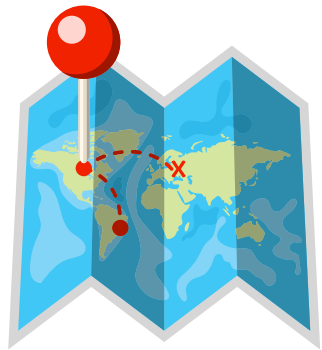




January 2024 Newsletter

Flora Chamber of Commerce - the tourism hub of Clay County!

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Whew! We have been busy already the first week of January! I apologize for getting this issue out so late! For one, the holiday's snuck up on me! We here at the Chamber hope each and every member had a safe and wonderful Christmas and New Years! Secondly, I was waiting to finalize last minute details to our upcoming awards banquet that will be held at the end of the month, so I could include those details in this issue.

Speaking of the Awards Banquet, I am looking forward to my first Banquet for the Chamber! I want to take a moment to thank EVERYONE who sent in nominations for all the great businesses and citizens for our Awards Banquet this year. Reading the "why" for all the nominations made me a little sad, as each one deserved to win, but happy at the same time, because each business and citizen makes Flora who and what it is. An amazing town with the best people around! 

Lastly, I will be celebrating my one year anniversary as the Chamber Executive Director the first part of February and the past year has went by so FAST! I have met so many wonderful business owners, and made many new friends in my time here! I cannot wait to see what 2024 holds for us all!

As always, my door is always open, feel free to stop in and say hello!

Your Friend,

Anna

DECEMBER 2023

New Members

Transformation of God Church

Shelter Insurance- Chad Milner

Welcome





Flora
Chamber of Commerce

2023 Year in Review



Outreach in 2023



9 Events



9 Ribbon Cuttings



2 Blood Drives



2 Tourism Events

A Look into 2024

13 Events

2 Tourism Events

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and more to come!

2023 was an amazing year for the Chamber! Please enjoy the photo review in the pages that follow of all the amazing highlights of the year! We want to take a moment to thank John Baylor and The Clay County Republican newspaper who graciously took photos for us at almost all of our events as well as all of our Ribbon Cuttings. Sometimes it was hard to be in the photos and behind the camera both!!





Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting for Eckelberry Barber Co. (New Location)



Chamber Fall Scarecrow Contest



Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting for The An-so Agency (New Business)



Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting for Starrlight Studios (New Business)





Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting for Tractor Supply (New Business)



Chamber Bowling Tournament

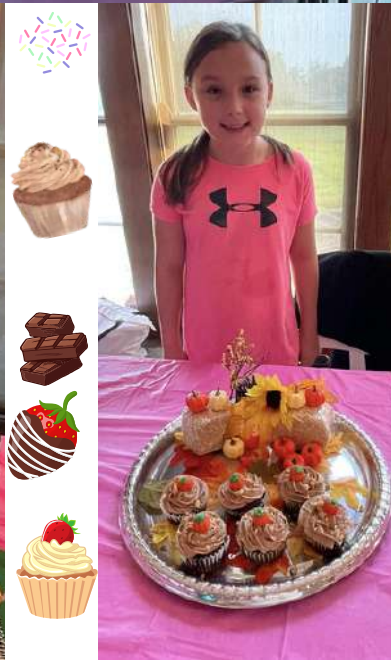




Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting - Clay Medical Clinic (Newly Remodeled)



Chamber Cupcake Wars



Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting at MidTown Package Liquors



Amateur Doubles Disc Golf Tournament



Southeastern Illinois Chamber Executive's Luncheon

Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting - Yayah's



Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting - The Glow Spa & Boutique



Chamber Golf Scramble





Grand Opening of Flora Rotary Park (New Ownership)



Moonlight Madness & Reverse Halloween Parade



It's time!!! Come celebrate with us, network and enjoy a night out!

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY
INVITED TO THE**

*2023 Flora Chamber of
Commerce Awards Banquet*

**FLORA ELK'S LODGE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024
6PM SOCIAL HOUR ~ 7PM DINNER & PROGRAM**

**TICKETS ARE \$30 AND CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE
CHAMBER OFFICE MON-FRI FROM 8AM-5PM**

MENU CATERED BY THE CURLY TAIL:

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- **HASHBROWN CASSEROLE**
- **GLAZED CARROTS, GREEN BEANS**
- **SALAD BAR, ROLLS AND VARIETY OF DESSERTS**



Congratulations!

Presenting the 2023
Flora Chamber of Commerce
Award Winners:

Business of the Year
~ACT Tire & Auto~

New Business of The Year
~Eckelberry Barber Co.~

Citizens Of The Year
~ Ryan & Angie Scott~



EVENTS

Depot Days & Farmer's Market

Enjoy food trucks, the B&O Museum tours, and the farmer's market all at the Flora Depot!

May 17th & 18th

Golf Scramble

18 holes of golf with a cart, includes lunch, prizes, putting competition, and raffles!

Open to the public.
Registration Required.

June 14th

Flora 4th of July Celebration

Family fun for everyone! Rides, inflatables, food trucks, bands, and so much more! End the night with the City of Flora's fireworks show!

July 4th



Other Dates

Chamber Bowling Night
March 22nd

Home & Garden Show
April 27th

Chamber Job Fair
Aug. 10th

Murder Mystery Dinner
Sept. 7th

Flora Halloween Parade
Oct. 26th

Moonlight Madness
Nov. 1st

Small Business Saturday
Nov. 30th

"Polar Express" @ The Depot
Dec. 13th & Dec. 14th
Dec. 20th & Dec. 21st

Chamber Raffles

Pork Raffle
Ticket go on sale:
Feb. 1st
Drawing: April 1st

Beef Raffle
Ticket go on sale:
Sept. 3rd
Drawing: Nov. 4th

Disc Golf Tournament

Food, Fun & Disc Golf!
36 holes played - 2 rounds of 18. Standard scramble "best disc" rules!

Open to the public.
Registration Required.

Aug. 12th



Chamber members,

If you happen to notice that the chamber FB page isn't getting your business or organizations posts shared, just drop us an email or a phone call! Facebook uses complicated algorithms that can hide many of the posts from our members' pages that we have liked, and we don't want to miss you! Just give us a holler and we can reset that goofy algorithm so we see your posts! Thank you!!

facebook

Anna Rounds, Executive Director

**MEETING
TIME**

Chamber Board Meeting
will be Tuesday,
January 9th at 12:00 at
The Depot!



Our meetings are open for any Chamber member to attend.
We value your input and encourage you to attend.

The following pages were submitted by Chamber members that wanted help spreading the word of their events coming up. You can submit your information to the Chamber office and it will be included in the newsletter at no additional cost to you. It is one of your benefits of being a Chamber member. You can email your info to florachamberofcommerce@gmail.com.



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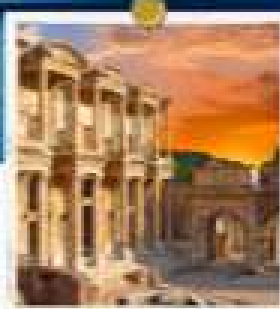
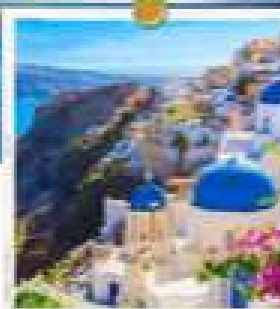
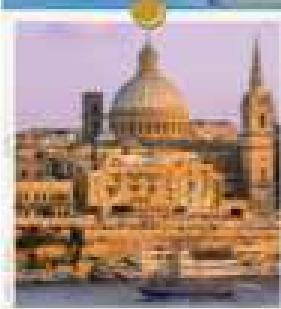
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TIME TO CRUISE



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June 10 - 17, 2024

ITINERARY:

- June 10 - Barcelona, Spain
- June 11 - Cruising
- June 12 - Valletta, Malta
- June 13 - Cruising
- June 14 - Santorini, Greece
- June 15 - Ephesus, Turkey
- June 16 - Mykonos, Greece
- June 17 - Athens, Greece

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Fine Arts Special Rental Rate

\$50 per event- This rate is for event put on by an organization or business in the fine arts field, for example, music, painting, photography, dance, tumbling, theater and more!

The Nostalgia Board reserves the right to determine if an event falls under this category.

All Other Rental Rates

3 Hours or Less

Morning rate: \$100 (Up until 11:59 am)
Afternoon rate: \$150 (12:00 noon to 4:59pm)
Evening rate: \$200 (5:00 pm and later)

These rates require a \$25 non-refundable deposit to hold your date. This time must include set up, the event itself and clean up. If the event goes over the time allotted, the rate will be adjusted accordingly based on the all day rate pricing.

All Day Rentals (more than 3 hours)

\$500 per day

This rate requires 50% down as a deposit, with a refund option only up until 30 days before the event. If a cancellation is made after 30 days up to the event, the deposit is non-refundable.

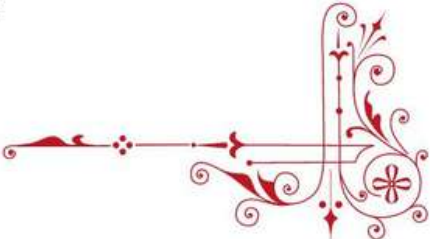
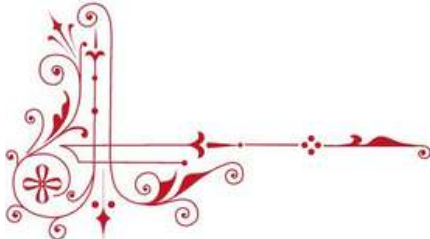
Wedding Package

\$3,000 All Inclusive

*Includes rental of the venue for one to three days. (For example, Friday for decorating/dress rehearsal/etc, Saturday for the wedding ceremony and Sunday for clean up). Includes venue, tables, chairs and sound system as well.

The Nostalgia Board reserves the right to host independently any event such as live music, theater plays, comedians and the like. There will be opportunities for businesses to partner with the theater and sponsor these types of events if desired.

The Nostalgia Theater Company
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Discovery To Recovery Outpatient Substance Abuse Awarded \$5,000 Grant

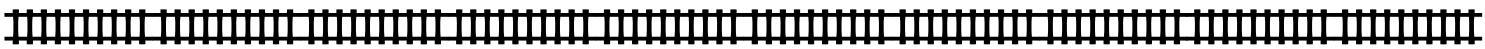


Wabash Communications and the Foundation for Rural Services were honored to award a \$5,000 grant to the Discovery To Recovery Outpatient Substance Abuse Program in Effingham, IL. The money that was awarded from this grant will help enhance the substance abuse program, provide new equipment, expand digital inclusion, and offer improved telehealth options. Wabash Communications is grateful for the opportunity to be able to support this program and a make positive impact on lives in Effingham County!

Broadband In The Classroom



Wabash continues to empower young minds! Last month, we visited both 3rd grade classes at North Clay Elementary School and taught them about fiber. The kids not only got to touch actual fiber-optic material, but they also had the opportunity to create a replica of a fiber protector box. A fiber protector box is located on the exterior of customers' homes, serving as the point where the fiber emerges from the ground, undergoes fusion with another strand, and is then brought into the house. We love answering questions and educating the youth about our fiber optic internet!

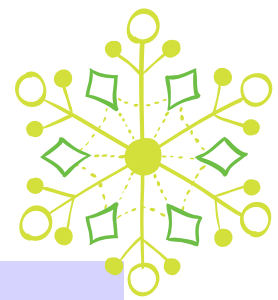
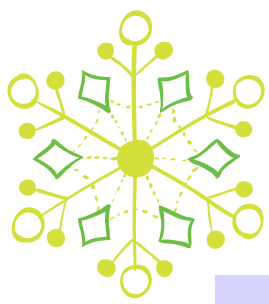


Mommy & me

Story Hour
Program

Friday, January 12th
at 10am





New Year, New Resolution



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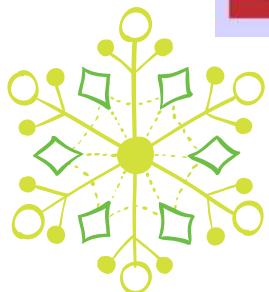


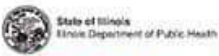
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Space Heater Safety



- Make sure your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are in good working condition.
- Make sure the heater is clean and in good condition.
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- Turn off your space heater and unplug it before leaving the room or going to bed.





Full Armor Louisville Winter Update

Our Mission

At Full Armor, our goal continues to be raising up Kingdom Warriors alongside the family and the local church in the vein of Deuteronomy 6:5-7 when Moses commands the people to keep God in every aspect of their lives. We strive to provide an environment which does just that in challenging secularization. Instead of compartmentalizing faith from the various areas of study, our students discover how God's hand is evident in math, history, science, and more.

In this pursuit, our students are well prepared for academic success due to our rigorous curriculum, small class sizes, and wonderful teachers who are constantly learning and evaluating what works best for each student. Last year's third grade tested a full grade level higher in nearly every subject because of these academic opportunities.

In addition to academics, the value of service and community are instilled in our students as they engage in projects throughout the county and on campus. They find responsibility in the classroom and across the school as they steward their own spaces well and invest in younger students. The education our students receive truly develops the whole person.



Fall '23 Highlights

- Beautiful Veteran's Day program
- Jr. High Varsity basketball team went 4-2 in our second season
- Campus remodeling and procedure changes to increase security
- Introduction of Apprenticeships for high school students
- Over 20 students taking private voice or piano lessons on campus
- New computer lab

Graduation Statistics (Classes '17-'23)

34 Students have graduated from Full Armor

- 76% have gone on to college
- 36% have received scholarships to universities, Christian colleges, and junior colleges
- 17% majored in education
- 17% went into ministry
- 17% went to trade schools
- 9% enlisted to serve our Country
- 18% were prepared to enter the work force

Alum Testimonial

"Full Armor had a major impact on my faith journey. Everything about Full Armor is Christ-centered, the teachers, the students, and the curriculum. At Full Armor we were shown and assisted in living out the life God paved for us. My basic knowledge of the Bible improved and helped me not just learn about Jesus, but learn how to grow in my relationship with Him. I knew it was God's plan for me to go to Full Armor. He brought me friends that will last a lifetime and my husband, and I am forever thankful for my time there!

~Kaylee (Arnold) Hammond, 2018 Graduate

Parent Testimonial

We have been with the school since the beginning class. We have absolutely noticed and enjoyed all of our children's growth in faith due to the school. We absolutely believe in and recommend the school because we believe children, and this world in general, need more faith. We also like the curriculum and the student to teacher ratio. Our world needs good kids/people, and Full Armor helps make them.

~Chris & Dawn Murbarger



Saturday, March 16, 2024 Dinner at 6:00PM Friendship at 5:00PM
Full Armor Louisville Gymnasium



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Winter-themed illustrations including a beanie, mittens, and a hot drink.An advertisement for insurance services. It features a photograph of a house with a porch and white chairs. A dark blue text box on the right contains the text: "you might not know we have life, home, auto, and business insurance. now you do. simple human sense".

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Winter Hydration Tips



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Carry a refillable water bottle.



Drink at least 64 oz. (women) to 96 oz. (men) ounces daily.



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Rehydrate with a mix of fluids and electrolytes.

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GRADUATION

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NEW CHILD

Arrival of a new child is an exciting time, but it also brings new responsibilities for parents, both as caregivers and providers. Planning ahead can help.



NEW CAREER OR JOB CHANGE

Beginning your career or changing jobs can be both exciting and overwhelming. While you are learning new job responsibilities, you're faced with some financial decisions. Your financial advisor can assist you with a comprehensive review of your investments and advise you on strategies to develop a disciplined savings approach.



RETIREMENT

Your financial advisor can help you create a retirement plan and help evaluate if you need to adjust your savings, goals or target retirement date.



GETTING MARRIED

As you prepare to head down the aisle, remember that starting a new life with your spouse involves many financial considerations.



CONTROLLING YOUR LEGACY

Some think "estate planning" is only for the wealthy. However, regardless of wealth, you likely have an idea of how you would like your assets distributed upon your death or who you prefer to make decisions for you in the event of incapacity. This desire for control is the true purpose for estate planning.



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 **TIME: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

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CANNABIS IN THE WORKPLACE

Join us in-person or online along with Brian Wacker, a St. Louis-based attorney as we discuss the legalities of Cannabis use in the workplace.

Workshop Details:

- ✓ January 30th
- ✓ 10 am-12 pm
- ✓ At Terry L. Bruce West Richland Center or hosted online
- ✓ <https://forms.office.com/r/hrGYUq0bTr>

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Christmas Trees on Parade



2023 Winners



Best Christmas Theme
The Country Closet



All Time Favorite
Frank & Bright Funeral Home



Most Creative
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Congratulations!

Our appreciation to all who made the 2023 Christmas Trees on Parade beautiful with trees, wreaths and holiday cheer!

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7	10:30	Comm. Worship w/ Sp. Guest Bates Family	Clay City United Methodist Church
7	1:00 PM	Gym Bob's Christmas Jamboree	Gym Bob's - Bible Grove
8	9:00-11:00 AM	Clay County Ministerial Alliance's Food Pantry	1101 Austin Avenue
9	10:00 - 2:00 PM	Blood Drive	Community of Christ Church
12	10:00 AM	Mommy & Me	Flora Public Library
13	5:00 PM	Benefit Dinner for Emma Keeling	Flora Moose Lodge
15	9:00-11:00 AM	Clay County Ministerial Alliance's Food Pantry	1101 Austin Avenue
16	10:00 AM	Alzheimers Support Group	Clay County Health Department
16	2:00 PM	Seasoned Circle	Clay County Hospital
22	9:00-11:00 AM	Clay County Ministerial Alliance's Food Pantry	1101 Austin Avenue
23	2:30 - 6:30	Blood Drive	Full Armor Academy Gym
27	6:00 PM	Flora Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet	Flora Elk's Lodge
29	9:00-11:00 AM	Clay County Ministerial Alliance's Food Pantry	1101 Austin Avenue

To add your community event to our community calendar, please look at our pinned posts on our Facebook page and comment under that months community calendar post!

Deadline for all January Newsletter submissions will be Wednesday January 25th!

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