

THE MILAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS...

Chamber Chat

Featured Business

University of Illinois Extension

Did you know the University of Illinois Extension is a true powerhouse of resources? It's true! Just check out the programs page on their website after reading this!

First, some history: The Smith Lever Act was passed July 1, 1914 by Congress, which provided states with federal funds for Land-Grant Colleges and Universities to use to establish the national Cooperative Extension System. The purpose of these Extensions is to educate and inform the public on an array of topics ranging from agriculture and economic development to community leadership and youth development.

Today: There are 27 regional units located throughout Illinois where Extension staff operate, Milan being the location for the Rock Island County office, which is part of the unit that also serves Henry, Mercer, and Stark Counties. In total, the Extension serves more than 1.5 million people across the state each year, including nearly 200,000 who participate in 4-H youth programs. Their mission is to offer educational classes, programs, and resources that will help any individual, business, and community solve problems, develop skills, and build a better future. Whether your interest is in agriculture and natural resources, family and consumer sciences, youth programs, or community and economic development, the Extension has you covered.



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She also thoroughly enjoys watching the 4-H members grow and develop their leadership skills, feeling confident that the future is in good hands.

The Milan Chamber is so proud to have the University of Illinois Extension not only be a member of our organization but also of the Milan community. We are thrilled to hear that they look forward to many more years in the Village of Milan. Thank you for all your hard work!

Written by Ashley Gomez

Horticulture Attracting pollinators Treating diseases in your garden	Nutrition & Wellness Preventing chronic disease Adopting healthy lifestyles
Agriculture Discovering local consumers with IL Market Maker Using livestock & crop science research	4-H & Youth Becoming an effective leader Gaining real life experience through volunteerism
Community & Economic Dev. Developing resilient downtowns Building a comprehensive plan	



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And that only covers a fraction of it! It takes a fantastic team of people to provide such comprehensive services to our community. One such person, Becky Buckrop, Program Coordinator for our area, loves what she does:

“Developing programs that benefit the local community is one of the best aspects of working at Illinois Extension. We get to bring University research to help local families, farmers, businesses, and home owners” – Becky.

Upcoming Events

After-Hours Networking:

Anna's Village Tap

Thursday, April 26

5:00-7:00 PM

Walking Tacos

1st drink on us!

(\$3.50 value)

Connect with other business leaders to discuss B2B strategies, share updates, or team up for community events. Or simply stop by, say "hi," and have a drink.

MIP Art & Crafts Fair:

Eriksen Chevy Lot

Sunday, May 6

8:00 AM—4:00 PM

Suggested Donation: \$2

Explore dozens of booths for fun home and yard décor and so much more! The Milan Improvement Project hosts this event twice a year to raise funds for the Milan community.

General Meeting:

RIA Federal Credit Union

Wednesday, May 9

5:30—7:00 PM

Complimentary Meal

for Chamber Members

Additional & non-members \$9

Have dinner with other Chamber members and get to know more about RIAFCU. You can also check out the Milan Chamber office!

Ribbon Cuttings



Black Hawk Bank & Trust

334 2nd Avenue, Milan, IL 61264

May 1 | 4:30 PM

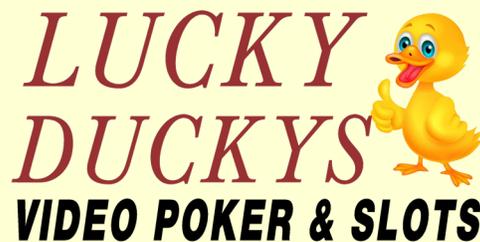
Food, Cornhole, & Tour

Lucky Duckys

725 1st Ave E, Milan, IL 61264

May 7 | 4:00 PM

Food & Fun



QC Pet Care

651 10th Ave W. Milan, IL 61264

May 12 | 11:00 AM

Meatheads Grill Out & Tour



General Meeting

RIA Federal Credit Union

110 E. 10th Ave. Milan, IL

Wednesday, May 9

5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

General Meetings provide an opportunity to gather and learn more about a member in a relaxed and enjoyable atmosphere.

It is free to attend and one complimentary meal will be provided to one representative per member company. Non-member and additional meals only cost \$9.00 each!

Please, join us for dinner this day!

Board Meeting Review

March 7, 2018

- The Milan Chamber website will feature local business and community resources for the benefit of all who visit the site. Other mentions will be limited to our members only.

April 4, 2018

- The Milan Chamber is selling two handmade bars. 6' 6" wide, 2.5' deep, 4' tall. Contact the Chamber office to express interest. Funds will support Milan Chamber Golf Outing.

Next Board Meeting: May 2 | 7:00 AM | The Welcome Restaurant

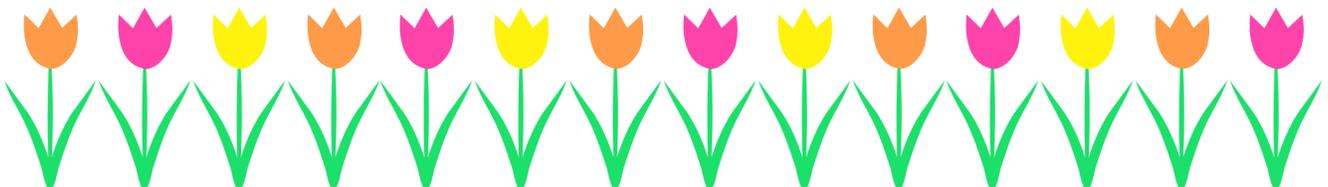
Want to Get Involved?

The Milan Chamber of Commerce is in search of volunteers and active members to help operate and host events.

If you or someone you know would like to volunteer at our Golf Outing on June 18 this year, please contact the Chamber office. Responsibilities will include setting up, tearing down, and other tasks as assigned.

If you would like to co-host an event in the Village of Milan, then please contact us to receive a Community Event Submission form. We'd love to help!

Working together to make Milan a better place to live, work, and play!





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Anna's Village Tap
Audiology Consultants P.C.
Avonlea Cottage of the Quad Cities
B & B Draintech QC, Inc.
B & B Hardware
Beardsley Printery, Inc.
Blackhawk Bank & Trust
Blackhawk Township
Brad Ellis- Freelance Graphic Design
Brandt Construction
Buckrop Chiropractic
Burke Cleaners
CharNor, Inc.
Cimco Recycling Milan, Inc.
Coach House Garages
Cobblestone Milan LLC
Del Steiert
Elliott Aviation
Eriksen Chevrolet-Buick
Goetz Concrete Construction Corp.
Great Clips
Group O, Inc.
Happy Joes Pizza Grille
High Cliff Estates
Hurst Manufacturing Co.
Hy-Vee
IH Mississippi Valley Credit Union
IMEG
Johannes Bus Service
Johnston & Wilson PC/Accounting & Taxes
Ken (Moose) Maranda
Lakewood Electric & Generator Service, Inc.

Lucky Duckys
McDonald's
Meatheads Meat Market
Milan Liquor & Milan Laundromat
Milan Medical Group
Milan Storage
Mill Creek Mining
Millennium Waste, Inc.
MIP
Modern Woodmen
Mr. Ed's
Mutual Wheel Co.
MVP Collinson Repair
P & G Real Estate Investments
Pagalo's Pizzeria & Gelato Café
Pinnacle Country Club
Quad City Animal Welfare Center
Quad Cities Concrete Products LLC
Quad City Pet Care
RIA Federal Credit Union
Roth Pump Company
Rudy's Taco
Skip-a-Long Family & Community Services
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