

Ava Area CHAMBER of COMMERCE Newsletter

April 2021



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What's Happening

4/12 Chamber Board
Meeting @ 5pm

4/13 Chamber Luncheon
@ 12:00pm

2021 Chamber Officers

President: Anita Madche
V P: Richard Sturgeon
Secretary: Gail Huffman
Treasurer: Betty Ridenour

2021 Board Members

Bart Ellison, Teresa Nash
Bob Sellers, Amy Porter,
Danny Letsinger, Glenda Little
Bob Sorensen, Wes Davis,
Dick Salgado

Office Staff

Judy Shields, Director
Nina Carter, Office Assistant
Bill Jones, Office Support

Chamber Board Meetings

are held on the second Monday
of each month. To be a guest or
add an item to the agenda,
contact the Chamber office.

Chamber Luncheons

are held on the second Tuesday
of each month at 12:00 and are
complimentary to members.
Contact the office for infor-
mation on hosting a Luncheon.

Economic Development

Meetings held each month.

Contact Us

810 Collins Avenue
PO Box 1103 Ava, MO 65608
417-683-4594
director@avachamber.org

Hard Work Pays Off!

J & R Sand & Gravel is happy to announce the long-awaited opening of their aggregate bagging plant. In addition to all of their other aggregate products and services, they now have six bagged products to offer: Play Sand, Leveling Sand, River Rock, Pea Gravel, Paver Base, and Multi-Purpose Gravel.

J & R Sand & Gravel is locally owned and operated, offering quality MODOT approved sand & gravel products. They are located 1 mile west of Bryant Creek Bridge on E Hwy 76.

Don't wait any longer to start your landscaping projects! Grab your bags at any Menards store in Missouri or at JBrothers True Value right here in Ava.

Whether by the truck load or the bag load, J & R Sand & Gravel is here to serve your project needs. Find them on Facebook or call their office at 417-683-1728.



Thank You

for your
membership and
support

Need to renew your 2021 membership? Call us to make your payment over the phone and bring your account current today!

2021 New & Renewed Memberships in March

Blessed Reflections Photography - Ava Graphics & Websites
Super 8 Motel - St. Leo's Catholic Church - Legacy Properties

SAVE
the
DATE

Join us in Celebrating our
AVA PRIDE!

May 22, 2021 @ 6pm

Banquet venue - Ava Middle School Cafeteria



Dinner - Silent Auction
Awards - Live Music
Fun Contests - & More!

Membership Banquet

Be Sure to dress in your "Ava Pride" best!

Main Entrée Provided. Please bring your favorite Side-dish, Casserole, or Dessert to

Christos House to Host Chamber Luncheon

The next Chamber Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, April 13th, at 12:00pm. It will be hosted by Christos House at the Ava Lions Club building.

Christos House was established in 1983 and provides emergency shelter and outreach services to victims of domestic and sexual violence in our 8-county region, including Douglas County. Their mission is to provide a safe place for women to make positive life changes in a supportive atmosphere.

Come join us as we hear about how this wonderful organization is helping the women and children in our area. A delicious lunch will be served. Masks are welcome, but not required.

Chamber Membership Banquet - Donations Needed

SILENT
AUCTION
ITEMS 

- Gift Baskets
- Products/Retail Items
- Gift Certificates for Services

*Personal Care, Automotive,
Home Improvement, etc.*

- Store/Restaurant Gift Cards

We appreciate your support & generosity.

We will even pick up your donated items!

All Auction Sponsors are listed in the Banquet program, in the Chamber Newsletter, and in our Thank You ad in the Douglas County Herald!



Touch of Healing Wellness Center

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!
Touch of Healing Wellness Center is
located at 305 E. Washington Ave,
next to Ava Art Guild. 417-522-3647

Welcome

New Members

Ava Graphics & Websites

Graphic Design, website design, and
print material to help grow your business

(417) 345-3039

Legacy Properties

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The Ava Area Chamber of Commerce welcomed its newest member, Ava Graphics and Websites, with a ribbon cutting on March 26th.

Pictured L to R are: Nikki Stanifer-Nunn, Ava Graphics and Websites owners Myriah and Ken Williams with daughter Jade, Bob Sorensen, Dick Salgado, Wanda Murphy, Judy Shields, and Darlene Sorensen.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

Now Taking Reservations for
Ad-Space in the
2021 Ava Chamber of
Commerce
Community Guide &
Business Directory

Spaces go quickly, so act today!

Full-Color Ad Sizes & Prices:

1/8 pg. \$85 1/4 pg. \$135

1/2 pg. \$220 Full pg. \$375

Full Back Cover \$500

Full Back/Front Inside Cover \$400

Invoices won't go out until July!

Chamber Member Spotlight



We're your neighborhood
mobile pet groomer! Give
us a call today to get your
furry friends in ship-shape!

Serving the Ava/Douglas County area
since 2018.

(417) 683-0092



LET'S GO BLUE!

Anything Blue will do!
We are looking for Ava
area businesses willing
to decorate storefronts
in Blue during the
month of April for Child
Abuse Awareness and

Prevention Month. Also, please wear
blue on April 25th in recognition of
those who are affected by child abuse.

To receive free Go Blue Pinwheels
contact the Douglas County Health
Department at 683-4174.

Thank you for your support!

The Go-Blue Committee

April Chamber Luncheon

April 13th @ 12PM

Hosted by:

Christos House

(Ava Lions Club building)

Upcoming Luncheons

May - Chamber Business Appreciation Lunch

June - Heart of the Ozarks & Ava Place

All
Welcome

GOOD FRIDAY Community Service

April 2nd at 7PM
Ava General Baptist Church



Chamber Member News



Penmac is Hiring! Full-Time. Great Wages!

Currently looking for Part-time and full-time applicants. Applicants may apply today at www.penmac.com or stop by our office! We are excited to offer this opportunity! Please call 417-683-2272 to schedule an appointment today!

McDonald's of Ava is hiring . They offer flexible schedules, free online high school, free uniforms, advancement opportunities, discounted employee meals, competitive pay and incentives, and Silver Dollar City discount! Apply today at www.mcdonalds.com/careers or by texting "Apply12291" to 36453.

Ava High School is taking applications for a Biology teacher for grades 9-12. Ava High School is a Professional Learning Community that serves approximately 420 students in grades 9-12. An ideal candidate would be very comfortable with technology, Missouri Learning Standards, and working in a collaborative environment.

Knowledge of Professional Learning Communities (PLC) and School-Wide Positive Behavior Support (SW-PBS) are a plus. Applicants who are student-centered, energetic, and who hold a valid MO certificate are encouraged to apply. Interested candidates can access an application online at avabears.net Please send a cover letter, a completed Ava R-I Certified Staff application, resume, and 3 reference letters to Dr. Teresa Nash, AHS Principal, P.O. Box 338, Ava, MO 65608. If you have questions, feel free to contact the Ava High School Office (417)683-5747.

Spend Easter at Rockbridge

Rockbridge will hold its annual Easter Egg hunt at 2:00 pm on Sunday April 4th. All ages are welcome, just bring your own basket. There will be prizes for finding the Golden Eggs! There will also be corral rides from 3-5 and visits with the Easter Bunny from 2-4.



KKOZ Radio's Bids-For-Bargains is underway and will continue each Friday and Saturday through May! Tune into 91.2 FM, 1430 AM, or kkoz.com at 9:30am each week, right after Trading Post, to bid on great deals from local businesses, Branson tickets, and more! You won't want to miss it! If your business would like to participate in trading goods/services for advertising, contact Tyler Watterson at 417-543-5209.

Trinity Lutheran Church invites you to their Good Friday Service on Friday, April 2nd at 7:30pm, Easter Breakfast April 4th at 9:30am, and Easter Service on Sunday, April 4th at 10:45am. Everyone is welcome! Trinity Lutheran is located just north of the McDonald's stoplight at Hwy 5 N and Emerson Climate Tech Road.



Set Free Ministries announces: Starting in April



Set Free is going back to every Saturday night services! AND.....starting Easter Sunday....a weekly Sunday morning service at 11am. Saturday nights will primarily be testimonies given about our God being BIGGER than what binds us and His power to break those chains that hold us back from fully living in God's purpose for us. Our Sunday service will be more of a traditional service setting, but still with Set Free's judgement free, come-as-you-are atmosphere! Our Breaking Chains life group meetings will be every other Sunday @ 6:30pm starting April 11th. Find us on Facebook!

Douglas County Veterans Memorial

Association (DCVMA) Thursday Nite Music's summer music program will begin soon! Watch the DCVMA Facebook page for up-to-date details.

Come join them for BINGO every Saturday night! 20 Games! Doors open at 4:00. Paper sales begin at 4:30. Kitchen opens at 5:00. Games begin at 6:30. Also offering: Queen of Hearts, 50/50 Drawing, Money Tree Drawing, Pull Tabs, and Door Prizes! Open to the public. Anyone can join in the fun! Masks are welcome but not required. The Douglas County Veterans Memorial Association is located at 402 W Washington, across from Ava Post Office.

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Congratulations to one of our newest Chamber members for the Grand Opening of their new business location in Ozark County!

NEW BUSINESS *Sims Computers & Electronics opens*

Richard Sims recently opened Sims Computers & Electronics in a shop next door to the Isabella Laundromat on Highway 160 in Isabella. Sims says he has more than 20 years of experience in computer and electronic repair. The business will also offer a wide range of other services, including website services; print, scan and email services; and TV and phone repair. Customers may also use the shop's "internet cafe" service for \$5 per day. Sims said he can repair and custom build computer systems and custom security cameras, or he can order any part for those systems that customers may need. He also provides e-waste recycling. Sims has special discounts for law enforcement and firefighters. He said he may expand to include more services in the future. "I'm really flexible in seeing what's needed the most in the area," he said. Sims Computers & Electronics is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday. For more information, call 417-221-6405.

