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Don't Miss the Virtual Financial Forecast on Jan. 20!

The Arkansas Bankers Association and the State Chamber/AIA are teaming up for a 2021 Virtual Financial Forecast from 9 - 10 a.m. this Wednesday, Jan. 20. Don't miss this!

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

January 20, 2021
9am - 10am

WHERE
Virtual Format - Attend from the comfort of your desk.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
Anyone with an interest in Arkansas's economy.

COST
\$50/Member
\$100/Non-Member

REGISTER
arkansasstatechamber.com/forecast

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Ready for Life Initiative to Enhance Workforce, Improve Link with Employers Unveiled

Ready for Life, an initiative for those who want to improve their skills or change career as well as gather career and employment data from business and industry, was unveiled last week.

Read more [here](#).



Arkansas Agriculture Hall of Fame to Induct Six Individuals in 2021

The Arkansas Agriculture Hall of Fame, which the State Chamber/AIA sponsors, recently announced that six individuals will be inducted in 2021 in recognition of their service to the Ag industry.

Read more [here](#).



UA CBER 2021 Arkansas Business Forecast Slated for Jan. 29

The University of Arkansas Sam M. Walton College of Business Center for Business & Economic Research 2021 Arkansas Business Forecast will be held virtually from 11:30 a.m. to



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

Governor's Quality Award Program Still Accepting Applications for 2021 Board of Examiners



The Governor's Quality Award program is still accepting applications for its 2021 Board of Examiners. The deadline to apply is March 1.

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

Welcome to Our New Members

We would like to thank and recognize the following companies for recently joining the State Chamber/AIA.

Fairfield Bay Conference Center
GTL Americas LLP
H&E Equipment Services
Lone Star Communications
Sharp County Outdoors



For an online directory of our members, click [here](#).

Thanks to Our Pinnacle Members

We would like to thank and recognize **Lone Star Communications** for joining the State Chamber as a Pinnacle Crown member. Thanks to our more than 135 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

Virtual Financial Forecast
9 – 10 a.m.
Jan. 20

Feb. 18-19
Leadership Arkansas Class XV
Economic Development & Infrastructure Session
West Memphis & Blytheville

March 10-11
Leadership Arkansas Class XV
Tourism, History & Revitalization Session
Hot Springs

April 21-23
Leadership Arkansas Class XV



Regional Development Session
Northwest Arkansas

May 20-21
Leadership Arkansas Class XV
Leadership, Planning & Graduation Session
Little Rock

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

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