



ST. LOUIS REGIONAL DECEMBER '12 CALENDAR OF NETWORKING EVENTS

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This document is a listing of networking events scheduled throughout the greater St. Louis region, including Missouri (St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and Jefferson County) and Illinois (St. Clair County, Madison County, and Monroe County).

ST. LOUIS REGIONAL CALENDAR OF NETWORKING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

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The following is a list of networking events in December 2012 that may be utilized by businesses, career center staff and partners, community organizations, and job seekers interested in participating in an On-the-Job Training (OJT) program in the greater St. Louis region. Many of the events are free to attend (plus the cost of your meal and beverages) unless indicated otherwise. The information provided in this calendar is as accurate as possible as of the date of this calendar. It is possible that changes in the scheduled events may occur prior to the date of the scheduled event. Therefore, it is advisable to verify the date, time, and location of the event prior to attending.

JOB FAIRS, RECRUITMENT EVENTS, AND OPEN HOUSES

December 4, 2012

Thomas Construction Recruitment Event (outside sales, neighborhood canvassers, telemarketers)
Deer Creek Missouri Career Center (356 Laclede Station Rd., Maplewood, MO 63143)
10am – 2pm
Prior to attending email your resume to Travis Wilson at twilson@betterfamilylife.org

December 6, 2012

Complete Auto Body Recruitment Event (Service Auto Mechanic, Diesel Mechanic)
Missouri Career Center – Seven Hills (4040 Seven Hills Dr., Florissant, MO 63033)
10am – 2pm
You must email your resume to one of the following to schedule an interview (no walk-ins allowed):
Wendell Stevens (wstevens@betterfamilylife.org) or Denise Jackson (denise.jackson@ded.mo.gov)
Applications are also available at the Florissant Career Center.

Urban League Career Fair

Friendly Temple Baptist Church (5515 Martin Luther King, St. Louis, MO 63112)
8am – Noon

For more information contact Sharon at 314/615-3642 or sjohnson@urbanleaguestl.org

St. Louis Career Fair

Doubletree Hotel (1973 Craigshire Road, St. Louis, MO 63146)
10:30am – 2pm

For more information go to www.choicecareerfaairs.com

December 20, 2012

Direct Media Acquisitions Recruitment Event (sales and marketing positions)
Deer Creek Missouri Career Center (356 Laclede Station Rd., Maplewood, MO 63143)
9am – Noon
Prior to attending email your resume to Travis Wilson at twilson@betterfamilylife.org

December 27, 2012 (NO MEETING IN DECEMBER)

FBI Employment Information Session (Special Agent and Professional Support Staff career opportunities)
Harris-Stowe State University Library (3026 Laclede Ave., St. Louis, MO 63103)
2:30pm – 3:30pm (last Thursday of each month)
Note: An FBI employee will discuss Special Agent and Professional Support Staff processing in general at this event.
Visit www.FBIjobs.gov to view information on job vacancy announcements as available.
Note: This event is for informational purposes only, NO hiring will take place, or more information call 314/589-2700

Throughout the Month of December

Extra Help Recruitment Events (General Clerical Support, General Laborers)
Extra Help is conducting multiple recruitment events at several locations throughout the greater St. Louis area during November. If you are interested in participating in any of the recruitment events you are encouraged to do the following:
Candidates are required to pre-register for the event by applying online at www.extrahelpinc.com.
Employer will call applicants to schedule appointments.
***** ONLY applicants with scheduled appointments will be interviewed. *****

JOB SEARCH SUPPORT GROUPS

December 3, 2012 (weekly)

BBJ General Membership Meetings (West County area)

St. Mark Presbyterian Church (601 E. Claymont, Ballwin)

9am – 11am (meets weekly on Monday)

Cost to attend: free after \$25 initial one-time membership fee

For more information go to www.bbj.org or call 636/928-0828

December 4, 2012 (weekly)

GO! Network Seminar

Partnership Center (800 N. Tucker, 5th Floor, St. Louis, MO 63101)

8am – 11:30am (meets weekly on Tuesday)

The seminar is free but participants must register prior to attending

To register or for more information go to www.gonetworkstl.com

GO! Network Entrepreneurial Track Seminar

Partnership Center (800 N. Tucker, St. Louis, MO 63101)

1:30pm – 3pm (meets weekly on Tuesday)

The seminars is free but participants must register prior to attending

To register or for more information go to www.gonetworkstl.com

Job Seeker Support Group (St. Charles County area)

Missouri Career Center – St. Charles (212 Turner Blvd., St. Peters, MO)

9:30am – 11am (meets weekly on Tuesday)

For more information call 636/278-1360

December 5, 2012

CEN at Immaculate Conception Church of Dardenne Job Search Support Group Meeting

Immaculate Conception Church of Dardenne (7701 Hwy. N, Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368)

7pm – 8:30pm (1st Wednesday of month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org or contact Jeanne at jredtman@centurytel.net

December 5, 2012 (weekly)

Illinois WorkNet Job Club

Illinois Work Net Center (4519 West Main St., Belleville, IL 62223)

9am – 11am

For more information contact Vicki at 618/277/8491 or Vicki.Niederhofer@illinois.gov or go to www.ides.illinois.gov

December 6, 2012

CEN at Incarnate Word Job Search Support Group (West County area)

Incarnate Word Catholic Church (13416 Olive Rd., Chesterfield, MO east of Hwy. 141 and Olive)

7:30pm–9pm (meets 1st Thursday of every month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

Missouri/Chesterfield Networking Happy Hour Event for Job Seekers

Syberg's on Dorsett (2430 Old Dorsett Road, Maryland Heights, MO)

5pm – 8:30pm

No cost to attend

December 6, 2012 (weekly)

BBJ Interview/Networking/Accountability Meeting (West County area)

Salem United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall (1200 S. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO)

9am – 11am (meets weekly on Thursday)

No cost to attend

For more information go to www.bbj.org or call Jon Hild at 314/541-2966

December 6 and 20, 2012

Morning Star Church Job Connection Group (O'Fallon, MO area)

Morning Star Church (1600 Feise Rd., O'Fallon, MO 63368)

7pm - 8:30pm (meets on the first and third Thursdays of every month)

For more information contact Kathy Frick at 636-561-5680 or kathy.frick@mscwired.org

December 7, 2012 (weekly)

BBJ Sales and Marketing Brownbag Networking Event

Salem United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall (1200 S. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO)

1:30pm – 3pm (meets weekly on Friday)

No cost to attend

For more information go to www.bbj.org or call Kevin Faron at 314/630-1512

December 7, 2012 (weekly)

BBJ Accounting and Finance Brownbag Networking Event

Salem United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall (1200 S. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO)

1:30pm – 3pm (meets weekly on Friday)

No cost to attend

For more information go to www.bbj.org or call Jon Hild at 314/541-2966

December 10, 2012

CEN at St. Joseph Job Search Support Group (Cottleville area)

St. Joseph Catholic Church – Cottleville, MO

7pm – 8:30pm (meets 2nd Monday of each month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

December 10 and 24, 2012

CEN at Ascension Parish Job Search Support Group (Chesterfield area)

Ascension Parish (Chesterfield, MO), basement of little church

7pm – 9pm (typically meets 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

December 11, 2012

CEN at St. Monica Job Search Support Group Meeting

12136 Olive Blvd., Creve, Coeur, MO 63141

7pm – 8:30pm (usually meets 2nd Tuesday of each month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

December 11, 2012

CEN at St. Cletus Job Search Support Group Meeting (St. Charles area)

St. Cletus Parish Hall (2705 Zumbuhl Rd., St. Charles, MO 63301)

7pm – 9pm (usually meets 2nd Tuesday of each month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

December 12 and 26, 2012

CEN at St. Clare of Assisi Job Search Support Group (West County area)

St. Clare of Assisi School Library (15700 Clayton Rd., Ellisville, MO 63011 between Clarkson and Kehrs Mill Rd.)

7pm - 9pm (meets alternating Wednesdays)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

JOB SEARCH WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, WEBINARS, AND CLASSES

SLATE Missouri Career Center Job Search Workshops

SLATE Missouri Career Centers offers several free job search workshops throughout the month at their two locations:

- 1520 Market Street, 3rd Flr., St. Louis, MO 63103
- 4811 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108

For more information on these workshops call 314/877-0916 or 314/589-8000

St. Louis County Missouri Career Center Job Search Workshops

St. Louis County Missouri Career Center offers an intensive Job Readiness Training (JRT) course that covers all aspects of the job search over a three week period. The course is presented at the North Oaks Missouri Career Center and is offered at no cost to registered job seeker customers of Missouri Career Center. To register for the course meet with a staff member at Missouri Career Center.

In addition, 3-hour job search workshops are available to registered job seeker customers of Missouri Career Center at no cost throughout the month at various Missouri Career Centers located throughout St. Louis County.

Locations and phone numbers for these workshops are:

- North Oaks Missouri Career Center** (26 North Oaks Plaza, 314/381-6700)
- Florissant North County Service Center** (4040 Seven Hills Dr., 314/877-3010)
- Deer Creek Missouri Career Center** (3256 Laclede Station Rd., 314/877-0001)

For specific dates, times, and locations for a workshop contact any of the centers listed above.

St. Charles County Missouri Career Center Job Search Workshops

St. Charles County Missouri Career Center (212 Turner Blvd., St. Peters, MO)

Hosts free job search workshops throughout the month on several topics

For more information on these workshops call 636/278-1360 or go to www.stcharlesworks.com/

MET Center offers FREE career training to qualified candidates in the following areas:

- BFL – Bridge to a Career in Life Science**
- Business Office Applications Training (BOAT)**
- Construction Prep Center (CPC)**
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Program**
- Manufacturing Training Alliance (MTA)**

For more information call 314/746-0750 or go to www.metcenterstl.com

St. Louis Community College Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP)

St. Louis Community College (3344 Pershall Road, St. Louis, MO 63130)

Free Basic Computer Training and open access internet lab hours available (Mon. – Thurs. 9am – 5pm)
For more information about a schedule of the courses offered and how to register call 314/513-4601

St. Louis Community College Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP)

Harrison Education Center (3140 Cass Ave., St. Louis, MO 63106)
Free Basic Computer Training and open access internet lab hours available (Thurs. 9am – 5pm, AND Fri. 9am – 4pm)
For more information about a schedule of the courses offered and how to register call 314/763-6000

St. Louis Community College offers FREE Computer Classes and Job Search Workshops

Free computer classes and job search workshops are offered at the following locations:
Center for Workforce Innovation (3344 Pershall Road, St. Louis, MO 63135) Call 314/513-4601
William J. Harrison Education Center (3140 Cass Ave., St. Louis, MO 63106) Call 314/763-6000

Electro Savings Credit Union Financial Seminars

Electro Savings Credit Union offers several free one-hour Financial Seminars of topics such as Building a Basic Budget, Identity Theft, building a Strong Credit History, and Checking Account Management. To learn more contact Pat Pettey at 314/434-6470 x1406 or ppetey@escu.org

St. Louis County Library offers FREE Computer Classes and Job Search Workshops

Free computer classes are offered at many branches throughout the St. Louis County Library system. Participants are required to register up to 28 days in advance for a class prior to attending. To register contact your local St. Louis County Library branch. For more information about upcoming computer classes call 314/994-3300 or go to www.scl.org/events/.

Urban League of Metro St. Louis, Inc. offers FREE Financial Education Training

8960 Jennings Station Road, St. Louis, MO 63136
Three session series of classes are offered every other week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday as follows:
Monday 1 - 4 pm Budgeting
Wednesday 1 - 4pm Making Your Money Work for You
Friday 1 - 4pm Financial Recovery
For more information or to register contact Randen Click at 314/506-5337

St. Louis Community College Accelerated Job Training

The Workforce Solutions Group has developed industry-specific training in partnership with the college's campuses and local employers to help adults retrain for in-demand occupations in shorter duration formats. This is a comprehensive list of the variety of accelerated job training programs that have been developed by the Workforce Solutions Group. Program offerings are based on demand and the availability of funding or industry partner participation. Call the accelerated job hotline at 314-539-5310 to leave your contact information and the program(s) that you are interested in to receive a call back.

Bridge to Stem-Life Sciences

Business Office Application Training (BOAT) Program

Business Technology Training (BTT) Program

Electronic Health Records

Entrepreneur Training Program

Home Healthcare Caregiver

Industrial Maintenance Training

Medical Information Intake Specialist (MIIS) Program

Nurse Assistant Training

Patient Care Technician (grant funded program)

Solar PV Installation Fundamentals (state funded grant program)

St. Louis Aerospace Institute (federally funded grant program)

December 5, 2012 (weekly)

Job Search Workshop: “SLATE On-the-Job Training (OJT) Program”

Learn about the SLATE OJT Program and job search strategies to help you achieve your job search goal
SLATE Missouri Career Center (1520 Market Street, 3rd Flr., St. Louis, MO 63103)
10am – 11:30am

For more information contact Joel Reinert at jreinert@stlworks.com

Weekly Job Search Workshops/Presentations

Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis (8960 Jennings Station Road, 63136)
11am – 1pm (weekly workshops held on Wednesdays)

No cost to attend

- 12/5 Online/Manual Applications
- 12/12 Marketing Yourself/Dress for Success
- 12/19 Resume Writing/Coaching
- 12/26 Interview Skills

For more information contact Hollis Whiting at 314/388-9840

December 6, 2012 (weekly)

Bounce Back Workshops

Webster Groves Christian Church (1320 W. Lockwood, Webster Groves, MO 63122)

- 12/6 BounceBacking
- 12/13 Informal/Mentoring Conversations
- 12/20&27 No meeting scheduled

1pm – 4pm

For more information contact Frank Danzo at Frank@CareerNetworkingPro.com

Job Search Workshop: Hot Jobs Connection

SLATE Missouri Career Center (4811 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108)

9am – 10:30am

For more information call 314/877-0916

December 11, 2012

CEN Job Search Workshop: Interviewing Skills from the Employer's Perspective

St. Monica's Parish Church Hall (12136 Olive Street Rd., Creve Coeur, MO, 63141)

7pm – 8:30pm

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

December 11 - 13, 2012

CAASTL Employment Readiness Workshop

2709 Woodson Rd., Overland, MO 63114

- Successful job search strategies
- Resume and cover letter writing
- Online job search strategies
- Interviewing techniques
- Networking

Noon – 5pm

For more information or to register contact James Ingram at 314/446-4431 or go to www.caastlc.org

December 12, 2012

Career Workshop

LDS Employment Center (12843 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044)

This Career Workshop is an interactive workshop designed to help participants develop skills needed to be successful in their job search.

Explore your skills, talents, and accomplishments. Develop a Me in 30 Seconds and Power Statements. Learn the skill of networking and preparing impressive written materials. Learn and practice interviewing

10am – 3:00pm (usually 2nd Wednesday of each month, but call first as schedule may change)

Advance registration is required. To register call 314/344-0050

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NETWORKING EVENTS & SEMINARS

This is a list of informational and networking opportunities with some of the larger local cities and Chambers of Commerce in the St. Louis area. For a list of other Chambers in the St. Louis area go to www.mochamber.com

December 4, 2012

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce Business Over Breakfast Networking Meeting

Doubletree Hotel & Conference Center (16625 Swingley Ridge Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: \$20 for Members, \$25 for Non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.com

December 4 and 18, 2012

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Business Lunch Networking Group Meeting

Syberg's Restaurant (2430 Old Dorsett Rd., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11:30am – 12:30pm

Cost: \$12

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

December 5, 2012

Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce General Membership

Maritz (1400 South Highway Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

11am – 1pm

Cost: \$18 for members; \$20 for non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.fentonmochamber.com or call Jeannie Braun at 636-717-0200

December 6, 2012

Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Networking Event

The City of Belleville, Parks and Rec Building (512 West Main Street, Belleville, IL 62220)

5pm – 7pm

Cost: \$5 Chamber members, \$10 Non-members

For more information go to www.bellevillechamber.org or call 615/233-2015

December 6, 2012 (weekly)

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Networking Happy Hour

Rooks Gameday (12322 Dorsett Rd., Maryland Heights MO 63043)

4:30pm – 6:30pm

No cost

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

December 7, 2012

West County Chamber of Commerce First Friday Coffee Networking Event

St. Louis Community College – Wildwood (2645 Generations Drive, Wildwood, MO 63040)

7:30am – 9am

No cost to attend

To RSVP or for more information go to www.westcountychamber.com or call 636/227-1500

Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce First Friday Coffee Club Networking Event

Busy Bees Embroidery (541 E. Monroe, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com

December 10, 2012

Clayton Chamber of Commerce and Centene Business Seminar: Pillars in the Community

The Ritz-Carlton – Clayton (100 Carondelet Plaza, Clayton, MO 63105)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$50 per person

For more information or to register go to www.claytoncommerce.com

December 11, 2012

West County Chamber of Commerce Lunch n Learn Workshop/Networking Event

West County Nissan (14747 Manchester Road, Ballwin, MO 63011)

Noon – 1pm

Cost: \$15 per person

To RSVP or for more information go to www.westcountychamber.com or call 636/227-1500

Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce Coffee Cup Connections Networking Event

Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce (216 East A Street, Belleville, IL 62220)

8:15am – 9:15am

No cost for members to attend

For more information go to www.bellevillechamber.org or call 618/233-2015

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Tuesday Morning Coffee & Networking Group Meeting

Holiday Inn St. Louis Airport Hotel (4505 Woodson Rd., St. Louis, MO 63134)

7:30am – 8:30am (usually meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays)

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Greenbriar Hills Country Club (12665 Big Bend Rd., Kirkwood, MO 63122)

11:30am – 1:15pm

Cost: \$20 for Kirkwood Chamber members, \$25 for non-members

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com

December 12, 2012

Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce General Membership/Holiday Gala Meeting

Harrah's Casino (777 Casino Center Drive, Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$25 for Non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.mhcc.com

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Business Seminar: Social Media Marketing

Centene Technology Center (3611 S. Grand, St. Louis, MO 63118)

11:30am – 1pm

For more information or to register go to www.hccstl.com/

December 13, 2012

Northwest Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Embassy Suites St. Louis Airport Hotel (11237 Lone Eagle Drive, St. Louis, MO 63044)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$18 per person in advance, \$23 per person for walk-ins

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

Affton Chambers of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Orlando Gardens Banquet Center (4300 Hoffmeister, St. Louis, MO 63125)

7am – 9am

Cost: Chamber members \$15, non-members \$20

To RSVP or for more information go to www.afftonchamber.com

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce First Thursday Coffee Business Networking Meeting

The Cedars of Town and Country (13190 South Outer 40 Road, Chesterfield, MO)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: Free for Members, \$15 for Non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.com

December 13, 2012

West County Chamber of Commerce Holiday After Hours Networking Event

The Wildwood Hotel (Wildwood Town Center, Wildwood, MO 63040)

5:30pm – 7:30pm

To RSVP or for more information go to www.westcountychamber.com or call 636/227-5030

December 19, 2012

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

DoubleTree Hotel & Conference Center (16625 Swingley Ridge Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$20 for Members, \$25 for Non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.com

December 20, 2012

West County Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Forest Hills Country Club (36 Forest Club Drive, Chesterfield, MO 63005)

11am – 1pm

Cost: \$21 for Chamber members, \$25 for non-members, \$30 at the door

To RSVP or for more information go to www.westcountychamber.com or call 636/227-5030

South County Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Location TBA

11:15am – 1pm

To RSVP or for more information go to www.southcountychamber.org

Webster Groves/Shrewsbury Area Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Orlando Gardens (8352 Watson Rd., Webster Groves 63119)

11:30am – 1pm (usually 3rd Thursday of month)

Cost: \$20 per person

To RSVP or for more information go to www.webstershrewsburychamber.com

December 21, 2012

Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce Legislative Lunch

The Chamber Office (108 W. Adams, Kirkwood, MO)

Noon – 1pm

Cost: Free for members, \$20 for guests

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.com

December 28, 2012

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Women in Networking (WIN) Networking Lunch Meeting

Syberg's Restaurant (2430 Old Dorsett Rd., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11:30am – 12:30pm (every 3rd Wednesday of each month)

To RSVP or for more information go to www.northwestchamber.com

BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING MEETINGS & EVENTS

December 4, 2012

O'Fallon-Shiloh People In Business Networking Meeting

Holiday Inn Express (Dierberg Plaza, Greenmount Rd., O'Fallon, IL)

8:30 - 9:30am (1st Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$5 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

To RSVP or for more information contact Susan Young at 618/655-0930

St. Louis Networking Geniuses Monthly Meeting

Duffy's Bar & Restaurant (124 West Jefferson Ave., Kirkwood, MO 63122)

11:30am – 1pm (1st Tuesday of each month)

No cost to attend

For more information go to <http://www.meetup.com/St-Louis-Networking-Geniuses/>
December 4 and 18, 2012

Yellow Tie Networking Event – Breakfast Club

Meeting location is in and around the St. Louis area
 8am – 9:30am (1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month)

No cost to attend, but you must be a member or be invited to attend

To get invited to this referral network meeting you must contact a member of the group, explain your business and learn whether you are a fit for this network. If that member believes you are a fit, he or she will invite you to attend and take care of getting you on the invitation list.

For more information go to www.yellow-tie.net

December 4, 2012 (weekly)

Networking Plus Business Networking Group Meeting

Shamrock's Pub and Grill (4177 Veterans Memorial Drive, St. Peters, MO)

1pm - 2:30pm (meets every Tuesday)

No cost to attend for a 'test drive'

For more information go to www.joinnetworkingplus.com or call 314/608-8977

Women's Power Networking: Coffee and Contacts Chesterfield Weekly Meeting

Whole Foods Market (1160 Town and Country Crossing Drive, Town and Country, MO)

9am – 11am (meets weekly on Tuesdays)

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/Coffee-and-Contacts-Chesterfield-MO/>

St. Louis Business Club: Discover the Club Webcast

Where: Your Phone, Your PC

2pm – 3pm

For more information go to www.stlouisbusinessclub.com

BNI Chapter Meetings

BNI Business Network International has 30 area chapters meeting every Tuesday. Visitors are welcome, refer to www.bnistl.com, contact the listed chapter president to confirm your visit.

For additional information see the note for BNI at the end of this section or contact Teresa Morris-Simon at 314/822-1030 or Tmorissim@bnistl.com for additional information.

December 5, 2012

Professional Women's Alliance Women of Distinction Holiday Party

Ritz-Carlton - St. Louis (1000 Carondelet Blvd. Clayton, MO 63105)

5pm – 8pm

Cost: members \$15, non-members \$40

To RSVP or for more information go to www.stlpwa.org

St. Louis Business Club: MIX IT UP! Networking Social

MiMis Café (17240 Chesterfield Airport Rd., Chesterfield, MO)

5pm – 7pm

For more information go to www.stlouisbusinessclub.com

December 5 and 19, 2012

Yellow Tie Networking Event – West County Connectors Lead-Sharing Group

Meeting location is in the West County area

8am – 9:30am (1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month)

No cost to attend, but you must be a member or be invited to attend

To get invited to this referral network meeting you must contact a member of the group, explain your business and learn whether you are a fit for this network. If that member believes you are a fit, he or she will invite you to attend and take care of getting you on the invitation list.

For more information go to www.yellow-tie.net

December 5, 2012 (weekly)

Networking Plus Business Networking Group Meeting

Upper Summit Cervical (11693 Manchester Rd., Des Peres, MO 63131)

9am – 10:30am (meets every Wednesday)

No cost to attend for a 'test drive'

For more information go to www.joinnetworkingplus.com or call 314/608-8977

Business Frontline of St. Louis Business Networking Group

Chris' Pancake House (5980 Southwest Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63139)

8am – 9am (Meet weekly on Wednesday)

No cost to attend

For more information go to <http://www.bflstl.com/>

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December 6, 2012

Networking on Steroids “St. Peters” (for business owners)

Fratelli’s Ristorante (2061 Zumbahl, St. Charles, MO)

12:15pm – 2pm

No cost to attend

To RSVP or for more information call Al Cochran at 314/962-9222 or go to

<http://www.meetup.com/Networking-on-steroids/>

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Christian Business Connectors Networking Meeting

Chameleon’s Catering

11:30am – 1pm (meets every Thursday)

Cost: \$12 per person

To RSVP contact Dennis Wagner at 314/481-7337 x102

St. Charles Economic Development Council Holiday Networking Gala

Old Hickory Golf Club (#1 Dye Club Drive, St. Peters, MO)

4pm – 7pm

In lieu of admission, attendees are asked to bring non-perishable canned and boxed food items that will be donated to the local food bank for the holidays.

For more information or to RSVP go to www.edcsc.com or call 636/441-6880 x221

Networking Plus Business Networking Group Meeting

Deleo’s Cafe & Deli (2782 North US Hwy 67, Florissant, MO)

1pm – 2:30pm (meets every Thursday)

No cost to attend for a ‘test drive’

For more information go to www.joinnetworkingplus.com or call 314/608-8977

December 6 and 20, 2012

Yellow Tie Networking Event – St. Louis Connectors Lead-Sharing Group

Meeting location is in the Sunset Hills area

8am – 9:30am (1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month)

No cost to attend, but you must be a member or be invited to attend

To get invited to this referral network meeting you must contact a member of the group, explain your business and learn whether you are a fit for this network. If that member believes you are a fit, he or she will invite you to attend and take care of getting you on the invitation list.

For more information go to www.yellow-tie.net

Yellow Tie Networking Event – BHAG Connectors Lead-Sharing Group

Meeting location is in the St. Louis area

8am – 9:30am (1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month)

No cost to attend, but you must be a member or be invited to attend

To get invited to this referral network meeting you must contact a member of the group, explain your business and learn whether you are a fit for this network. If that member believes you are a fit, he or she will invite you to attend and take care of getting you on the invitation list.

For more information go to www.yellow-tie.net

December 7, 2012 (weekly)

Women’s Power Networking Meeting

The Hive @ 44 (1710 Fenpark Drive, Fenton, MO)

10:30am – Noon (meets every Friday)

For more information go to www.meetup.com/coffee-and-contacts-ballwin/

December 8, 2012

Financial Executives Networking Group (FENG) Monthly Member Meeting

UHY Advisors Office (15 Sunnen Drive, Suite 100, Maplewood, MO 63143)

8am – 10am (usually the 2nd Saturday of month)

Open to members and partners only

Cost: \$5 donation

For more information go to <http://thefengstl.org/>

December 10, 2012

American Business Women's Association – Renaissance Chapter Monthly Meeting

Natural Bridge Library (7606 Natural Bridge Rd., St. Louis, MO)

6pm – 7:30pm (Meets 2nd Monday of each month)

To RSVP call 314/388-1457

December 11, 2012

Networking on Steroids “The Post Sports Bar and Grill” (for business owners)

The Post Sports Bar and Grill (7372 Manchester, St. Louis, MO)

12:15pm – 2pm

No cost to attend

To RSVP or for more information call Al Cochran at 314/962-9222 or go to

<http://www.meetup.com/Networking-on-steroids/>

December 12, 2012

AAIMEA Special Briefing: “When Baby Boomers Retire: Winning the Talent Wars”

Sigma-Aldrich Life Science & High Technology Building (2909 Laclede Ave., St. Louis, MO 63103)

8am – 9:30am

Cost: \$40 for AAIMEA members, \$50 for non-members

For more information or to register go to www.aaimea.org

Highland People In Business Networking Meeting

Holiday Inn Express (20 Central Blvd., Highland, IL)

8am - 9am (2nd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: \$8 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

To RSVP or for more information contact Susan Young at 618/334-8887

December 13, 2012

St. Louis Business Journal: A Conversation with Sen. Eric Schmitt

Sen. Eric Schmitt, Republican from Kirkwood, will chair the Missouri Senate Jobs and Economic Development Committee. This is a unique opportunity to engage Senator Schmitt in a discussion of what the St. Louis business community would like to see accomplished in Jefferson City.

Saint Louis Zoo, Living World (One Government Drive St. Louis MO 63110)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: \$59 per person

For more information or to register contact LaTonja Thomas at 314/421-8328 ltthomas@bizjournals.com

St. Louis eWomen Accelerated Networking Luncheon

The Cheshire Inn (6300 Clayton Road, St. Louis, MO 63117)

11:30am – 4:30pm

Cost: Members \$38, non-members \$49; after 12/09 \$68 per person

For more information or to register go to www.ewomennetwork.com

To register contact Danelle Brown at danellebrown@eWomenNetwork.com or 618/530-7166

Traffic N Transportation (TNT) Club Holiday Party

Hide Away Restaurant & Piano Bar (5900 Arsenal, St. Louis, MO 63139)

5pm – 8pm

Cost: \$25 per person (benefits The Boys Club of St. Louis)

For more information contact Brad Reinhardt at 618/806-4411 or breinhardt@giltner.com

Riverbend (Alton) People In Business Networking Meeting

Holiday Inn (3800 Homer Adams Parkway, Alton, IL)

8:30 - 9:30am (2nd Thursday of each month)

Cost: \$10 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

To RSVP or for more information contact Susan Young at 618/655-0930

St. Louis Business Club Business Over Breakfast Networking Event

MiMis Café (17240 Chesterfield Airport Rd., Chesterfield, MO)

9:30am – 11am

For more information go to www.stlouisbusinessclub.com

Yellow Tie Networking Event - Executive Resource Business-Building Alliance (Patty Cook's Yellow-Tie referral network)

Location TBA in the Westport area

11:30am – 1pm (meet 2nd Thursday of each month)

No cost to attend, but you must be a member or be invited to attend

To get invited to this referral network meeting you must contact a member of the group, explain your business and learn whether you are a fit for this network. If that member believes you are a fit, he or she will invite you to attend and take care of getting you on the invitation list. To become a member of the group contact Patty Cook at patty@lifebydesign.biz or 636/861-9100

For more information go to www.yellow-tie.net

December 13 and 27, 2012

Yellow Tie Networking Event – South County Business Neighbors Business-Building Alliance

Meeting location is in the South County area

7:30am – 9am (2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month)

No cost to attend, but you must be a member or be invited to attend

To get invited to this referral network meeting you must contact a member of the group, explain your business and learn whether you are a fit for this network. If that member believes you are a fit, he or she will invite you to attend and take care of getting you on the invitation list.

For more information go to www.yellow-tie.net

December 17, 2012

Monroe County People In Business Networking Meeting

Waterloo City Hall (100 West 4th Street, Waterloo, IL)

8:30am -10am (3rd Monday of each month)

Cost: \$4 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

To RSVP or for more information contact Susan Young at 618/334-8887

December 18, 2012

St. Louis eWomen Strategic Business Introductions

The Cheshire Inn (6300 Clayton Road, St. Louis, MO 63117)

3:30pm – 5:30pm

Cost: Members \$50, non-members \$75; after 12/15 \$75 per person

For more information or to register go to www.ewomennetwork.com

To register contact Danelle Brown at danellebrown@eWomenNetwork.com or 618/530-7166

Collinsville People in Business Networking Meeting

Oatman House (501 E. Main Street, Collinsville, IL 62234)

8:30am - 9:30am (meets 3rd Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$7 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

St. Louis Green Business Challenge Award Ceremony

St. Louis Union Station DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel (1820 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

7:15am – 9:30am

Cost: \$40 per person, \$300 for a table of 8

For more information or to register go to www.stlrcga.org

River City Professionals Monthly Networking Event

Location TBA

5:30pm - 9pm (Usually meets every 3rd Tues. of month at various locations)

No cost to attend

To RSVP or for more information call 314/655-5490 or go to www.rivercityprofessionals.org

December 19, 2012

Chesterfield People in Business Networking Meeting

Wolf Public House (15480 Clayton Rd., Ballwin, MO, 63011)

7:30 - 8:30am (meets 3rd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: \$5 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

December 20, 2012

St. Charles Missouri Career Center Employer Discussion and Growth Exchange (EDGE)

Missouri Career Center of St. Charles County (212 Turner Blvd., St. Peters, MO 63376)

8:30am – 9:30am (typically 3rd Thursday of each month)

No cost to attend

For more information Michelle at 636/255-6060 x5257 or Michelle_Martin@stchas.edu

AFCEA Scott Airforce Base Monthly Networking Luncheon

Hilton Garden Inn (O'Fallon, IL)

11am - 1pm (typically on the 3rd Thursday of each month)

To register or for more information go to <http://www.afcea-scott.org/>

December 25, 2012

Edwardsville People in Business Networking Meeting (NO MEETING IN DECEMBER)

GC Cuisine (1230 University Dr., Edwardsville, IL)

11:30 - 12:30pm (meets 4th Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$10 for attendance

For more information go to www.peopleinbusiness.ning.com

December 28, 2012

ExecuNet Monthly Meeting

Westport Plaza, 111 Westport Plaza Dr. (Gold Tower), St. Louis, MO

9am – 11am (4th Friday of each month)

Cost: \$10 per person

For more information or to register go to http://www.execunet.com/e_network.cfm

BNI (Business Network International) is the world's largest professional networking organization with over 120,000 members in 40 countries. Regionally, BNI has over 75 groups in Missouri and 15 in Illinois whose 2000 members helped each other generate over \$320,000,000 in business for each other in 2009 through the exchange of qualified business referrals. BNI Chapters welcome visitors to participate in their meetings, offering the opportunity to network with 15-75 business people. Please refer to WWW.BNISTL.COM to locate a chapter near you; contact the President of the Chapter to confirm your visit and "See how missing breakfast or lunch one day a week may be hazardous to your wealth!" For additional information contact Teresa Morris-Simon 314/822-1030 or Tmorrisim@bnistl.com.

PartnerUp is an online networking community of small business owners and entrepreneurs. By establishing mutually-beneficial relationships with other small business owners and entrepreneurs online, you can exchange information, ideas and support, and also potentially gain new clients on your own schedule. The PartnerUp network has members from all over the country and in every industry imaginable. For more information go to www.partnerup.com

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

December 6, 2012

St. Louis/St. Charles Chapter, IAAP (International Association of Administrative Professionals)

Crowne Plaza St. Louis Airport Hotel (11228 Lone Eagle Drive, Bridgeton Missouri 63044)

5:30pm – 8pm (usually 1st Thursday of each month)

No cost for members to attend the meeting (\$5 for non-members and guests)

Dinner cost: members \$23, non-members \$26

For more information or to RSVP go to www.iaap-stl.org or www.iaap-stcharles.org

December 7, 2012

SITE Improvement Association Monthly Meeting

Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel (9801 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis, MO 63134)

6:30pm – 8:30pm

Cost: \$95 per person

To RSVP or for more information go to www.sitestl.org

December 11, 2012

Computer Consultants of St. Louis Monthly Meeting

St. Louis Bread Company (6630 Delmar Blvd., University City, MO 63130)

5:30pm - 8pm (Meets 2nd Tues. of each month)

For more information call 314/995-4652 or go to www.ccsl.org

Association for Operations Management – APICS St. Louis Professional Development Meeting (NO MEETING IN DECEMBER)

Sheraton Westport – Lakeside Chalet (Westport Plaza Drive, Maryland Heights, MO 63146)

6pm – 8pm

Cost: members \$30, Non-Members \$35

For more information or to register go to www.apics-stlouis.com

December 12, 2012

St. Louis PMI (Project Management Institute) Monthly Meeting

Crowne Plaza Hotel – Clayton (7750 Carondelet Ave., Clayton, MO 63105)

5:30pm – 8:30pm (usually 3rd Wednesday of the month)

Cost: Members \$25, Non-members \$35 (\$5 surcharge for walk-ins)

For more information or to register go to www.stlpmi.org

St. Louis Publishers Association Monthly Meeting

Brentwood Community Center (2505 S. Brentwood Boulevard, Brentwood, MO 63144)

6:30pm - 9pm (2nd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: No cost for members, \$10 for nonmembers

For more information call 314/256-1800 or go to www.stlouispublishers.org

Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) – St. Louis Corporate Development Series (NO MEETING IN DEC)

The Ritz-Carlton, St. Louis (100 Carondelet Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63105)

4:15pm – 7pm

Cost: no cost for members, \$50 for guests

For more information or to register go to www.acg.org

December 13, 2012

Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP) Monthly Roundtable Meeting (NO MEETING IN DEC)

Crowne Plaza St. Louis – Clayton Hotel (7750 Carondelet, Clayton, MO 63105)

10:30am – 1pm

Cost: members \$35 per person; non-members \$42 per person

For more information or to register go to www.stlouisroundtable.org

Institute of Management Accountants (IMA) –St. Louis Chapter Monthly Technical Meeting (NO MEETING IN DEC)

UMSL Millenium Center (622 Emerson Rd., 2nd Floor, St. Louis, MO)

5:30pm – 8pm (typically 2nd Tuesday of each month)

To RSVP or for more information visit www.stlouis.imanet.org

December 13, 2012

American Marketing Association Monthly Meeting (NO MEETING IN DEC)

Maggiano's Little Italy (2 The Blvd, Richmond Heights MO 63117)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: members \$35, non-members/walk-ins \$45

For more information go to www.ama-stl.org

National Defense Transportation Association Monthly Meeting (NO MEETING IN DEC)

St. Louis University Campus (Exact location TBD)

11am – 1:30pm

Must register to attend

For more information or to register go to www.ndtascottstlouis.org

December 18, 2012

South County Chapter, IAAP (International Association of Administrative Professionals) (NO MEETING IN DEC)

Drury Inn & Suites St. Louis Southwest (5 Lambert Drury Place, Fenton, MO)

6pm – 8pm (3rd Tuesday of each month)

No cost for members to attend the meeting (\$5 for non-members and guests)

Dinner cost: members \$23, non-members \$26

For more information or to RSVP go to www.iaap-southcounty.org

December 19, 2012

American Society of Women Accountants Monthly Meeting

Lodge of Des Peres (1050 Des Peres Road, St. Louis, Missouri 63131)

11:30am – 1pm (usually 3rd Wednesday of each month Sept. - June)

Cost: members \$15, non-members \$18

To RSVP or for more information go to www.aswastlouis.org

American Subcontractors Association (ASA) GC Holiday Party Networking Event

Syberg's on Dorsett (2430 Old Dorsett Road, Maryland Heights, MO)

6:30pm – 10pm

Cost: \$75 per person

To RSVP or for more information go to www.asamidwest.com

Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Monthly Meeting (NO MEETING IN DEC.)

Ces & Judy's (10405 Clayton Rd., Frontenac, MO 63131)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: Members \$30, Non-members \$40

To RSVP or for more information go to <http://www.prastlouis.org>

Human Resources Management Association (HRMA) Monthly Breakfast Meeting (NO MEETING IN DEC.)

Renaissance Hotel St. Louis Airport (9801 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis, MO 63134)

7:30am – 9:30am

Cost: members free; non-members \$35 per person

To RSVP or for more information go to www.hrmastl.org

December 20, 2012

National Human Resources Management Association (NHRA) Monthly Meeting

Ces & Judy's (10405 Clayton Rd., Frontenac, MO 63131)

11:30am – 1:30pm

Cost: Members free, non-members \$30

To RSVP or for more information go to www.humanresources.org

MOKAN Monthly General Membership Meeting

5261 Delmar, Suite B, St. Louis, MO 63112

6pm – 8pm

No cost to attend

To register or for more information go to www.mokanccac.org

December 25, 2012**St. Louis Coaches Monthly Meeting (NO MEETING IN DECEMBER)**

The Heights (8001 Dale Ave., Richmond Heights, MO 63117)

5:30pm – 7:30pm (usually the 4th Tuesday of each month)

Cost: \$5 members, \$15 non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.stlcoaches.org

Institute for Supply Management – St. Louis (ISM) Monthly General Meeting (NEXT MEETING IN FEB)

Spazio Westport (12031 Lackland Rd., St. Louis, MO 63146)

5:30pm – 7:30pm

To RSVP or for more information go to www.ismstlouis.org

SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCES AND EVENTS

December 4, 2012

BNI – Illinois Member Success Program

Holiday Inn Hotel Fairview Heights (313 Salem Place, Fairview Heights, IL 62208)

A training program for all new BNI members

6:15pm – 9pm (1st Tuesday of each month for SW Illinois Region)

For more information or to register go to www.bnistl.com or call 314/822-1030 or scottsimon@bnistl.com

December 4-6, 11-12, 2012

FastTrac NewVenture Seminar Series (5 sessions)

This course is for dislocated workers interested in starting a business. An education program created by entrepreneurs for entrepreneurs, FastTrac NewVenture is designed to help you evaluate and perfect your business concept. FastTrac's hands-on program uses your idea as a case study, giving you an opportunity to workshop your venture in a safe and supportive environment. FastTrac NewVenture is a nine-module, 31.5 hour, program.

Transportation Railway Exchange (T-Rex) Building (615 Olive, 12th Floor, St. Louis, MO)

9am – 4pm

Cost: The program is free for dislocated workers who have been qualified and \$350 for those who are not dislocated.

To register contact Lynette Watson at watsonly@missouri.edu or 636/970-3000

For more information or to register go to www.MissouriBusiness.net

December 5, 2012

National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) Holiday Celebration

Westborough Country Club (631 S. Berry Road, St. Louis, MO 63122)

5:30pm – 7:30pm

Cost: \$35 members

For more information or to register go to www.nawbostl.org

SoMoLend Business Event and Competition

Presentation Topic: Best Practices for Gaining Business Funding, Crowdfunding and the JOBS Act

SoMoLend will also be launching the St. Louis SoMoLaunch business competition, where it will be giving away at least one \$1,000 prize to a small business based on its business plan. Businesses will have until 1/31/13 to apply

Washington University's Simon Hall in May Auditorium

5pm – 7pm

For more information, contact Bethany Miller, bethany@somolend.com, 513/221-1526 x102

Or go to www.somolend.com

December 6, 2012

Missouri Regional Certification Committee (MRCC) Networking Reception

Topic: The Future of Transportation & Funding

Becky Thatcher Riverboat (downtown St. Louis Riverfront)

6pm – 9pm

Event is free but registration is required

For more information contact Joleen Foster at 314/982-1400 x 1352 or jfoster@metrostlouis.org

Business Seminar: The Power of E-Mail Marketing

8:30am - 10:30am

Richmond Heights Community Center (8001 Dale Avenue, Saint Louis, MO 63117)

No cost to attend

For more information or to register contact Michelle Chipman at michelle@responsetargetedmarketing.com

BNI – St. Louis Member Success Program

The Lodge at Des Peres (1050 Des Peres Rd., Des Peres, MO 63131)

A training program for all new BNI members

6:15pm – 9pm (1st Thursday of each month)

For more information or to register go to www.bnistl.com or call 314/822-1030 or scottsimon@bnistl.com

BNI – St. Charles Member Success Program

Spirited Heart Catering Center (1540 Country Club Plaza, Saint Charles, MO 63303)

A training program for all new BNI members

6:15pm – 9pm (1st Thursday of each month)

For more information or to register go to www.bnistl.com or call 314/822-1030 or scottsimon@bnistl.com

WEST (Women Entrepreneurs of St. Louis) Launch Party

Lab1500 (1500 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63103)

4pm – 7pm

Cost: \$15 per person

For more information or to RSVP go to <http://we-stl.eventbrite.com/#>

December 7, 2012**Missouri Venture Forum Monthly Breakfast Meeting**

Greenbriar Hills Country Club (12665 Big Bend Blvd., Kirkwood, MO 63122)

7:15am – 9am

Cost: members free, guests \$49

For more information or to register go to www.missouriventureforum.org

or contact Judy Meador at 314/241-2683

Business Seminar: LinkedIn Marketing 101

8:30am – 12:30pm

Blanke Building (1310 Papin St., Ste. 401, St. Louis, MO 63103)

Cost: \$69

For more information or to register contact Michelle Chipman at michelle@responsetargetedmarketing.com**Self-Employed St. Louis MasterMind Lunch Networking Event (NO MEETING IN DECEMBER)**

Pasta House (8213 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63124)

11:30am – 1:30pm

Cost: \$20 per person

For more information go to www.meetup.com/self-employed-st-louis/**MOBio Networking Event (NO LOCAL MEETING IN DECEMBER)**For more information go to www.mobio.orgDecember 12, 2012**Business Seminar: Fundamentals of Government Contracting: “The Bidding Process”**T-Rex (615 Olive, 12th Floor Auditorium, St. Louis, MO 63101)

9am - Noon

Cost: \$50 per person

For more information or to register go to www.missouribusiness.net**M/W/DBE Certification Workshops**

Harris-Stowe State University, Library Telecommunity Room (St. Louis, MO)

9am – 11:30am

Event is free but registration is required

For more information contact Joleen Foster at 314/982-1400 x 1352 or jfoster@metrostlouis.org**Illinois Innovators & Inventors Monthly Meeting**

Madison Mutual Insurance Company (Mutual Ct., Edwardsville, IL)

7pm – 9pm (2nd Wednesday each month)

Cost: free

For more information go to <http://ilinventor.tripod.com>**Olin Cup IdeaBounce Competition (NO MEETINGS IN DECEMBER)**

6pm – 9pm

Free to attend

For more information go to <http://www.ideabounce.com/skandalaris/events>December 13, 2012**Information Technology Entrepreneur Network (ITEN) 2nd Thursdays Monthly Networking Event**

Topic: Romancing the Fortune 1000: Bringing Together Large Corporations and Entrepreneurial Start-Ups

Tavern of Fine Arts (313 Belt Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63112)

4pm – 6pm (2nd Thursday of each month)For more information go to www.itenstl.org**Small Business Workshop: Life Keys: Tips to Living a Balanced Life**

CU Excel Center (95 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

6:30pm – 9pm

No cost to attend

To register email center@stlouiscommunity.com or go to www.cuexcelcenter.com**The Training Alliance Business Training Seminars**

Topic: “I’ve Got It! – Creative Problem-Solving and Break-Through Thinking”

Old Hickory Golf Club (1 Dye Club Drive, St. Peters, MO)

9am – Noon

Cost: Alliance members free, non-members \$80

For more information or to register go to www.edcalliance.com**St. Louis Minority Business Council Holiday Networking Event**

Location TBD

5:30pm – 7:30pm

For more information go to www.slmbc.org

December 13, 2012

Missouri Women in Trades (MOWIT) Monthly Support Group Meeting

O'Leary Restaurant (3828 S. Lindbergh #118, St. Louis, MO)

5pm – 7pm (2nd Thursday of each month)

For more information go to www.mowit.org or call 314/963-3200

Business Seminar: Entrepreneurship: Planning, Financing and Starting Your Business

615 Olive St, Suite 1300, St. Louis, MO

Cost: \$50 per person

For more information or to register contact Aldis Jakubovskis at 314/241-1591 or JakubovskisA@missouri.edu

December 18, 2012

St. Louis Small Business Meetup Networking Event

Amici's (210 N. Kirkwood, Kirkwood, MO)

Noon – 1:30pm

For more information go to <http://www.meetup.com/SLSBMG/>

December 20, 2012

Gateway Business Networking (formerly St. Louis Business Networking) Breakfast

Missouri Athletic Club (405 Washington Ave., St. Louis, MO 63102)

7am – 9am (Meets 3rd Thursday of each Month)

Cost: \$14 per person

For more information or to RSVP contact Andrea at andrea.johnson@techguardsecurity.com

St. Louis Entrepreneurs Meetup Networking Group Meeting (NO MEETING IN DECEMBER)

Racanelli's Pizza (111 N. Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, MO)

7pm – 9pm (3rd Wednesday of each month)

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/stlouis-entrepreneurs/>

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

University of Missouri Extension offers multiple business development workshops and seminars at multiple locations for nominal fees. For more information about the programs and how to register go to <http://www.missouribusiness.net/>

St. Louis Community College's Center for Business, Industry and Labor (CBIL) is offering a weekly series of FREE podcasts on professional development topics. This series of free podcasts addresses important, relevant and timely workplace topics that will give listeners a clearer understanding of the information, skills and resources needed to successfully navigate today's complex business environment. The first set of 21st Century Professional Development podcasts explores leadership and team development topics, and is presented by Barry Schapiro, CBIL's practice leader for management and team development. For more information: <http://www.stlcc.edu/podcasts/business-training/>

Minority Business Council (SLMBC) provides ongoing growth opportunities, financial support, and training and education for its corporate members and for Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs). For more information go to www.slmbc.org

AAIM provides small business training courses, seminars, and webinars on a variety of topics including computer skills, negotiating skills, customer service, interpersonal communication, PowerPoint presentations, and more. For a complete schedule of upcoming programs or to register for any of the programs go to www.aaimtrain.org or call 314/968-5360

Carrollton Bank offers FREE small business training workshops through **CU Excel Center**. To get more information about the workshops or to register contact center@stlouiscommunity.com or go to www.cuexcelcenter.com

Enterprise Bank & Trust offers FREE small business training workshops through **Enterprise University**. To get more information about these workshop or to register online go to www.enterprisebank.com and click on the icon for Enterprise University. Or you can send an email to enterpriseuniversity@enterprisebank.com or call 314/512-7203

St. Louis Small Business Administration offers FREE online courses for small businesses and entrepreneurs, including starting a small business, managing a small business, financing a business, and contracting. For more information about these online courses go to <http://www.sba.gov/content/st-louis-district-office>