

March Program Day—Quality of Life



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2017 LJC Tour of Spain Wine Event

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Getting to Know the Class of 2017



Darren Habig

Electro-Spec, Inc. (Director of Business Development)

Family: Wife, Becki (married 24 yrs); Daughter, Hayli (22 yrs old); Son, Jake (21 yrs old)

Where do you live: Greenwood

What is your favorite LJC moment or lesson to date: Civil Civic Discourse. It is important to have a discussion and disagree without becoming angry and disrespectful.

What is innovative in your field of work: Electro-Spec has developed an anti-microbial plating finish. The finish is applied to metal and has many potential uses. We have spoken to several industries, from dairy to neurosurgeons to DoD.

What or who inspires you: Jesus Christ. He is my Lord and Savior and my hope is to glorify Him in what I say and do.

Number one skill you practice that makes you successful: "Be where you are" is my favorite phrase. It means to be present where you are and who you are with.

Something on your bucket list: Running the length of Indiana when I turn 50 (little over 2 years from now). I would like to find a way to raise money during the run.

Perfect pizza: I really enjoy the pizza at Jockamo's with crawfish on it, but my favorite pizza is Chicago style deep dish.



Stacy Wheeler

Bank Manager, First Merchants Bank

Family: Nelson (Husband), four daughters: Jessica, Sarah, Tara and Dayna, Dog: Zoey

Live: Greenwood, IN

Favorite LJC Moment: I love the team building activities, I also loved agriculture day.

Number one skill you practice that makes you successful: Great customer service

Hobbies and interests outside of work: Spending time with family and exercising

What things do you not like to do: Speak in front of large groups of people

What is your perfect pizza: Supreme

Favorite Restaurant: Johnny Carino's

If you could appear on one game show, what would you choose and why: Family Feud because Steve Harvey is awesome!

Name one word to describe yourself: Positive

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Dale Wright Retired

Family: Shannon (Wife of 41 years); two grown children, Jonathon and Jessica

Live: Bargersville, IN

Favorite Quote: Children, they are what we were, we are what they will be.

What movie are you looking forward to seeing and why: Hidden Figures because it is based on a true story.

Hobbies and Interests outside of work: Being a positive influence for grandchildren

Something on your bucket list: Visit Alaska to see icebergs and The Northern Lights.

Name of a local business you utilize personally or professionally that provides an outstanding service: Honey Creek Auto Parts & Service –Bargersville.

Name one word to describe yourself: Fortunate.



John Spista Jr. Financial Center Manager, Old National Bank

Family: Deborah-Wife Children-John, Andrew, and Stephanie

Live: Greenwood, Indiana

Favorite LJC Moment: Going to Camp Atterbury

Hobbies and Interests outside of work: I am a big Colts fan

Something on your bucket list: Travel to Italy and France

What is your perfect Pizza: Thin crust with sausage, mushrooms and onions

What is your favorite restaurant: Ruth's Chris Steakhouse

Name one word to describe yourself: Honest



Amanda Cottingham Owner, Bay Horse Inn

Family: Emma (10) and Eli (9)

Where do you live: Greenwood

Number one skill you practice that makes you successful: giving back to the community.

Favorite quote: When life gives you lemons, make lemonade.

Tell me about a project or accomplishment that you consider to be the most significant in your career: Bringing Bay Horse Inn to life.

What is your perfect pizza: Ale Emporium Pepperoni Pizza

What is your favorite restaurant: St. Elmo's

Name of a local business you utilize personally or professionally that provides an outstanding service: Spotlight Strategies.

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Craig M. Koch

Construction Project Manager for Browning Investments

Family: Wife of 13 years, Amy. Children – Marin, 8 – Mason & Riley, 7 (Boy & Girl Twins), and Reagan, 3

Where do you live: Greenwood, IN – East of 65 out in the country – Whiteland School System

What is your favorite LJC moment or lesson to date: My favorite LJC Moment so far has been our Group Project. Our CANstruction Competition between county schools was a great success, and our entire team did a fantastic job pulling it off.

What or who inspires you: Seeing my son put a hard hat on and say

he wants to be a “worker man” like daddy when he grows up, inspires me.

Number one skill you practice that makes you successful: Relationship building. Finding common ground with whoever you’re dealing with and making a connection.

Favorite quote: Persistence by Calvin Coolidge: *“Nothing in the world can take the place of Persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan ‘Press On’ has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race.”*

What movie are you looking forward to seeing and why: La La Land – I like musicals

Something on your bucket list: Be in a Broadway Production!

Tell me about a project or accomplishment that you consider to be the most significant in your career: I’m 38 years old and have accomplished a lot, but it’s still hard to top being able to say I’m an Eagle Scout.

*Join Us
as we celebrate the
Class of 2017!*

*You are cordially invited to
attend the*



Graduation - Class of 2017

*Wednesday, May 10, 2017
At 5:30 p.m.*

*Napolitan Student Center
Branigin Room
Franklin College*

*101 Branigin Boulevard,
Franklin, IN*

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*RSVP to Kelsey Kasting at
kkasting@franklincollege.edu.
Cost is \$25 per person. Please
send payment to LJC. No
cancellations will be accepted
after May 3*

*We hope that you will be
able to join us!*



ALUMNI IN THE

News

- Congratulations to **Don Goeb ('00)** who recently took a position as a Mortgage Loan Originator with Citizens Bank. Drop by and see him at the County Line office!
- Congratulations to **Mike Combs ('07)** for making the cover of South Magazine. Looking good Mike!
- Congratulations to LJC graduates **Jennifer Wilson, Amy Kelsey and Kate Taylor** for their appearance in the Southside Business Exchange Women in Leadership issue.



- Congratulations to LJC Founder **Bonnie Pribush**, who was the community member category award winner for the Franklin College Women of Distinction. Well deserved honor to an amazing woman!



- Home Bank SB has promoted **Scott Hines ('97)** to vice president/commercial loan officer. Congratulations!
- Congratulations to **Amy Kelsay ('03)** on her Distinguished Agriculture Alumni Award from Purdue.

- Congratulations to the 2017 Marty & Carolyn Williams Volunteer of the Year Award Winner **Stephanie Wagner ('10)**! Stephanie is a volunteer for several different local Franklin organizations!
- Congratulations to **Lauren Rynerson ('15)** who was recently named the Employee of the Year for Hickory Creek at Franklin.
- Congratulations, **Christie Killinger ('06)** is part of the Mitsubishi team who earned their INSHARP safety certification through the Indiana Department of Labor.
- Congratulations to **Don Cummings ('09)** who was recently appointed by Mayor Mark Myers to the Greenwood Economic Redevelopment Commission.

LJC 2.0 - Placemaking, Prototyping and Risk-taking



POWER OF INNOVATION



Franklin College | Wednesday, April 19th

8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. | Keynote and Break-out Sessions

\$99.00 | LJC Alumni, Franklin and Greenwood Chamber Members

\$119.00 | General Public | [Registration Link](#)

Plenary Sessions



The Power of Innovation in Action—Tatiana Kovalou & Brenda Baily-Hughes

Innovation: a mighty tool that fosters new ideas, increases employee satisfaction, and keeps you one-step ahead in a competitive market. No one questions the value of innovation. But HOW do we stir our creative juices in order to innovate? How do we convince others that our innovations are great ideas worth an investment of time and resources? Join us in this fun, highly interactive session to experiment with two specific design thinking tools proven to flex your creative muscles. Practice and get immediate feedback on your influence skills.



How To Build an Innovative Culture—Jeb Banner

Jeb Banner is CEO and co-founder of SmallBox an Indianapolis based creative consultancy founded in 2006 as well as CEO and co-founder of Boardable, a board management software company founded in 2016. Jeb is the founder of Musical Family Tree, a nonprofit dedicated to spreading Indiana music, as well as a co-founder and past chair of the Speak Easy, an entrepreneurial co-working nonprofit located in Indianapolis. Jeb will share how he has embraced innovation across multiple business arenas.



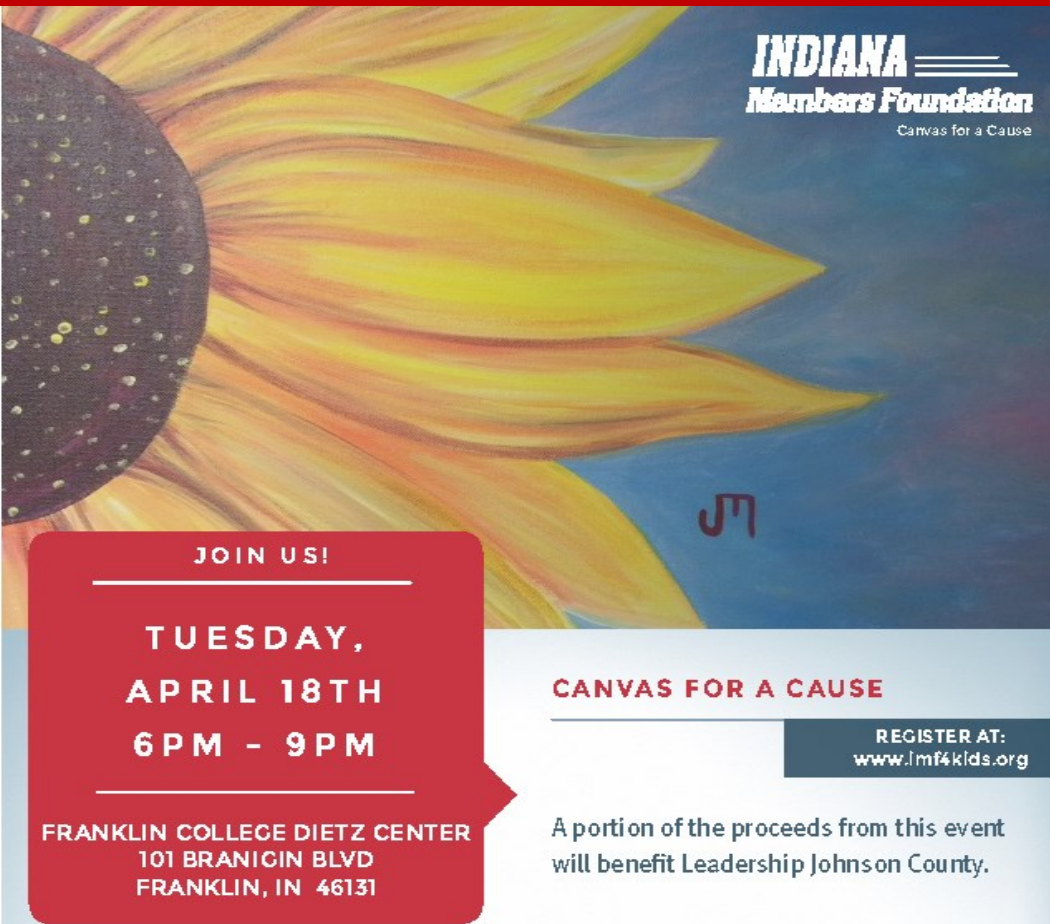
Embrace Your Inner Weirdo—INDYPROV

INDYPROV is Indianapolis' only Emmy-nominated improv comedy troupe. This group will engage the audience with a training on how to apply improv techniques to help your team be more creative and solve problems differently. A fun and interactive way to finish a day of pushing outside your comfort zone.

Power of Innovation Leadership Symposium will also include an opportunity to choose between four break-out sessions throughout the day. Lunch is provided. For more information, please contact Kelsey Kasting at kkasting@franklincollege.edu or visit our website at www.leadershipjohnsoncounty.org



Alumni Relations Event



INDIANA
Members Foundation
Canvas for a Cause

JOIN US!

**TUESDAY,
APRIL 18TH
6PM - 9PM**

**FRANKLIN COLLEGE DIETZ CENTER
101 BRANICIN BLVD
FRANKLIN, IN 46131**

CANVAS FOR A CAUSE

REGISTER AT:
www.lmf4kids.org

A portion of the proceeds from this event
will benefit Leadership Johnson County.

Grab your friends and join LJC for our first ever Canvas for a Cause! Everyone welcome for a fun evening of good eats, painting and socializing!
Only \$40.00

[Register here!](#)



Give Back Gals Back for 8th Annual Event Benefitting Local Nonprofits

We are SUPER excited for the upcoming 8th Annual Give Back Gals golf outing at Hickory Stick Golf Club on Wednesday, June 7th! We hope you will join us for this "girls only" day of golf, networking and fun! Don't forget to share this with all of your friends and let them know how much FUN this outing is! The more the merrier!

Thanks again for your continued support of Leadership Johnson County, Habitat for Humanity of Johnson County and the Johnson Count Community Foundation through this outing!!! We can't wait to see you on the course and all the themes this year!!!

[Register Here!!](#)

EMPOWER
JOHNSON COUNTY
YOUTH FOCUSED PREVENTION

Empower Johnson County Seeking Answers

Empower Johnson County is a local coalition working to "empower the Johnson County community to prevent and reduce youth substance abuse through advocacy, education, and enforcement" and is looking for your help! Below is a link to a survey that will allow you to share your thoughts about problems that we are facing in our community.

Individual participation and responses will be kept anonymous, and all results will be utilized in aggregate form to help with prevention planning in the community. Please take a few minutes and complete the [survey](#) and pass it along to your friends, colleagues, students, and parents. All responses are welcome and appreciated!

FRANKLIN COLLEGE



April 20, 2017

We challenge you to #GivetoGRIZ on April 20th!

You have 24 hours to spread the word, share your pride and support Franklin College during this fifth annual day of giving. Together, we can make a huge GROWL for all to hear how much we love being a GRIZZLY.

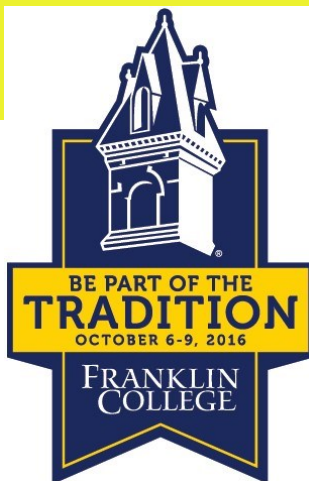
Gifts on this day will support the Franklin Fund which provides vital assistance to prepare students, through the liberal arts and sciences, to think independently, to lead responsibly, and to serve with integrity in their professions, their communities and the world.

Thanks to the generosity of several donors, there will be opportunities to unlock over \$30,000 by achieving several challenges throughout the day. Please help us reach our goal of 600 donors and raising \$90,000 for the day.

Save the Date!

Franklin College
Homecoming

October 6th—9th, 2017



Join Franklin College Alumni For Upcoming Events

Celebrate Franklin College's birthday!
Contact the [Alumni Engagement team](#) if
you would like to host a Pub Night in
your area!

LOCATIONS:

The Willard Franklin, Indiana
June 1 from 5:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.

Join us for a

Day at Churchill Downs

Watch a LIVE simulcast of the
Belmont Stakes
Saturday, June 10

Depart Franklin College at 10 a.m.
Return to FC by 9 p.m.

Your \$60 registration includes
transportation to and from Churchill
Downs, admission, a racing program and
a buffet meal.

For Louisville area alumni, your
registration will be \$50. Please plan to
provide your own transportation to
Churchill Downs.

Seating is limited! [So sign up now!](#)

FRANKLIN FACILITY MANAGER DON KINSEY RECEIVES MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The 2017 College of Mentors for Kids Annual Inspire Awards was held on February 23rd. The Inspire Awards had nominations in seven different categories and celebrates outstanding mentors in the community. Seven inspiring community leaders were named Mentors of the Year. Facility Manager, Don Kinsey, was nominated by his peers in the category of Business, Retail & Service. Don was awarded Mentor of the Year in this category for mentoring excellence in the workplace and community.

“Don has immersed himself into changing the culture at the Franklin, Indiana facility,” said Franklin Business Manager, Lee Anspaugh. “His effort to encourage community involvement and grow leaders in our company has made a tremendous difference. He is all in all of the time; A terrific leader of leaders.”

“Don has been committed to not only participating in community events but being a champion for our facility, encouraging our employees to become involved” said Engineering Manager, Quincy Crabb. “It is through his leadership and examples that I have been encouraged to participate in several great events such as Habitat for Humanity, Day of Caring, United Way School Supply Drive and others. His Leadership has inspired me as well as others to make a personal commitment to become more involved with the community where we live and work.”

A growing nonprofit organization, [College Mentors for Kids](#) pairs over 2,500 first- through sixth-grade children with 2,700 local college student mentors. College Mentors' signature mentor program has chapters on 35 college and university campuses in Indiana, Arizona, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Virginia, New York, North Carolina, and Ohio.

Don is a Leadership Johnson County graduate from the Class of 2016. Great leadership Don!



Leadership Johnson County is committed to honoring the leadership within our community. Thank you to each of our graduates who move Johnson County forward through their efforts within and outside of their organizations. What new things have you accomplished? Please share them with us so we can all celebrate our wins together! Email information and photos to [Kate!](#)

Community Snapshots



SATURDAY, MAY 13th, 2017

10a.m. – 2p.m.

**A Family Event at the
Johnson County
Fairgrounds**

**A unique, interactive,
outdoor family
festival to allow children to
climb on, explore, and
discover their favorite
big trucks & vehicles!**

**\$5 per person,
ages 1-17
Adults are FREE**

**Bring your camera for lots of fun
photos of your kids!**

Questions? Contact beatsforbristol@yahoo.com
or (812)391-3588

Franklin Rotary Bike Ride—

Pedaling for a Purpose

Saturday, May 13th, 2017

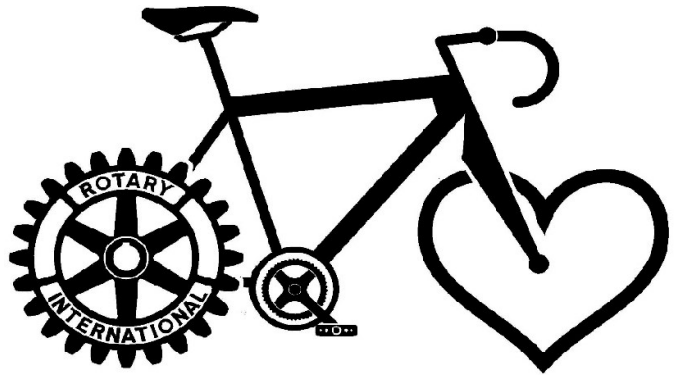
Registration: 7:15 a.m., Race begins at 8:00 a.m.

\$30.00 per person, ages 16 and over

**Proceeds benefit Rotary International
Foundation**

[Register Here!](#)

PEDALING FOR A PURPOSE



FRANKLIN ROTARY BIKE RIDE

Upcoming Chamber Events—Mark Your Calendar and Register Today

Franklin Chamber of Commerce Monthly Luncheon

Tuesday, April 13th | 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Indiana Masonic Home Compass Park
Community Center
690 State Street
Franklin, Indiana 46131

Cost to attend: \$20.00 per person, [RSVP Here!](#)

Zachary Churney of MIBOR will present: People
and Place: How and Why Placemaking Impacts
Economic Development and Housing Trends

Greater Greenwood Chamber of Commerce Annual Chamber Celebration

Thursday, April 27th | 11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.
Valle Vista
755 East Main Street
Greenwood, IN 46131

Cost to attend: \$30.00 per person, [RSVP Here!](#)

Come learn about the Chamber's work over the last year,
meet the Chamber's board directors, staff, ambassador
committee and partners. We'll also reveal the Chamber's
2016 annual business award winners, recognizing
outstanding business achievement, architectural
achievement, and member engagement!

