



ST. LOUIS REGIONAL MARCH '14 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 MARCH

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The following is a list of networking events in March 2014 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

March 1, 2014

Six Flags St. Louis Entertainment Summer Casting Auditions (performers – singers, dancers, actors)

Six Flags HR Office (Eureka, MO)

8am – auditions are complete

Prior to the event candidates must complete an online application.

To apply or for more information go to www.sixflagsjobs.com

March 3, 2014

St. Louis/O'Fallon, IL American Fidelity Private Recruiting Event

Hilton Garden Inn (360 Regency Park Drive, O'Fallon, IL 62269)

11am – 2pm

For more information contact americanfidelity@catalystcareergroup.com or call 815/308-5426

Venture for America: 2014 St. Louis Hiring Summit

We're a national nonprofit that recruits top-caliber recent grads, and sends them to startups looking for talent, VFA focuses on promising companies in cities with a low cost of living. You are cordially invited to lunch at TREX so you can hear from VFA team members about the Fellowship program and the mechanics of the Spring Fellow hiring process

T-Rex Building (911 Washington Ave., 7th Floor, St. Louis, MO 63114)

Noon – 1:30pm

March 4, 2014

Aldi Hiring Event (FT/PT Store Associates and Shift Managers)

Sheraton Westport Chalet, St. Moritz/Bern Room (191 Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO)

7am - Noon

The Home Depot Recruitment Event

Missouri Career Center – St. Louis County (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

9am – 2pm

Prior to attending candidates must apply online at www.Careers.HomeDepot.com

For more information contact David Hancock at 314/679-3371

Security Recruitment Event for Ballpark Village (event staff and security services, door hosts)

SLATE Missouri Career Center (1520 Market St., 1st Flr. Conference Room, St. Louis, MO 63103)

10am – 3pm

A valid security license is required by the employer. It is the responsibility of the job seeker to obtain the license.

Ballpark Village Open Call Recruitment Events

The open call session will assist hiring managers of the Ballpark Village with identifying qualified candidates. Applicants are to complete an application, drop off their resume, and meet and greet hiring managers. Applicants will not be hired during these session, but hiring managers will identify applicants they want to interview later.

SLATE Missouri Career Center (1520 Market St., 1st Flr. Conference Room, St. Louis, MO 63103)

10am – 4pm

The steps before an Open Call Session:

1. All applicants must enroll at SLATE Missouri Career Center Downtown
2. Once enrolled candidates will be referred to meet with a member of the Skills Team
3. Applicants must have a resume and must register to take a customer service class before they attend an Open Call Session
4. Applicants must pre-register for one of the Open Call Session with a SLATE Skills Team ETA (500 applicants per event.)

March 5, 2014

ESLHA Career Event

East St. Louis Housing Authority – Orr Weathers (1401 E. Broadway Ave., Bldg. 14, E. St. Louis, IL 62201)

10am – 1pm

For more information contact Deleshia Washington at 618/646-7229

March 5, 2014

WITS Informational Session (warehouse manager, transportation/logistics manager, weekend worker, office assistant)

Come to this event to learn about employment opportunities with WITS and the process for applying /interviewing
SLATE Missouri Career Center, 1st Flr. Conference Room (1520 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

Starts at 10am

You must bring your resume and dress appropriately

To register or for more information contact

March 6, 2014

St. Louis Community College – Meramec Spring Career Fair

SLCC – Meramec Campus, Meramec Gym (11333 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

9am – 2:30pm

For more information call 314/984-7611

Wingate by Wyndham Hiring Event (FT/PT Front Desk Clerks, FT/PT Housekeepers)

Wingate by Wyndham (32 Research Park Circle, Weldon Spring, MO 63303)

9am – Noon

Call 636/329-8503 with any questions!

March 7, 2014

UMSL Spring Internship & Job Fair

UMSL, Mark Twain Building, St. Louis, MO

10am – 2pm

For more information go to www.umsl.edu/depts/career/ or call 314/516-5111

The Tenants of Ballpark Village Recruitment Event

SLATE Missouri Career Center (1520 Market St., 1st Flr. Conference Room, St. Louis, MO 63103)

10am – 3pm

For more information call 314/657-3519

March 8, 2014

Independent Schools of St. Louis Teacher Hiring Fair to Promote Diversity

Harris-Stowe University, Emerson Performance Center, St. Louis, MO

9am – Noon

For more information go to www.independentschools.org/2014-teacher-hiring-fair/

March 10, 2014

Union Pacific Railroad Career Information Session

Come learn more about Union Pacific Railroad and the jobs that we hire for

Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc. (8960 Jennings Station Road, St. Louis, MO 63136)

3pm – 5pm

For more information call 34/388-9840

Southeast Cleaning Recruitment Event (room attendants, housekeeping Supervisors, inspectors, dispatchers, houseman)

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

9am – 3pm

Bring 2 forms of ID

March 11, 2014

Edward Jones Career Event

Learn firsthand from a panel of our Financial Advisors about the challenges and rewards of running a successful business. Meet executives who will share information on growth plans in your area. Have your questions about training and career development answered by our recruiters and Financial Advisors.

Edward Jones Headquarters, East Atrium/Auditorium (12555 Manchester Rd., St. Louis, MO 63131)

5:30pm – 7:30pm

RSVP by emailing resume to SaintLouiscareers@edwardjones.com

March 13, 2014

St. Louis Job Fair

Embassy Suites Hotel (2 Convention Center Plaza, St. Charles, MO 63303)

9am – 12:30pm

For more information go to www.hirelive.com

March 19, 2014

St. Louis Community College – Forest Park Campus Job Fair

SLCC – Forest Park Student Center Cafeteria (5600 Oakland Ave., St. Louis, Mo 63110)

11am – 2pm

For more information call 314/644-9225

March 20, 2014

Local Union No. 1310 Floorlayers Joint Apprenticeship and Training Program Information Session

SLATE Missouri Career Center, 1st Flr. Conference Room (1520 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

Starts at 10am

Bring your resume, dress appropriately, registration (onsite between 8am – 10am) required

To register or for more information contact Sharon at sfowler@stlworks.com

March 25, 2014

St. Louis Community College – Florissant Valley Career and Networking Fair

SLCC – Florissant Valley, Student Center Multipurpose Room (3400 Pershall Road, St. Louis, MO 63135)

10am – 1pm

For more information call 314/513-4543 or mwalsh@stlcc.edu

March 26, 2014

St. Louis Career Fair

Doubletree Hotel St. Louis at Westport (1973 Craigshire Road, St. Louis, MO 63146)

11am – 2pm

For more information go to www.choicecareerfaairs.com

March 27, 2014

Jefferson College Job Fair

Jeffco Hillsboro Field House (Hillsboro, MO 63050)

11am – 2pm

For more information contact Lora at lwarner@jeffco.com or 636/481-3223

FBI Employment Information Session (Special Agent and Professional Support Staff career opportunities)

Harris-Stowe State University Library (3026 Laclede Ave., St. Louis, MO 63103)

2pm – 3pm (last Thursday of each month)

Note: An FBI employee will discuss Special Agent and Professional Support Staff processing in general at this event.

Note: This event is for informational purposes only, NO hiring will take place, or more information call 314/589-2700

Visit www.FBIjobs.gov to view information on job vacancy announcements as available.

JOB SEARCH SUPPORT GROUPS

March 3, 2014 (weekly)

BBJ General Membership Meetings (West County area)

St. Mark Presbyterian Church (601 E. Claymont, Ballwin, MO 63011)

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

March 4, 2014 (weekly)

Beyond Networking –STL Job Search Support Group (West County area)

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

9am – 11am (meets weekly on Tuesday)

No cost to attend

For more information contact Jon Hild at 314/541-2966 or jhild1208@yahoo.com

March 5, 2014 (weekly)

Illinois WorkNet Job Club

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

9am – 11am (meets weekly on Wednesday)

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

March 5, 2014

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 1st Wednesday of month)

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

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

March 6, 2014**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

March 6, 2014**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 Thursday of every month)

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

March 6 and 20, 2014**New Hope Employment Ministry Meetings**

New Hope Presbyterian Church (1580 Kisker Road, St. Charles, MO)

7pm – 9pm (1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month)

No cost to attend

For more information contact kirk.burrus@att.net

March 10, 2014**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

March 10 and 24, 2014**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

March 11, 2014**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

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

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

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

For more information go to www.catholicemploymentnetwork.org

March 20, 2014**Job Seeker Networking Happy Hour**

Black Finn American Grill (Galleria Mall, St. Louis, MO)

5pm - 8pm

For more information contact Gus Hoelscher at 314/72-5300

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 1520 Market Street, 3rd Flr., St. Louis, MO 63103

For more information on these workshops go to www.stlworks.com or call 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 (26 North Oaks Plaza, 314/381-6700) 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.

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. Program offerings are based on demand and the availability of funding or industry partner participation. Call the accelerated job hotline at 314-539-5310 for more information.

Anyone interested either of these training programs should contact Rene Dulle at rdulle4@stlcc.edu or 314/539-5296.

Additional information for these trainings and all accelerated job trainings can be found at:

<http://www.stlcc.edu/Workforce-Solutions/Accelerated-Job-Training/Index.html>

St. Louis Aerospace Institute**Drinking Water Operator Training**

The primary goal of the training is to prepare people with the knowledge necessary to work in a drinking water distribution system. Upon successful completion of the training, students are able to take certification exams provided by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for water treatment (Level D) and water distribution (DS-1). Drinking water operator certification establishes a professional standard, and also provides the knowledge and

understanding drinking water operators need to provide safe, adequate drinking water to the public. Students with some mechanical and / or electrical

background preferred. Training is funded by a grant awarded by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Environmental Remediation Training

The primary goal of the Environmental Remediation Training Program is to prepare people with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely work in the abatement and remediation of asbestos, lead and other hazardous materials. The core curriculum focuses on the skills critical for entry-level work in the field. The training is broken into various modules, totaling 234 hours of training (6 weeks), and qualifies students for licenses and/or certification in Missouri and Illinois. Training funded by a grant awarded by the Environmental Protection Agency.

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

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Program

Business Office Applications Training (BOAT)

Manufacturing Training Alliance (MTA)

Construction Prep Center (CPC)

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

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 ppettey@escu.org

St. Louis Community Credit Union Financial Literacy Workshops

FREE financial literacy workshops offered through **CU Excel Center** (95 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121). To get more information about the workshops or to register contact center@stlouiscommunity.com or go to www.cuexcelcenter.com

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.slcl.org/events/.

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

Free computer classes are offered at many branches throughout the St. Louis Public Library system. Look for the Internet Job search course, which allows attendees open computer time to have their digital employment needs met with the assistance of library staff. Participants may register beginning the third Wednesday of each month prior to attending. To register contact your St. Louis Public Library branch. Quarterly schedules for classes are available at all branches. For more information about upcoming computer classes call 314/539-0302 or 314/539-0377 or go to www.spl.org/events/calendar.asp

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

MoManufacturingWINS

Through MoManufacturingWINS, students will earn skill certificates that are recognized and endorsed by the National Association of Manufacturers. These certificates show employers that workers have demonstrated skills in specific areas of manufacturing. This program will serve a target population which includes Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) eligible participants, unemployed participants, underemployed participants and low skilled participants. There is flexibility to include a broad spectrum of individuals (as participants) from varied socioeconomic backgrounds for training purposes. To learn more and complete an online application visit www.stlcc.edu/MMW/ or call 314/513-4612.

Certified Logistics Associate (CLA)

Certified Production Technician (CPT)

Precision Machining Technician (PMT)

MoHealthWINS

MoHealthWINS is a state-wide grant program, available through St. Louis Community College, providing innovative healthcare training programs that lead to career pathways in growing healthcare occupations. This grant serves Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) program participants, veterans, and job seekers by helping them gain healthcare job skills through innovative educational approaches – such as accelerated, contextualized and technology-enabled courses. Two career pathways are available in this program: Medical Therapeutics and Health Informatics/IT in Healthcare.

Medical Therapeutics

Certified Nurse Assistant

Patient Care Technician

Medical Assistant

Health Informatics/IT in Healthcare

Medical Assistant

IT Help Desk/End-User Support Specialist

Electronic Health Record (EHR) Certificate Program

To learn more and complete an online application visit www.stlcc.edu/MHW and then schedule to attend an Information Session to hear program details.

March 4, 2014

Beyond Networking - StL Career Transition Workshop

“Email Marketing Simple Strategies for Success: The Job Seeker’s Version”

Salem United Methodist Church (1200 South Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63131)

9am – 11:30am

No cost to attend, no registration required

March 4 and 5, 2014

SLATE Professional Series Workshops

Presented by Frank Alaniz
 SLATE Missouri Career Center (1520 Market St., 3rd Flr., St. Louis, MO 63103)
 3/4 Resume Review, Interviewing Prep 1pm – 4pm
 3/5 Online Job Applications 1pm – 2:30pm
 For more information call 314/589-8000

March 5, 2014 (weekly)

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

3/5 Online/Manual Applications

3/12 Marketing Yourself/Dress for Success

3/19 Resume Writing/Coaching

3/26 No Meeting

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

March 7, 2014 (weekly)

Connections to Success Employment Workshops

Grace Hill Water Tower Hub (2125 Bissell St. 63107)

9am - 10:30am

For more information call 314/584-6858 or go to www.connectionstosuccess.org

Connections to Success Employment Workshops

3000 Little Hills Expressway, Ste. 102, St. Charles, MO 63301(new location!)

9am - 10:30am

For more information call 636/940-8027 or go to www.connectionstosuccess.org

March 10 – 13, 2014

Homeless Civilian Employment & Training Program (HEP)

In this intensive employment program, civilians receive the support services they need, including referral for substance-abuse and mental health issues. For veterans to be eligible for this program, they must have served in the US Armed Forces and be willing and able to work at least 20 hours per week.

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

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

March 11, 2014

Beyond Networking - StL Career Transition Workshop

“Automated Application Tracking Systems”

Salem United Methodist Church (1200 South Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63131)

9am – 11:30am

No cost to attend, no registration required

March 11 - 13, 2014

CAASTL Job Readiness Workshops

2709 Woodson Rd., Overland, MO 63114

- Successful job search strategies
- Acing online applications
- Resume preparation
- Interviewing skills and coaching

Noon – 5pm

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

March 12, 2013

Career Workshop

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

This Career Workshop focuses on Job Search Techniques, Summary Statements; Power Statements; Selling our Strength; Networking, How to successfully find jobs; Interviewing skills; Staying motivated and focused.

9am – 4:00pm (usually 2nd Wednesday of each month, but call first as schedule may change)

Pre-registration is preferred.

To register call 314/344-0050

March 12 and 26, 2014**MO Manufacturing WINS Advanced Manufacturing Accelerated Training Sessions**

St. Louis Community College has developed an accelerated program preparing participants for 3 entry-level positions in advanced manufacturing and related careers – Certified Logistics Associate/Tech, Certified Production Tech, and Precision Machining Tech. The program will serve over 500 adults, 18 years old or older who are eligible under the Trade Adjustment Act, unemployed, underemployed or low skilled. A HS degree or equivalent is required. US military personnel and eligible family members receive priority of service

SLATE Missouri Career Center (1520 Market Street, 3rd Flr., St. Louis, MO 63103)

10am – 11am (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)

For additional information contact Carol Johnson at cjohnson@letc.com or Sally Sowards at ssowards@letc.com

March 18, 2014**Entrepreneurial Workshop: Starting a Business in Missouri**

North Oaks Missouri Career Center (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

9am – Noon

Cost: \$39 per person, FREE for Dislocated Workers

To register or learn more call 314/657-3547 or go to www.missouribusiness.net

March 19, 2014**Entrepreneurial Workshop: The Basics of Writing a Business Plan**

North Oaks Missouri Career Center (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

1pm – 4pm

Cost: \$39 per person, FREE for Dislocated Workers

To register or learn more call 314/657-3547 or go to www.missouribusiness.net

March 24 – 27, 2014**Homeless Civilian Employment & Training Program (HEP)**

In this intensive employment program, civilians receive the support services they need, including referral for substance-abuse and mental health issues. For veterans to be eligible for this program, they must have served in the US Armed Forces and be willing and able to work at least 20 hours per week.

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

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

March 25 - 27, 2014**CAASTL Job Readiness Workshops**

2709 Woodson Rd., Overland, MO 63114

- Successful job search strategies
- Acing online applications
- Resume preparation
- Interviewing skills and coaching

Noon – 5pm

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

VETERANS SUPPORT EVENTS AND RESOURCES

This is a list of support events and resources available to our military veterans and their spouses/families

Missouri Career Center

www.jobs.mo.gov

Dedicated Veterans Outreach staff are stationed at most of the Missouri Career Centers located throughout the state. *Local Veterans Employment Representatives* provide assistance in job placement and accessing needed services and *Disabled Veterans Outreach Program specialists* provide case management and develop career and job training opportunities for veterans, with special emphasis on veterans with service-connected disabilities.

US Dept. of Veterans Affairs

<http://benefits.va.gov/benefits/>

Provides patient care and other veterans' benefits.

Vet Centers

<http://www.vetcenter.va.gov/>

Vet Centers provide readjustment counseling and outreach services to all veterans who served in any combat zone. Services are also available for their family members for military related issues.

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve

www.esgr.mil

ESGR facilitates and promotes a cooperative culture of employer support for National Guard and Reserve service by developing and advocating mutually beneficial initiatives. Paramount to ESGR's mission is encouraging employment of Guardsmen and Reservists in the civilian workforce.

Show Me Heroes/Show Me Heroes OJT Program

www.showmeheroes.mo.gov

In January 2010, Governor Nixon launched the 'Show-Me Heroes' initiative to help Missouri's Veterans and members of the National Guard & Reserve reconnect with meaningful careers, and to showcase Missouri employers who have pledged to do so. The SMH On-the-Job Training Program offers financial to help your business save training costs while preparing new hires for your vital jobs.

Return with Purpose

www.returnwithpurpose.org

Return With Purpose assists those Veterans returning to civilian life by providing a facilitated change workshop, Return With Purpose! to successfully transition back to work, family and the community.

St. Patrick Center Veteran Support Services

www.stpatrickcenter.org

St. Patrick Center provides services to veterans to get help with housing, employment and health. Agency programs include Independent Living Skills and Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program, Job Experience Training, Project HERO, and Veterans Go! Green, Supportive services for Veteran Families.

Webster U. Returning Military Services

www.webster.edu

The **SERVICE** program is designed to help returning veterans adjust and succeed during their college experience. For any returning veterans who would like more information about utilizing the program or classroom accommodations, contact Shelley Stevens at 314-246-8284 or shelleystevens@webster.edu.

UMSL Veterans Affairs Office

<http://www.umsl.edu/veterans/>

The Veteran Affairs Office serves as liaison to government offices to provide information on educational benefits, privileges, and responsibilities relating to Veteran Administration benefits. A certifying official is available to answer questions and process official paperwork.

St. Louis U. Military Outreach

www.slu.edu/military-student-resources-home/veterans-benefits-and-resources

Saint Louis University is proud to help veterans succeed in their educational goals.

St. Louis Community College Veterans Services

www.stlcc.edu/veterans

St. Louis Community College Veterans Affairs is here to facilitate a more seamless transition from boots to bookbag. We are devoted to assisting our veterans in applying for benefits, registering for courses and facilitating successful program completion.

St. Charles Community College Veteran Services

www.stchas.edu/veterans

If you or your family members are eligible for VA education benefits, the VA School Certifying Official will certify your enrollment at SCC and provide financial and academic counseling. SCC's military "one-stop-shop" is a place you can come for comprehensive services from admission to graduation.

Hiring Our Heroes

www.hiringourheroes.org

Hiring Our Heroes was launched in March 2011 as a nationwide initiative to help veterans and military spouses find meaningful employment.

The Mission Continues

www.missioncontinues.org

The Mission Continues awards community service fellowships to post-9/11 veterans, empowering them to transform their own lives by serving others and directly impacting their communities. Each Fellow works to achieve a post-fellowship goal of full time employment and/or pursuit of higher education, while maintaining a permanent role of public service.

Veterans for Peace

www.veteransforpeace.org

Veterans for Peace is a global organization of Military Veterans and allies whose collective efforts are to build a culture of peace.

Dept. of Labor Veterans Employment and Training Service (DOL VETS)

VETS serves America's veterans and separating service members by preparing them for meaningful careers, providing employment resources and expertise, and protecting their employment rights.

The American Legion

www.legion.org

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization

Scott AFB Airman & Family Readiness Center

www.scottafr.com

The Airman & Family Readiness Center is a Commander's tool to assist in development and execution of services, activities, and processes which enhance individual, family, and community readiness, quality of life, and motivation to service.

Veterans Business Resource Center

www.vetbiz.com

Our mission is to assist veterans and former service members that want to launch, grow, or sell their businesses. We provide counseling, mentoring, resources, and education for those seeking the next level of achievement.

Through March 6, 2014

Tillman Military Scholarships Program is now accepting applications until March 6, 2014.

The scholarship is only available to currently serving members, veterans, and the spouses of currently serving and veterans.

For more information contact Michal Bamber, St. Louis University, Lieutenant Colonel, US Army, Program Director for Military Outreach at 314/977-2425 or mbamber1@slu.edu

March 3 – 7, 2014

Homeless Veterans Employment & Training Program (VET)

In this intensive employment program, veterans receive the support services they need, including referral for substance-abuse and mental health issues. For veterans to be eligible for this program, they must have served in the US Armed Forces and be willing and able to work at least 20 hours per week.

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

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

March 4, 2014

Ameren Veteran Employment Information Webinar

11am – Noon

To register for a webinar go to <http://ameren.avature.net/events?jobld=82>

Call-in Information: Phone 1-877668-4490

Access Code: 570 952 659

Link: <https://ameren.webex.com/ameren/j.php?MTID=m050a5d333bb1e78fca4afe7d45fc2edd>

March 5, 2014

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) St. Louis Area Employer Advisory Council Breakfast Meeting

Businesses are invited to engage in open discussion about Best Practices for Providing National Guard and Reserve members and their spouses, veterans, and transitioning military with training, preparation and connectivity to the civilian job market. This event will have a special focus on jobs for the future and STEM

Cuisine d'Art Café (701 North New Ballas Road, Creve Coeur, MO 63141)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register contact Grandy Scheer at bscheer@scheercom.com or call 636/778-3449

March 11, 2014

WREAP Veterans Meetup

An opportunity for military personnel to network with job employment and training professionals.

Washington University in St. Louis, MO

5pm – 7pm

By invitation only

To request an invitation, email you current resume to Frank Alaniz at frank.alaniz@ded.mo.gov

March 13, 2014

Student Veterans of St. Louis Monthly Meeting

St. Louis Community College – Florissant Valley, Student Center, Private Dining Room A

6:30pm - 7:30pm

For more information contact Michael Bamber at bamber.michael@att.net or 314/977-3425

March 17 – 21, 2014

Homeless Veterans Employment & Training Program (VET)

In this intensive employment program, veterans receive the support services they need, including referral for substance-abuse and mental health issues.

For veterans to be eligible for this program, they must have served in the US Armed Forces and be willing and able to work at least 20 hours per week.

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

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.stpatrickcenter.org or call 314/802-0700

March 21, 2014

Work-Ready Employment Assistance Program (WREAP) Community Series Workshop

The WREAP Community Series Workshop is designed to help you overcome the online job application “black hole”, how to get by the “six second” resume test, and how to best prepare for the interview.

Brown-Mackie College – St. Louis (2 Soccer Park Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

8:30am – 11:30am

No cost to attend, but you must have reservations to attend this event

For more information or to register connect with Frank Alaniz at frank.alaniz@ded.mo.gov

March 27, 2014

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St. Louis University

8:30am – 3:30pm

No cost to attend, but you must have reservations to attend this event

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March, 2014 (Tuesdays and Thursdays) (NO PROGRAM IN MARCH)

Bootstrap Training Program

Designed to assist participants who desire to complete a feasibility or business plan for a business venture. The program focuses on assessing one’s self and ideas in order to help them better understand their readiness for starting a small business. During the class, participants will experience all the training needed to launch or expand a profitable business. They will learn the fundamentals of business operations, about financing a venture and more.

The class also covers planning, the importance of financial decisions, and the sources of revenue and investments available for small businesses

Veterans Business Resource Center (315 Lemay Ferry Rd., Ste. 114, St. Louis, MO 63125)

6pm – 9pm

Cost: Free for military and prior service (Veterans, NG, Reserves, Active Duty); \$95 for non-military

For more information or to register go to <http://vetbiz.com/Training/BootstrapTraining.aspx>

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

March 4 and 18, 2014

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Business Lunch Networking Group Meeting

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

11:30am – 12:30pm (1st and 3rd Tuesdays)

Cost: \$12

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

March 5, 2014**Fenton Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Luncheon**

RiverChase of Fenton (990 Horan Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

11 am – 1pm

Cost: \$20 for members; \$25 for non-members

To RSVP or for more information go to www.fentonmochamber.com or call Jeannie Braun at 636-717-0200**Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce Issues & Eggs**

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Conference Center (Route 15, Belleville, MO)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: members \$25, non-members \$30

For more information go to www.bellevillechamber.orgMarch 6, 2013**Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours**

Orthopedic and Neurosciences Center at Memorial Hospital (4700 Memorial Drive, Belleville, IL 62226)

5pm – 7pm

Cost: members \$5, non-members \$10

For more information go to www.bellevillechamber.orgMarch 6, 2013**Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club Networking Event**

Residence Inn Westport (1881 Craigshire Rd., St. Louis, MO 63146)

7:30am – 9am

To RSVP or for more information go to www.mhcc.com**Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce 23rd Annual Business Expo**

Chesterfield Mall (291 Chesterfield Mall, Chesterfield, MO 63017)

4pm – 7pm

To RSVP or for more information go to www.chesterfieldmochamber.comMarch 6, 2014 (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.comMarch 7, 2014**Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce First Friday Networking Event**

St. Louis Community College – Meramec (11333 Big Bend, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

7:30am – 9am

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.comMarch 11, 2014**O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Networking Event**

The Brass Rail (4601 Hwy. K, O'Fallon, MO 63368)

4:30pm – 6:30pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ofallonchamber.org**Kirkwood-Des Peres Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting**

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

12:30pm – 2:15pm

Cost: \$20 for Chamber members; \$25 for non-members

For more information or to register go to www.kirkwooddesperes.comMarch 11 and 25, 2014**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.comMarch 12, 2014**Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Monthly Luncheon**

Spazio's (12031 Lackland Road, St. Louis, MO 63146)

11:30am – 1pm

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

March 13, 2014

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce First Thursday Networking Event

Kelly Hager Group (16091 Swingley Ridge Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: members free, guests \$15

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

Northwest Chamber of Commerce Monthly Membership Meeting

Orlando's Event & Conference Center (2050 Dorsett Village, Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

11am – 1pm

Cost: \$20, walkins \$25

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

Affton Chamber of Commerce Exceptional Educators Recognition Dinner

Royale Orleans Banquet Center (2801 Telegraph, St. Louis, MO 63125)

5:30pm – 7pm

Cost: \$21 per person

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

March 20, 2014

Webster Groves/Shrewsbury Area Chamber of Commerce Networking Luncheon

Topic: Economic Outlook for 2014 and Beyond

St. Louis Community College - Meramec (11333 Big Bend Blvd., Kirkwood, MO 63122)

11:30am – 1:30pm

Cost: \$18 members, \$20 non-members

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

O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce Morning Schmooze Networking Event

Chevy's Fresh Mex (3005 Hwy. K, O'Fallon, MO 63368)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: Free

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

Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Club Networking Event

CATCO (2685 Metro Blvd., Maryland Heights, MO 63043)

7:30am – 9am

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

March 25, 2014

Clayton Chamber of Commerce Power Hour Networking Luncheon

Crowne Plaza Hotel Clayton (7750 Carondelet, Clayton, MO 63105)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$30 members, \$40 non-members

For more information or to register contact the Clayton Chamber at 314/726-3033 or online at www.claytoncommerce.com

O'Fallon Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Dardenne Presbyterian Church (7400 South Outer 364, Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door

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

March 26, 2014

Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Networking Event

Holiday Inn Airport West (3400 Rider Trail South, Earth City, MO 63045)

4:30pm – 6pm

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

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Old Hickory Golf Club (1 Dye Club Dr., St. Peters, MO 63304)

11am – 1pm

Cost: \$25

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

March 27, 2014

Multi-Chamber (Affton, Crestwood-Sunset Hills, Fenton, & South County Chambers) Progressive Networking**Breakfast**

America's Incredible Pizza (5254 S. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO 63126)

7am – 9am

Cost: \$12 per person

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

Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce Lunch n Learn

Topic: Streamlining Your Business

Lindenwood University- Belleville, Room M214 (2600 West Main Street, Belleville, IL)

11:45am – 1pm

For more information go to www.bellevillechamber.org

March 28, 2014**Northwest Chamber of Commerce Women in Networking (WIN) Networking Lunch Meeting**

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

11:30am – 1pm (usually last Friday of each month)

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

Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce Legislative Update Meeting

Double Tree Hotel (16625 Swingley Ridge Rd., Chesterfield, MO 63017)

7:30am – 9:30am

Cost: \$35

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

BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING MEETINGS & EVENTS**March 3, 2014 (weekly)****Women's Power Networking: Coffee and Contacts Kirkwood Weekly Meeting**

Hacienda (9748 Manchester Rd, St. Louis, MO)

6pm – 8pm (meets weekly on Mondays)

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

March 3 and 5 (weekly through April)**LaunchCode Study Group for Harvard's CS50x**

The class is available for free online (via cs50.net, the class is CS50x, or through edx.org). This will give you a great foundation for coding, and it's a free course from a world-class institution. LaunchCode will be offering a CS50x study group who watches lectures and studies together in conjunction with the class beginning in January. We believe that if you can successfully complete this class, we will be able to place you at a company. There will also be free resources including mentorship, exclusive access to the Library's Creative Experience room, and a chance to connect with the programming community.

St. Louis City Library (downtown St. Louis, MO)

5:30pm - 8:30pm

Free (Everyone is welcome. No experience required. Beginners are encouraged to come.)

For more information or to register for the free class go to www.launchcodestl.com

March 4, 2014**O'Fallon-Shiloh People in Business Networking Meeting**

Holiday Inn Express (Dierberg Plaza, Greenmount Rd., Shiloh, IL)

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

Cost: \$5 for attendance

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

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/>

March 4, 2014 (weekly)**Women's Power Networking: Coffee and Contacts St. Charles Weekly Meeting**

Rib City (3891 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, Saint Peters, MO)

6pm – 7:30pm (meets weekly on Tuesdays)

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/Womens-Power-Networking-Coffee-and-Contacts-St-Charles/>

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Roundtable Discussion

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Technology Center (3611 S. Grand Blvd., Ste. 105, St. Louis, MO 63118)

4pm – 5pm

For more information or to register go to www.hccstl.com or 314/664-4432

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 Tmorrisim@bnistl.com for additional information.

March 4 and 18, 2014

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.org

March 5, 2014 (weekly)

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The Networking MOB of St. Louis Professional Networking Meetings

The Networking MOB is a community of professionals who help each other grow and build their businesses by education, support, and referrals

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

8:45am – 10am

For more information go to www.thenetworkingmob.com

March 5, 2014 (weekly)

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/>

March 6, 2014

Quarterly Financial Executives Networking Group (FENG) Forum

“Will the US Economy Snap Out of the Doldrums in 2014?”

The Lodge of Des Peres (1050 Des Peres Road, Des Peres, MO 63131)

7:30am – 9am (usually the 2nd Saturday of month)

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

Transportation Club and Young Supply Chain Professionals of St. Louis Annual Dinner Meeting

River Bottom Saloon (112 Sidney St., St. Louis, MO)

5:30pm – 9:30pm

Cost: \$65 per person

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

Belleville People in Business Networking Meeting

Fischer's Restaurant (2100 West Main, Belleville, IL)

Noon – 1pm (meets 1st Thursday of each month)

Cost: \$10 for attendance

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

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

Fratelli's Ristorante (2061 Zumbel, 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/>

March 6, 2014 (weekly)

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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

March 6 and 20, 2014

Yellow Tie Networking Event - Breakfast Club 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.org

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.org

March 7, 2014 (weekly)

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

The Hive @ 44 (1710 Fenpark Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

10:30am – Noon (meets every Friday)

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

March 7 and 21, 2014

FORE Business Lunch and Learn Networking Event

The Highlands Golf and Tennis Center at Forest Park (5163 Clayton Drive, St. Louis, MO 63110)

11:30am – 2pm (1st Friday)

3pm – 5pm (3rd Friday)

For more information or to register contact Richard at Richard@accoladekb.com or 314/458-3397

Wise Women Connect St. Louis Luncheon

We are a professional organization of women with the established purpose of support and encouragement of women in business

Villa Farotto (17417 Chesterfield Airport Road, Chesterfield, MO 63005)

11am – 1pm (1st and 3rd Friday of each month)

Cost: \$21 per event - lunch is included, \$25 at the door

For more information or to register go to www.wwcstlunch.com or call 314/494-7187

March 8, 2014

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/>

March 10, 2014

Monroe County People in Business Networking Meeting

Waterloo City Hall (100 W 4th St., Waterloo, IL)

8:30am – 10am (meets 3rd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: \$4 for attendance

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

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

March 11, 2014

St. Louis Business Journal Seminar: Investing in St. Louis – Technology StartUps and Patent Trolls

Missouri Botanical Garden (4344 Shaw Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63110)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.bizjournals.com/stlouis/event/

Yellow Tie Drinks & Connections Business Before Hours Networking Event

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

5:30pm - 7:30pm

No cost to attend

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

March 12, 2014

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

The Post Bar & 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/>

St. Louis Professional Women’s Alliance Women of Distinction Speaker Series

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

11am – 1pm

Cost: members \$38, non-members \$48

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

March 12, 2014

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Lunch ‘n Learn

Topic: The Power of Email Marketing

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Centene Technology Center (3611 S. Grand Blvd., Ste. 105, St. Louis, MO 63118)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: Lunch and drinks included

For more information or to register go to www.hccstl.com or 314/664-4432

March 13, 2014

St. Louis Business Journal Event: Best Places to Work Awards

St. Louis Marriott West (660 Maryville Centre Drive, St. Louis, MO 63141)

7:30am – 9am

Cost: \$50 per person

For more information or to register go to www.bizjournals.com/stlouis/event/

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

St. Louis Agile LINC User Group Networking Event

Savvis Headquarters

6pm – 8pm (meet 2nd Thursday of each month)

For more information contact Jim at jim.haftarczyk@savvis.com **Yellow Tie Networking Event - Executive Resource**

March 13 and 27, 2014

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

Meeting location is in the South County area

7:30am – 9am (typically 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.org

March 18, 2014

Collinsville People in Business Networking Meeting

Oatman House (501 E. Main St., 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

River City Professionals Monthly Networking Event

Location TBA

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

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

Tapestry Business Women's Monthly Networking Meeting

Have you ever wanted to ask other business women how they handled a situation in their business? Do you work alone and need some friendly advice that works? This month's event is all about you and getting you the help you need. The entire event will be spent networking and masterminding so that you leave equipped to face the challenges you may be experiencing in your business. As Christian businesswomen, we need to work together and support one another in life and in business.

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

9am - 11:30am

Cost: \$25 for guests; \$35 for late registration

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

March 19, 2014

Meet the Area's Top Women Business Owners Luncheon

Join us to honor the area's Top Women Business Owners. 60 of the area's top female business owners will attend and be honored. Our keynote panel will be made up of four of the area's top business owners. They will share their best practices, challenges and experiences with the audience and take your questions.

St. Louis Frontenac Hilton (Lindbergh and Clayton Rd., Frontenac, MO 63131)

11am – 1pm

Cost: \$50 per person

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

West County People in Business Networking Meeting

The Wolf Restaurant (15480 Clayton Road, Ballwin, MO)

8:30am – 9:30am (meets 3rd Wednesday of each month)

Cost: \$5 for attendance

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

March 20, 2014

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours

HCC Centene Technology Center (3611 South Grand Blvd., Ste. 105, St. Louis, MO 63118)

6pm – 8pm

For more information or to register go to www.hccstl.com or 314/664-4432

March 20, 2014

FREE Business Webinar: Getting Started with Jobs.MO.gov

10am – 11:30am (3rd Thursday of each month)

In this webinar businesses will learn about:

www.jobs.mo.gov overview

- Creating a business account
- Setting up worksites
- Writing a job order
- Getting immediate job matches
- Copying a job order
- Optimizing your job candidate search

For more information or to register for the webinar call 573/522-3017 or email dwdtraining@ded.mo.gov

CSCMP St. Louis Roundtable

Crowne Plaza – Clayton (Clayton, MO 63105)

10:30am – 1pm

Cost: members \$35, non-members \$44

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

March 21, 2014

Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) St. Louis Breakfast Seminar

Washington University Knight Center

7am – 9am

Cost: members free, non-members \$50

For more information or to register go to <http://www.acg.org/stlouis/events/default.aspx>

March 26, 2014

Edwardsville People in Business Networking Meeting

Edison's Entertainment Center (2477 South State Road 157, Edwardsville, IL)

11:45am – 1pm (meets 4th Wednesday of each month)

Cost: \$10 for attendance

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

March 27, 2014

ExecuNet Monthly Meeting

Westport Plaza Gold Tower (111 Westport Plaza Dr., Suite 1005, St. Louis, MO 63033)

9am – 11am

Cost: \$10 per person

For more information or to register go to www.execunet.com or call Chris Coleman at 636/228-4700

March 28, 2014

St. Louis Business Journal Seminar: Perspectives on Medicaid Expansion

Danforth Plant Science Center (975 North Warson Road, St. Louis, MO 63132))

7:30am – 9am

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.bizjournals.com/stlouis/event/

St. Louis Business Club is an online business community devoted to providing business development resources and innovative training for our members. For more information or to register go to www.stlouisbusinessclub.com

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

March 6, 2014

Business Marketing Association Monthly Meeting

Sheraton Clayton Plaza (7730 Bonhomme Ave., Clayton, MO 63105)

11:30am – 1:30pm (typically the 1st Thursday of each month)

Cost: members \$25, non-members \$35

To register or for more information go to www.bma-stl.org

March 11, 2014

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.ccsf.org

March 11, 2014

Community Service and Public Relations Council (CSPR) Monthly Meeting

Sheraton Clayton Plaza Hotel (7730 Bonhomme Ave., Clayton, MO 63105)

11:30am – 1:15pm

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

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

March 12, 2014

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

March 19, 2014

Human Resources Management Association (HRMA) Monthly Meeting

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

7am – 9am

Cost: members free, guests \$35

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

St. Louis PMI (Project Management Institute) Monthly Meeting

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

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

Cost: Members \$25, Non-members \$30

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

Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Monthly Meeting

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

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: members \$30, non-members \$40
 For more information go to www.prsastlouis.org

March 20, 2014

American Marketing Association Monthly Meeting

Topic: Emerging Technologies and Media – The Changing Face of Marketing
 Maggiano's Little Italy (#2 the Boulevard St. Louis, Richmond Heights, MO 63117)
 11:30am – 1pm

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

St. Louis Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals (CSCMP) Roundtable Meeting

Crowne Plaza St. Louis – Clayton (7750 Carondelet, Clayton, MO 63105)
 7:30am – 3pm

Cost: \$120 per person

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

Inventors Association of St. Louis (IASL) Monthly General Meeting

St. Louis County's Library Headquarters (1640 South Lindbergh Blvd., Frontenac, MO), Library Auditorium
 6pm - 9pm (usually 3rd Thursday of the month)

For more information go to www.inventorsconnection.org

March 21, 2014

St. Louis PMI (Project Management Institute) Monthly Lunch Meeting

Scott AFB, Essex House, Bldg. 150 (Scott AFB, IL 62225)
 11:30am – 1pm

Cost: Members \$10, Non-members \$15

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

March 25, 2014

St. Louis Coaches Monthly Meeting

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

March 27, 2014

National Human Resources Association Monthly Meeting

Ces & Judy's (1045 Clayton Rd., Frontenac, MO 63131)
 11:30am – 1pm

Cost: Members free, guests and non-members \$30 per person

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

March 27, 2014

Association of IT Professionals (AITP) Monthly Dinner Meeting

Crowne Plaza St. Louis – Clayton (7750 Carondelet, Clayton, MO 63105)
 7:30am – 3pm

Cost: Presentation & Dinner \$30, Presentation only \$15

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

SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCES AND EVENTS

March – April, 2014

Free One on One Business Consultation

This part of Electro Savings Credit Union's Community and Business Initiative and Mentoring Program, to assist business owners or future business owners

For more information or to schedule a FREE consultation contact Pat Pettey at ppettey@escu.org or 314/434-6470 x1406

February 3, 2014

Business Seminar: Search Engine Optimization (SEO)

The Hive @ 44 Coworking Center (1710 Fenpark Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)
 11am – 1pm

No cost to attend

For more information call 636/405-3130 or email thehive44@gmail.com

February 4, 2014

BIRD Foundation Funding Informational Meeting and Reception

CET is pleased to offer a special program on how you can obtain funding from the BIRD Foundation for R&D projects in partnership with a company in Israel. Eitan Yudilevich, Ph.D., Executive Director of the BIRD Foundation, will be in St. Louis on Tuesday February 4 and will explain about non-equity BIRD Foundation funding and how to apply. Funding for BIRD grants, which cover 50% of the cost of an R&D project, is provided jointly by the Office of the Chief Scientist in Israel and from NIST in the U.S. Department of Commerce. Numerous U.S. companies have taken advantage of this

opportunity for R&D funding.

Center for Emerging Technologies (4041 Forest Park Avenue, Saint Louis, MO, 63108)

4pm – 5pm

For more information contact Nancy Morgan at 314/615-6900 or nmorgan@emergingtech.org

March 4 and 6, 2014 (every Tuesday and Thursday)

HUBZone Eligibility Assistance Webinar

The HUBZone office offers eligibility assistance on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm - 2pm

This is an interactive conference call where HUBZone staff will present a specific eligibility topic followed by a general question session. Firms seeking specific status of its application or answers about the supporting documentation requested, need to E-mail the SBA HUBZone Business Opportunity Specialist working on the application because that person would be in the best position to provide individual assistance.

March 5, 2014

Business Workshop: Women-Owned Small Business Certification Workshop

In recognition of Women's History Month, the SBA and the Grace Hill Women's Business Center present a free workshop on the various certification programs available which can help women-owned small businesses obtain contracts with federal, state, and local governments.

Direct Impact Enterprise Center (10259 St. Charles Rock Rd., St. Ann, MO 63074)

1pm – 4pm

Cost: FREE

For more information or to register contact angela.wells@sba.gov or 314/539-6613

2014 Boeing Guest Lecture in International Business

Presenter: Ambassador Gary Doer of Canada

St. Louis U., Anheuser-Busch Auditorium at the John Cook School of Business

5pm – 9pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to <http://business.slu.edu/news-and-events/events/event/2014/03/05/2014-boeing-distinguished-guest/>

Advance St. Louis Business Seminar Series: New Patent Legislation and Case Law

Center for Emerging Technologies (4041 Forest Park Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108)

3pm – 4:30pm

Cost: members \$15 per person

To register or for more information contact Heather Beaven at 314/615-6915 or go to www.emergingtech.org

March 5, 2014 (weekly)

ITEN One Million Cups

Every week, two entrepreneurs present their ventures and ask advice and assistance from the community. All are welcome to come see some of the newest ventures getting started around town, and join in the lively discussions and networking to follow.

KETC Nine Network (3655 Olive St., St. Louis, MO 63108)

9am – 10am

No cost to attend

For more information go to www.itenstl.org

March 5, 2014 (weekly)

Donald Danforth Plant Science Center Weekly Seminar Series

975 North Warson Road, St. Louis, MO

3:45pm – 6pm

No cost to attend but reservation is required

For more information or to register go to <http://www.danforthcenter.org/events/scientific-seminars>

March 6, 2014

Business Seminar: Basics of Writing a Business Plan

SLATE Missouri Career Center (1520 Market St., 3rd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63103)

9am - Noon

Cost: \$39

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

Chameleon Club Networking Event

This is an opportunity for professionals in the St. Louis marketing, advertising, public relations, and creative marketplace to connect for a night of networking

Barnett On Washington (3207 Washington Ave., St. Louis, MO)

5pm – 12am

For more information contact Jeff Kelley at 314/322-2101 or barnettonwashington@gmail.com

March 6 and 20, 2014

Missouri Networking Event

Old Spaghetti Factory (Chesterfield, MO)

11:30am – 1:30pm (Meet 1st and 3rd Thursdays)

For more information contact Joel at joelkirk@ymail.com or Denise at 636.265.2440 or Denise@abouttheclimb.com

March 7, 2014**Missouri Venture Forum Breakfast Meeting**

Moto Museum/Triumph Grill (3441 Olive St., St. Louis, MO 63103)

7:15am – 9am

Cost: members free, guests \$49

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

2nd Annual International Women's Day St. Louis 2014

An amazing afternoon of seminars, networking and the celebration of women business owners and entrepreneurs

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

1pm – 6:30pm

Cost: \$67 per person

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

Self-Employed St. Louis (SESTL) Monthly Meetup Network Event

Kirkwood Station Brewing Company (105 East Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

11:30am – 1pm

Cost: \$20 per person

For more information or to register go to <http://www.meetup.com/Self-Employed-St-Louis/>

SCORE Business Workshop: Writing a Professional Business Plan

Hispanic Chamber Tech Center (3611 South Grand Blvd., Ste. 105, St. Louis, MO 63118)

8:15am - Noon

Cost: \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

March 8, 2014**SCORE Business Workshop: How to Start and Manage Your Own Business**

St. Louis Community College – Meramec Campus, Social Science Bldg., Rm. 109 (11333 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

8:15am – 3pm

Cost: \$50 in advance, \$60 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

FREE Project Management Information Session

A free session designed to provide information to individuals interested in obtaining Project Management Professional (PMP) certification

Workforce Solutions Group of St. Louis Community College Campus (3221 McKelvey Rd., Bridgeton, MO 63044)

9am – Noon

Cost: FREE

For more information or to register call 314/984-7777

March 8 and 20, 2014**Business Seminar: Affordable Care Act Enrollment Assistance**

3/8 10am – Noon Berkeley City Hall

3/8 2pm – 7pm Rock en Roll, The (Blank) Space (2847 Cherokee, St. Louis, MO 63118)

3/20 3pm – 4pm Innovation Technology Enterprises/UMSL (633 World Parkway Circle, Berkeley, MO 63134)

For more information contact Paul Hughes at phughes@smallbusinessmajority.org

March 11, 2014**StartLouis Monthly Meetup Event**

Our mission is to bring St. Louis entrepreneurs together for learning and collaboration. Each monthly meetup event features a presentation and Q&A session with an accomplished St. Louis CEO.

Nebula Coworking (3407 S. Jefferson, St Louis, MO 63118)

6:30pm – 8:30pm

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

March 12, 2014**Small Business Seminar: Starting a Business in Illinois**

Starting a Business in Illinois workshop will educate you about the process and requirements for starting a for-profit business in the state. The workshop is led by trained counselors of the Illinois Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

E. St. Louis Higher Education Center (601 James R. Thompson Blvd., Room 2002 of Bldg. D, E. St. Louis, IL 62021)

4pm – 5:30pm

Cost: \$10

For more information go to www.siu.edu/business/sbdc/

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>

March 13, 2014

Information Technology Entrepreneur Network (ITEN) 2nd Thursdays Monthly Networking Event

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

Gen Gen In Action Networking Event

Each meeting will focus on a discussion topic followed by breakout workgroups to focus on implementation and accountability to implement the concepts of Michael Maher's The 7 Levels of Communication

The Hive @ 44 Coworking Center (1710 Fenpark Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

10am – 11am

Free to participate

For more information or to register go to <https://gengeninaction.eventbrite.com>

Business Seminar: Email Marketing: Simple Strategies for Success

Missouri History Museum (Forest Park, St. Louis, MO)

8:30am – 10:30am

Cost: Free

For more information or to RSVP go to <http://www.constantcontactstl.com/constant-contact-seminars/>

Business Seminar: Selling to the Government – The First Steps

St. Louis County Extension Office (10650 Gateway Blvd., Creve Couer, MO)

9am - Noon

Cost: \$50

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

March 14, 2014

Biotech and Life Science Advising (BALSA) Group Information Meeting

BALSA is a non-profit organization founded and led by Washington University in St. Louis graduate students and post-doctorate fellows. They provide short-term consulting services to companies ranging from small start-ups to large corporations.

Center for Emerging Technologies (4041 Forest Park Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108)

3pm – 4:30pm

Cost: members \$15 per person

To register or for more information contact Heather Beaven at 314/615-6915 or go to www.emergingtech.org

SCORE Business Workshop: The Power of E-Mail Market

PNC Bank Building (333 S. Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

9:15am - Noon

Cost: \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

March 18, 2014

Entrepreneurial Workshop: Starting a Business in Missouri

North Oaks Missouri Career Center (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

9am – Noon

Cost: \$39 per person, FREE for Dislocated Workers

To register or learn more call 314/657-3547 or go to www.missouribusiness.net

St. Louis Small Business Meetup Business Seminar

Kirkwood Brewing Station (105 East Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO)

Noon – 1:30pm

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

March 18, 20, and 27, 2014

Small Business Majority Webinar Series: What the Affordable Care Act Means to Missouri Small Business

These webinars will focus on what the new healthcare law, the Affordable Care Act, means for Missouri Small businesses and their employees, entrepreneurs and the self-employed. They focus on both federal and state provisions to help local small business owners understand how the law will affect them.

3/18 Noon – 1pm

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

3/20 Noon – 1pm

National Sales Network

3/27 Noon – 1pm

U. of Missouri Small Business Development Resource Centers

3/27 6pm – 7pm

National Black MBA Association – St. Louis Chapter

Go to www.smallbusinessmajority.org/webinar/

March 19, 2014**NAWBO Speaker Series: How to Succeed in Business: By Really Trying! A Personal View**

Old Warson Country Club (9941 Old Warson Rd., St. Louis, MO 63124)

4pm – 7pm

Cost: Members \$75; non-members \$100

For more information or to register go to www.nawbostl.org**Entrepreneurial Workshop: The Basics of Writing a Business Plan**

North Oaks Missouri Career Center (26 North Oaks Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63121)

1pm – 4pm

Cost: \$39 per person, FREE for Dislocated Workers

To register or learn more call 314/657-3547 or go to www.missouribusiness.netMarch 20, 2014**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**Skandalaris Skills Series: Financials**

Washington University, Whitaker Hall (One Brookings Dr., St. Louis, MO 63130)

3:30pm – 5:30pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ideabounce.com/skandalaris/**IdeaBounce**

IdeaBounce is an opportunity for pre-selected bouncers to pitch their idea and win \$100. All are welcome to hear pitches, provide feedback, make connections, and pitch during the open mic portion of the evening.

Washington University, Whitaker Hall (One Brookings Dr., St. Louis, MO 63130)

5:30pm – 8pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register go to www.ideabounce.com/skandalaris/**Business Seminar: Marketing Is a Marathon Not a Sprint**

Electro Savings Credit Union Community Room (1805 Craigshire Rd., Maryland Heights, MO)

5:30pm – 7:30pm

Cost: Free

For more information or to register contact Pat Pettey at ppetey@escu.org or 314/434-6470 x1406March 20, 2014**FREE Business Webinar: Getting Started with Jobs.MO.gov**10am – 11:30am (3rd Thursday of each month)

In this webinar businesses will learn about:

www.jobs.mo.gov overview

- Creating a business account
- Setting up worksites
- Writing a job order
- Getting immediate job matches
- Copying a job order
- Optimizing your job candidate search

For more information or to register for the webinar call 573/522-3017 or email dwdtraining@ded.mo.govMarch 21, 2014**SCORE Business Workshop: Search Engine Optimization**

PNC Bank Building (333 S. Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

9:15am - Noon

Cost: \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

March 24, 2014

Small Business Workshop: Funding Your St. Louis Start-Up

A free workshop offered by the Billiken Angels Network (BAN) provided to the assist start-up entrepreneurs thing about new or different sources for funding, and to get a bit more of an idea about what the different types of financing are looking for in candidates.

St. Louis U., John Cook School of Business (3674 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108)

6pm – 8pm

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

Hive@44 Lunch & Learn: “Get Noticed! 3 Biggest Blunders Entrepreneurs Make that Keep Them Underpaid, Undervalued and Overlooked – and What to Do About It”

The Hive@44 Business Coworking Center (1710 Fenpark Dr., Fenton, MO 63026)

11am – 12:30pm

For more information go to www.thehive44.com

March 25, 2014

SBA Business Seminar:

What Every Small Business Owner Should Know about the Affordable Care Act with Special Emphasis on the Benefits to Women

SBA St. Louis District Office (1222 Spruce St. Ste. 10.103, St. Louis ,MO 63103)

9:30am – 11am

Cost: Free

For more information or to register contact Nicki Massie at 314/539-6606 or Nicholson.massie@sba.gov

Business Seminar: Grow Your Business with Social Media Marketing

Richmond Heights Community Center (Richmond Heights, MO)

8:30am – 10:30am

Cost: Free

For more information or to RSVP go to <http://www.constantcontactstl.com/constant-contact-seminars/>

Missouri Networking Event

The Hive @ 44 Coworking Center (1710 Fenpark Drive, Fenton, MO 63026)

9:30am – 11am

Free to participate

For more information contact Joel Kirk at joelkirk@ymail.com

March 26, 2014

Advance St. Louis Business Seminar Series: Trademarks and Domain Names

Center for Emerging Technologies (4041 Forest Park Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108)

3pm – 4:30pm

Cost: members \$15 per person

To register or for more information contact Heather Beaven at 314/615-6915 or go to www.emergingtech.org

Business Seminar Series: First 100 Days of Your Startup

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

6:30pm – 8:30pm (held last Wednesday of each month)

Cost: Lab1500 members Free, nonmembers \$10

To register go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-100-days-of-your-startup-legal-workshop-beer-series-tickets-10150375045>

March 26 – 27, 2014

InvestMidwest Venture Capital Forum

A venture capital conference that showcases 40-45 companies from throughout the Midwest in the three industry tracks of life sciences, technology and food/ag/bioenergy.

Hyatt Regency St. Louis at the Arch

For more information or to register go to <https://www.investmidwestforum.com/>

March 27, 2014

StLVentureWorks Growth Seminar Series: Social Media 2 part Session

Part 1: Social Media Basics for Startups

Part 2: How to Maximize Your Impact

STLVentureWorks Helix Center (1100 Corporate Square Drive, St. Louis, MO)

3pm – 5pm

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

15th Annual Wall of Fame to Honor Four Outstanding Women Entrepreneurs

Awarded by Grace Hill Women’s Business Center

Rose of the Hill (2300 Edwards Street, St. Louis, Mo 63110)

5:30pm – 8pm

For more information or to register contact Falencia Moore at 314/584-6840 or fmoore@gracehillsettlement.org

St. Louis Entrepreneurs Monthly Meetup

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

7pm – 9pm

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

March 28, 2014

SCORE Business Workshop: Connecting Your Marketing Dots

Economic Development Center of St. Charles County (5988 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, SSM Room, St. Charles, MO 63304)

1:30pm -4pm

Cost: \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

March 29, 2014

ProductCamp St. Louis Conference

A conference on topics relevant to anyone who builds, designs, markets or makes a product or service

Workforce Solutions Group of St. Louis Community College Campus (3221 McKelvey Rd., Bridgeton, MO 63044)

8am – 2pm

Cost: FREE

For more information or to register go to www.stlpm.org/productcamp/

SCORE Business Workshop: Buying or Franchising a Business

PNC Bank Building (333 S. Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122)

9:15am - Noon

Cost: \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door

For more information or to register go to <http://stlouis.score.org/localworkshops>

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

Kauffman Founders School

The Founders School is an online educational resource dedicated to entrepreneurship. Through lectures and a rich curriculum, we'll give you the skills and tools to build your idea into something big. For more information go to <http://www.entrepreneurship.org/en/founders-school.aspx>

St. Louis Small Business Administration offers FREE online courses and webinars for small businesses and entrepreneurs, including “Affordable Care Act 101 webinars, 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>

SCORE offers many small business webinars and online workshops. To learn more about the programs go to <http://stlouis.score.org/onlineworkshops/tab-a>

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.slmhc.org

AAIM provides small business training courses, seminars, roundtable discussions, 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.aaima.org or call 314/968-5360

St. Louis Community Credit Union 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

Electro Savings Credit Union “Ask the Experts” Business Seminar Series presented at no cost and held at Electro's Maryland Heights Community Room (1805 Craigshire Rd., Maryland Heights, MO). RSVP to Pat at ppetey@escu.org or 314/4343-6470 x1406