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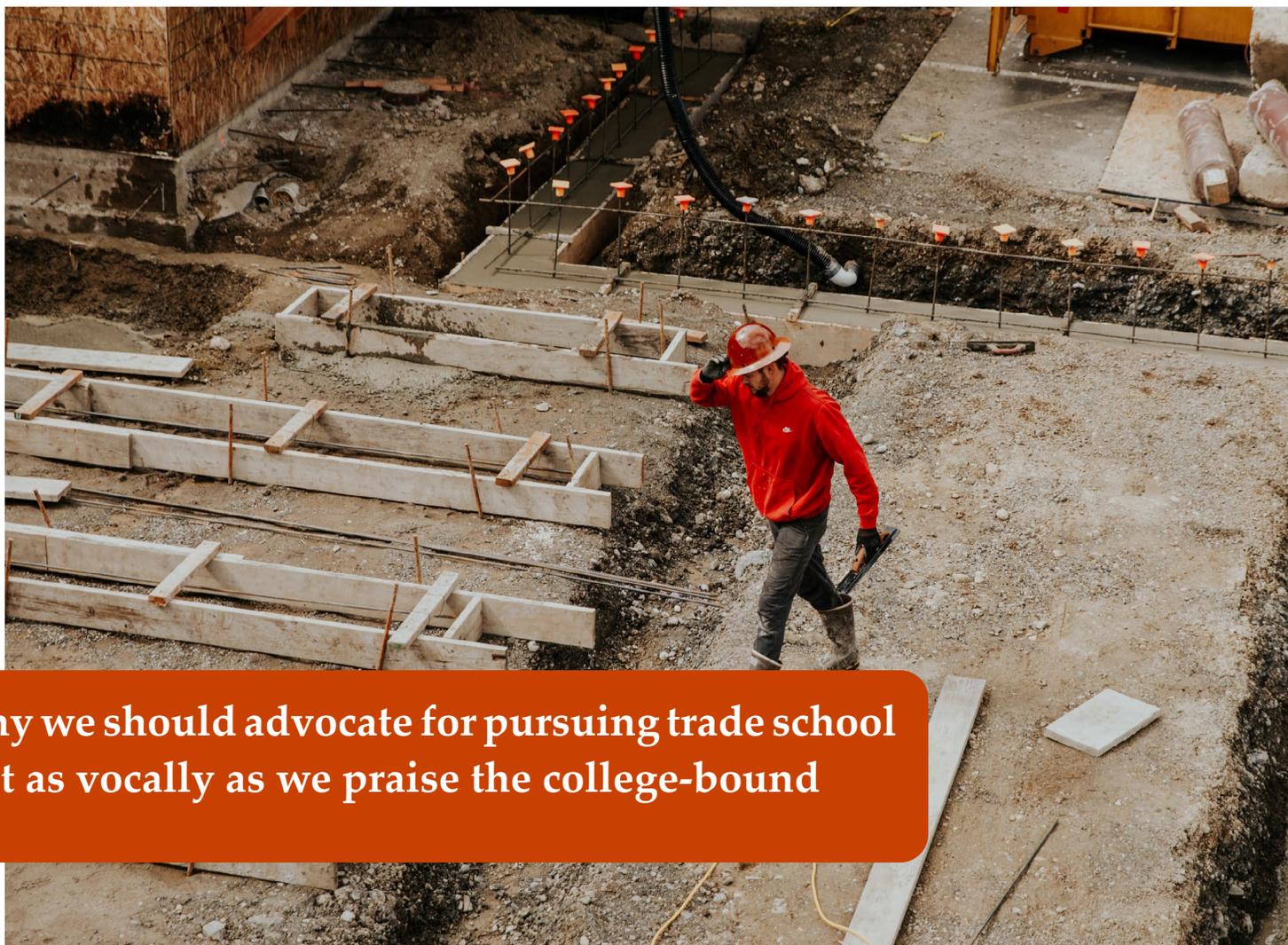




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MEMBER NEWS

FORBES NAMES SCOTT CREDIT UNION AMONG TOP FOUR CREDIT UNIONS IN ILLINOIS



Scott Credit Union was recently named one of the top credit unions in the State of Illinois in a Forbes best-in-state ranking for 2021.

Forbes, in partnership with market research firm Statista, ranked Scott Credit Union fourth in the state based on surveys of credit union members on their overall satisfaction. The survey also measured trust, terms and conditions, branch services, digital services, and financial advice.

“We’re very pleased to have been named one of this year’s best credit unions in Illinois,” said Frank Padak, President & CEO of Scott Credit Union. “This is the third time we’ve been awarded this distinction. We owe this honor to the employees of SCU. Their dedication to providing the best possible service for our members—especially during the challenges of the pandemic—is appreciated beyond words.”

Statista surveyed nearly 25,000 consumers throughout the country for their opinions on their current and former relationships with financial institutions. Of the more than 5,000 credit unions nationwide, only 3.6% made Forbes’s best-in-state lists.

“Scott Credit Union is always striving to improve our member experience,” said Padak. “This ranking tells us we are on the right track.”

Scott Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial cooperative. When someone opens an account at the credit union, they become a member and an owner. Because of its structure, Scott Credit Union has given back nearly \$13 million to members through a bonus dividend and loan interest rebate over the past 13 years.

“Credit unions are run by members, for members,” Padak added. “Because of our cooperative structure, we pay more on our members’ savings, charge less when they need to borrow and keep fees low.”

Scott Credit Union currently has 20 area locations: Affton, MO; Ballpark Village in St. Louis, MO; Belleville, IL (two branches); Collinsville, IL; Columbia, IL; Crestwood, MO; Edwardsville, IL (two branches);

Fairview Heights, IL; Ferguson, MO; Highland, IL; Ladue, MO; Lebanon, IL; Mascoutah, IL; O’Fallon, IL; Troy, IL; Scott Air Force Base in Illinois; Waterloo, IL; and Wood River, IL.

For details on opening accounts at Scott Credit Union, visit www.scu.org.



GCS CREDIT UNION CELEBRATES 80 YEARS



GCS Credit Union was recently presented with a Mayoral Proclamation from Mayor Mike Parkinson of Granite City, Illinois. Mayor Parkinson, Alderman Harrington, and City staff participated in GCS Credit Union’s Member Appreciation Day, celebrating 80 years of service to Granite City and the surrounding communities. Participants enjoyed a free hot dog, chips, and drink from GCS, thanking membership for their continued loyalty. Mayor Parkinson said, “GCS Credit Union is a trusted institution in our city, a well-run organization that we’re happy to have. They have done a lot of good things for the citizens of Granite City, assisting them with their financial needs.” Keith Burton, GCS Credit Union President and CEO, stated, “It is truly an honor to be recognized by Mayor Parkinson and the City of Granite City. We are proud of our 80 years of service and are passionate about our mission of people helping people. Our long history and heritage are something that we all cherish. The success of GCS is a direct result of the loyalty of our members along with the efforts of our volunteers and employees, past and present. We thank them all for their contributions and support.” To find out more about GCS Credit Union, visit myGCScu.com.



HOLLAND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES WORKING ON MIDAMERICA ST. LOUIS AIRPORT TERMINAL EXPANSION



Holland has begun work on the \$30 million MidAmerica St. Louis Airport Terminal expansion. The 41,000 square-foot expansion includes the addition of two gates and jet-bridges, three TSA

passenger screening lanes, renovated restrooms with updated ADA features, and upgraded concession facilities.

MidAmerica St. Louis Airport is owned and operated by the St. Clair County Public Building Commission. Airport passengers have grown from 63,000 in 2015 to 300,000 in 2019, making MidAmerica the sixth busiest passenger terminal in Illinois. All improvements are being driven by the double-digit growth in passenger travel, as well as airline expansion and new city-pairs.

Visit www.hollandcs.com to learn more about all of Holland’s projects. Or for more information on how we can help with your next project, contact Scott Schanuel, Senior Director of Business Development, at (618) 277-8870 or sschanuel@hollandcs.com.



GCS DONATES OVER \$30,000 TO VETERANS



FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, IL – With the help of over 30 sponsors and 128 golfers, GCS Credit Union raised \$30,074 during their Fifth Annual Tee Up Fore Veterans Golf Tournament.

The money raised during this event at Stonewolf Golf Club in Fairview Heights was donated to the Greater St. Louis Honor Flight and 2x4’s for Hope – Madison County. The Greater St. Louis Honor Flight received \$25,000 of the tournament proceeds. This donation will sponsor an entire flight of veterans on a one day, all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to visit the memorials that were built in their honor. The Greater St. Louis Honor Flight announced that they will be dedicating their first flight of 2021 to GCS Credit Union’s former Board Director, Bert Enfield. For more details about the Greater St. Louis Honor Flight please visit gslhonorflight.org. New this year, GCS Credit Union wanted to share the love and give a portion of the proceeds to an additional worthy cause that supports veterans. 2x4’s for Hope – Madison County received \$5,074 of the tournament proceeds. 2x4’s for Hope is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has teamed up with the City of Madison, Illinois to build tiny homes for homeless or at risk veterans. 2x4’s for Hope – Madison County is expecting to have two more builds in 2021 and another two builds in 2022. For more information about 2x4’s for Hope please visit 2x4forhope.org. Keith Burton, GCS Credit Union President and CEO, stated, “This is the perfect example of the credit union philosophy of people helping people. Thank you to everyone who has made it possible to raise more than \$150,000 for veterans over the last five years.” To find out more about GCS Credit Union, visit myGCScu.com.

HSHS MEDICAL GROUP AWARDS PROVIDER OF THE MONTH TO CHRISTOPHER SUTTON, DO



H S H S Medical Group is pleased to award

Christopher Sutton, DO, with our July Provider of the Month Award. Dr. Sutton is a pulmonary medicine physician for HSHS Medical Group Multispecialty Care - St. Elizabeth’s in O’Fallon, Illinois.

The Provider of the Month is chosen from nominations submitted by fellow HSHS Medical Group team members. “Dr. Sutton always makes sure his patients are taken care of,” his nominator said. “He shows compassion and care when it comes to treating all his patients. He takes time to make sure everyone feels comfortable and explains things in a way that is easy to understand. Patients love him and cannot say enough good things about him!”

Dr. Sutton’s favorite part of the job is working with exceptional colleagues to care for patients and make a positive impact in their lives. “I always put myself in the patients’ shoes,” he said. “I strive to truly understand my patients’ goals and wishes, which gives me perspective on how to best approach their care in a holistic manner. I try to be always respectful of my patients’ wishes. I feel that through educating my patients about their disease, and engaging in shared decision making when needed, we can navigate complex medical issues and decisions. I am always mindful of my patients’ quality of life and how to best optimize this.”

When Dr. Sutton isn’t helping his patients, he enjoys spending time with his wife Angela, their children Nora and Antonio and dog Benny. He is also a musician and enjoys playing the drums and singing.

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HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS



Maintaining a nutritious diet is no easy task, but for many, eating well becomes even trickier as we get older. Add in medications that require dietary changes or chronic health conditions, and it's no wonder some lose track of a healthy eating routine or experience fluctuations in weight. By prioritizing nutrient-rich foods, we can strengthen our minds and immune systems, while also preventing illness down the road. Below are some common myths on healthy eating habits for individuals 65 and older.

Myth: Older adults must eat three “proper meals” a day.

- Fact: Caloric needs vary from person to person. Eating three full meals a day can sometimes be a struggle for seniors who experience a loss of appetite or find cooking time consuming. Pre-packaged meals or convenience dishes such as frozen vegetables can often do the trick. If three meals are too many, consider swapping them for five or six healthy snacks throughout the day.

Myth: All hydration needs to come from fluids.

- Fact: Staying hydrated is vital for health, but some seniors can struggle to get the appropriate amount of water. While water is the best source of hydration, consuming water-rich foods like watermelon, lettuce, peaches, tomatoes, or strawberries can be a great supplement.

Myth: Supplements are sufficient on their own.

- Fact: Dietary supplements are often seen as a quick way to get your daily vitamins and minerals in, but the best way to receive nutrients is through the food we eat. If you have difficulty eating a variety of food, talk with your doctor about the best approach for you.

Myth: Low-sodium or low-fat diets are better for everyone.

- Fact: Despite popular beliefs, a low-fat diet or low-sodium diet isn't always the best. Unless you have certain health conditions, such as high blood pressure, eliminating salt can make food unappetizing and lead to missed meals. Meanwhile, fat is an important source of calories and something that's especially important for older adults who struggle to keep weight on. It's all about moderation. Before making any extreme changes to your diet, consult your physician.

Myth: Older adults don't need as much protein as younger generations.

- Fact: Older adults need more protein than adults under the age of 65. Proteins — lean meats, poultry, fish and eggs — should form the center of a meal. The food group is vital to keeping your bones and organs healthy, as well as your immune system functioning well.

Myth: We don't need to worry about nutrition in our later years.

- Fact: A healthy lifestyle should be pursued at every stage of your life. The National Council on Aging recommends older adults eat a variety of foods, including lean proteins, fruits and vegetable, whole grains, and low-fat dairy. It's alright to occasionally enjoy guilty pleasures, so long as your diet is balanced with healthy options as well.

The earlier you establish healthy eating habits, the easier it will be to continue those behaviors as you age. For more information, visit www.homeinstead.com/care-resources/#SeniorHealthWellbeing.



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What's Your motto?



You can't pour from an empty cup. We have to take care of ourselves before we can take care of others or other things. If we aren't in the mindset to do our best work, then it's not going to happen! It's the same kind of idea of putting on your mask on an airplane before helping someone else. You can't help if you can't breathe.



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How do you cope?



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Heather Braundmeier



Scott AFB Health Promotion



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State Extends Driver's License and ID Card Expiration Dates until January 1, 2022

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Restaurants and bars should be advised that Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White recently announced that expiration dates for driver's licenses and ID cards have been extended an additional five months — from Aug. 1, 2021, to Jan. 1, 2022.

The new Jan. 1, 2022 extension also includes expiration dates that will occur between July and December of this year. As a result, expired driver's licenses and ID cards will remain valid until Jan. 1, 2022 so customers do not need to rush into Driver Services facilities, especially during hot weather.

As a reminder, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has extended the federal REAL ID deadline to May 3, 2023.

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Battery Donation Program – Help Save a Life

O'Fallon Fire Rescue remains committed to ensuring every resident has at least one working smoke and carbon monoxide detector in their home. Each year, OFR encounters numerous detectors that lack working batteries in them. As a result, OFR installs hundreds of batteries in residential smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to ensure families in our community are safe and protected.

We are blessed to serve a community that supports its fire department above and beyond what others in the region experience. Desserts and other food & gifts are routinely dropped off at our stations in appreciation for what our volunteer firefighters do for the community. While we love these delicious treats, consider donating a pack or two of batteries to the department. Your battery donations would allow the department to protect other families in the community.

We are in specific need of Duracell or Energizer brand 9 volt batteries.

MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

COVID hasn't slowed down our military affairs committee. They've been busy finding ways to support Scott AFB and our local veterans.



The committee put together welcome bags for our newly assigned airmen in the Scott AFB dorms. Thanks, Susan Schultz, Webster University, for donating these amazing soft-sided coolers to be used as the welcome bag. Susan is the chair of our military affairs committee. The bags

are given to these new airmen in the dorm. This may even be their first duty assignment and their first time away from home. There's items in there so they don't have to rush to the store as soon as they get here. We loaded them up with toiletry and cleaning items and a few goodies to eat. Susan, Debbie, and Kenric Lynn (Local Noon) put together the items for the bags. Our goal was to give them things they could really use. Thanks to Memorial Hospital and HSHS - St. Elizabeth's Hospital for the sponsorship to purchase these items.



There was another military appreciation day at the July 24th Vine Street Market. Committee members were handing our market bucks to those (active, guard, reserve, or retired) veterans with a

military ID card. They handed out just short of \$500 worth of market bucks to be used that day with the market vendors. Win-Win for the market and the veterans! We have another military appreciation market day scheduled for Sep 25th.



Also on July 24th, Chamber President Cindy Helmkamp presented an award for Heritage at VFW Post 805's 100th year anniversary. Cindy's comments included, "VFW Post 805 has a long history of being community supporters. We are proud of

our partnership with the VFW. They have been active with our Leadership program and have been pivotal in the success of our military affairs committee, whether it be providing for the airmen in the base dorms, our past Salute to Scott events, and really anything we do in association with Scott AFB. They were also involved in our recent job fair. The VFW is also an active partner in the Downtown District, which is also part of our Chamber of Commerce. The men and women of this VFW post don't just support events in name, they are there in person working hard to get the job done. We are so proud of the things VFW Post 805 has done in our community and for our veterans. Much of it is accomplished quietly and few know about it. We are happy to be here with you today to let everyone know just how amazing the men and women of post 805 have been and are. I'd like to give you this plaque in recognition of 100 years of hard work supporting our veterans. Here's to another 100!"

We're still doing good things!

VFW Post 805 Veterans Day Parade is seeking participants for the November 11, 2021 event



The Sgt. Charles A. Fricke VFW Post 805 and the Post 805 Auxiliary will be hosting a Veteran's Day parade on Thursday, November 11, 2021. This parade has been a

landmark in the city of O'Fallon for over 40 years, and we would like you to be a part of this national observance with us!

Parade line up is at 12:30 p.m. at O'Fallon Park (on the corner of East 5th street and South Hilgard. The

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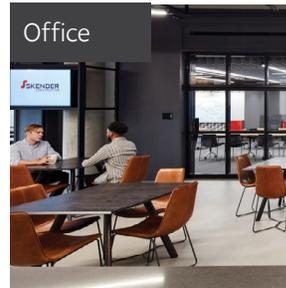
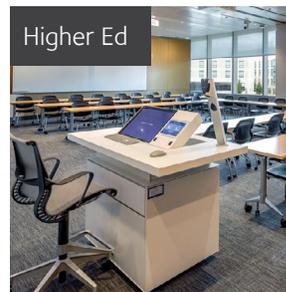
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BUSINESS TRACK ARTICLE

We should advocate for trade schools just as much as college, especially after a pandemic

BY Phil Rosen

<https://www.uscannenbergmedia.com/2021/07/02/we-should-advocate-for-trade-schools>



Why is it always, “Make sure you go to college,” and never “Make sure you go to trade school?”

Most high school students are funneled into two- or four-year universities. Little thought is given to other paths toward adulthood, and schools and parents often fail to present alternative options.

The allure of a college degree has tarnished the reputation of trade schools.

COVID-19 hammered most professional sectors but many trade jobs saw double or triple growth. During the economic downturn, trade labor continued expanding despite a volatile world. The pandemic revealed just how much rests upon the shoulders of skilled trade workers.

For students who may not know what they want to do, or if they merely want to try something other than college, trade school offers promise. Many trade workers collect far higher salaries than college-educated young adults

and, in some other countries, trade school is popular and encouraged.

One reason high school conversations rarely gravitate to trade school is, in part, because of the stigma that comes with not attending college. But forgoing college does not equate to failure; in some cases it means better pay and better work-life balance down the line.

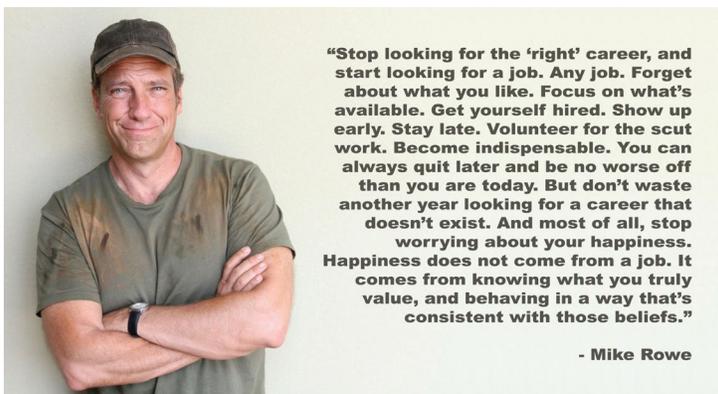
We should advocate for pursuing trade school just as vocally as we praise the college-bound.

The assumption today is that, without college, you won't secure a job that pays well enough to live comfortably or raise a family. But pursuing a traditional college degree should not be presented as an ultimatum or sole option because it stigmatizes other paths which may be just as viable.

Forcing students — or telling them they have only one viable path to follow — to subject themselves and their families to the cost of education is troublesome. College does not make the most sense for everyone. The upfront investment is high (college tuition has increased 213% in the last 30 years) and returns are not guaranteed.

Underemployment is a measure that determines if an individual is working in a job they are overqualified for. For college grads, the underemployment rate is nearly 50%.

While college does not shield you from potentially working low-wage, physically demanding and labor-intensive jobs, the glowing adulation of a degree makes it seem like it could. What's more, trade and skilled labor jobs fail to capture the attention or respect of those who attend college.



Jobs that do not require a four-year degree — such as industrial, construction or service trades — still demand highly skilled, competent and effective individuals. More dangerous trade jobs, such as those in the fishing industry or coal miners, pay far better than some white-collar jobs and ask applicants for skills rather than experience.

Mike Rowe made a name for himself by hosting the TV show, “Dirty Jobs.” He traveled the country working trade jobs. Plumbers, electricians, brick layers, fishers and innumerable other skilled workers had Rowe join in on their work, leaving him impressed and humbled.

Many of these workers were happy and entrepreneurial, with families and a healthy work-life balance — and many did not attend college.

Rowe’s program illustrates how unfairly trade jobs are stigmatized and then avoided in favor of a college degree.

“Our crumbling infrastructure, our widening skills gap, the disappearance of vocational education, and the stratospheric rise in college tuition—these are not problems,” Rowe writes on his website. “These are symptoms of what we value. And right now, we have to reconnect the average American with the value of

a skilled workforce. Only then, will the next generation aspire to do the work at hand.”

Student loan debt continues to pile up every year (though the Biden administration may address this) and young adults continue to pursue higher-ed. At the same time, millions of trade jobs across the country wait to be filled, but there are too few skilled trade workers who can fill them.

College is a wonderful experience, but it should not be promoted at the expense of trade schools and skilled labor jobs. A Washington State auditor report found that hiring managers in the skilled labor market cannot find enough employees — even despite generous starting-salaries.

Among other things, the report suggested career guidance for high schoolers and middle schoolers that focused on alternatives to the university path.

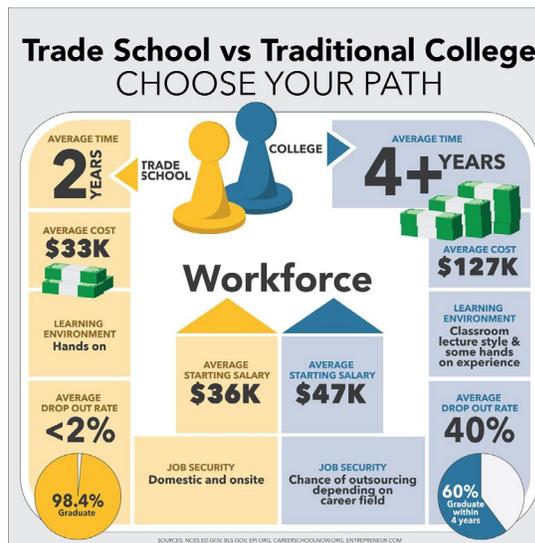
Finding a trade or undertaking an apprenticeship can pay dividends when compared to the cost of a four-year degree (and 59% of students take five years to graduate anyway). Most certifications from a trade school cost a fraction of what a single semester may cost at a brand-name university, and they take far less time to acquire.

Further, those with a technical education enjoy a higher chance of employment compared to those with academic training, according to the U.S. Department of Education.

At the very least, these options should be given more consideration than they currently are.

The next time you see a high school student, think twice about asking them what college they plan to attend.

Try asking them if they’ve thought about trade school.



<https://www.familyhandyman.com/article/trade-school-vs-college/>

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Ribbon Cuttings

Ribbon Cutting | Healing Centered Counseling 4933 Benchmark Centre Drive Suite E Swansea IL 62226

Healing Centered Counseling offers a safe, non-judgement space to explore thoughts, feelings, boundaries, fantasies, fears and desires in the presence of a skilled clinician. This practice is inclusive and welcoming to all.

Check out the Ribbon Cutting video and photos on our website: <https://ofallonchamber.com/ribbon-cutting-healing-centered-counseling> to learn more about them!



Ribbon Cutting | CliftonLarsonAllen 475 Regency Park, Suite 175 O'Fallon, IL 62269

CliftonLarsonAllen is an industry-focused wealth advisory, outsourcing, audit, tax, and consulting service. From Startup through Succession, private businesses, public companies, governments, and nonprofits can benefit from CLA professional services.

View all the images from the ribbon cutting on our website: <https://ofallonchamber.com/ribbon-cutting-cliftonlarsonallen>



Ribbon Cutting | Keystone Place at Richland Creek 1050 Fountain Lakes Dr, O'Fallon, IL 62269

Keystone Place at Richland Creek includes 64 independent living apartments, 66 traditional assisted living apartments and 19 memory care apartments. The new senior living community has generated a tremendous amount of interest since opening its doors for occupancy in February. As a straight rental retirement community, Keystone Place at Richland Creek does not require a large entrance fee, buy-in or long-term commitment. The community features a variety of spacious studio, one and two bedroom/two bathroom apartment homes.

Check out the Ribbon Cutting video and photos on our website: <https://ofallonchamber.com/ribbon-cutting-keystone-place-at-richland-creek> to learn more about them!



Ribbon Cutting | 1st National Bank of Waterloo 4101 N Illinois St, Swansea, IL 62226

On July 28, 2021, First National Bank of Waterloo held a ribbon cutting ceremony to mark the opening of its 13th banking center which is located in Swansea at 4101 North Illinois Street. First National Bank of Waterloo is a community bank that has been serving local communities since 1912.



The O'Fallon Police Department puts out a monthly newsletter with great community information.

[Click to open the full newsletter.](#)



MONTHLY CALENDAR

August 2021

- 11 [Ribbon Cutting | Redbird Pediatrics](#)
11:30 a.m. | 793 Sunset Blvd. O'Fallon
- 12 [Restaurant Roulette](#)
11:30 a.m. | A Limited In-person Networking Event
- 12 [Military Affairs Committee Meeting](#)
3:30 p.m. | Virtual
- 23 [Executive Board Meeting](#)
1:15 p.m. | Chamber Depot | 116 E. First Street, O'Fallon
- 24 [Ribbon Cutting | Thrivent Financial - Lisa Vorce](#)
11:30 a.m. | 784 Wall Street, Ste 100D, O'Fallon
- 26 [Board of Directors Meeting](#)
8:15 a.m. | O'Fallon City Hall, 255 S Lincoln Ave.
- 26 [Ribbon Cutting | Haven Chiropractic Care](#)
11:30 a.m. | 102 Willow Drive, Ste A, O'Fallon
- 27 [Business Over Breakfast](#)
8:00 a.m. | Public Safety Building | 285 N. Seven Hills Rd, O'Fallon

COMING TO THE HOSPITAL? KNOW WHERE TO GO:



EMERGENCY CARE

Anyone in need of emergent health care

Support persons with an emergency patient

PRE-PROCEDURE COVID TESTING ONLY

For patients pre-scheduled to receive a COVID-19 test

Drive thru at Main entrance and follow signs

ENTRANCE CLOSED TO VISITORS & OUTPATIENTS

OUTPATIENT SERVICES & VISITORS

Walk-in and scheduled patients for lab, imaging or surgery procedures

ENTER at "OUTPATIENT" sign to be screened

Proceed to Registration

Hours: 8AM-8PM

ENTER at "OUTPATIENT" sign to be screened & arm-banded

PHYSICIANS OFFICE VISITS

For appointments at the O'Fallon Health Center, 3 St. Elizabeth's Blvd.

Enter at "HEALTH CENTER" sign

Screened in office

ENTER HERE:



ENTER HERE:



ENTER HERE:



ENTER HERE:



MASKS ARE MANDATORY PER CDC GUIDELINES

UPCOMING EVENTS

What is restaurant roulette?

You sign up to join us for lunch on the appointed date/time.

We'll use our virtual roulette wheel to determine where you eat and who you eat with!

You're randomly assigned a restaurant (we'll let you know the day before where you're eating).

You'll find out who your lunch partners are (3 other chamber members) when you show up to eat!

This is a way to support local restaurants and get a chance to network!

August 12, 2021 11:30 a.m.

RSVP Today!

RESTAURANT ROULETTE

ARE YOU READY TO NETWORK?

1 SIGN UP FOR THE LUNCHEON

2 GET RANDOMLY PAIRED WITH 3 OTHER MEMBERS.

3 GET RANDOMLY PAIRED WITH A LOCAL RESTAURANT.

O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce

JOIN US!

August 12, 2021
11:30 a.m.

The Happy Bakery
1st Street Lounge
McAlister's Deli
Shooter's Bar & BBQ

1818 Chophouse O'Fallon
Sybergs O'Fallon
The Weingarten
The Coffeehouse Company

Gia's Pizza
Bella Milano O'Fallon
La Casa Mexicana Restaurant
Peel Wood Fired Pizza & Brewery

O'FALLON-SHILOH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BUSINESS OVER

BREAKFAST



**JOIN US
IN PERSON!**

O'FALLON PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING
285 N SEVEN HILLS RD
O'FALLON, IL 62269

*ONLY BOTTLED WATER WILL BE PROVIDED
FEEL FREE TO BRING YOUR OWN COFFEE
TAKE A BREAKFAST SNACK BAG ON YOUR WAY BACK TO THE OFFICE

August 27, 2021 | 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

*PLEASE BEAR WITH US AS WE TRANSITION BACK TO IN PERSON EVENTS

SPEAKERS:

KATHLEEN CARTER
ZOOMY TRANSPORTATION

NICK WATERMAN
HEARST DIGITAL MARKETING SERVICES

As we transition back to in-person events, we will follow all current CDC guidelines. Please be patient and understanding with us, and with your fellow members as we all navigate the "new normal."

RSVP Today!

SALUTE TO OUR STAR INVESTORS



TWO STAR INVESTORS



ONE STAR INVESTORS

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Auffenberg Dealer Group
Bank of Belleville
Bank of O'Fallon
Belleville News Democrat
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Country Estate Kennel
CSL Plasma
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Drury Inn & Suites
Farmers & Merchants National Bank
FCB O'Fallon Bank
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First Community Credit Union

Gateway Metro Federal Credit Union
GEICO Local Office
GCS Credit Union
Guaranteed Rate
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Hilton Garden Inn
Holland Construction Services
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Keystone Place at Richland Creek
Klein's Brand Source
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Jennifer Mueller Memorial Foundation
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O'Fallon Shiloh Towing

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The Lash Lounge Shiloh
The Regency Conference Center
Taylor Roofing
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A Look Back With Brian Keller Celebrating the Chamber's 75th Anniversary

In honor of our 75th Anniversary this year we are visiting the rich history of our area with Brian Keller, president of the O'Fallon Illinois Historical Society.

One of the grandest homes in the Shiloh area was built in 1863 and later converted into an orphanage. It is now a Catholic pastoral center. Do you know where we are talking about? Watch this month's "A Look Back" video and find out!

Watch these videos on our website: OFallonChamber.com/75anniversary and Like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/OFallonChamber) for upcoming videos.

