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Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce

CONNECTING BUSINESS WITH THE GREATER COMMUNITY

MEMBER NEWSLETTER

Tuesday February 18, 2020

Greetings!

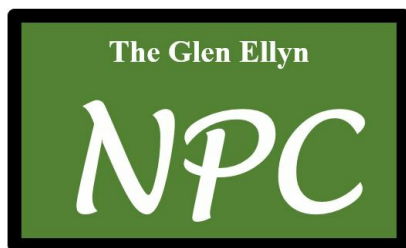
With the new year upon us, I would like to encourage all businesses to attend the upcoming March meeting to learn of the new mandatory sexual harassment law all businesses must provide for their entire staff by 2021. In addition to, what steps you will have to change in your HR policy in regards to the legalization of the cannabis. The presentation will be presented by The Law Office of Lofgren & Wentworth and Precision Payroll of America on Tuesday March 10, 2020. [Please register today.](#) We have made this a breakfast in hopes all can attend.

We have had a busy month with our Chocolate, Cheese and Wine event showcasing the many fabulous Glen Ellyn Food & Beverage companies. As well as, our Glen Ellyn Community Awards highlighting the many deserving recipients of 2019. Please read below on the future networking and Glen Ellyn news.

Dawn Smith
Glen Ellyn Chamber Executive Director

Chamber News and Member Event Info

The Glen Ellyn Non Profit Connection



The Glen Ellyn Non-Profit Connection is a resource to connect non-profits through networking and education. Non-Profits have similar issues and struggles. All attendees are asked to provide updates on their NPO, and after the speaker to share *Best Practices*.

Speaker: Marcia Frank Ms. Frank has worked in the Grants Department at College of DuPage since 2016, writing grants for governmental, corporate, and foundation funders for departments throughout the college. She brings experience in grant management and non-profit administration with a background in social services, education, psychology and the performing arts.

Together we can make each other stronger.

**Wednesday February 19, 2020
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Glen Ellyn Public Library
400 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn, IL**

Register Here!



**This event is FREE and open only to
Non Profit Organizations**



Third Thursday Business After Hours

Come network with your fellow Chamber members and enjoy food and beverages provided by our host Lee n' Eddies, Simply Delicious Catering.

**Thursday February 20, 2020
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**Lee n' Eddies
682 Roosevelt Rd, Glen Ellyn**

This is a FREE Event

Register Here!

The Enclave Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting



**Saturday, February 22, 2020
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**

**Enclave
One block from train station
Address will be shared after RSVP**

**ALL ARE WELCOMED
THIS IS A FREE EVENT**

**ALL Must RSVP
at members@enclave535.com**



Glen Ellyn's only BYOB social club and co-working space. Members can work during the day or meet friends in the evening for a drink. We provide the space and all the fixings you need for a perfect night.

The Chamber March Monthly Meeting:

BIG CHANGES IN ILLINOIS LAW



**BIG CHANGES IN ILLINOIS LAW
REGARDING SEX AND DRUGS
IN THE WORKPLACE**

Learn of the recent changes to:
Illinois Human Rights Act,
The adoption of the Workplace
Transparency Act,
The Cannabis Regulation and
Tax Act as it relates to employers



**REGARDING SEX AND DRUGS
IN THE WORKPLACE**

Presented by:
The Law Office of Lofgren & Wentworth
and Precision Payroll of America

Tuesday March 10, 2020
Two Hound Red
486 Pennsylvania Ave Glen Ellyn
8:00 AM Registration
8:30 AM Program/Breakfast

\$25 Member
\$30 Future Member

[Register Here!](#)

Third Thursday Business After Hours

Come network with your fellow Chamber
members and enjoy painting, food and
beverages provided by our host.

Thursday March 19, 2020
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Bottle & Bottega
498 Crescent Blvd
Glen Ellyn

This is a FREE Event



What is your Frida Experience Glen Ellyn?



With the hundreds of thousands of visitors
expected to visit Glen Ellyn and the tourism
dollars it will bring, together the MAC, the
Village of Glen Ellyn, the Glen Ellyn Chamber,
Downtown Alliance and the DuPage
Convention Visitors and Bureau are working
hard to bring the business to you by promoting
your **Frida Experience**. Submit your Frida
Experience to bring visitors to your storefront
by completing this form.

[Tell us your Frida Experience!](#)

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Check Out What Happened This Month!

Chocolate Cheese & Wine Tasting

Thank you to everyone who attended our SOLD OUT event. Guests enjoyed an evening of wine, chocolate and cheese tastings from around the world. In addition, local Glen Ellyn restaurants showcased a sample off their menu. A portion of the proceeds is donated to the Glen Ellyn Park District Scholarship program.

[Find additional photos on Facebook event page.](#)



18th Annual Economic Outlook Luncheon held on February 7th in Downers Grove

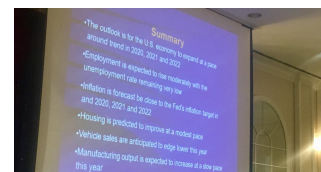


William A. Strauss, Senior Economist and Economic Advisor in the Economic Research Department at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, delivered the event's Keynote Address to 300 business attendees and 40 exhibitors representing 17 west suburban chambers of commerce.

Strauss assured attendees that there are no indicators of a downturn in America's \$20 trillion economy, or of any pending "negative economic shock" that typically provides the financial impetus for a recession.

While America's economy—or Gross Domestic Product (GDP)—grew at a rate of only 2.3% in 2019 versus the 3% standard, 2.1 million new jobs were created in the past 12 months, the nation's unemployment rate of 3.5% fell historically low and energy prices (oil and natural gas) remained well below their historical norms.

To see his presentation click [HERE](#)



Nearly 300 people gathered for the 56th Annual Community Awards on Tuesday, February 11th to recognize businesses and individuals that make Glen Ellyn a wonderful community.



[Find additional pictures on our Facebook event page.](#)

The Glen Ellyn Chamber and the Glen Ellyn Village Fair Committee are pleased to honor the following for their substantial contributions to the community.

BUSINESS CATEGORY

Non-Profit of the Year: Buffalo Theatre Ensemble Corp.
Service Industry Business of the Year: Paul's Shoe Service
Retail Business of the Year: Olive 'n Vinnie's
Restaurant of the Year: Glen Prairie Local Flavor Fine Food & Drink

CIVIC CATEGORY

District 41 Educator of the Year: Ryan Ignacio, Lincoln Elementary School Teacher
District 89 Educator of the Year: Nadia Bardack, Westfield Elementary School Teacher
District 87 Educator of the Year: Haresh Harpalani, Glenbard South High School Teacher
Firefighter of the Year: Tom Hefler

Library Employee of the Year: Tom Malinowski
Park District Volunteer of the Year: Ron Aubrey
Police Officer of the Year: Sergeant Norman E. Webber
Village Employee of the Year: Eva Patricia Taves

SERVICE CATEGORY

Paul Herwaldt Senior Citizen of the Year: George Mueller
Youth of the Year: Claudia Pyka
Distinguish Service Award: Julie Spiller
Stuart S. Stone Citizen of the Year: Megan Lowrie

Committee/Networking Opportunities

Chamber Ambassadors Meeting

Wednesday February 26, 2020

Meets the last Wednesday of every month

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Inland Bank, 520 Crescent Blvd Glen Ellyn

Chamber ambassadors promote goodwill, boost chamber business, and promote the Glen Ellyn community. Through their activities they encourage solidarity within the chamber membership and foster a better community understanding of the role of the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce. This Committee meets monthly. FREE



Glen Ellyn Business Leaders Forum Meeting

Friday January 28, 2020

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Brookdale Glen Ellyn 60 Nicoll Ave

The Glen Ellyn Business Leaders' Forum is comprised of non-competing businesses that provide products and services to businesses and consumers. Because each member represents a different industry we have industry specific expertise we openly share with the group.

Meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month

Glen Ellyn Public Library

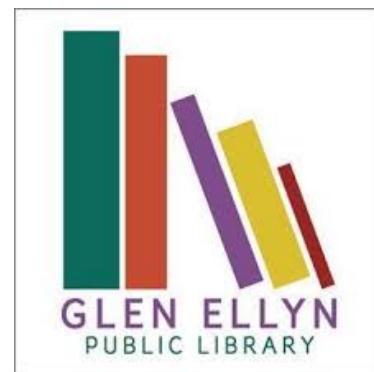
Business Mentoring

1-1 Mentoring, one time slot remaining

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Wednesday February 19, 2020

Register Here!



Census results will show where communities need new schools, new clinics, new roads, and more services for families, older adults, and children. Over \$675 billion in federal funds will be distributed each year to support vital programs in states and communities across the country. For more information, visit the [2020 Census website](#).

United States*
**Census
2020**
**YOU COUNT.
GET COUNTED.**

Village of Glen Ellyn

LAWSUIT CONTINUES AFTER HEARING HELD REGARDING APEX 400 DEVELOPMENT

Glen Ellyn, IL – On February 5, 2020, a status hearing was held in DuPage County Court in a lawsuit related to the former Giesche Shoe site and the Village owned parking lot at 418-424 N. Main Street in Glen Ellyn's Central Business District.



The Judge entered an order setting a schedule for pleadings and the initiation of discovery. The parties involved in the lawsuit will next appear in court on April 16, 2020 for a hearing on motions of the Village and GSP to dismiss and for judgment in their favor based on the Second Amended Complaint.

In April 2019, the Glen Ellyn Village Board approved the Planned Unit Development (PUD) plans for the \$40 million project that features a mixed-use building including 8,844 square feet of first floor commercial space and 107 luxury apartment units on the second through fifth floors. Additionally, as part of the project, a two story parking garage will incorporate public parking on the first floor and residential parking on the second floor. Following construction of the public parking garage at the developer's expense, the public garage portion of the development will be owned and operated by the Village with no net loss of public parking on site.

In July 2019, the Citizens for Glen Ellyn Preservation filed an emergency motion for a Temporary Restraining Order to stop the demolition of the former Giesche Shoe site. The motion was denied and consequently demolition of the site took place in August 2019. Construction of the Apex 400 development remains stalled due to the lawsuit.

For more information on the Apex 400 development, including a listing of frequently asked questions, please visit the Village's website www.glenellyn.org/646/Apex-400

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College of DuPage is offering free assistance with electronic filing of state and federal tax returns. IRS-Certified Accounting students, under instructor supervision, prepare and electronically file state and federal returns for students, staff and community members. [Click here](#) to learn more and schedule an appointment.



Join Hispanic American Construction Industry Association (HACIA) and Innovation DuPage for a 12-week intensive program for owners and managers of construction-related businesses. Starting March 24th, learn about topics including project management, insurance and

bonding, contract bid process, leadership and strategic planning and much more. Click the link to reserve your company's spot in the Owner-to-CEO Program here: bit.ly/3bwuhAj

Save the Date



Shredding Day
Saturday May 2, 2020



Taste of Glen Ellyn
Thursday May 28, 2020 -
Saturday May 30, 2020



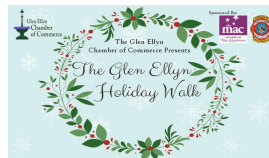
Annual Chamber Steak Fry
Wednesday, September 2, 2020



Annual Community Golf Outing
Thursday, October 1, 2020



Halloween Festival & Parade
Saturday, October 31, 2020



Holiday Walk
Friday, November 27, 2020

Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce Members

Gold Members



Silver Members

Barone's of Glen Ellyn

Bronze Members

Block Advisors BMO Harris Bank Brookdale Glen Ellyn COUNTRY FINANCIAL - Robert Kelley DuPage Medical Group Flip's Beef of Glen Ellyn Inland Bank F45 Training Glen Ellyn Northwestern Medicine Precision Payroll of America Rite-Way Custom Homes, LLC Sign Identity, Inc

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