

Chamber News

June 2025



The Heat Won't Slow Us Down

Summer settles in and the temperatures climb. It is easy to want to stay indoors and wait out the heat. But even during these warm months, there are still plenty of ways to stay engaged and support our local community. Whether it's shopping local, attending events, volunteering, or simply

checking in on a neighbor, your involvement makes a lasting impact.

This season brings plenty of chances to get out and enjoy what makes our town special. **Legacy Nights** returns July 8 with Vudu Childe, and **Rock the Block** hits the stage July 18 with Perfect Strangers. These free outdoor concerts are a great way to connect with friends, hear great music, and support local vendors—all while soaking in the summer vibe.

I encourage you to check in with the **Winchester-Clark County Tourism Office** for tons of staycation inspiration. From outdoor adventures to family-friendly diversions, they know all the hidden gems that will make your summer memorable.

If you're looking to get more engaged in the community, summer is a great time to lend a hand. **The Chamber is proud to include more than a hundred Family, Community, and Civic Organizations among our members.** Give one a call and see how you can help! You can volunteer at a local event, become a regular with a cause you care about, or simply check in on someone who could use a friendly face. Every act of connection counts..

Let's not let the heat slow us down—our community thrives when we show up for one another, no matter the season!

- Cindy Banks, Executive Director

The Winchester-Clark County Chamber of Commerce serves as an advocate for our members to promote and enhance our community through business, social, cultural and educational programs.



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NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

Happy Hooves Pony Parties, LLC

Happy Hooves Pony Parties was born from Leigh Nuckols' desire to make childhood dreams come true, infusing joy and laughter into special occasions. Leigh's innovative approach combines fun with education, allowing children to interact with the ponies, learn about caring for them, and, most importantly, experience the pure happiness that comes from being around these majestic creatures.

Leigh Nuckols, Owner, happyhoovesky@gmail.com

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<http://www.happyhoovesky.com>

EJ's Appliance Sales

EJ's Appliance Sales is a family-owned and operated Appliance Company serving 20 Kentucky Counties. We pride ourselves on providing the most personal and professional appliance service experience.

Everett Johnson, Owner, ejsappliances@gmail.com

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Win City Blend

We are OPEN! M-F 7a-3p & Sat 8a-1p, closed Sunday! Come visit! Offering delivery during the weekdays from 8-2pm!

Brittany Weathers, Owner, wincityblend@gmail.com

1309 West Lexington Avenue Unit 3, Winchester, KY 40391
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UPCOMING EVENTS

July 1, Tuesday Leadership Winchester Applications Open

Apply online at <https://form.jotform.com/251594503068156>

July 8, Tuesday Legacy Nights

featuring Vudu Childe
at Legacy Grove 1107 W. Lexington Avenue

July 18, Friday Rock the Block

featuring Perfect Strangers
at Depot Street

July 30, Wednesday Breakfast

with Ale-8-1 Bottling
at 25 Carol Rd, Winchester, 8am - 9:30am

Chamber Breakfasts & After Hours

- August -

August 7, Thurs: Breakfast / Lady Veterans Connect / 11400 Irvine Road

August 13, Wed: Breakfast / Ale 8 Bottling Company / 25 Carol Road

- September -

Sept 4, Thurs: Breakfast / Rose Mary C. Brooks Place / 200 Rosemary Drive

Sept 15, Mon: Breakfast / Community First Insurance / 103 North Maple Street

- November -

Nov 6, Thurs: Breakfast / East Kentucky Power / 4775 Lexington Road

- December -

Dec 4, Thurs: Breakfast / Bluegrass Heritage Museum / 217 South Main Street

Dec 11, Thurs: After Hours / Burke and Herbert / 1705 Bypass Road 2/4/2025

Breakfasts 8:00am - 9:30am
After Hours 5:00pm - 7:00pm

SCHEDULE YOURS TODAY!

WINCHESTER-CLARK COUNTY CHAMBER

2025 GOLF SCRAMBLE

MONDAY
SEPTEMBER 8TH

WINCHESTER
COUNTRY CLUB

Register by Friday, August 29th

\$125 - Individual
\$450 - Team of Four

To Reserve a Team or
Hole Sponsorship:

859.744.6420
www.winchesterkychamber.com

TEE TIMES

8:30 AM &
1:30 PM



Lights Over Lykins

4th of July Celebration

Thursday, July 3rd

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Gates Open @ 5:30 pm

Activities Start @ 6:00 pm

Dinosaur, Bounce Houses,

Foam Fest (BRING A TOWEL!)

DJs Lynn & Cody Toler @ 7:00 pm

Fireworks @ 10:00 pm

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Say Bonjour to Your Next Adventure

Join us for the Chamber's annual trip abroad—this year, we're heading to the timeless beauty of France. Stroll through charming villages, explore world-class landmarks, savor unforgettable cuisine, and experience the culture, history, and romance that only France can offer.

Whether you're dreaming of the Eiffel Tower, the lavender fields of Provence, or a glass of Bordeaux in wine country, this trip offers a seamless, expertly planned experience—with plenty of fun along the way.

Space is limited, so don't wait! It's the perfect blend of relaxation, exploration, and community.

Oct 11 - 19, 2025
9 Day Deluxe Tour Package

Includes International Airfare and Tax, 4 Star Hotel Accommodations, Breakfast & Lunch, Deluxe Bus Tours, Entrance Fees to Attractions, and Tour Guides

Ready to travel? Contact the Chamber office or visit our website for details and registration.





Where Leadership Starts with Connection

Presented by
Winchester Clark - County Chamber of Commerce

Ever wonder how Clark County really works? Who grows the food, builds the businesses, plans the parks, or keeps things running behind the scenes? What if there was a program that gave you an all-access pass to the people, places, and industries that shape our community?

Leadership Winchester-Clark County is an immersive, 10-month program designed to bring together people who care and want to know more about our community. Each month, you'll step into a new sector, meet the folks making a difference, and see what makes Clark County tick. It's not just what you learn—it's who you'll meet and what you'll come to appreciate about the place we call home.

Whether you're leading a business, a nonprofit, a public service, or simply want to be more involved this program is for you. Each full-day session gives participants a deeper look at the people, industries, and institutions that shape our county's success.



BE PART OF THE CLASS OF 2025 - 2026

Submissions Open July 21, 2025

Deadline to Apply August 29, 2025



Apply Online at

<https://form.jotform.com/251594503068156>

Leadership Winchester-Clark County is run by the
Winchester-Clark County Chamber of Commerce
61 South Main Street, Downtown Winchester, KY
(859) 744-6420
WinchesterKYChamber.com



PROGRAM INFORMATION

What should I expect? Each month, you and your classmates will hop aboard private transportation for a full day of hands-on exploration. Guided by a local leader from that month's featured sector, you'll visit key sites, meet the people behind the scenes, and get an insider's look at what keeps Clark County (and sometimes Frankfort!) moving. From classrooms to farms, boardrooms to backstage, every day offers something new—and yes, lunch is included, courtesy of local restaurants and caterers.

What is the time commitment? Our program meets from 8am - 4pm once a month from September through June. You are expected to attend at least eight of these sessions.

Who is eligible to apply? YOU! Leadership Winchester is open to professionals, entrepreneurs, students, retirees, and emerging leaders. Whether you're a Chamber member or not, we welcome you to join us. The only requirement is you must live or work in Winchester or Clark County Kentucky.

What is the cost? Tuition for Leadership Winchester is \$550, which covers all transportation, meals, and entry fees throughout the program. In addition there is a \$50 application fee due when you apply. Scholarships are available for those with demonstrated need.



Why Leadership Winchester-Clark County? Because connecting to your community is the first step to leading it. Leadership Winchester-Clark County gives you the unique opportunity to go beyond your own sector and see the full picture—meeting the people, places, and programs that make our county thrive. You'll build lasting relationships, gain insider access, and walk away with a deeper sense of how you can contribute.

It's also part of a statewide initiative supported by Chambers of Commerce across Kentucky, building stronger local leadership by connecting people to the heartbeat of their hometowns. Joining Leadership Winchester-Clark County is a step towards connecting with a broader network of leaders across the Commonwealth.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Meets for one full day each month for 10 months.
- Each class consists of 15 - 25 individuals with a wide range of backgrounds.
- Explore key sectors of our community.
- Each day is hosted by a different leader of that sector.
- Visit multiple locations each day with behind the scene tours and hands on activities.
- Lunch and transportation included.



Please Join Winchester Chamber of Commerce Trip to Visit France

Oct 11 - 19, 2025

Very Special 9-DAY Package

Paris & Nice

Plus **Normandy**

USD\$4,099

PARIS NORMANDY GIVERNY BAYEUX NICE CANNES MONACO ANTIBES



Your Trip Including

- Roundtrip international airfare & Tax • 9-day deluxe tour package
- 4-star hotel accommodations, breakfast & lunch • Deluxe bus tours
- Fluent English-speaking tour guides • Entrance fees to attractions

Day 1 – Cincinnati (CVG)/Paris

Check in at Cincinnati (CVG) Airport for a connection flight for Paris. Overnight on the flight.

Day 2 & 3 – Paris

Change the connection flight and arrive at Paris, the City of Lights, and the capital of France. You will be met at the airport by your tour guide and start city tour to explore Paris, including a drive along the **Champs Elysees** to the **Arc de Triomphe**. View the **Eiffel Tower**, **Les Invalides**, the **Latin Quarter**, and **Opera District**, **Notre Dame** and **Place de la Concorde**. Afternoon visit **Louvre Museum**, originally built in 12 to 13 century. Bus excursion to Visit **Versailles**.

Day 4 & 5 – Paris/Normandy/Mont de St. Michel/Loire Valley/Bayeux/Giverny/Tapestry/Bayeux

Visit **St. Mere Eglise** on the **Cotentin Peninsula**, where the allied invasion began 75 years ago on June 6, 1944—**D-Day**. Visit **Utah Beach**, then make a stop at the **Ranger Memorial** at **Pointe de Hoe**. **Omaha Beach**, the site of **Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial**, which covers 172.5 acres and contains the graves of 9,387 American soldiers. Visit the former house of **Claude Monet** at **Giverny**. See the intricate **Bayeux Tapestry**. Visit **Utah Beach**.

Day 6 – Paris/Nice/Cannes

Train trip to **Nice**. City tour and sightseeing include the **Old Town of Nice**, the **Palace Massens**, the **Promenade des Anglais**, the **Bay of Angeles**, the **Cimiez Monastery**, the **Russian Orthodox Cathedral**, **Cannes** and view the **Palais des Festivals**.

Day 7 – Nice/Monaco/Monte Carlo/Nice

Bus follow the scenic **Moyenne Corniche**, bound for the **Principality of Monaco**. Visit **Medieval Eze**, **La Turbie**, the **Roman-Byzantine Monaco Cathedral**, the **Prince's Palace**, a 12th Century **Genoese Fortress**, the **Residence of the Rulling Grimaldi Prince of Monaco**. Drive to **Monte Carlo** to see the **Grand Casino** and **Monaco Grand Prix Race Track**.

Day 8- Nice/Antibes/Nice

Bus excursion along the **Mediterranean Coastline South** to **Antibes**. City tour and sightseeing include the **Old Town**, the **Museum of Picasso**, the **Fort Carre**, **Le Nomade**, the **Eglise Notre Dame de la Pinede**, and the **Cap d'Antibes**.

Day 9 – Nice/Cincinnati (CVG)

Take connection flight to Cincinnati (CVG) Airport, you arrive on same day.

*Price reflects double share occupancy
5-star service standard with low group travel rate
Add \$900 for single room supplement
Including post departure group travel protection
Valid passport required
Free shuttle bus on departure and return day
Accept credit card payment without handling charge
Including everything on itinerary and tax*

**A trip orientation meeting will be held
5:30 – 7:00 pm, Tuesday March 11, 2025
Winchester Clark Chamber-Commerce
61 South Main Street
Winchester, KY 40391
Call Cindy at Chamber for Details
859-744-5627 859-744-6420**

Plan now to join Winchester Chamber group for this France adventure. Please call Cindy 859-744-5627 for the trip details, email registration to cindybanks@winchesterkychamber.com Web site www.winchesterkychamber.com
Tour Operator: Citslinc International, Inc. 1-844-262-1100 Email citslinc@aol.com Web site www.citslinc.us

REGISTRATION FORM

Please use a separate form for each person traveling.

Contact Information

Full name (by Capital Letters), please attach with your passport name page:

First Middle Last

Your Chamber name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail (by Capital Letters): _____

Who you are sharing a room with: _____

Who you would like to travel with: _____

Type of Room (please check one): ☐ 1 King Bed ☐ 2 Queen Beds ☐ Triple Beds

** When making your reservation, **IF YOU DO NOT PAY THE SINGLE SUPPLEMENT** you will be paired with another passenger of same gender who is also traveling alone, that has the same itinerary .

Deposit Information

A non-refundable registration fee of USD\$400 per person is due with your registration and is included in your total tour fare. The balance is due on or before June 30, 2025.

☐ Check Enclosed (Payable to Chamber) Check # _____

☐ Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ CVV Code _____ Name on Card _____

☐ A valid passport is on passengers' responsibility. Please attached the jpeg copy of your passport information page.

Signature _____ Please mail registration to chamber. Tour Operator: Citslinc International, Inc. 108 N. Ynez Ave., # 205, Monterey Park, CA 91754 ♦ Toll Free (844) 262-1100, Email: citslinc@aol.com Web site: www.citslinc.us Cell for text message: Leo (949) 637-6688 leo@citslinc.us Katie (626) 716-0886 citslinc3288@gmail.com office@citslinc.us

A non-refundable registration fee of USD\$400 per person is required and due at the time you register. This will be deducted from your total tour fare, the balance of which will be due by June 30, 2025. If you need to cancel the trip for any reason after June 30, 2025 you will be at a loss of USD\$800 on top of the USD\$400 registration fee, otherwise you will receive a full refund (minus the USD\$400 non-refundable registration fee).

Securing or updating a passport is your responsibility. Passports must be valid 6 months past travel date. The U.S. and Canadian residents do not need for any visa application.

There will be a valuable pre-tour briefing for all participants; date, time and location will be announced. We will answer all of your questions and familiarize you with details you will need to know. Citslinc International Inc. has 38 years of experience in the travel industry and we are confident we can respond to your inquiries to your satisfaction.

HAPPENINGS

**JUN
12**

Leadership Winchester Graduation

We were proud to celebrate the graduation of this year's Leadership Winchester Clark County class. This inspiring group of individuals spent the past several months learning, connecting, and exploring what it means to lead within our community. From behind-the-scenes tours to in-depth discussions with local leaders, we looked at the people and systems that keep Winchester and Clark County moving forward.



Thank you to Mike McCormick, Pastor of Leadership and Connections at Calvary Christian Church, for joining us as guest speaker. His message on Servant Leadership was the perfect capstone to a year focused on growth, purpose, and community impact.

We can't wait to see how this year's graduates continue to lead and serve—our future is brighter with them in it.

Cindy Banks (Chamber of Commerce Director), Jill Hamlin (Tourism Director and Leadership Graduate), Mike McCormick (Calvary Christian Church)



Cindy Banks (Chamber of Commerce), Teresa Taylor (Chamber and Tourism Live Saver Receptionist and Leadership Graduate), Mike McCormick (Calvary Christian Church)



Leadership 2024 - 2025 Graduates

Michelle Blackburn, RE/MAX Creative Realty
Lindsey Campbell, Shearer Elementary
Jill Hamlin, WCC Tourism
Sherry Hosler, Lady Veterans Connect
Cody Howell, Cargill Feed Mill
Shaundra King, CC Health Department
Mary Kate Knight, CC Extension Office
JD Layne, GRC High School Student
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Samuel Shockey, GRC High School Student
Whitney Snell, CC Public Schools
Teresa Taylor, WCC Tourism/Chamber
Sarah Caton Walters, Greater Clark Foundation
Tara York, Traditional Bank

**JUN
13**

Rock the Block

Dancing on Depot Street!



**JUN
24**

Breakfast at BCTC

BCTC hosted a wonderful breakfast at their new building at 1919 Rolling Hills Lane.



**JUN
27**

Celebrating David Willis



I want to wish David Willis a very happy retirement from Community Trust Bank. David holds a special place in my heart. Not only did he serve on the Chamber board for several years, but I truly couldn't have pulled off the Golf Scramble without his help (and his trusty truck and trailer!). He's always been one of those dependable, behind-the-scenes people who make things run smoothly. And on a personal note, David was one of the folks who interviewed me for this job, so he's been part of my Chamber journey from the very beginning. I'm so grateful for his kindness, support, and steady presence over the years. Congratulations, David! You'll be missed more than you know!



Ribbon Cutting for The Fly Witches



Danielle White cuts the ribbon celebrating The Fly Witches Bungee Fitness Studio change of ownership and membership into the Winchester-Clark County Chamber of Commerce.

The Fly Witches, located 7 North Main Street offers bungee, bounce, step and yoga classes.

Hours of operation are based on classes.

For more information call (859) 556-7538

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