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ARKANSAS STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF ARKANSAS

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E-Newsletter



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DFA Assessment Coordination Division Proposes New Property Tax Exemption Rules

The Arkansas Department of Finance Administration Assessment Coordination Division has proposed property tax exemption rules requiring every exempt parcel to reapply.

Read more [here](#).

DFA Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration

Arkansas Lagging Behind in COVID-19 Vaccinations; Get Vaccinated Now

Arkansas is lagging behind much of the rest of the country in COVID-19 vaccinations. Vaccine hesitancy poses a threat to all Americans. Encourage your employees to get vaccinated.

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



Vaccinate
The Natural State

Delta I-Fund Summer 2021 Cohort Applications Now Open

Applications are now being accepted from early-stage entrepreneurs and innovators for the Delta I-Fund Summer cohort, set to kick off on June 12 virtually. The application deadline is June 1.

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



Forge Institute Establishes Training Academy for Cybersecurity Operators

State Chamber member Forge Institute has developed a Training Academy to transform individuals into cybersecurity operators.

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

FORGE INSTITUTE

Federal Communications Commission Unveils Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

The program will make available up to \$3.2 billion worth of consumer discounts on broadband services and equipment like computers and tablets for eligible households.

Read more [here](#).



State Treasurer's Office Encourages Families to Open an Arkansas 529 Plan

The State Treasurer's office encourages Arkansas families to open an Arkansas 529 education savings plan and is sponsoring an online sweepstakes until June 30.

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



DHS Launches Rent Relief Program for Renters Negatively Impacted by Pandemic

The Arkansas Department of Human Services has launched the Arkansas Rent Relief Program to help Arkansas renters who have lost jobs or are struggling financially due to the pandemic.

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



AEF Taking Applications and Nominations for Diamond Award

The Arkansas Environmental Federation is taking applications and nominations for the Diamond

Award for Excellence in Environmental Leadership. Nominations are due June 1 and applications are due July 30.

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



Save the Date for the State Chamber/AIA Annual Meeting on Nov. 9

Save the date for the State Chamber/AIA 93rd Annual Meeting, which will be held Tuesday, Nov. 9 in the Wally Allen Ballroom of the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock.



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Save the Date for the Arkansas Tax Conference on Dec. 2

Save the date for the Arkansas Tax Conference presented by **Dover Dixon Horne PLLC**, which will be held Thursday, Dec. 2 in the Wally Allen Ballroom of the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock.



Welcome to Our New Members

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

Copart Salvage & Auction
ICM of America, Inc.
Farmers Cooperative
Mena Intermountain Municipal Airport
Merit Energy Company
NWA Steel Co., LLC
Rise Baking NWA

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



Thanks to Our Pinnacle Members

We would like to thank and recognize **Merit Energy Company** for recently joining the

Associated Industries of Arkansas 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

State Chamber/AIA 93rd Annual Meeting
Nov. 9
Wally Allen Ballroom
Statehouse Convention Center
Little Rock

Arkansas Tax Conference
Dec. 2
Wally Allen Ballroom
Statehouse Convention Center
Little Rock



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