a table sign.

You can be invoiced for your tickets or tables and your tickets will be delivered to you.

The following ticket outlets in Mt. Zion are available to the public to purchase tickets:

Busey Bank, Del's Popcorn of Mt. Zion, First Baptist Church, Prairie State Bank & Trust, Scott State Bank, and the Village of Mt. Zion.



We hope you will order by October 27, 2023 to be included in our premier edition of Thriving Times Magazine. Email me at mtzionchamber@gmail.com or cridenour@cmsdecatur.com to place your order. You get a free article with the purchase of an ad. Your article can go into more information about your business or organization. The order forms are on pages 7 & 8. Thriving Times will be an 8.5" x 11" magazine-style publication. Thriving Times will be distributed to the membership, general public, local realtors, hotels, Mt. Zion District Library, the Village of Mt. Zion, and at MZCC events.

Also, some other information included in Thriving Times will be:

- Outstanding Business of the Year
- Points of interest in the area
- First Responders
- Categorical listing of member phone numbers



Welcome New Member



Kacy Harlan is the CEO/President of MCCI Decatur, which is located at 306 W. Eldorado. Midwest Credit & Collection, Inc. has been helping clients increase their cash flows for over 70 years. MCCI Decatur provides accounts receivable recovery services, which include skip-tracing and credit bureau reporting, to businesses large and small. They can be reached at (217)423-3418 or visit www.mccionline.com.

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Mt. Zion Teacher & Office Staff Appreciation

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COMMUNITY

Prayer Breakfast



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Sarah Butts

*Widow of retired Decatur
police officer Tommy Butts*

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2023

7 a.m. | Doors open 6:30 a.m.
Mt. Zion Convention Center
1400 Village Parkway, Mt. Zion

\$13* | Includes breakfast buffet.

A great opportunity for all members and denominations of our community to join in a time of fellowship and prayer.

* Advance tickets required. Buy your tickets by Oct. 16, 2023, in Mt. Zion at Busey Bank, Del's Popcorn, First Baptist Church, Prairie State Bank & Trust, Scott State Bank, the Village of Mt. Zion or online at mtzionchamber.org.

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**Wednesday, October 25, 2023
4-6 p.m.**

373 W. 1st Drive, Decatur, IL 62521

- Mix, mingle, and enjoy some refreshments
- Network & share your business cards



DUE OCTOBER 27, 2023



2023 Mt. Zion Chamber Thriving Times Magazine

The Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that a full-color printed magazine called "Thriving Times" will be published semiannually. This new publication will give all members more opportunities to promote themselves as active members in our communities.

Inside the publication will be the categorical listings of all members in good standing at no charge. Thriving Times will have information about the Chamber, area attractions and will also give each member an opportunity to advertise AND enjoy an editorial space at no additional charge! Please fill out the form about your business products/services based on the ad size you wish to purchase.

Design – Creative Media Services, Inc. (CMS) will coordinate the advertising and design services.

Distribution – Each member will have copies including copies at the EXPO & Taste, Chamber and Village offices, Mt. Zion District Library, realtors, newcomers to Mt. Zion and every Chamber event or meeting.

Directory Specs – 8.5" x 11" • Full Color

For the Advertiser – To include your ad & FREE story in the 2023-24 Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce Thriving Times magazine, **ad copy and contracts are all due to CMS by: Friday, October 27, 2023.** Invoices including all services will be sent out by the Chamber and are payable upon receipt.

Advertising Sizes/Dimensions/Rates

1/8 Page – 3.625" x 2.3194" – \$350 (Includes 1/8 page story FREE)

1/4 Page – 3.625" x 4.875" – \$550 (Includes 1/4 page story FREE)

1/2 Page – 7.5" x 4.875" – \$750 (Includes 1/2 page story FREE)

Full Page – 7.5" x 10" – \$950 (Includes 1/2 page story FREE)

Inside Front and Inside Back Cover – 11.25" x 8.625" – \$1,250 (Includes 1/2 page story FREE)

Back Cover – 11.25" x 8.625" – \$1,450 (Includes 1/2 page story FREE)

When supplying a print-ready ad, keep in mind that it should be sized to fit the exact dimensions of the ad size you have purchased. Accepted file types include ai, eps, pdf, jpg, and tif. If it is a raster-based file, please make sure that its resolution is at least 300 ppi at its full dimensions.

If needed, Creative Media Services can provide basic design at the following rates. The fee will be added to the invoice from the Chamber. *(If submitted ads do not meet design criteria, Creative Media Services (CMS) will contact you about required services).*

1/8 page – \$35 1/4 page – \$55 1/2 page – \$75 Full – \$125

☐ **I'd like to place an ad (Size: _____) and receive my FREE story!**

I will provide the ad or CMS will design the ad at an additional fee and will be added to the total amount due and payable to Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce. Please fill out the form below based on ad size purchased for the FREE story.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Address

Phone

Email

Thriving Times FREE Story Form based on ad size purchased.

You can also email this information to: Carolyn Ridenour – cridenour@cmsdecatour.com

If you purchased 1/8 page ad, fill out this section only:

Logo (circle one): Yes No

Name of Business: _____ Date Business Started: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Phone: _____ Website: _____

Slogan or Motto: _____

If you purchased a 1/4 page ad, fill out the 1/8 story above AND the section below:

List top 6 Services/Products:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Add: Photo of the building or image that supports the information.

If you purchased a 1/2 page or full page ad, fill out both sections above but add a description or more detailed information about each service/product.

Thank you for your support! This is a new idea and we hope you will support it and the Chamber.

TO PLACE YOUR AD CONTACT

Creative Media Services, Inc.
Carolyn Ridenour – (217) 521-3265 | (217) 864-4835
cridenour@cmsdecatour.com

OR

Linda Harper – (217) 864-2526
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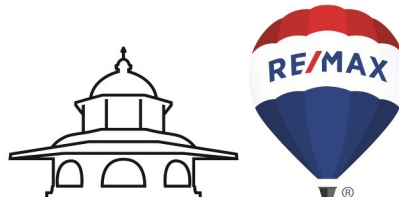


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Address	Status	Details	Price	MLS #
ACTIVE LISTINGS				
1580 N Woodlawn Ave	NEW	2 bdr/1 bth/2 car garage/2020 Roof/appliances	Upper \$40's	6229285
2409 W Center St	NEW	2 bdr/1 bth/1.07 acres/3 season porch/1.5 cargarage	Upper \$60's	6229250
1818 E Whitmer St	NEW	3 bdr/1.5 bth/hardwood floors/2 car garage/patio	Upper \$60's	6229477
1515 S 36th St	NEW	2 bdr/1 bth/stunning remodel/1.5 car gar/.46acres	Upper \$90's	6229474
700 & 726 E Cerro Gordo	COMMERCIAL	2 bdr/7 bth/22920 sq ft/3 floors/freight elevator	Upper \$190's	6225030
5115 Swashbuckler Ct.	REDUCED PRICE	4 bdr/3 bths/Lake Decatur views/3 car garage	Upper \$330's	6228745
1890 Spitler Dr	REDUCED PRICE	4 bdr/5.5 baths/8053 sq ft/Lake Decatur Dock/.68 acres	Lower \$770's	6228373
ACTIVE~ UNDER CONTRACT LISTINGS				
1406 W Cushing St		UNDER CONTRACT IN 28 DAYS!!	\$58K	6229110
872 W Harper Ave		UNDER CONTRACT IN 6 DAYS!!	\$64K	6229314
5571 W Lindale Dr		UNDER CONTRACT IN 36 DAYS!!	Mid \$120's	6228024
1137 Linden Ct		UNDER CONTRACT IN 10 DAYS!!	\$129K	6229372
731 E Bill Wall (Niantic)		UNDER CONTRACT IN 106 DAYS!!	Upper \$130's	6227776
6016 Durbin Rd (Boody)		UNDER CONTRACT IN 15 DAYS!!	\$154K	6228801
PENDING LISTINGS				
1447 W Wood St		UNDER CONTRACT IN 0 DAYS!!	\$29K	6229311
23 Lake Grove Club		UNDER CONTRACT IN 7 DAYS!!	\$71K	6229194
594 CR 1475N (Bethany)		UNDER CONTRACT IN 0 DAYS!!	\$72K	6229494
3945 N Arthur Ct		UNDER CONTRACT IN 3 DAYS!!	\$97K	6229091
107 W Goltra (Blue Mound)		UNDER CONTRACT IN 48 DAYS!!	\$107k	6228220

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