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E-Newsletter



March 11 - 15, 2019

60th Annual State Chamber/AIA Washington Fly-In & Congressional Dinner May 8-10

Don't miss the 60th Annual State Chamber/AIA Washington Fly-In & Congressional Dinner May 8-10. Gov. Asa Hutchinson will be joining us. Events will include a Chiefs of Staff Reception, U.S. Chamber Briefings, Senate/House Delegation Forums, the Congressional Dinner & Reception, and a Leadership Breakfast.

Read more [here](#).



Leadership Arkansas Holding Session VII: Tourism, History & Revitalization March 28-29 in Hot Springs

Leadership Arkansas Class XIII Session VII: Tourism, History & Revitalization will be held Thursday and Friday, March 28-29 in Hot Springs.

Read more [here](#).



Please Remember to Make Your 2019 State Chamber or AIA PAC Donation

Just a reminder to please make your 2019 PAC donation today! You can make a check payable to ASCCPAC and/or AIAPAC and mail it to P.O. Box 3645, Little Rock, AR 72203. Or you can donate online below.

For an online donation to ASCCPAC, click [here](#) and/or to AIAPAC [here](#).



POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES

State Chamber/AIA Partnering with U.S. Chamber Foundation on

Launch of Sharing Solutions Resource Hub

The State Chamber/AIA is partnering with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation on the launch of the Sharing Solutions resource hub – an online portal that empowers businesses across the country to combat the opioid crisis.



For more information, click [here](#).

Arkansas Environmental Federation Holding Three Seminars in Little Rock

The Arkansas Environmental Federation is holding three all-day seminars: Regulated Waste on April 17, Water on April 18 and Air on May 10, all at the Airport Holiday Inn, 3201 Bankhead Drive, Little Rock.



To register, click [here](#).

Leading Arkansas Healthcare Organizations Partner to Promote Workforce Excellence

For the 11th consecutive year, six organizations are partnering to promote a statewide healthcare seminar, titled *The Unconscious Barriers to Workforce Quality* on June 18 at the Embassy Suites in Little Rock.

Read more [here](#).



SAVE THE DATE!

2019 Governor's Quality Award
Healthcare Seminar



"The Unconscious Barriers to Workforce Quality"

Overall Sponsor



Tuesday, June 18
Embassy Suites Hotel, Little Rock

Presenting Sponsors



Watch for information on additional sessions and registration!

Governor's Quality Award Still Accepting Applications for 2019 Challenge Awards

The Governor's Quality Award Program is still accepting applications for 2019 Challenge Awards. The application deadline is July 1. For questions or more information, contact Trish Villines at tvillines@arkansasstatechamber.com.



To apply, click [here](#).

Individuals with Developmental Disabilities in the Workplace Support Day March 21

Gov. Asa Hutchinson has proclaimed March 21 as Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

Employment Support Day. All Arkansas businesses are urged to take part.

Read more [here](#).

WE AR COMMUNITY

February 26, 2019

To all Arkansas business owners and managers

Governor Asa Hutchinson has proclaimed March 20, 2019, as Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Employment Support Day.

The Governor's Office, in cooperation with the Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities and the Department of Human Services (DHS) Division of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDS), encourage all Arkansas businesses to take part in supporting their businesses to individuals with developmental disabilities on Employment Support Day. Businesses can choose how they want to participate. A business could hold an "open house" that day to answer questions about the office, or a business could choose to allow an individual to shadow one of its employees performing job duties for an hour that day.

In the past year, more than 40 individuals with developmental disabilities have participated in the State's Supported Employment Program, and these people have grown to be loyal and valuable employees. When given a chance, people with developmental disabilities show their tremendous talent and abilities. They want to contribute to their communities.

If you want to participate, DDS will be happy to highlight you as a participating business. Please respond to info@dds.ark.gov by March 11, 2019 and let us know if you plan to take part. Please send the name and contact information of the person who will coordinate participation for your business. For those who cannot come in person to participate, or if you need to limit your participation to a certain number of individuals for a specific time frame on that day.

We hope you will participate on March 20 to help encourage inclusion for individuals with developmental disabilities in the workplace. DDS believes that employers will see the capability of these individuals during this connection. The ultimate hope is that individuals with Developmental Disabilities Employment Support Day will lead to more employment opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities in their communities across the state.

Sincerely,

Ed H. Director of Developmental Disabilities Services

Applications Being Accepted for 2019 Governor's Award for Excellence in Global Trade

The Arkansas District Export Council is accepting applications until April 26 for the 2019 Governor's Award for Excellence in Global Trade. The award ceremony will be held May 23 at the Arkansas Governor's Mansion in Little Rock.

Read more [here](#).



Thanks to Our New and Upgraded Members

Thanks to the following companies that have recently joined or increased their membership investment in the State Chamber/AIA.

Arkansas ACTE
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Little Rock
Grant County Chamber of Commerce
Kiswire Pine Bluff, Inc.
MAHLE Engine Components USA Inc.
Relocation Services of Arkansas



Thanks to Our Pinnacle Members

Thanks to our more than 140 Pinnacle investors that support the State Chamber/AIA at the highest annual investment levels.

For more information on the Pinnacle program, click [here](#).



Calendar of Events

March 28-29
Leadership Arkansas Session VII
Tourism, History & Revitalization
Hot Springs

April 24-26
Leadership Arkansas Session VIII
Regional Development
Northwest Arkansas
May 8-10
60th Annual Washington Fly-In & Congressional
Dinner
Washington, D.C.

May 23-24
Leadership Arkansas Session IX
Leadership, Planning & Graduation
Little Rock

June 18
Governor's Quality Award Healthcare Seminar
Embassy Suites
Little Rock



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