



COMMUNITY NEWS

- School board elects new chair; Sonya Blackburn and new vice chair; Brenda Jackson
- High speed chase ends in gun fire as Shelby officers join in multi county pursuit
- UofL Health donates EKG machine to Mercy Medical Clinic
- KU to shut down all walk ins by the end of 2024
- SCCT promises theatrical mix in upcoming season
- Hart Megibben is named Commonwealth Attorney for 53rd District after Laura Witt named District Judge
- 2023 Shelbyville City Council members: Sally Zaring, Mike Zoeller, Frank Page, Pam Carter and Tom Hardesty
- Shelbyville Mayor Troy Ethington
- County Clerk named Tony Harover
- Local teen; Tayan Stansfield, sophomore at Martha Layne Collins is crowned Miss Teen Earth USA
- Bobby Cravens named Simpsonville Fire Chief
- Gracie JiuJitsu opens in Shelbyville



GUEST SPEAKERS WITH GROWTH SOLUTIONS TEAM

Networking Roundtable

March 9th | 11:30AM-1:30PM |
Shelby Co Coop Extension Office
1117 Frankfort Rd



HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF NETWORKING



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STUDENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

By: Kelly McNew, Shelby County Public Schools

Commonwealth Credit Union is a partner of Shelby County Public Schools with Work-Based Learning!



Throughout the past 2 years they have allowed 4 students to come into their business, and gain experience as a teller. They have recently added an apprentice position to attract students from our business pathway that are interested in starting a career. Mary Gabbard, a CCU Supervisor, commented that one of their WBL students is a joy; she is a responsible collaborator and an effective communicator. She comes in with a great attitude each day and is always on time and takes ownership of her mistakes." We love having CCU as a partner and look forward to what is to come!

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TO THE SHELBY COUNTY CHAMBER
Landmark Construction & Design
Integrity Fabrication
Long Walker Electrical Services
Red Rover Dumpster
Pineapple Paisley Boutique
Brown Realty

SPEAK EASY

2023



Do you have your tickets yet? Dress to impress for the roaring 1920's and come enjoy casino gaming, prizes, live entertainment with top notch networking possibilities! Limit tickets available so get yours today at shelbycountychamber.com Director Spotlight

by: Ashley Coulter, Shelbyville/Shelby Co Parks & Rec



Meet **Belinda Nichols, Traditional Bank**

Meet Belinda Nichols! In 2004, Belinda began her journey with Shelby County Chamber of Commerce volunteering as needed. It wasn't until 2018 that she actually joined the board as Incoming President, then served two years as President, then two years as Past President. She will be leaving this board in November of 2023 and will again be on the sidelines volunteering.

Being a hometown girl, she started in banking as a teller and has worked in many different areas over the past 40 + years. She is currently with Traditional Bank as a Sr. Vice-President/Business Development Officer.





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COFFEE IS A LOVE LANGUAGE

By: Shelby Moore, Spray-Tec

For many individuals, including myself, coffee is a source of connection and expression of love. Need to have a meeting with someone? Go to a coffee shop. Want to make your coworker's day better? Bring them a coffee. In my mind, coffee creates connections. The Paddock coffee shop in Shelbyville, KY is the perfect example of this. The Paddock opened its doors in August of 2019 under the ownership of Stacy Smith Rogers and her right-hand-woman, Samantha Beals. At the time, Samantha was a participant in Awake Ministries, a non-profit addiction recovery program in Shelbyville, Kentucky. She was a part of The Paddock team from day 1 and helped to developed many of their most popular recipes. Now she is one of the people taking the popular coffee shop into the next era as it went under the direction of Awake Ministries on December 19th. Now, just as it did for Samantha, The Paddock will support the residents of Awake Ministries and help to teach them job skills that they can take out into the world. Coffee connected Stacy and Samantha. Their connection and hard work created a space to connect the entire community. Now, the community can connect with and support the women who need it most.

Director Spotlight Cont.

The Chamber has been a wonderful networking group that she has enjoyed connecting with over the past 20 years. She has gained business and personal relationships by being involved. She considers these relationships all near and dear to her heart. She is married to Les Nichols for the past 33 years and the couple has one daughter and son-in-law, Lynsey, and Josh Dennison. She has a 4-year-old Bassett Hound named Cooper and an adopted cat named Teddy. They live in Bagdad Kentucky. Belinda loves our community and is truly blessed by it! She will continue to serve and be involved for the next 20 + years

UPCOMING EVENTS IN SHELBY COUNTY

- Feb 2nd – She Loves Me @ Community Theatre
- Feb 2nd – City Council Meeting
- Feb 3rd – Love Local at Shoppes @ Blue Gables
- Feb 4 – Cornerstone's Dinner & Auction
- Feb 10th - Story Time to Go Kit Splat the Cat Oopsie-Daisy
- Feb 13 – Save a Heart, Free CPR Class @ Simpsonville Fire Department
- **Feb 14th – Chamber Board of Directors Meeting**
- Feb 16th – City Council Meeting
- **Feb 18th – Speak Easy**
- Feb 18 – Recovery Horse Activity Day @ HorseSensing
- Feb 24th - Story Time to Go Kit No Sew Spring Bunny
- Feb 25 – Edwards Moving & Rigging Job Fair
- Feb 26th – Triathlon Series 1
- **March 9th – Networking**

CHAMBER MEMBER BENEFIT

Our Partner Level membership is a great level to upgrade to for current Advocate and Supporter Level members. With it you receive all of our standard benefits but also so much more! Your company will receive \$75 in ticket credits towards events throughout the year, \$200 in marketing credits to promote your business, and \$250 in event sponsorship credits! The Partner Level is a wonderful way to level up your presence in the community through the Chamber and always a great starting point to get involved.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO CONNECT AND GROW? JOIN THE SHELBY COUNTY CHAMBER BY SCANNING HERE!



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