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Connecting the Chamber with  
members in a monthly news source.



ST. JOSEPH  
Chamber of Commerce

# Connections

## The President's Perspective

### Connecting Talent with Opportunity

One of the greatest strengths of St. Joseph is our people—the talent, drive, and creativity that fuel our businesses every day. As we look ahead to the coming months, workforce remains one of the Chamber's top priorities. We know that finding the right job—or the right employee—can be both exciting and challenging. That's where we come in.

On Sept. 23, we'll host our Career Fair, bringing together local employers and job seekers under one roof. This event is designed to showcase opportunities in a variety of industries, highlight career pathways, and provide a space where connections can be made face-to-face. Whether you're a business looking for skilled workers or a professional seeking your next career move, the Career Fair is a can't-miss event. See more details on the back of the newsletter.

In addition, I encourage you to take advantage of the Chamber's Job Board. This resource is updated regularly with openings from our members, ranging from entry-level to leadership positions. For job seekers, it's a one-stop shop for discovering local opportunities. For employers, it's an easy way to reach an audience that is

already invested in our community. To see available jobs go to [jobs.saintjoseph.com](http://jobs.saintjoseph.com). To submit a job, go to [choosesaintjoseph.com/job-post-form](http://choosesaintjoseph.com/job-post-form). (You can find this from our homepage by clicking the Uncommon Life Job Center button.) This is a free resource to Chamber members. Utilize it!

Workforce is the lifeblood of economic growth, and the Chamber is proud to play a role in connecting people with the opportunities that keep St. Joseph moving forward. I invite you to explore the Job Board, share it with others, and join us at the Career Fair. Together, we can build a stronger workforce—and a stronger community.



Natalie Hawn  
President & CEO

## NEW MEMBERS

The following businesses and individuals have been approved for membership in the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce:

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**Health Services**

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**Missourians for Tina Goodrick**

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# September Calendar

For more information, call 816/232-4461. CREDIT CARD RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE ONLINE, [www.saintjoseph.com](http://www.saintjoseph.com)

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## Civic Leadership Academy

**Corporate Business Partnership Sponsor: Altec Industries, Inc. Presented by Clarios, LLC, P1 Group, Inc., Sellenriek Construction, Inc., Triumph Foods, LLC, and Tyson Foods.**

Get an exclusive deep dive into inner workings of the Missouri Air National Guard's 139th Airlift Wing. Participate in hands-on activities, tours and discussions. A reception will be held at 5:30 on Thursday, Sept. 4, at Room 108 and the course is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 5. Limited to 30 people. Registration is required. Email [masters@saintjoseph.com](mailto:masters@saintjoseph.com) for more information.

Thursday & Friday,  
Sept. 4-5, Free  
139th Airlift Wing


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## Lunch & Learn Seminar

**Presented by Altec Industries, Inc.**  
Topic -- An Economic Update  
Come learn about the economy from Jason Horn, Vice President and Portfolio Manager of Commerce Trust.

Tuesday, Sept. 9  
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., \$12  
St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce  
3003 Frederick Ave.  
**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED:**  
816/232-4461  
or [www.saintjoseph.com](http://www.saintjoseph.com)

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## Uncommon Leadership Social

**Presented by Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation & Parkway Distillery**

There have been many recent changes in leadership within the City of St. Joseph, MoWest and the St. Joseph School District. This is your chance to meet the new leaders and talk about issues that are important to you and your business.

Wednesday, Sept. 10  
4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Free  
Parkway Distillery  
415 N. 13th St.

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## DIPLOMATS CLUB Breakfast

**Presented by Altec Industries, Inc., Nodaway Valley Bank & Rogers Pharmacy**

The Diplomats Club is a fun group that provides opportunities to promote your business and serve as a link between the Chamber and the community. Join them for their monthly meeting!

Thursday, Sept. 11  
7:15 a.m., \$10  
Breakfast provided  
Altec Industries, Inc.  
2106 S. Riverside Road  
**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED:**  
816/232-4461 or [www.saintjoseph.com](http://www.saintjoseph.com)

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## PARTIES on the PARKWAY

**Presented by Nodaway Valley Bank**

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and spread out along the Parkway while listening to some great music. Enjoy Soca Jukebox perform Soul Calypso and Reggae music Food, treats and drink vendors will be available. No coolers allowed. A free balloon artist is available for the kids! Bring friends, family and pets and enjoy the beautiful parkway.

Thursday, Sept. 11  
5 to 8 p.m., Free  
Remington Nature Center  
Rain date: Sept. 18

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## SPECIAL BUSINESS after HOURS

**Presented by Altec Industries, Inc.**

Don't miss this special Business After Hours. It's a Campus Crawl at MoWest! Join us as we shuttle around campus with stops along the way for behind-the-scenes peeks at newly renovated buildings, the Griffon Indoor Sports Complex and the Nursing Interprofessional Lab.

This is a free event with appetizers, drinks and a signature cocktail. Registration is requested, but not required. RSVP at [griff.vs/MWCrawl2025](http://griff.vs/MWCrawl2025). Space is limited.

Thursday, Sept. 18  
4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Free  
Houlne Center  
4141 Mitchell Ave.

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## Women's Leadership Group

**Presented by Altec Industries, Inc., BMS Logistics Inc., Candlewood Suites, Human Resource Management Association of Northwest Missouri, RitePack, Inc., Sealed Air Corporation, St. Jo Frontier Casino and Top Property Realty LLC**

Each month professional women gather to discuss timely topics. More details to come.

Monday, Sept. 22  
Noon to 1 p.m., Free  
Bring your own lunch  
**RESERVATIONS REQUESTED:**  
816/232-4461 or [www.saintjoseph.com](http://www.saintjoseph.com)

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## Career Fair

**Presented by Altec Industries, Inc., Human Resource Management Association of Northwest Missouri, KQTV, Sealed Air Corporation, Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center and Triumph Foods LLC**

The Chamber and Human Resource Management Association of Northwest Missouri are partnering to bring 40 employers together for a Career Fair. Employers in all industries need employees. Talk to companies about available jobs, how to apply, benefits and much more.

Tuesday, Sept. 23  
3 to 6 p.m., Free  
Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center  
1201 N. Woodbine Road

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## The Chamber Classic

**Presented by Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation & Veritas Systems Construction**

The annual Chamber Classic Golf Tournament is coming up. All teams are filled, but volunteers and donations are needed. E-mail [masters@saintjoseph.com](mailto:masters@saintjoseph.com) to volunteer or donate.

Wednesday, Sept. 24  
10 a.m., shotgun start  
St. Joseph Country Club,  
50 Ridgeland Road

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## BUSINESS after HOURS

**Presented by Altec Industries, Inc.**

Don't miss this Business After Hours. Bring your business cards and make some new connections.

Thursday, Sept. 25  
5 to 7 p.m., Free  
Tech Team  
4402 S. 40th St.