



The Business Voice

January 2017



The Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry is hosting its 2017 Awards Banquet on Friday, February 24, at the Harlan Golf & Country Club.

The program will begin with cocktails at 5:30 p.m. At 6:00 p.m. we will start dinner provided by the Country Club. Next will be our entertainment, Magician/Hypnotist Jeff Quinn from Omaha, followed by the awards ceremony. During this time Citizen/Volunteer of the Year, Non-Profit Business of the Year, New Business of the Year, and Business of the Year will receive their recognition.

In keeping with tradition, we will hold a live auction, immediately after the awards ceremony. Silent auction items will be available for bidding throughout the evening.

Cost to attend this year's Chamber banquet will be as follows: \$30 per person; tables of 8 are \$240.

How can you be involved?

Purchase your tickets. Purchasing a table is also a great way to represent yourself and will ensure everyone in your party will be seated together. To purchase your tickets and/or table, call the Chamber office at 712-755-2114 or [email](mailto:carol@shelbycountycc.com) Carol.

Keep your eyes peeled on your email and the Chamber's Facebook page as we will continue to send out more information as February 24 approaches.

If you have not already liked our Chamber Facebook page, please do so.

For the Awards Banquet, the Chamber is currently accepting nominations for the Shelby County Citizen/Volunteer of the Year, the Non-Profit Business of the year, New Business of the Year, and Business of the Year.

To nominate an individual or non-profit business, please email your nomination to info@exploreshelbycounty.com or mail your nomination to the Chamber at 1901 Hawkeye Ave, Suite 101, Harlan IA 51537. Nominations are being accepted through Friday, February 3.

To nominate our Chamber members for New Business and Business of the Year, please fill out our [voting ballot](#). Voting is open until Friday, February 3.

We appreciate all your support for the Chamber and look forward to seeing you at the awards banquet.





Tips & Tricks



Veteran's Affairs Certified Community Homes:

A community nursing home, that is VA certified, is a place where Veterans can live full-time and receive skilled nursing care with other Veterans, referred to as "camaraderie", and among residents who aren't Veterans. Many of these community homes are set in rural areas mostly to give Veterans a chance to be closer to family. State VA Homes are generally located in cities. There are two big reasons that Veterans choose to live in VA certified community homes. One is for the camaraderie feel and to be among those who share the same memories and have the same associated hardships. Two, is for financial reasons. The VA will only pay for VA certified nursing care if you meet eligibility criteria involving your connected status, level of disability, and income. To find out more about your eligibility, contact a VA social worker at (800) 827-1000. These types of community nursing homes generally accept multiple types of payments including: VA Assistance (if qualified), Medicaid, Medicare, private insurance & private pay.

Post-Acute Rehabilitation & Outpatient Therapy:

Do not look at nursing homes as a one and done scenario. The healthcare industry is always evolving towards better outcomes for patients including residents in nursing homes. Most nursing homes are equipped with therapy departments and some of the best ones offer outpatient therapy. Nursing homes who offer outpatient therapies are there for the purpose of aiding you with a wide variety of issues including: total joint surgery, spinal fractures, muscle imbalances, post-surgical rehab, arthritis, osteoporosis, neurological disorders, falls & balance loss, pain and incontinence. Nursing homes offer short term stays to jump start your recovery process so that you can go home with all the right tools to succeed. It is great when rural communities can offer these services to help you rehabilitate near your home and near loved ones which is very important for quality of life. To start outpatient therapy, you should always visit with your doctor first and then have them send orders to your preferred therapist. It is important to note that therapists need doctors' orders first before they can set up a therapy appointment with you.

Pet Therapy- Music Therapy- Art Therapy- Spiritual Outreach:

All of these are necessary. Nursing facilities implement these types of therapies because they help the soul! Animals love people and somehow know when someone isn't feeling their best. Dogs are man's best friend for a reason and cats not only cuddle to be close to you but they are showing that they genuinely care for you. Music therapy helps us remember rhythm and sounds bring back familiar memories from different times in our lives. Art therapy helps us express our feelings and release creative energy. Spiritual outreach is to help our souls heal and guide us through our journey. All of these types of therapies add to and expand your life experiences.

[Salem Lutheran Homes Rehabilitation Center](#) is located at 2027 College Street, Elk Horn, IA. For questions please call 712-764-4201. Managed by the Evangelical Good Samaritan Society.

Chamber Gift Certificates



The Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry offers gift certificates that are accepted at many of our area's retailers, restaurants and professional services. The program is designed to promote and have consumers patronize Shelby County businesses. They make a perfect gift for employees, coaches, teachers, friends and family. Gift certificates can be purchased in any denomination. There is no minimum purchase required. All major credit cards, checks and cash accepted.

Certificates are easy to purchase. On our [website](#), call the office 712-755-2114, [email](#) or stop by and see us.

Each gift certificate expires after six months from the date of issue.

Article Submissions

We are looking for content from Chamber members about your business that would be interesting to others, providing us with valuable and useful information. Tell us something new or some interesting bit of information about your industry and how to use your products and services.

Articles should be informative, non-promotional, and should not be a commercial intended to steer readers to use your product or service before competitors.

You have a full page, so we are looking for articles of 300 to 500 words. Photos of your business are encouraged. Please submit your article and photos to [Carol](#). Our editorial committee (Todd, Carol, and Kelly) will review all submissions. We reserve the right to edit articles and to schedule them according to the needs of the publication.

Deadline: The second Friday of the month. Please make sure to include your company's contact information.

Friday Mornings at the Chamber's Conference Room

During the legislative session, Iowa State Representative Steven Holt will be available Friday mornings from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. at the Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry's Conference Room, 1901 Hawkeye Avenue, Harlan, to discuss issues that may have an impact on Shelby County. Appointments are not necessary. However, if you would like to schedule an appointment, please contact the Chamber at 712-755-2114.

SCCCI Mission Statement

To create a climate of opportunity for business growth, economic development, and a high standard of living throughout Shelby County.

Welcome New SCCCI Member

Osborn Auction, LLC

Joined January 3, 2017

SCCCI Membership Renewals

Iowa Workforce Development * Touch of Class

R & S Waste Disposal, LLC * Potter House Bed & Breakfast

Creative Concepts Collision Center, LLC * OXEN Technology

Health Promotions Strategies, Inc.

Floral Elegance & Unique Gifts

Monogram Prepared Meats, LLC

Knights of Columbus Council 3900

Kirk Petersen Certified Appraisals

All Chamber Membership Renewals are sent via email through our website, 30 - 60 days prior to their due date.

Legislative Coffee Series

The Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry invites Legislative representatives for an informal networking opportunity to discuss issues that may have an impact on Shelby County residents, businesses, the economy, state budget, taxes, etc. just to name a few. This is followed up by a question and answer period where you can ask specific questions on specific topics or concerns.



Each session begins at 10:00 a.m. and are open to the public. There is no cost for this event.

February 18. Sponsored by Nishnabotna Valley REC. Will be held at the REC office, 1317 Chatburn Avenue, Harlan, IA

March 18. Sponsor needed.

April 15. Sponsored by Dr. Lonnie Pitts. Location to be determined.

Upcoming Events

Baked Potato Bar, Tuesday, January 31, 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m., Salem Lutheran Homes & Rehabilitation Center, Elk Horn

Cash & Carry, Friday, February 3, 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, February 4, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.; Sunday, February 5, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. FarmTable Procurement & Delivery, Harlan

Annual Soup Cook-Off, Saturday, February 4, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Cardinal Loft Gym, Shelby.

Lunch & Learn, Wednesday, February 8, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Iowa Western Community College Development Center, Council Bluffs

Iowa Community Kitchen, every Tuesday evening, 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, Harlan

Advanced Workshop - Heart Talk, Sunday, January 15, 2017, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., St. Mary's Parish Hall, Panama.

Whimsical Winter Fun 2, Monday, February 20, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Museum of Danish America, Elk Horn

Snowshoeing at Prairie Rose State Park, Saturday, February 18, 2:00 p.m. Prairie Rose State Park, Harlan

Physical Therapy Open House, Tour & Ribbon Cutting, Thursday, February 23, 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Salem Lutheran Home & Rehabilitation Center, Elk Horn

Have a special event coming up? Let us know about it. Contact the Chamber office at 712-755-2114 or [email](#) Carol with your event information.

Contact Us: Give us a call at 712-755-2114 or [email](#) us for more information about becoming a Chamber member.

Club Level Members

Platinum Plus Club Members

City of Harlan

Harlan Industrial Foundation

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Monogram Prepared Meats, LLC

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Farmers Trust & Savings Bank

Midstates Bank

Silver Club Members

Elm Crest Retirement Community **Panama Transfer**

Variety Distributors, Inc.

Bronze Club Members

The Agency, Inc. **CDS Global** **Counsel Office & Document**

Cyclone Lanes **Fareway Stores, Inc.**

Harlan Golf & Country Club **The Harlan Tribune**

Hy-Vee **Keast Motors** **Terry Knapp Real Estate**

KNOD Radio Station **EJ Leinen - State Farm**

Molded Products **Nishnabotna Valley REC**

Pitts Family & Sports Chiropractic Center, PC

Smitty Bee Honey, Inc. **Subway** **Town & Country Credit Union**

Chamber Happenings

Upcoming Chamber Events:

Saturday, February 18 - Legislative Coffee Series, Nishnabotna Valley REC, Harlan

Friday, February 24 - Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry's Annual Awards Banquet, Harlan Golf & Country Club

Saturday, March 18 - Legislative Coffee Series. Sponsor needed

Wednesday, April 26 - Fun China Luncheon, Harlan Golf & Country Club



Sunday Farmer's Market - June 4 to October 8, 2017

Historical Harlan Downtown Square

612 Court Street

Harlan, Iowa 51537

[2017 Vendor Guidelines & Application](#)

Shelby County Harvest Market Contacts

[Kelly Doonan](#)

[Carol McHugh](#)

**2016-2017
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Milk & Honey, 1101 7th Street, Harlan, is launching their frequent diner club and passing savings on to you. Visit them 5 times and get a \$5 coupon. Also, get a \$5 coupon during your birthday and anniversary month. Stop in and get your card today.

SCCO/Hero's Attic, 1105 8th Street, Harlan, has some very interesting items that might surprise you, like ornate mirrors, unique lamps, and a variety of lighting fixtures. Open to everyone.

Want to find out more about the Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry? Visit our [website](#) and check us out on [Facebook](#) (when you do, make sure to "like us").

**Do You Have A New Member
To Refer Or Know Anyone Who Has
Moved Into The County?
Email Carol**

**January Blue Zones
Project Recipe**

For more recipes, [click here](#).

Creamy Squash & Bean Soup

Ingredients: 1 (15 oz.) can navy beans undrained, or 1 pound dried beans cooked; 2 cups low-sodium vegetable stock; 2 lbs. of butternut or other hard yellow squash, peeled and cubed; 2 tbsp. olive oil; 1 pint unsweetened coconut milk (light); pepper to taste; 1 dollop tofu cream (optional)

1. Cook squash in oil in covered pan over low heat.
2. Put both beans and squash through food processor or potato ricer, and return puree to vegetable stock.
3. Add milk, season with pepper and serve very hot.

Event Info

For additional information on community events, please visit our [events calendar](#).

February 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Grab & Go Emergency Case: Financial Records ISU Shelby County Extension – Harlan	2 Orphan Train Series Museum of Danish America – Elk Horn	3 FarmTable Procurement & Delivery Cash & Carry - Harlan	4 FarmTable Procurement & Delivery Cash & Carry – Harlan Building Blocks of Photography – IWCC Shelby Co. Center Harlan Shelby Co Trail & Depot Annual Soup Cook-Off Shelby Elvis Tribute – St. Boniface Parish Center Westphalia
5 FarmTable Procurement & Delivery Cash & Carry – Harlan	6	7 Iowa Community Kitchen Meal – Harlan	8 Lunch & Learn, IWCC Council Bluffs	9 Blood Drive, Harlan High School – Harlan Orphan Train Series Genealogy Center Elk Horn	10	11 Advanced Workshop Heart Talk, Schumacher Family Chiropractic Harlan
12	13	14 Valentine's Day Blood Drive, CDS Harlan Salem's King & Queen, Salem Lutheran Homes Elk Horn Iowa Community Kitchen Meal – Harlan	15 Blood Drive, St. Mary's Parish Center Panama	16	17	18 Legislative Coffee – Nishnabota Valley REC Harlan Snowshoeing, Prairie Rose State Park – Harlan
19	20 President's Day – Chamber office closed Whimsical Winter Fun 2 – Museum of Danish America	21 SCCC Board Meeting Iowa Community Kitchen Meal – Harlan	22	23 Physical Therapy Open House, Tour & Ribbon Cutting, Salem Lutheran Homes – Elk Horn	24 SCCC Annual Awards Banquet - Harlan	25 Paraeducator Class IWCC - Harlan
26	27	28 Iowa Community Kitchen Meal – Harlan	Notes:			

March 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Stargazing, Prairie Rose State Park - Harlan	4
5	6 Blood Drive, Irwin Community Building	7 Iowa Community Kitchen Meal – Harlan	8 Lunch & Learn, IWCC Council Bluffs	9	10	11 Paraeducator Class IWCC - Harlan
12	13	14 Blood Drive, Veteran's Memorial Building - Harlan Iowa Community Kitchen Meal – Harlan	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 Legislative Coffee TBA
19 Spring Wildflower Hike, Prairie Rose State Park - Harlan	20	21 SCCC Board Meeting Iowa Community Kitchen Meal – Harlan	22	23	24	25 Paraeducator Class IWCC - Harlan Home, Garden & Living Show – Harlan
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