

# Chamber News

September 2025



## Strength in Connection

As we step into September, I want to take a moment to thank each of you for your continued support of the Chamber and of one another. Our mission is not only to strengthen individual businesses but also to build lasting connections that uplift our entire community. One

of the best ways to do this is by hosting or attending a Chamber event. There is still plenty of time this year to host a Chamber Breakfast or After Hours gathering, both of which offer wonderful opportunities to showcase your business, meet fellow members, and create meaningful partnerships.

If you've been thinking about hosting, now is the perfect time! We have openings available through the end of the year. Simply give us a call at the Chamber office, and we'll work with you to find a date that fits your schedule.

These events aren't just about networking—they're about building trust, sharing ideas, and working together to enhance our community. And speaking of community connection, we love seeing our members participate in fun local traditions like the window decorating competition for GRC Homecoming! These moments show the pride we have in Winchester-Clark County.

The Chamber is always here to support you, and together we can continue to strengthen both our local economy and the spirit of collaboration that makes our community thrive.

- 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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## Stang Plumbing Inc

As a third-generation plumber, Kevin Stang, the founder, has had a knack for tackling plumbing challenges, and believes "A job's, a job no matter how small." That passion combined with over 15 years of industry experience, led to the creation of this family-owned and operated business. Stang Plumbing values the joy of meeting new people and solving their plumbing issues. When you choose us, you're not just hiring a service—you're joining a community that treats you like family.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## October 2, Thursday Breakfast

with ReMax Creative Realty  
at 2804 Bypass Road, 8:00am - 9:30am

## October 9, Thursday Ribbon Cutting

for Happy Hearing Clinic  
at 2560 Bypass Road, 12:00noon

## October 11 - 19 Annual Trip Abroad!

We'll be in France seeing the sights of Paris, Nice and Normandy!

## October 20, Monday Chamber Board Meeting

with Cora Heffner for Strategic Planning

## October 23, Thursday Leadership Winchester

Local Government Day  
with Day Chair Greg Yates

## - November -

Nov 3 Breakfast / Clark County Community Services / 30 Taylor Avenue

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

## - December -

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

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

There's still time!

Schedule your Breakfast or After Hours  
before the end of the year!



August 2023, After Hours for CASA Sponsored by Community Trust Bank



# HAPPENINGS

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## Breakfast with Rosemary C. Brooks Place





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## Ribbon Cutting Bluegrass Pediatric Therapies



We're thrilled to welcome Bluegrass Pediatric Therapies as our newest Chamber member! Whitney Hall celebrated this wonderful milestone with a ribbon cutting ceremony at their location on 475 Shoppers Drive in Winchester, Kentucky.

Bluegrass Pediatric Therapies brings essential services to our Winchester community, offering Speech, Occupational, and Physical Therapy for children from birth through age 21. Their dedicated team helps young people reach their full potential through specialized care right here in Clark County.

Open Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 6:30 PM, this fabulous addition to our healthcare community makes it easier for Winchester families to access the pediatric therapy services their children need. Ready to learn more? Call (859) 353-5445 for more information.

Welcome to our wonderful Chamber family, Bluegrass Pediatric Therapies!

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## Homecoming Ready!



The Chamber is showing our GRC Cardinal pride with beautifully decorated windows for Homecoming! Special thanks to my sister Rebecca Banks and my niece Tallulah Young for their creativity and help. We love supporting our local schools and students!



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# Annual Golf Scramble

What an incredible day we had at our 2025 Golf Scramble at the **Winchester Country Club**, and it wouldn't have been possible without the amazing support of our fabulous Chamber members!



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## LUNCH SPONSORS

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**Winchester Save A Lot**  
**Ron Tierney**  
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A huge thank you to our BIG snack sponsor, **Winchester Save A Lot!** You kept our golfers fueled throughout the day, and thanks to your incredible generosity, leftover snacks were shared with Broadway Christian Church Winchester, KY to support their feeding ministry. Now that's a win on and off the course!



Assist. Pastor Reggie Smith, Broadway Christian Church, packed a van full of leftovers to donate to Broadway Christian Church feeding ministry.







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ALPHA ENERGY	61	COMMUNITY TRUST #1	66	ELECTRIC SERVICE OF KY	64	PRECISION SERVICES	67
BCTC	60	COMMUNITY TRUST #2	63	INDEPENDENCE ASSISTANCE	58	SAVE-A-LOT	62
CATALENT	60	DENHAM BLYTHE	68	INFILTRATOR	65	SERVEPRO OF BCHM	63
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## OVERALL WINNER

### Clark Regional Medical Center

Matt Smith, Neven Gobel, Ronnie Snowden, and Brandon Gould



We had an exciting tie for first place between Clark Regional Medical Center (left) and Edward Jones (below), both finishing with an impressive score of 55! With the impartial help of David Willis, the winner was officially determined through a scorecard playoff. Congratulations to both teams for an incredible round of golf.



## INDUSTRIAL CUP WINNER

### WCC Industrial Authority

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Stephanie Nelson



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Ben Piercefield

## 50/50 WINNER

### J&T Pressure Washing

## BOURBON BASKET WINNER

### Will Clark





Find all the Golf Scramble Photos on our website  
[winchesterkychamber.com/2025/09/08/2025-golf-scramble](http://winchesterkychamber.com/2025/09/08/2025-golf-scramble)



## SEP 15 Breakfast with Community First Insurance

Community First Insurance welcomed us for a fabulous Chamber Breakfast at 103 N Maple Street, and we had double the reason to celebrate—10 years of outstanding service to our community! Congratulations on this amazing milestone, and thank you for being such valued Chamber members.





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Leadership Winchester is officially underway! The Class of 2025-2026 kicked off their year with Orientation Day, marking the beginning of an incredible journey of learning, networking, and community connection. A special thank you to the Clark County Extension Office for hosting us and providing the perfect space to launch this exciting program. We're so excited to watch this talented group of professionals grow as leaders in Winchester-Clark County!



**Front Row - Left to Right** - Trevor Bloom, Caleb Goodrich, Matthew Reed, Valerie Moberly, Jessica Simon, Kelli Hunt, Cindy Banks, Whitney Campbell, Matthew Sturgill, Timothy Johnson and Sheldon Sharpe

**Second Row - Left to Right** - Rex Scott, Jon LaRrett, Christy Davison, Brandon Watkins, Hillary Jewell, Lindsay Horseman, Laci Scarboro, Michelle Taylor, Savannah Anderson and Olivia Hurthouse

**Back Row - Left to Right** - Jeremiah Epperson, Jansen Thomas, Wes Craycraft, John Pica, Renwick Ross, Anthony Kersey and Lori Boyd

Not pictured: Blake Gabbard, Chase Southwood and Jacob Walson

### Class Demographics

WCC Residents	Time Worked in WCC	Time at Current Employer	Organization Type:
33% Live Outside WCC	Average: 10.6 Years	Median: 3.75 Years	Realty (1) 3%
Average Years Lived	Longest: 30 Years	Longest: 17 Years	Health (2) 6%
Minus Non-Residents: 21.5 Years	Shortest: 3 Months	Shortest: New to the Job	Finance (3) 10%
Longest: 45 Years	317.9 Years of Working in WCC		Education (4) 13%
Shortest: 1 Year			Nonprofit (5) 16%
429 Years of Living in WCC			Public Services (15) 50%

### Schedule

September 18, 2025 | Orientation with Cindy Banks

October 23, 2025 | Local Government with Greg Yates

November 20, 2025 | Non-Profits with Chelsea Reese & Hallee Cunningham

December 11, 2025 | Health Services with Matt Smith

January 15, 2026 | Economic Development with Brad Sowden

February 19, 2026 | State Government with Senator Greg Elkins

March 19, 2026 | Education with Kelly Fithen

April 16, 2026 | Tourism with Jill Hamlin

May 28, 2026 | Agriculture with Lauren Frazer

June 2026 | Graduation Celebration with Chamber of Commerce



Every year, our Leadership Winchester-Clark County participants share their perspectives on what matters most to them and our community. As part of their application process, we asked this year's class to identify the top challenges facing Winchester-Clark County and what they hope to gain from their Leadership Winchester experience. Their thoughtful responses show the depth of commitment and passion this group brings to our community. Here's what they had to say:

## What Our Leaders Hope to Gain

Four key areas came up from application responses to What do you hope to gain from participation in Leadership Winchester-Clark County?

### Community Understanding

- Deeper understanding of Winchester-Clark County
- Learn how local government operates
- Better knowledge of community assets & challenges
- Understanding local business landscape
- Learn community history and culture

### Relationship Building

- Network with other leaders and residents
- Build meaningful partnerships
- Connect with community stakeholders
- Expand professional network
- Meet people across different sectors

### Leadership Development

- Improve leadership skills and effectiveness
- Learn new leadership styles and methods
- Develop quality employees and teams
- Handle challenges with professionalism
- Strengthen collaborative abilities

### Community Impact

- Make necessary changes, not just talk
- Find ways to give back and serve
- Support community growth and success
- Create lasting positive impact
- Better serve Clark County residents

## Top Community Challenges

Three priority issues came up with 12 common solutions to the question of What are the 3 most pressing problems facing the community today?

### Substance Abuse

Proposed Solutions

- Partner with recovery centers and law enforcement
- Focus on treatment quality and accessibility
- Community education and awareness programs
- Second-chance employment opportunities

Most Mentioned

### Economic Development & Workforce

Proposed Solutions:

- Strengthen BCTC partnerships for workforce development
- Support local businesses and entrepreneurship
- Create job training and certification programs
- Attract diverse industries while maintaining community charm

Frequently Cited

### Housing & Cost of Living

Proposed Solutions:

- Develop affordable housing options
- Implement landlord regulations and standards
- Consider rent increase caps where legally possible
- Balance growth with housing availability

Growing Concern

Other Answers:

Youth programs, community engagement, smart growth, mental health, food insecurity, transportation, education gaps, recreation



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