July 2018

Our Mission:
To enhance the business environment and quality of life in our community.

Chamber Calendar

Wednesday Wake-up
Wednesday, July 11 - 8:00-9:00 a.m.
Villa Medici, 9550 Ash Street
Free and open to Chamber members only

Young Professionals Learning@Lunch
“Activate Yourself & Make a Difference” presented by Sean Casserly, Johnson County Library
Wednesday, July 11 - 12:00-1:30 p.m.
Johnson County Central Resource Library, 9875 West 87th Street

OP After Hours networking
Thursday, July 12 - 4:30-6:30 p.m.
The Brass Onion, 5501 West 135th Street
Free and open to Chamber members only

Public Policy & Advocacy Committee
Discussing a local public policy platform
Friday, July 13 - 12:00-1:30 p.m.
Overland Park Chamber, 9001 West 110th Street

To register for these events, click here or call (913) 491-3600.

Vote in the primary election on August 7.

Your Vote Matters!

Important Election Dates:
July 17  Last day to register to vote in the primary
July 18  Advance voting by mail begins
July 23  Advance voting in person begins
August 7  Primary Election

Learn About the Candidates
For candidate surveys and videos of candidate forums:
www.VoteJoCo.com

Chamber president pens Star guest column

Chamber President Tracey Osborne Oltjen last month had a guest editorial in The Kansas City Star in which she discussed the opportunities presented by the proposed merger of Sprint and T-Mobile.

To read Tracey’s editorial, see page 2.

The Chamber Foundation’s 2018 Leadership Overland Park class (shown above) graduated last month after participating in ten in-depth sessions to learn more about the processes behind the scenes that keep our community running. To learn about the class project they completed, see 10.
FROM OUR PRESIDENT

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A New T-Mobile is Promising for Region

The following guest column appeared in The Kansas City Star on June 7, 2018:

With roots dating back over 100 years, Sprint is a household name in the Kansas City area. Therefore, it wasn’t surprising the April 29 announcement of a merger agreement between T-Mobile and Sprint created buzz and anticipation, as well as some uncertainty. This is expected with change, especially when it involves one of our cherished local brands. As both companies explored a potential merger, city and business leaders, employees and area residents have been closely following developments surrounding this transaction. Speculation now begins to take shape for us locally and nationwide as details of the merger develop.

The merger builds upon Sprint’s footprint in the region and promises positive impacts for economic growth, job creation and telecommunication leadership. As our region’s sixth largest private sector employer, Sprint plays an integral role in supporting the community and its people. Beyond Sprint’s economic impact as an employer, one of their hallmarks is their civic leadership and philanthropy. There is capital investment in projects like the Sprint Center. Perhaps most importantly, you’ll find Sprint team members engaged throughout the region and the country, leading civic and philanthropic organizations to improve our quality of life.

As they aspired for continued innovation and growth in the rapidly changing world of wireless communication and connectivity, we’ve recognized that change could come for Sprint. This merger provides opportunities, as the new combined company promises positive impacts focusing both on people and investment. While skepticism of promises is both healthy and expected, we’re pleased with the transparency provided in their merger announcement and subsequent communications regarding net job growth and investment. The news that Overland Park would serve as a second headquarters in the combined company is welcome. The promise that job growth will be net positive for the combined company over what exists today, with leadership positions on both campuses, is encouraging. This recognizes the incredible assets our region and Sprint bring to the table: Kansas City’s innovative, hard-working talent; our low cost of living; and the unique real estate asset of the Sprint Campus in Overland Park. This positions us well for Kansas City to remain at the center of wireless innovation for the combined company.

Basic infrastructure used to mean roads, water and wastewater. Now it’s also connectivity of people and data. The new T-Mobile stands to produce benefits far beyond the Kansas City region with promises of expansive coverage, including underserved rural communities. With a mix of low-, mid-, and high-band spectrum, the new company will be uniquely positioned to develop and deploy a nationwide 5G network. Estimates are 5G provides 20 times the speed of 4G, extending beyond our current devices to the Internet of Things.

By comparison, 5G would download ten movies in the time that 4G would download half of the first movie. And the Internet of Things? That’s nearly everything with an on/off switch that can connect to the Internet and exchange data, from our phones to our cars, refrigerators, coffee makers, lamps, garage doors, wearables, traffic signals and oil rigs. The 5G build-out means we’ll be able to leverage the full power of the next wave of connected devices, virtual reality, and artificial intelli-

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Build your business network!

Wednesday Wake-up
A Business Before Hours
Wednesday, July 11
8:00-9:00 a.m.

Hosted by Villa Medici
9550 Ash Street

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INSIGHTS FROM THE TOP
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Join us for these programs featuring executive insight on business leadership.

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Friday, August 24
Breakfast program: 7:30-9:00 a.m.
DoubleTree by Hilton Kansas City-Overland Park
10100 College Boulevard

featuring

Dr. Michael Rea, Founder & CEO
Rx Savings Solutions

Dr. Michael Rea founded Rx Savings Solutions after routinely witnessing consumers struggle to pay for medications. He noticed quickly at that time consumers were paying much more than they needed to, which was attributable to a lack of available information. He set out to arm consumers with this information and add efficiency and transparency back into the world of pharmacy through a patented software. Dr. Rea has been involved with research surrounding pharmacy transparency for more than 13 years. He received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Creighton University.

Members: $30 per person or $330 for a reserved table of 10
Non-members: $40 per person or $440 for a reserved table of 10

To register, click here or call (913) 491-3600

An evening of food, drinks & conversation!

Thursday, July 12
4:30-6:30 p.m.
The Brass Onion
5501 West 135th Street in Prairiefire

Join us for a fun evening of networking, delicious food and drinks! At The Brass Onion, the Brancato family brings an innovative and comfortable dining experience to Prairiefire. Join us to experience great food, drinks and wonderful conversation!

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Activate Yourself & Make A Difference
Presented by Sean Casserly, Johnson County Library

The job of a leader is not to be great, but to be patient enough to find the greatest in others. This lunch program will be fun but challenging and will force attendees to flex and grow leadership skills. Attendees will gain tools to help them define clarity and purpose and learn to identify the difference between a group and a team.

$20 for Chamber members; $27 for non-members.
Registrations are due by noon on July 6
To register, click here or call (913) 491-3600
President’s Message cont. . .

gence. This brings great opportunities for tele-medicine, distance learning and first responders. The new T-Mobile will build on Sprint’s regional commitment and recently announced national retail and network improvements. It will bring targeted benefits for us in Kansas City, plus deliver connectivity and access nationwide. We are proud of the Sprint legacy, and look forward to the bright future that lies ahead with the new T-Mobile.

Member Renewals
We thank these companies for reinvesting in the Overland Park Chamber of Commerce in May 2018:

Welcome new members!
We are pleased to introduce these new Chamber members:

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These businesses have invested in our community to keep it vibrant. We encourage you to use them first when purchasing goods and services.
2018 GOLF TOURNAMENT

August 20
Nicklaus Golf Club at Lionsgate
14225 Dearborn Street

The Chamber’s annual golf tournament is a fun way to expand your business connections as an event sponsor.

Join These Sponsors Who’ve Already Committed...

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For more information, click here or contact Celia at cfritzwatson@opchamber.org or (913) 766-7603.

Chamber releases Voting Record

The Overland Park Chamber of Commerce this month released its 2018 Kansas Legislative Session Final Report and Voting Record for Johnson County legislators’ performances on business-centric issues and votes related to the Chamber’s legislative agenda.

Using feedback from Chamber members, the Chamber’s Public Policy and Advocacy Committee and Board of Directors established its annual legislative agenda to focus on priority issues that enhance quality of life attributes such as education, taxation, transportation, economic development and school finance that make Overland Park attractive to businesses and help it continue to be recognized as a leading community in the nation.

The Voting Record is available on the Public Policy page at www.opchamber.org - click here.

Chamber committee developing local public policy platform

The Overland Park Chamber for many years has established annual State and Federal Legislative Agendas. Currently, the Chamber’s Advocacy & Public Policy Committee is developing a public policy platform to address local issues.

The committee is discussing details of the new platform document at its next meeting, 12:00-1:30 p.m. on Friday, July 13 at the Chamber, 9001 West 110th Street.
To attend, register at www.opchamber.org - click here.

Chamber summer intern focuses on workforce projects

The Chamber is pleased to have Cooper Allison as our summer intern.

Cooper will be involved in a variety of Chamber and economic development projects including workforce related initiatives, marketing and helping develop a community internship program the Chamber envisions as a resource for businesses, educational institutions and local students.

This fall, Cooper will begin her senior year at Kansas State University where she is majoring in advertising with a minor in hospitality management, specifically events. She is participating in her third year on the Kansas State Dance Team.
Some of our newest Chamber members were recognized at last month’s Wednesday Wake-up networking event. Receiving new members plaques were Stacy Rose, Adams Gabbert; Dr. Ryan Riggs, Blue Sky Fertility; Michael Bright, Bright Family Law Center, LLC; Dr. Jeffrey Burroughs, Burroughs Endodontics; Dan Kopshinsky, CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP; Kristopher Stice-Hall, Digital Maelstrom; Nick Nikkhah and Malik James, doob KC; Brenda Miller, Hair Club for Men; Melinda Jurczak, MTI Events; Steven Davis, NightMark Consulting; Kelly Harrick, ONEHOPE Wine with Kelly; Michael Gist, People Ready; Troy Boggan, Slim Chickens; Rob Canent, Unite Private Networks; Lukas Haselwood and Neal Harnden, zoom.

City Council President Jim Kite, Chamber Past Chairman Michael Tracy, OMNI Human Resource Management; and Chamber Diplomats helped Dr. Ron Hunninghake, Chief Medical Officer; Dr. Ourania Stephanopoulos-Chichura; and their team celebrate a ribbon cutting for Riordan Clinic, 6300 West 143rd Street, Suite #205. Founded in 1975, The Riordan Clinic helps patients restore, improve and maintain health by getting to the root cause rather than treating symptoms of illness. For more information: (913) 745-4757 or www.RiordanClinic.org.

City Councilmember Chris Newlin, Chamber EDC Director of Recruitment & Retention Tim Holverson and Chamber Diplomats helped owners Nick & Chandni Patel celebrate a ribbon cutting for Tropical Smoothie Cafe, 15933 Antioch Road in Bluhawk. Tropical Smoothie is a fast casual restaurant serving delicious wraps, sandwiches, flatbreads, and fresh smoothies. For more information: (913) 777-4434 or www.tropicalsmoothiecafe.com.
The Overland Park Chamber Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2019 Leadership Overland Park program, which will begin in January 2019.

Leadership Overland Park is a civic leadership program that educates participants about the critical issues facing Overland Park, Johnson County and the metropolitan region, and provides opportunities to engage in organizations that resolve these issues. The program focuses on information, education and discussion of local and regional assets, challenges and opportunities.

Leadership Overland Park class members participate in 10 full-day sessions from January to June. Sessions focus on specific aspects of Overland Park such as city, county and state government, history, education, politics and current issues facing the city, county, metro area and state.

The deadline for nominations is noon on September 7, 2018. Completed applications from nominees will be due on October 12. The nomination form can be downloaded at www.opchamber.org - click here - or call (913) 491-3600.
**RECENT EVENTS**

**Wednesday Wake-up**
A Business Before Hours
hosted on June 13 by

**Saint Luke’s**

Kristopher Stice-Hall, Digital Maelstrom; Rob Canent, Unite Private Networks; Matt Meiron, Lowe’s Home Improvement.

Bobby Carrico and Shannon Riordan, Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City; Teresa Reh, AdvoCare; Cami Travis-Groves, The Freelance Exchange of Kansas City.

Franci Massey, Spectrum Reach; Michael Bright, The Bright Family Law Center, LLC; Patrick Wertzberger, Farmers Insurance-The Wertzberger Agency.

Jamie McConnell, Avila University; Stacy Rose and Dan Templeman, AdamsGabbert.

Lacey Glover, 68’s Inside Sports; Gary Bush and Max Kurlbaum, RubinBrown; Brad Dinwiddie, Colby Siebersma and Shelly Doerhoff, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP.

Chris Mitchell, Christian Morick, Josh Levinson, Yuki Li and Brady Ridnour, KeyBank; Elijah Cushon, Sprint.
Partner Spotlight:

Menorah Medical Center and Overland Park Regional Medical Center are part of HCA Midwest Health Kansas City’s largest network and recognized leader in healthcare, consisting of hospitals, outpatient centers, clinics, physician practices and surgery centers. Every day the employees at these premier hospitals live out the mission of the organization, “Above all else, we are committed to the care and improvement of human life.”

Through community engagement, servant leadership and a commitment to the highest medical standards, Menorah Medical Center and Overland Park Regional Medical Center have helped make Overland Park one of the healthiest communities in the nation.

Both hospitals are part of the Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute, a leader in cancer care. Menorah’s Breast Center is designated as a Breast Center of Excellence by the American College of Radiology. It is the only hospital in Johnson County to offer both 3D mammography and 3D ultrasound. The hospital is accredited by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers and is certified by the Mammography Quality Standards Act. Additionally, the hospital is home to the region’s only Genitourinary Cancer clinic, specializing in Genitourinary Oncology, Genitourinary Malignancies, Urinary Tract Malignancies, Male Genital Malignancies and many other urinary tract conditions.

Overland Park Regional Medical Center is home to Johnson County’s only Level II Trauma Center; the hospital is also an Accredited Stroke and Chest Pain Center. Overland Park Regional Medical Center is a premier area destination for Women and Children’s healthcare services; it includes the region’s only Maternal Fetal Health Center, to care for critically ill mothers and their baby under one roof. The hospital includes an antepartum unit, a labor and delivery unit, a Level III NICU and Johnson County’s only Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. Overland Park Regional Medical Center has four emergency rooms, including a dedicated Pediatric emergency room and freestanding ERs in Olathe and Shawnee.

For more information, visit www.hcamidwest.com.
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LEADERSHIP OVERLAND PARK

2018 Leadership class raises $28,000 for charity as class project

Expectations were set high when the 2018 Leadership Overland Park (LOP) class determined its community project – host a fundraiser that exemplified the true character of the class, bring other leaders in the community together, and put the fun back in fundraiser. All this while raising $20,000 or more for a local nonprofit.

On June 12, expectations were surpassed with $28,000 raised for the local HopeKids chapter at a Topgolf Overland Park fundraiser. HopeKids provides ongoing events, activities and a powerful, unique support community for families who have a child with cancer or other life-threatening medical condition.

With the support of the Executive Director of HopeKids Kansas City, Kerrie Bryant, and 2018 LOP classmate Dani Chambers, Director of Sales at Topgolf, the class of 37 raised funds by soliciting corporate bay sponsorships leading up to the event. Additional funds were raised through donated silent auction items and in-kind donations. The result? Corporate bays sold out (an entire level of Topgolf) and all auction items were purchased. Kendra Scott also supported this event by donating “mystery boxes” full of jewelry that guests could “purchase” via a donation to HopeKids; the boxes sold out in minutes and guests beamed with joy when opening their surprise box.

Items in the silent auction included autographed and game-worn Kansas City Royals gear; footballs signed by Kansas City Chiefs players; a jersey signed by KU head basketball coach Bill Self; and numerous other packages for experiences and services at some of Kansas City’s greatest area businesses and entertainment venues.

The event also included appearances by former Chiefs players and the real stars of the show – HopeKids’ families. Fundraiser guests were greeted by kids from the local chapter – just a few of the 200-plus families the local chapter has served since opening in March 2017. HopeKids delivered hand-decorated golf balls to supporters, serving as a personal reminder of the struggles these kids and their families face every day and the hope that is inspired through being a part of HopeKids.

In addition to playing Topgolf, guests enjoyed delicious food thanks to the generosity of JE Dunn Construction. This event truly captured the spirit of hope and the impact HopeKids is having on the Kansas City community.

For more information, visit www.HopeKids.org.
At last month’s Chamber Economic Development Council Investor’s Lunch, attendees participated in Big Idea Generation discussions as part of the ongoing Forward OP initiative. Groups like the EDC Investors have been discussing “big picture” ideas as the next step following Community Conversations that took place in April. Forward OP is a process to develop a community vision and strategic plan that will outline a path of continued success for the next 20-25 years. For more information, visit www.forwardop.org.

New 2018 EDC Investors!

We are pleased to welcome these new Investors in the Chamber Economic Development Council:

- Beckner and Associates
- Chicago Title
- Floor and Decor
- Johnson County Government
- Rothwell Construction
- Unite Private Networks

For a list of all Economic Development Council Investors, visit www.opchamber.org - click here.

Member News & Events

The City of Overland Park’s proposed 2019 budget maintains the city’s mill levy as the lowest of any city in Johnson County or any first-class city in Kansas. The recommended budget includes additional personnel in the police and fire departments, public works, parks services and Deanna Rose Children’s Farmstead. A second public hearing is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on August 6.

Last month, participating schools signed an official agreement for the Degree in 3 program, which allows students to earn college credits in high school and earn their bachelor’s degree within three years from graduation. Participants in the program include Blue Valley Schools, Olathe Public Schools, Shawnee Mission School District, Johnson County Community College and The University of Kansas Edwards Campus.

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To add your name to this list each month, contact Tracey Osborne Oltjen at (913) 491-3600 or tosborne@opchamber.org.

Member News & Events

Olathe Public Schools will receive a multimillion dollar federal grant from the Literacy Network of Kansas to advance literacy from birth through grade 12.

Heartstrings Community Foundation has moved to 11599 South Ridgeview Road in Olathe.

The Builders’ Association announced that contractor members of the Kansas City Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America were honored with Building Excellence Awards for top projects.

The Culinary Center of Kansas City in Downtown Overland Park has introduced a new interactive cooking experience, Bake Sale Battles, offered now until the 2018 No Kid Hungry Bake Sale in September.

The Culinary Center of Kansas City (CCKC) introduced a free service at the Overland Park Farmers’ Market this season. Each Saturday, 9-11 a.m., the CCKC Vegetable Butcher will wash and cut shoppers’ farm-fresh goodies and share cooking and prep tips.

Swiss Re has promoted Stacie Gram to Head of Casualty Claims for North America.

Rebecca Galati is now the Kansas Community Business Manager with Kansas City Power & Light. You can reach her at rebecca.galati@kcpl.com or (816) 556-2979.

Cornerstones of Care has appointed Chad Harris, CAE, as Chief Development Officer.

OMNI Human Resource Management announced these new staff additions: Scott McTague as Senior Consultant and Professional Development Practice Leader; Hilary Harvey as Search Consultant; and Sarah Floodberg as Employee Services Consultant.

Steve Iverson has joined Olsson Associates as a federal and environmental leader in the Kansas City region after more than 30 years with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

To submit company news, click here.
To submit events, click here.