#### **CALENDAR**

### September 2015

Tuesday 1 Noon

Wellness Committee

Wednesday 2

5 p.m. **Business After Hours** 

Sponsored by Riverstone Apartments 8940 N Shannon Avenue

Kansas City, MO 64153

Thursday 3

11:30 a.m. **Ambassadors Committee** 

64 Tayern & Grille 6312 N Chatham Avenue Kansas City, MO 64151

4:30 p.m. Ribbon Cutting: Waddell & Reed

> 5 Victory Lane. Suite 202 Liberty, MO 64068

Friday 4

7:30 a.m. **Executive Committee** 

Tuesday 8 7:30 a.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday 9

11:30 a.m. Joint Luncheon

**Hilton Kansas City Airport** 8801 NW 112th Street Kansas City, MO 64153

Thursday 10

Planning & Dev. Committee 7:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. Leadership Northland: Session 2 4:30 p.m. Ribbon Cutting:

**Direct Medical Care** 1306 C Platte Falls Road Platte City, MO 64079

Friday 11

Lunch & Learn **NRCC Board Room** 

634 NW Englewood Road Kansas City, MO 64118

Monday 14 Noon

**Auction Committee** 

Thursday 17

4:30 p.m. Ribbon Cutting: Miles of Smiles 5536 NE Antioch Road

Friday 18 Noon

Legislative Affairs Committee

Kansas City. MO 64119

Tuesday 22

7:30 a.m. Parks & Rec. Committee

Wednesday 23

7:30 a.m. **Networking Breakfast** 

1327 Burlington North Kansas City, MO 64116

Thursday 24

7:30 a.m. Planning & Dev. Committee 4:30 p.m. Ribbon Cutting:

Angel Paws, Inc.

Monday 28

Leadership Committee

All meetings and events held at the Chamber office unless otherwise noted.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S CLUB**











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#### **EXECUTIVE CLUB**

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**BMO Harris Bank** 

**Buffalo Wild Wings** 

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#### **PACESETTERS**

Cosentino's Price Chopper **Embassy Suites Kansas City** -International Airport Hilton Kansas City Airport Hy-Vee Food & Drug Store Polsinelli PC Kindred Hospital Northland

**Kissick Construction** Company Lathrop & Gage LLP MCC Maple Woods Meritas Health Corporation Mid-Continent Public Library City of North Kansas City North Kansas City Schools Park Hill School District Park University Platte County, Missouri Platte Valley Bank of Missouri

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## **Member-to-Member Discount of the Month**

#### **Insight Evecare Specialties**

is offering 40% off on a complete pair of eyeglasses OR 25% off an eye exam or contact lens exam, can not be used with insurance.

The Member-to-Member Discount Program of the Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce strives to encourage members to do business with fellow Chamber members. Thus, the opportunity to enjoy savings for a variety of services and products are only available with a NRCC membership. For more information, or to participate, contact meg@northlandchamber.com.



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### What's Inside

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#### **Annual Joint Luncheon**

Wednesday, Sept. 9 Hilton Kansas City Airport 8801 NW 112th Street 11:30 a.m. [RSVP Required]

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#### Lunch & Learn

Friday, Sept. 11 NRCC Board Room 634 Englewood Road Noon to 1:30 p.m. [RSVP Required]

#### **Networking Breakfast**

Wednesday, Sept. 23 Black on Burlington 1327 Burlington 7:30-8:30 a.m. [RSVP Required]

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## **Northland Celebrates \$43M Twin Creeks Sewer Expansion**

This August, Mayor Sly James alongside City Manager Troy Schulte, Water Services Director Terry Leeds and other Northland leaders. including Brenner Holland of Hunt Midwest. Teri Laverty of the NRCC and Alicia Stephens of the Platte City EDC, cut the ribbon on an expansive infrastructure project expected to attract over 70.000 new residents to the Northland.

The Twin Creek Sewer Expansion opened 14,000 acres of land for residential and commercial development. Mayor James called this \$43M project "a long term investment in the future of this city and the future of the Northland."

Thanks to his support of



Mayor Sly James, city officials and other Northland leaders celebrate the \$43M Twin Creeks Sewer Expansion project that is expected to attract over 70,000 residents to the Northland at the August 17 ribbon cutting at Benton House of Tiffany Springs

development efforts in the Northland, Kansas City Mayor Sly James has been selected as the keynote speaker at this year's Annual Joint Luncheon on Wednesday, September 9 at the

Hilton Kansas City Airport. Tickets are \$30 for individuals and \$350 for a table of 10. To make a reservation, call the Northland Chamber office at 816-455-9911 or visit northlandchamber.com

## **Leadership Northland** Class of 2016

### Class to be introduced at September Business After Hours Event

Deana Barger, Harley-Davidson Motor Company Mary Becker, Equity Bank Frank Blakemore, PE, Garver, LLC Matthew Brunkhorst, Armstrong Teasdale, LLP Angela Castle, Kaw Services, Inc. Joshua Colvin, Park Hill School District William Comer, HNTB Corporation Angela Curtis, Northland Health Care Access Brad Forbes, Argosy Casino Hotel & Spa Jessica Hamilton, Platte County EDC Adam Hilgedick, Olsson Associates Damon Hodges, City of Kansas City Mike Kellam. Parkville EDC Courtney Klahn, North Kansas City Hospital Sonja Love, Kearney R-1 School District Jeffery Martin, City of Kansas City

Craig Mattke, Citi Alexia Norris. Polsinelli PC Lori O'Donnell. Easter Seals Midwest Meagan O'Donnell, North Kansas City Schools David Oehler. MCC-Maple Woods Jamie Parrett, YMCA, North Kansas City Rebekah Roberts, SJC Marketing Brad Schleeter, Affinis Corp Suzie Schuckman, Concerned Care, Inc. Ryan Selby, Selby Service Co. LLC James Shannon, MoDOT Kansas City Sarah Wagner, City of Riverside Jacob Wilson. Bank of Weston Jon P. Wilson, Tri-County Mental Health Services Marisa Wiruhayarn, Tasty Thai/Big Bowl Pho Benjamin Zibers, Park University

### **Membership**

#### **Mission Statement**

To enhance the business community, economic growth and quality of life in the Northland.

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## Welcome to our New Chamber Members!

#### Ameritas Investment Corp

Michael Short 800 West 47th St. Suite 600 Kansas City, MO 64112 816-729-5061 michael.short@ameritas.com

#### **Biz Card Xpress**

Peter Decker 4908 N. Oak Trafficway Kansas City, MO 64118 816-459-7552 GladstoneBizcard@gmail.com

#### **Chalmers Automotive**

Tina Taylor 1420 Gentry St North Kansas City, MO 64116 816-472-5050 chalmersautomotive.com

#### Concergent IT Miriam Alexander

9719 N Kenwood Ct Kansas City, MO 64155 816-688-8175 malexander@concergent.com

#### **Conscious Cafe**

Scott Kluck 1827 NW Vivion Rd Riverside, MO 64150 816-492-6779 consciouscafekc.com

#### **Haren Laughlin Restoration**

Shelle Angelo 8035 Nieman Rd Lenexa, KS 66214 913-284-3337 sangelo@harenlaughlin.com harenlaughlin.com/restoration

#### **Heavy Constructors** Association

**Bridgette Williams** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 2950 Kansas City, MO 64109 816-753-6443 kcheavyconstruction.com

#### **R&S Painting LLC**

Jason Fullenwider 5310 North Palmer Ave Kansas City, MO 64119 816-365-9785 rspaintingllc@yahoo.com

#### Republic Services

Nick Babcock 1220 S Brookside Dr Independance, MO 64052 816-254-1470 nbabcock@republicservices.com

#### The UPS Store

Frederic Duloc 5559 NW Barry Rd Kansas City, MO 64154 816-587-7100 store3032@theupsstore.com

## Thank You for renewing your membership!

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Smokehouse BBQ SouthComm Publishing & Target Marketing, Inc. Special Olympics Missouri Storehouse Planning Tasty Thai/Big Bowl Pho Valdes & Moreno, Inc. VSM Engineering, LLC Warner Nease Bost Architects. Inc. Western Associates, Inc. Withers, Brant, Igoe & Mullennix Law Firm Williams Spurgeon Kuhl & Freshnock Architects Yates Electric Co., Inc.

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#### Please Join Us!

## The Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce **Business After Hours**

Wednesday, September 2, 2015 5:00-7:00PM **RIVERSTONE APARTMENTS** 8940 N. SHANNON AVE. KANSAS CITY, MO 64153



### WE INVEST IN YOU, SO YOU CAN INVEST IN YOU

Riverstone is professionally managed by JVM Realty Corporation. It's our mission to consistently deliver a superior customer experience. When you live in a JVM apartment home, you can expect maintenance, mowing, and more to be handled cheerfully and impeccably. You're free to put your energies into building your career, saving for a rainy day, or doing something you love!

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#### **Insight Eyecare Specialities**

Insight Eyecare Specialities showcased its new location with a ribbon cutting on July 23, 2015. Located at 9596 N McGee, this private optometrist practice provides the highest quality lenses, frames and contact lenses to its patients. Visit ieseyecare.com to learn more!

#### **Aunt Mary's Cookies**

Located in the square of North Kansas City, Aunt Mary's Cookies showcased some sweet treats during a ribbon cutting celebration on July 30, 2015. This bakery and cafe, located at 309 Armour Road, serves cookies, cupcakes, sandwiches and homemade lunch specials. The bakery also takes custom cake orders for all occasions including birthdays, anniversaries, company functions and weddings. To learn more about the fresh-baked items available at Aunt Mary's, visit auntmaryscookies.com





#### **Midwest Recycling Center**

Midwest Recycling Center celebrated the grand opening of its new Northland location on August 6, 2015. Located at 1560 N Topping Avenue, MRC is a R2/RIOS certified electronics recycler that specializes in working with businesses, government organizations and schools to protect them from environmental, identity and data theft liability. The company can recycle anything with a cord or battery and provides pickup services at no extra charge. For a complete list of recyclable items, visit their website at midwrc.net/electronics-recycling-kansas-city-mo

#### **Conscious Cafe**

The Conscious Cafe proved that the best part of waking up is fresh, local coffee in your cup! The Conscious Cafe, located at 1827 NW Vivion Road in Riverside, celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting on August 20, 2015. The Conscious Cafe offers vegan, vegetarian, low-carb/no-carb and paleo-friendly breakfast and lunch options. Check out the whole menu at conscious cafekc.com



#### **Chamber Board Announces Proposed 2016 Slate of Nominees**

#### **OFFICERS**

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#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Nancy Armstrong, *Platte Woods Animal Hospital - 2016* 

Bob Lohmeyer, Heart of America Catering - 2016 Mike McKeen, EPC Real Estate Group - 2016 Jim Rice, Carter - Rice Communications - 2016 Deena James, Krueger & James Insurance Agency - 2017

Mark Krtek, Hilton Kansas City Airport - 2017 Valerie McCaw, VSM Engineering - 2017 Krista Sandt, K12itc. Inc - 2017

Matt Brown, Brown & Company - 2018
Doug Delisser, Insperity - 2018

Ed Ford, Ford & Cooper - 2018

Robert Porking Light Edge Solut

Robert Perkins, *LightEdge Solutions - 2018* 

#### ADDITIONAL CHAIRMAN'S CLUB

Mary Bogart, *Citi*Rod Centers, *Ameristar Casino Hotel Kansas City*David Feess, *Liberty Hospital* 

Amy Grothaus, Community America Credit Union
Mayor Kathy Rose, City of Riverside
Aaron Rosenthal, Argosy Casino Hotel & Spa
Ross Scimeca, Mosaic Life Care

Peggy Schmitt, *North Kansas City Hospital*TBA, St. Lukes Northland

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Mayor Lyndell Brenton, City of Liberty
Dr. Jeanette Cowherd, Park Hill School District
Mike Duffy, City of Riverside
Mayor Bill Garnos, City of Gladstone
Dr. Utoal Goswami. MCC Maple Woods

Jim Hampton, Clay County EDC
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Dr. Paul Kinder, North Kansas City Schools
Pat Klein, City of Kansas City, MO
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Dr. David Sallee, William Jewel College
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Commissioner
Mayor David Slater, City of Pleasant Valley
Mayor Kent Stelljes, City of Weston
Alicia Stephens, Platte County EDC
Mayor Donald Stielow, City of North Kansas City
Dr. M Jeremy Tucker, Liberty Public Schools
Mark VanLoh, City of Kansas City, MO, Aviation
Department

Additional candidates may be nominated from the floor at the October Monthly Luncheon on October 20, 2015. Candidates must be in good standing, an active member and have accepted the responsibility of designated office. If no nominations are made from the floor, the nominations will be closed and the nominated slate of director candidates will be elected.

# **Annual Joint Luncheon tickets now available!**

When: Wednesday, Sept. 9
Where: Hilton Kansas City Airport
located at 8801 NW 112th Street

Time: 11:30 to 1 p.m.
Who: Mayor Sly James will headline
this year's program

Purchase tickets online at NorthlandChamber.com

## **Networking Breakfast**

Wednesday, Sept. 23 7:30-8:30 a.m.



## Black on Burlington 1327 Burlington, North Kansas City, MO 64116

Where else can you meet multiple contacts
before 8:30 a.m.? Join us for a structured
speed networking experience!

Visit northlandchamber.com or call 816-455-9911 to RSVP - \$15 for members, \$18 for non-members

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## **Meet the New Faces at the Chamber**



The Northland Chamber showcased their Kansas City pride by cheering on the Boys in Blue at the August 11 game against the Detroit Tigers.

From left to right: Sheila Tracy, President; Teri Laverty, Business Services and Programs Director; Meghann Henry, Events & Communications Director; Ashley Fullenwider, Administrative Coordinator

#### **Teri Laverty**

Business Services & Programs Director teri@northlandchamber.com
Teri brings over 25 years of business management and customer service experience to the Northland Chamber.
Teri, originally from Tennessee, has called the Northland home for over seven years.
Teri is passionate about the Northland community and volunteers her time to many Northland-based charitable organizations.
She has also served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Platte
County Missouri South Transportation
Development. Teri is married with two daughters and a son.

#### **Meghann Henry**

Events & Communications Director meg@northlandchamber.com
Meghann considers herself a bi-costal
Missourian. Originally from St. Charles,
Mo., she moved to Kansas City over two
years ago while in pursuit of a change
of scenery and delicious barbecue. As a
former AmeriCorps VISTA, Meghann brings
her passion for strong communities and
her knowledge of fundraising, special event
planning and social media to the Chamber.
One fun fact about Meghann? Her Tweet
was featured on an episode of Late Night
with Jimmy Fallon - a moment she calls her
15 words of fame!

#### **Ashley Fullenwider**

Administrative Coordinator northland@northlandchamber.com
Ashley serves as the Administrative
Coordinator and friendly face of the office.
As a resident of the Northland for over 13 years, she brings her passion for small businesses to the Chamber. As a vital part of her family's small business, Ashley is an experienced office manager who knows how to keep the NRCC functioning efficiently. In her free time, Ashley loves to spend time playing with her dogs and riding motorcycles with her family. She is also a supporter of the March of Dimes Bikers for Babies.

## Newsletter Advertising

When deciding where to spend your advertising dollars, consider The Northland Voice. Advertising in our newsletter is your opportunity to reach more than 1,200 Chamber members plus community, business and legislative leaders. Choose from any of the below rates to find the perfect ad for your business. Contact meg@northlandchamber.com for more info.

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## Would you like your business to be a Partner in Education?

The Partners in Education program links area businesses, community organizations and individuals with schools to expand and enrich the learning opportunities for students and businesses in the Northland. Contact Sheila Tracy, Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce President at 816-455-9911 or at sheila@northlandchamber.com for more information on how to get involved.

## **Your Chamber In July & August**

#### **5th Friday Coffee at Easter Seals Midwest**

Over 70 people gathered at Easter Seals Midwest for this free networking event on July 31. Our members enjoyed learning about the variety of services Easter Seals offers to help adults and children with disabilities overcome challenges and achieve their dreams. Easter Seals Midwest will host their Annual Walk with Me fundraiser on September 12 at Macken Park. Learn more about how you can support Easter Seals Midwest at eastersealsmidwest.org





### **Northland Christian School Groundbreaking**

Students and their families gathered to witness the groundbreaking of the Northland Christian School on August 12. The new school will include 32 classrooms, administrative offices, a multipurpose space, media center and gymnasium.





### **August Monthly Luncheon with Visit KC**

Bruce Cramer, Chair of the Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors welcomed Ronnie Burt President & CEO of Visit KC (pictured right) at the August 2015 Monthly Luncheon. Over 100 Northland community members attended the sold-event event at Piropos Briarcliff, sponsored by BankLiberty. Ronnie shared his insights on Kansas City tourism and the ways he is working to increase the Kansas City Metro's national footprint, including the growth of Kansas City Restaurant Week. Kansas City Restaurant Week is set for January 15-24, 2015. Visit korsestaurantweek com for more information.





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