

What's News

Don't forget to vote!

Election day is Tuesday, April 2. There are many local races that need your vote. Your vote is your voice!

Welcome!

Randy Tatum has been named new site manager at Lyondell-Basell. Randy has over 35 years of experience in petrochemical manufacturing.

Summer Internship Program

Over 125 students applied for the 43 paid summer internships being offered by 17 local companies.

Prospects

Project Flower

The Department of Commerce is working with a company looking for a small greenfield site for a food processing facility. The project would be a \$35 million investment. Sites have been submitted.

Large Equipment Dealer

A dealer is considering a 20 acre site to establish a large equipment dealership.

Rail Site

A broker is working with an international client looking for 250+ acre rail served sites. Sites have been submitted.

Calendar

March 21 - Full Board Meeting
April 12 - Executive Meeting
April 17 - GEDC Bootcamp
May 10 - Executive Meeting
May 13 - Legislative Breakfast
May 27 - Memorial Day

Celebrating Success in Grundy County

The GEDC in conjunction with the Grundy County Chamber hosted its annual dinner on March 13 at Chapin's East in Minooka. There was a huge crowd on hand as several awards were presented to businesses and individuals in recognition of their accomplishments and their contributions to the Grundy County economy and community. The GEDC honored the following for their excellence in 2018:

Business of the Year Tri-State Asphalt



Partnership of the Year Spaceco



Welcome to Grundy County Hoffman Transportation



L-R Cody Weist, Randy Miller, Todd Weist, *Tri-State Asphalt*, Shawn McGlynn, *GEDC Chair*, Nancy Norton, *GEDC*, Jordan Hoffman, Kevin Hoffman, *Hoffman Transportation*, Jason Wiesbrock, *SPACECO Inc.*

Thank you to our sponsors CPV and LyondellBasell!

Economic Development Bootcamp – Wednesday, April 17

Hear from the experts on what it takes to be successful in economic development. Please plan to join us for our third Economic Development Bootcamp on April 17 from 5-8 p.m. The evening is geared towards elected officials, but anyone with an interest in learning more about economic development is welcome to attend. There's a great line up of speakers.

- Marketing & Tools to Promote Your Community – Mark Peterson, Intersect Illinois
- Don't Forget the Utilities – AT&T Jeff Adducci, ComEd John McCann, Nicor Joe DelReal
- Residential Real Estate Market Update – Gideon Blustein, Illinois REALTORS

Invitations will be mailed with additional details. Thank you to ComEd and Nicor for sponsoring the event.

Save the Date! Legislative Breakfast – Monday, May 13

The annual Legislative Breakfast will be held on Monday, May 13 at the Morris Country Club beginning at 7:30 a.m. To date, Congressman Adam Kinzinger, State Senators Toi Hutchinson and Sue Rezin, and State Representative David Welter have all agreed to participate. Mark your calendar to join us for this important and informative program. Please send the GEDC your legislative priorities.