

The Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Event Descriptions

Annual Gala

The Gala is held each year to revisit accomplishments from the previous year, review priorities for the current year and recognize exceptional volunteer leaders. Typically attended by approximately 700 people, it's a memorable evening that provides an opportunity to catch up with friends, business colleagues and key business leaders in the community.

Business After Hours

The Chamber's monthly evening network building event. A Chamber member sponsor hosts the event at their facility providing them an opportunity to showcase their firm and provide food, drink and an atmosphere conducive for networking with other members. All sponsorships for 2020 are filled. To be added to the waiting list, please contact Bri Coons at (217) 525-1173 x216 or bcoons@gsc.org.

Business Blast

This mini business expo provides members an opportunity to showcase their products or services and build business relationships.

Corporate Cup Challenge Golf Outing

The Chamber's annual golf outing has become one of the largest local outings of the year. Held in July, the Corporate Cup Challenge features Springfield area businesses competing against one another in a shotgun start scramble format. The outing includes 18 holes of golf with cart, refreshments on the course, continental breakfast, lunch, dinner and awards. The top three teams in two different flights receive prizes, but only the best of the best earns the right to keep the Corporate Cup Challenge traveling trophy.

Economic Outlook Breakfast

Each year, business leaders in Sangamon County gather at The Chamber's Economic Outlook Breakfast to learn about the condition of our economy. A nationally recognized economist presents an overview of our national economy and how it will impact our local community.

Elected Officials Reception

This informal reception provides Chamber members only unique face-to-face access with those who have been elected to serve our community and who work on issues that may have an impact on local businesses.

Good Morning Springfield

The Chamber's morning network building event held six times throughout the year. A Chamber member sponsor hosts the event at their facility providing them an opportunity to showcase its firm and provide a light breakfast and an atmosphere conducive for networking with other members.

Greater Springfield Chamber Job Fairs

Held semi-annually, the Greater Springfield Chamber Job Fairs draw prospective employees from all over Sangamon County and Central Illinois. Attendees include professionals seeking a change, newcomers to the area, college and high school students.

'Shoes & Brews

This relaxed evening event in September provides a chance to catch up with friends and colleagues. "Shoes & Brews" features some of Springfield's famous Horseshoes as well as local breweries and wineries. It also provides a great opportunity to meet new people and make valuable connections.

Small Business Awards

This annual event recognizes area small business owners and entrepreneurs for their outstanding achievements. Regular attendees include area business owners and leaders, local and state elected officials, and small business advocates and employees.

State of the City

The national picture is important, but what about the outlook of your community and your customer base? Each year, the Springfield mayor presents a State of the City address that provides the administration's view of the state of the city, a review of accomplishments from the past year and a look at priorities over the next 12 months.