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 to recognize exceptional volunteer leaders and the most recent Leadership Springfield graduates. 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. To be added to the sponsor waiting list, please contact Lisa Schafer at (217) 525-1173 ext. 203 or lschafer@ggcc.org.

Corporate Cup Challenge Golf Outing
The 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, lunch, reception, and awards.

Economic Outlook Breakfast
Business leaders in Sangamon County gather at the 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 members with a valuable opportunity to interact face-to-face access with those who have been elected to serve our community and who work on issues that may have a great 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 their firm and provide a light breakfast and an atmosphere conducive for networking with other members. To be added to the sponsor waiting list, please contact Lisa Schafer at (217) 525-1173 ext. 203 or lschafer@ggcc.org.

Greater Springfield Chamber Job Fairs
Held semi-annually, the 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
"Shoes & Brews features some of Springfield’s famous Horseshoes as well as local breweries and wineries. This relaxed evening event provides an opportunity to catch up with friends and colleagues, 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
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.