

**First Quarter 2022** 



# member showcase

Chamber membership includes a profile page in the Chamber website Member Directory. This is an opportunity to tell member stories and connect with potential member markets.

Chamber members are encouraged to update their directory profiles and create their member portal log-in credentials. Submit updates at

franklincoc.org/ member-listingupdate

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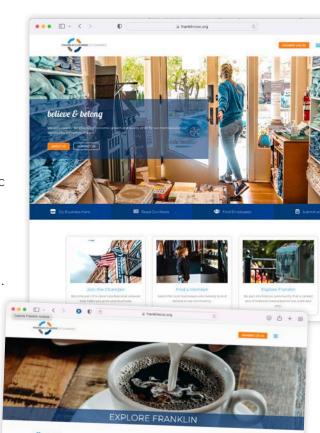
# New website features member benefits, doing business in Franklin

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce has kicked off the new year with a brand new digital space to tell the Chamber's story and to share member stories.

On January 17 the Chamber Jaunched a new website that features:

- → A beautiful design that includes dynamic images of the business community and the city's quality of life.
- → Lots of informative content about the benefits of belonging to the Chamber, doing business here and living in Franklin.
- → Easy and fast navigation, particularly on mobile devices.
- → A first-ever Community and **Chamber Calendar** where visitors can find and sign up for events, download reminders to their personal calendars and filter views based on their preferences.
- An expanded and descriptive **Member Directory** where members can share descriptions of products or services, provide digital networking links and feature a video.
- → A Chamber member portal where members can sign into their accounts to register for events, pay an invoice and update contact information.

The new website was a collaborative effort of Franklin Chamber members and staff, led by the team of Sean Miller and Jeff Owen of Franklin and Indianapolis-based digital



marketing company Clever Dogs Media in the development of the site as well as Maleta Schmidt of Crescent Creative in branding and presentation. Combined, Sean, leff and Maleta have over 30 years of involvement with the Franklin Chamber and together, saw Chamber staff and members through a process that focused on audience needs, messaging, technical specifications and design.

# **AN UNCERTAIN YEAR TEACHES**

# new ways of doing business



**DIRECTOR'S NOTES** Rosie Chambers. executive director

Happy New Year, everyone! I love to look back on the previous year and check the boxes of things accomplished

and goals met. However, in 2021 not all of my boxes were checked. It's been another year full of changes and challenges. As I look back on 2021 the words flexibility and grace pop in my head over and over again. We started 2021 enveloped in uncertainty. The first few Chamber luncheons of the new year were moved to on-line events. Our annual meeting which typically boasts 320+ attendees and features Franklin's State of the City Address had to be adapted to a pre-recorded video shown on YouTube. Even Mother Nature threw us a few curve balls as we rescheduled our golf outing twice due

to heavy downpours and a flooded golf course. 2021 was definitely about flexibility and learning to deal with whatever was thrown our way with grace. What I have noticed, however, is the way in which these things don't feel like setbacks but just a new way of doing business. I have learned to roll with changes and the art of giving myself flexibility and grace. What a valuable lesson!

Here we are at the start of a new year and we are already making decisions to adjust our schedule of events and adapt to the ever-changing health crisis. We hope we will be able to get back to visiting and touring our member businesses, to host after hours events, to reignite our young professionals network and to connect you with your local legislative leaders but many of those decisions will come later in the year and that's okay (flexibility and grace, remember?) I appreciate all the times we had to make



adaptations and the grace you have shown with each change. I appreciate your flexibility and I hope you have discovered the benefits of giving yourself flexibility and grace with your unchecked boxes.

Remember, as we navigate another year of uncertainty, the Franklin Chamber is here for you, your employees and the greater Franklin business community. And my door is always open!



Many shoppers on Shop Small Saturday (November 27) started the day at the Chamber's Start Here Open House.

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Events may be impacted by emerging health and safety guidelines related to COVID-19. Visit franklincoc.org for latest event updates.

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### CHAMBER LUNCHEON\*

**Date:** February 10, 2022 **Time:** 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. **Location:** Garment Factory Events, 101 E Wayne Street, Franklin **Program:** Franklin Chamber website

and community calendar

#### **ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET** & STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

Date: March 10, 2022 (subject to change)

**Time:** 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., doors

open at 11:00 a.m.

**Location:** Garment Factory Events, 101 E Wayne Street, Franklin

**Program:** State of the City Address

Tickets: \$30 per person



#### **HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

#### **CHAMBER OFFICE IS CLOSED:**

- Presidents' Day February 21
- Good Friday April 15



#### **MEMBER BENEFITS DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that the Chamber website has the most comprehensive Community Calendar for the greater Franklin area? Head to franklincoc.org to check out what the Chamber has going on as well as community events ranging from government to education and food/beverage to recreation.

#### **APRIL**

#### CHAMBER LUNCHEON\*

**Date:** April 14, 2022 **Time:** 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. **Location:** Garment Factory Events, 101 E Wayne Street, Franklin **Program:** Networking activity

\* For all monthly luncheons please RSVP by the Tuesday prior to the event. Lunch is \$20.

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**Anthony Daily** 3090 RJ Parkway Franklin, IN 46131 ICAcontrol.com

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Mike Leonard teamfocusindiana.org

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#### **NOVEMBER**

#### **BMO Harris Bank Stacy Oswald**

2389 N Morton Street Franklin, IN 46131 bmoharrisbank.com Banks, Financial Institutions

#### **Energy Oasis Eric Reamer**

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#### **TeamMIS**

#### **Dustin Coar**

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#### **DECEMBER**

#### **White River Broadcasting**

#### **Bob Morrison**

3212 Washington Street Columbus, IN 47201 wkkg.com Advertising, Entertainment, News Media



Find MEMBER PROFILES at www.franklincoc.org





# Active Leadership 🛧

The Franklin Chamber is led by a dedicated, volunteer board of directors. Four new members were welcomed for 2022:

- → Chelsea Cooley, Otterbein SeniorLife Franklin
- → Aleks Davis, B2S Life Sciences
- → Eric Leugers, Leugers Insurance Group
- → David Pfeiffer, Johnson County Museum of History





**Davis** 



Pfeiffer

### **CHAMBER BOARD AND STAFF**

President Kristen Loy

Vice President Amy Richardson

Treasurer

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Past President leff Dutton

Dr. David Clendening Chelsea Cooley Aleks Davis Mark Gavorski Eric Leugers Andy Moorman David Pfeiffer Lezlie Richards Betsy Schmidt Sally Wells

**Executive Director** Rosie Chambers

**Assistant Director** Anya McConnell

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