



Events/Calendar

Featured Event

Monthly Luncheon

Commissioner Dave Unruh to speak on March 14!

Dave Unruh will be speaking about the Sedgwick County Budget Challenges.

He was first elected to the Board of County Commissioners in 2002 and began his first term as the 1st District Commissioner in January 2003. Mr. Unruh was elected by the BOCC to serve as the Chairman of the Board for 2005, 2007, 2011 and 2017. [View full bio here.](#)

Where: Wichita Boathouse, 515 S. Wichita St.
When: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14
Cost: WIBA Members \$20 | Non-members \$35

RSVP Today

Call **(316) 201-3264**.

Online - reserve your spot at wiba.org/events

Luncheon Sponsor:

Business Your Way Mixer

At the Boys & Girls Club on March 21

Our Bi-Monthly Mixer is coming up! RSVP now!

Tucked away, at the end of Opportunity Drive, you will find an impressively large building with a fun and colorful playground in front of it. With fencing all the way around it, it's no wonder most people are unaware of the [Boys & Girls Club](#). They serve approximately 850 kids a year through their after-school programs in the 55,000 square foot facility.

Join us on March 21 as we build relationships and learn more about the [Boys & Girls Club](#). When you arrive, enter through the east gate (look for the WIBA flag). From there, you will see the entrance to the conference room, which is where we will be until 5:30. At 5:30, the doors will open and we will spill out into a beautiful commons area with various games available if you would like to engage. Tours of the facility will be available. Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about the [Boys & Girls Club](#) and network with your fellow WIBA friends.

Where: Boys & Girls Club, 2400 N. Opportunity Dr.

When: 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21

Cost: Free

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Upcoming Events & Programs

Tues. March 14
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Wichita Boathouse
515 S. Wichita St.
316-201-3264

Tues. March 21
5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Boys & Girls Club
2400 N. Opportunity Dr.
316-201-3264

Tues. April 4
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Wichita Boathouse
515 S. Wichita St.
316-201-3264

Reservations for any of these WIBA events can be made by calling **(316) 201-3264** or online at www.wiba.org/events.

We no longer send invoices for payment. All reservations must be paid in advance.

News

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Burnell's needs our vote!

[Burnell's Fine Jewelry & Design](#) has entered two pieces in the "People's Choice" CASE Award! If you can find the time, please support fellow WIBA member, Nathan by voting for his piece:

- Vote online using the links below
- Voting is open from March 6-12
- You can vote once per day, so please vote often!

Vote for the Paraiba - Designed by Nathan Regan

14K yellow gold medallion with round diamonds and a cabochon GIA verified Paraiba tourmaline center on an Italian 14K gold chain, with white gold bezels.

GOALS/Partner 4 Success is starting another class on Monday!

GOALS is a program through the DCF for adults wanting a second chance. Several of our members participate in this program as mentors and mock job interviewers. All classes are held at Episcopal Social Services, 1010 N. Main. If you would like to participate, [here is the signup sheet](#). Just fill it out and send it back to Daniel Sanchez at daniel.sanchez@ks.gov.

More about GOALS:

GOALS/Partner 4 Success is a new three-year pilot program administered by the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF). The goal is to provide training for adults who have had employment barriers and receive food assistance as a result. An intensive six-week training program provides soft skills development as well employer-specific training and are matched with entry level employment opportunities. The program offers ongoing assistance such as transportation, clothing and child care assistance to ensure job retention.

What did you think of our Annual Meeting?

We want your feedback regarding our Annual Meeting. Your comments help guide us as we plan next year's event. Please share our thoughts with us by taking our short survey. It will only take a couple minutes! Thank you!

[Take our survey](#)

Stop by the office and get your WIBA Member Badge today!

The WIBA Member badge is now available as a window cling for you to proudly display at your organization. Stop by the office to get yours today!

Did you know?

The WIBA Member badge is available as an icon for your website. Get the badge added to your website today by [following this link](#).

WIBA needs your knowledge and expertise!

We want to enhance the content of our newsletter by highlighting our fantastic members! Starting in March, we will regularly publish short articles or listicles written by our members. Topics can range from current trends, to a change you see, or little known facts about your industry, etc.

The articles are limited to 200 words and must include a short introduction. Articles cannot be a marketing piece for your company.

Please submit all potential articles to Lisa-Marie at lisa-marie@wiba.org.

UPDATE: Articles will also be published on our website. [See the new webpage here.](#)

Member News

WIBA Event Photos

Photos from the WWLA Luncheon on Feb. 7.

Photos from Small Business Day in Topeka on Feb. 15.

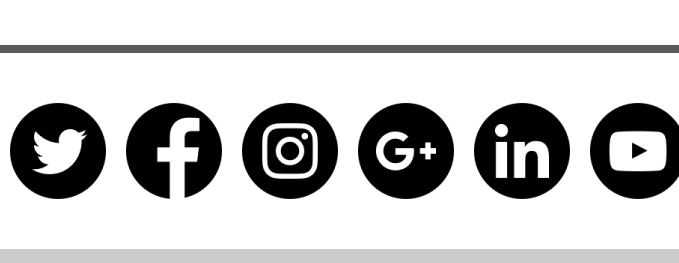
Photos from the WWLA Luncheon on March 7.

Ray's Wednesday Wisdom

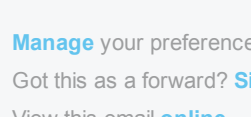
WIBA Member Events

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