The Chamber Sun March 2018



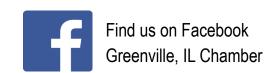
From the Chamber office:

Spring is trying to test us I would say. Here in the Chamber of Commerce office though, it is nice and sunny every day! Don't hesitate to call the chamber office with any questions you may have about events happening in the area. Also, any business wanting to get involved is welcome to contact the office for sponsorship opportunities! Enjoy the April addition of "The Chamber Sun."

Sincerely,

Kayley Woker

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Executive Director,
Greenville Chamber of Commerce



Chamber Information

Currently all Business After Hour time slots are filled. Please contact the Chamber to put your business on a wait list.

Please contact the Chamber of Commerce if you are a new business or changing locations.

The Chamber would like to host a Ribbon Cutting!

Upcoming Chamber Events

Business After Hours Schedule

Business After Hours - Thursday, 5-7 p.m.

May 2 (Wednesday) Bond County CEO (5-6 p.m.)

September 6 HSHS Holy Family Hospital

October 4 First National Bank

November 1 Homescape Supply

December 6 Bradford National Bank

Ad space available now in the Greenville Chamber Sun.

This ad could be yours for just \$25.00 per issue.

Call the Chamber office at 664-9272 or email to reserve your spot.

Job openings can be posted in the Chamber Sun.

Call the Chamber office at 664-9272 or email greenvilleilchamber@gmail.com to share your openings.

Goldsmith Named 2018 Turley Award Winner



John Goldsmith has been named the recipient of the 25th annual Gerald Turley Memorial Award by the Greenville Chamber of Commerce. Those nominating Goldsmith cited his involvement with the annual Greenville Memorial Day program, Greenville Graffiti Car Show, Greenville Lions Club, Bond County Historical Society, and Greenville Bicentennial. He serves as the volunteer curator for the DeMoulin Museum and as a co-chairman on the Bond County Independence Day Festival.

An event honoring John Goldsmith will be May 3, Desserts & Program - 7:00 pm at Donnewald Distributing Meeting Room.



Bond County CEO Trade Show

Featuring the individual businesses of our inaugural class of 12 students!

Wednesday, May 2 6-8 p.m.

Greenville 1st Presbyterian Church

Bond County CEO students will have booths promoting their individual businesses. See what they've been working on. Purchase their products or services. Learn more about CEO.

FREE ADMISSION



May Business After Hours

We are excited for our members to get a first look at the Bond County CEO students personal businesses from 5:00 - 6:00 pm at the Presbyterian Church. 501 N Idler Ln, Greenville, IL 62246

The Business After Hours is a special VIP early preview show just for the CEO investors and Chamber members. Punch and cookies will be served.

The Trade Show serves as the launch and public debut of the personal businesses that each of the CEO students have created. The Trade Show is open to the public from 6-8 pm.



Don't miss these upcoming events!

April 26-28 - Country Ella, The Factory Theatre

April 28-29 - From Trash To Treasure, Bond County Fairgrounds

May 2 - Business After Hours @ Bond County CEO Trade Show, Special Showing 5-6 pm

May 5 - Swap Meet & Collectibles Flea Market

May 5 - Car Cruise, Downtown Greenville

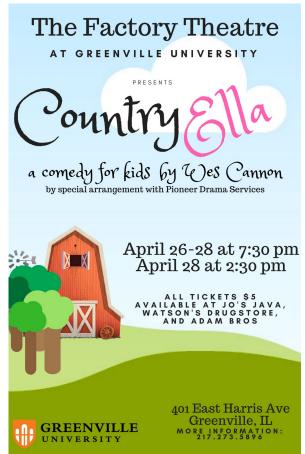
June 2 - Cheesefest, Marcoot's

June 16 - Greenville Graffiti Car Show

June 30 - Hummingbird Festival

June 30 - Fourth Fest - Live concert featuring Kentucky Headhunters







Area Info

WGEL Radio Adds Solar Power to Transmitter Site



WGEL Radio in Greenville has been broadcasting on 101.7FM for over 30 years, and this spring added a solar panel ground array to its transmitter site.

"The Solar Panels will dramatically reduce our energy bills and let us produce clean power that qualifies for Solar Renewable Energy Credit, making the array a great investment for our business" said General Manager Tom Kennedy.

The panels went live in March and have been generating power every day, even when its cloudy. "That was one of the surprises to me when we started researching solar power. We found conditions don't need to be perfect to produce energy" said Kennedy. WGEL Radio hopes to recoup the cost of the solar array over the next 3-4 years, and the panels should continue to produce energy for 20 or more years.

"We partnered with Tick Tock Energy and Pals Electric, both with many years of experience putting together solar arrays. As a radio station, we never want to be off the air, and they were able to do all the work without any broadcast interruptions."

WGEL Radio will consume most of the energy that is produced by the 20 KW system but any over production will be sent back into the grid. Southwestern Electric is the power supplier at the radio station's tower site off Route 127.

"It's a great thing to produce clean energy, but this was a business decision and an investment that will pay off for years to come. Tick Tock energy even set up an App called Sunny Portal that allows us to monitor just how much energy is being produced. It's another reason to smile when the sun is shining," said Kennedy.

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6th Annual Cardinal Baseball Luncheon



The man who sported a Fu Manchu mustache and equally intimidating nickname is this year's guest speaker at the 6th Annual Cardinals Baseball Lunch, sponsored by the Greenville Chamber of Commerce.

Al "The Mad Hungarian" Hrabosky will meet fans during the event on Thursday, May 17 at Donnewald Distributing, 2100 Samuel Andrews Dr. in Greenville. A barbecue lunch prepared by Wes Pourchot will be served at 11:30, followed by a Q & A session with Hrabosky then autographs.

FIRST CEO TRADE SHOW COMING

The inaugural Bond County CEO (Creative Entrepreneurial Opportunities) class will showcase their individual businesses Wednesday, May 2 at a trade show in the Greenville First Presbyterian Church gym. The show is 6 to 8 p.m. and admission is free. Those attending can purchase products or services from the students, who will each have their own booth.

Created around ten years ago by the Midland Institute in Effingham, CEO is a unique yearlong experience for students who apply and are selected for the class. A dozen students from Greenville and Mulberry Grove high schools have spent ninety minutes each morning before school meeting local business leaders and touring businesses. CEO is funded by local investors and is coordinated outside of the school system, but with the cooperation of both school districts.

Students and their businesses that will be spotlighted at the trade show are:

Zach Bohannon, Zach's Custom Designs, a decor business based around decals.

Tyler Bryant, Candles and Nothing More, high quality homemade candles and candle melts.

Mara Calderairo, Aroma Packs, dual-purpose heat or cold packs, filled with rice saturated in essential oils.

Alyssa Dothager, Al's Comfy Covers, comfortable tie blankets for all ages.

Cody Gaffner, Cody's Custom Carts, tailors golf carts to the consumer's values and needs, such as a 6" lift kit, large all terrain tires, light kit, and flippable back seat.

Jason Kennedy, Jason's Clean Cut Lawns, lawn mowing service.

Jenna Koonce, A Queen's Treasure, quality jewelry for all ages.

Lauren Meadows, Lauren's Décor, old bottles and jars repurposed into useful items and decorations.

Makenzie Riggins, Kenzie's Care Collection, a body care company offering five all natural products.

Mason Schweppe, Schweppe's Assistance Services, providing a variety of assistance services like grocery delivery, house maintenance, yard work, junk removal, and more.

Kaitlynn Smith, Nostalgic Captures, photography helping people create and capture important life moments

Reauna Stiff, Re's Tees & Designs, a t-shirt business specializing in vinyl heat press design orders.

The public is welcome to the trade show to meet these young business owners and learn more about Bond County CEO. The students for the upcoming CEO school year have been selected and will be announced in the near future.





CREATING ENTREPRENEURIAL
OPPORTUNITIES





2nd Annual Community Bicycle Drive

Co-sponsored by The First National Bank and Greenville Police Department

MONDAY APRIL 23-MONDAY MAY 7 RECYCLE THAT BICYCLE

Donate your new or gently used bicycle or bicycle parts (seats, tires, baskets, training wheels) to our Community Bicycle Drive. All sizes of bicycles accepted! Monetary donations made payable to Greenville Police Association for the purchase of additional parts and safety equipment are also welcomed!

Saturday May 19 10 AM BIKE GIVEAWAY

The collected bicycles will be on display at The First National Bank where children between the ages of 5 and 12 may register to select a FREE bicycle. Registration begins at 10 AM with the bicycle giveaway to begin at 10:15 AM. First come, first serve. There is a 1 bike per child limit. While supplies last.

10 AM- 12 PM BICYCLE SAFETY COURSE

Presented by Greenville Police Department FREE to children of all ages! Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Helmets are required. Must provide your own bike.



Donations may be taken to The First National Bank, 1310 E. Route 40 in Greenville, during regular lobby hours.

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