



Hello
March

CHAMBER

chat

MARCH | 2026



NEXT CHAMBER BOARD MEETING

March 10th, 2026 in the Depot
Train Room @ 12:00PM

*We value your input! Our meetings are open for any
Chamber member to attend.*



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How to Reach Us!



Online

www.florachamber.com



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618-662-5646



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Chamber Event



Caffeinate & Collaborate

Join us for our first monthly networking event!

Come and connect with other professionals, share what you do, and build meaningful relationships.

Coffee and Pastries provided by Flora's Diner
Must RSVP to attend

Date: Tuesday March 3rd

Time: 8am - 9am

Location: Flora's Diner



Member News



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SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026 • 6AM-12PM



*Enjoy Delicious
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Annual Open House!

- TIRE SALES
- MOWER DEALS
- STIHL EQUIPMENT SALES
- SIGN UP FOR GIVEAWAYS
- SALES REPS WILL BE HERE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ON MOWERS TOO
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*618.339.2008
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Member News



SAVE THE DATE
4TH ANNUAL

Raising Warriors Gala

IN AWE...

Full Armor Clay County

2/28/2026 AT 6 PM

600 ERWIN ST
LOUISVILLE, IL 62858

QR CODE ON THE BACK

FOR MORE INFORMATION
618-665-4441



Sponsorship Levels

RECOGNITION IN GALA PROGRAM AND AT ALL FULL ARMOR
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WARRIOR SPONSORSHIP(\$250)

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GOLD MEMBERSHIP(\$1,000)

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COME ENJOY AN EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT, A
CATERED MEAL, FUNDRAISING AUCTION AND
MUCH MUCH MORE!

WE ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR FULL ARMOR CLAY
COUNTY, A 501 C3 NON-PROFIT. PLEASE JOIN US IN
HELPING RAISE KINGDOM WARRIORS!

\$50 / PERSON

DRESS CODE - SUNDAY BEST



IN AWE...



600 Erwin St - Louisville, IL 62858
Phone: (618) 665 - 4441
www.fullarmorchristianacademy.com

Dear Guest,

We would be honored to invite you to join us for a **remarkable evening of celebration and impact** as Full Armor Christian Academy hosts our **4th Annual Fundraising Gala** during our special 10th year of Christian education in Clay County.

For a decade, Full Armor has been a thriving Preschool–12th grade option, equipping hundreds of students with strong academics, a biblical worldview, and Christ-centered character. From the hilltop of Full Armor, graduates have stepped into colleges, the workforce, the military, and ministry, as empowered leaders making a difference locally and beyond.

Our Gala will be held **Saturday, February 28. Doors open at 5:00 PM.** That evening, our campus will be transformed into an inspiring showcase of Christian education in action.

Guests will enjoy:

- Student performances from our **fine arts department— music, creative dance and art**
 - Hospitality modeled by our student hosts and hostesses
 - A delicious meal prepared by Drew McGee.
 - An impressive **silent auction and live auction**
 - Our crowd-favorite **Dessert Dash Auction** featuring bakery-style desserts awarded to the highest bidders
 - Additional auction opportunities sprinkled throughout the evening
 - A beautiful **live painting created during the event by Aubrey Wagner will be available for purchase**
 - And time to enjoy our **Photo Booth for a fun keepsake memory of the evening**
- This is our community's opportunity to step onto the hill of Full Armor and experience firsthand the value of private Christian education. Full Armor Christian Academy is a **501(c)(3)**, and all contributions are tax-deductible.

We would be grateful for your partnership and would love to have you join us for this special evening. Seating is limited.

Please text or call me at this number 618-237-4441 to let me know how you would like to be involved in empowering the next generation.

In His service,
Cindy Bailey & Matt Shelton
Advisors
Full Armor Clay County

Be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, so you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. *-Ephesians 6:10-11*



Member News



- Individual Tax Returns
- Small Business Tax Returns
- Yearly Tax Planning
- Free Consultation and E-File
- File Now and Pay Later (inquire for details)

**ACCEPTING
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Chad R. Milner, Tax Preparer

618.508.2675 Text or Call

Milnertax@gmail.com

106 W. 2nd St. Flora, IL 62839

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Sherwin Williams-Minwax Co

Thursday, March 19

12:00 pm-3:00 pm

Donate on ImpactLife Donor Bus

14 Industrial Pkwy., Flora IL

Successful donors get choice of egift card,
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To schedule, scan the QR Code,
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kari.a.warren@sherwin.com
or call ImpactLife at 800-747-5401

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Member News

Save THE Date

2nd Annual
S.U.R.E.
Symposium

Substance Use Resource & Education

AUGUST 11TH, 2026

OIL BELT CHRISTIAN SERVICE CAMP

9 A.M.-4 P.M.

CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 8:30

Nursing, Teacher and Social Work CEUs pending.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
10	11	12

For more information, call 618-662-4406 and ask for Samantha Weidner or email sweidner@healthdept.org.

Clay County Health Department Births Five

Clay County's
Resource
Roundup

CHARLEY BROWN PARK
THURSDAY, MAY 7TH, 2026
3:30-6 P.M.

YOU'VE GOT A FRIEND IN US!

WE ARE ROUNDING UP LOCAL AGENCIES FOR OUR 4TH ANNUAL SPRING RESOURCE CARNIVAL. IF YOU ARE A LOCAL COMMUNITY AGENCY, CHURCH, VOLUNTEER BASED ORGANIZATION...WE WANT YOU!!!

CALL 618-662-4406 AND ASK FOR APRIL TO RESERVE YOUR BOOTH TODAY!

Clay County Health Department

BIG FEELINGS

Little Kids

UNDERSTANDING PSYCHOSOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND EVERYDAY PARENTING TOOLS FOR AGES 0-5

Tuesday, April 7th, 2026

Clay County Health Department
Conference Room
10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
RSVP to April at 618-662-4406



Leanne Goodwin will be presenting on your 0-5 year old's development and give you the every day tools you need to navigate their big emotions. There will also be a Q&A session at the end of the presentation.

Leanne is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor, with education that includes a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership and a second Master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Leanne also is currently working on completing her Doctorate of Education in Community Care and Counseling, focusing on Traumatology. She is also the founder of Goodwin Girls, which is an organization that provides temporary housing and support services for women aged 18-25 who have experienced trauma.

Rotary Club of Flora

1ST ANNUAL FLORA ROTARY DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

Teams of 10 (8 players with 2 substitutes) playing in 3 co-ed Divisions!

- Age Divisions: 6th - 8th, Highschool, and 18(out of school)-Old Enough to Know Better!!

Event held at the Flora High School Conley Gym

March 14th, 2026 | 9am-Until Champions Declared

COST: \$100 per Team or \$10 per person for individual sign up will be assigned a team at beginning of event.

General Admission \$2 | Each admission is entered to win door prize!

Fundraiser for Flora Rotary for building projects at Flora Pickleball Courts and **Flora Library Park**.

Member News

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Radio Auction

Saturday, April 25, 2026, 8 A.M.
Listen to 103.9FM, 99.3FM, Wabash Ch 97,
or click on "Listen Live" at the top of wnoi.com!



**TO BID & PAY BY PHONE
CALL 618-662-8331**

PHOTOS & DETAILS
added daily to
www.wnoi.com



**Guest Auctioneer
Bruce Dickey**





Clay City High School Blood Drive

Gym

Sponsored by Clay City HS Student Council
607 Walnut St SE
Clay City, IL 62824

**Monday, March 9, 2026
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

You can save up to 15 minutes when you donate blood by using RapidPass! Visit RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass for more information.

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org.

By donating at this blood drive, you are helping one or more graduating seniors earn a scholarship.

Each student who recruits one presenting donor will receive a Red Cross plush blood drop pillow!



Come to give blood in March and get a \$15 Amazon Gift Card by email! See rcblood.org/March

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**YOUR HEALTH.
YOUR ROAD.
YOUR SAY.**

*Clay County
Health Department*

Clay County Health Department
and Health for Generations Coalition needs you in the driver's seat.
Please take 15 minutes to complete our
Community Health Assessment Survey
to help us pave a healthier road for all of Clay County!



Thank you!

Photo taken in
Hoosier Township, Clay County
by Kari Murphy

Member News

Grandparents Raising Grandchild Support Group

Next meeting:
March 5th at 3:00pm
Clay County Health Department
601 E 12th St. Flora, IL
Contact the Caregiver Advisor at
217-342-4526 for more information



These support groups are free and open to the public. The Caregiver Advisor is Michelle Barber and her contact information is 217-342-4526 or by email at caregiver@swandvhl.org

Caregiver Support Group

Next meeting:
March 5th at 4:00pm

Clay County Health Department
601 E 12th St. Flora, IL
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Member News



APRIL 25th WNOI Spring Fling

Radio Auction Sponsor Guidelines

- If the total value of the merchandise is between \$100-\$999, commercials may air April through May 2026. \$1,000-\$4,999 commercials may air through June 2026 & \$5,000 and up, ads air through July 2026.
- ☐ Numerous radio promos will air on both stations with your business name/items until the day of the auction.
 - ☐ All items will be listed on our website, wnoi.com & Event Page Boosted for 10 days on Facebook.
 - ☐ If merchandise provided does not bring at least 50% of the value, it will be posted on our online auction for two weeks. At that point if the item does not bring at least 50% of the value, the commercials will not air.
 - ☐ WNOI will make all final decisions concerning the sale of the items.
 - ☐ Rate of commercial exchange is \$13 for thirty second commercials and \$21 for sixty second commercials.
 - ☐ Commercials air on both of our stations.
 - ☐ We'll only accept merchandise that totals at least \$200 in value (total of items). \$50 minimum value for each item or \$25 minimum value for each food/restaurant certificate.
 - ☐ Merchandise will be described in detail during the auction by special guest auctioneer, Bruce Dickey.
 - ☐ Auction airs on both stations, Wabash TV Ch 97 and is streamed on wnoi.com & station apps.
 - ☐ Advertiser receives commercials, promos & Facebook Post Shares with ZERO cash out of pocket!
 - ☐ COOP Advertising welcome.

Accepted for
Advertiser: _____ Date: _____ Item(s) Description: _____

Business name Accepted for WNOI Retail Value \$ _____

*This station does not discriminate in the sale of advertising time, and will accept no advertising which is placed with an intent to discriminate on the basis of race, gender, or ethnicity. Advertiser hereby certifies that it is not buying broadcasting air time under this advertising sales contract for a discriminatory purpose, including but not limited to decisions not to place advertising on particular stations on the basis of race, gender, national origin, or ancestry.



WNOI RADIO AUCTION 2026

Shop locally from anywhere & \$AVE this Spring! The WNOI/Clay County Country Spring Fling Radio Auction will take place Saturday, April 25th at 8am on your radio, tv, computer or mobile device. Hundreds of items will be sold from area wide businesses. You can listen to the Spring Fling Radio Auction on WNOI 103.9 MixFM, Clay County Country 99.3FM, Wabash TV Channel 97 or click "LISTEN LIVE" at the top of www.wnoi.com from any internet connected mobile device worldwide! You may bid on auction items by calling 618-662-8331! Minimum bids will start at half price & all \$25 Restaurant Certificates will be sold for \$18. You may pay for your items with cash, check or debit/credit card at the WNOI Studios at 1001 North Olive Road in Flora prior to 2pm on Saturday, April 25th. You're also welcome to pay over the phone with your debit/credit card. Your auction certificates can be mailed to you for your shopping convenience. Our bright green spring themed auction certificates also make great Mother's Day Gifts! See our Spring Fling Radio Auction items in person at participating businesses & auction rules, items & pictures are posted on the wnoi.com auction page. The standard provisions of sale by auction apply. Items are sold as is, with no warranties, implied or otherwise. All sales are final. No refunds. No returns.



Member News



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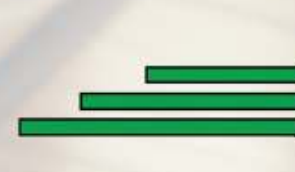


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SOCIAL MEDIA WORKSHOP

Breakfast Bites and Business Insights



Wednesday
25 March
8:30 AM

Please join us at our Breakfast Bites and Business insights workshop. This workshop will be covering Social media and how to use it to best benefit your business.

Free for Members

\$5 Entry fee for Non-Members

SPEAKER
CHRIS FORDE

RSVP TODAY



618-662-5646



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Flora Depot (Train Room)



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Thank you for your continued support!

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GROWTH AND PROGRESS OF MY CITY; IT'S ONLY QUALIFICATION
FOR MEMBERSHIP IS GOOD CITIZENSHIP; I WANT TO WORK WITH
MY FELLOW TOWNSMEN FOR THE COMMON INTEREST OF ALL; I
WANT TO BENEFIT FROM THEIR CONCERTED PLANNING, COUNSEL,
AND ACTION; IT IS A CLEARING HOUSE FOR BUSINESS INFORMATION,
BUSINESS SERVICE, AND COMMUNITY EFFORT; MEMBERSHIP
PAYS A HIGH RATE OF INTEREST IN SERVICE, PERSONAL
CONTACTS, COMMUNITY BETTERMENT AND CIVIC PRIDE;
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