

Good afternoon members,

We made it another month! We made it to May! We made it to Friday!

At the Chamber, we are continuing to support all of our members using the resources that we can. Not only by sending these emails, but hosting webinars, utilizing social media and taking advantage of e-newsletters. In that spirit, attached is an ad that went out today in the West Suburban Living e-newsletter delivered to almost 7,500.

By staying apart, we will get through this together. #StayStrongGenevaIL

Sincerely,

Paula Schmidt
President, Geneva Chamber of Commerce

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WEBINAR (free)

Supporting Employees' Mental Health During a Pandemic

Hosted by Fox Valley Chambers

May 5 @ 1 pm

Register [HERE](#)

This is presented by Northwestern Medicine.

WEBINAR (free)

Embracing the "Next Normal"

Presented by member 25N Coworking

May 5 @ 2 pm

Register [HERE](#)

We've experienced profound uncertainty in our work and lives, and soon, we'll be navigating a transition back to greater normalcy. Join Career and Leadership Coach Kate Solis Silva as she leads you through a workshop to explore your transition into a new normal.

In this interactive session, the group will walk through three movements that will leave you with greater clarity and intentional goals. We will end with a Q+A that will allow you to share your reflections, connect with others, and get guidance from Kate.

Who is Kate Solis Silva?

Kate Solis Silva is a Career and Leadership Coach based in the Chicagoland area. She is on a mission to empower mid-career professionals to work and lead more consciously, confidently, and joyfully. Learn more about Kate here: <https://www.katesolissilva.com/>

WEBINAR (free)

Financial Reporting for Your Paycheck Protection Loan

Presented by blackbaud

May 7 @ 10 am

Register [HERE](#)

There is a lot of uncertainty right now for tax-exempt organizations. That's why we're introducing a new live webinar series, Thriving in the New Normal: Resilience in the Finance Office, where our panel of experts will assess key areas important to organizations' resiliency and how finance leaders can use a change management approach to find a way forward for the organization's staff, budget, cash flow, and mission.

Join our panel of experts, Shawwn Storms, CPA with Agresta, Storms & O'Leary, Kate Mae from Paycor, and Blackbaud's own Heather Cooper Johnson and Laine Hendriks, as they break down reporting requirements for the Paycheck Protection Program, part of the CARES Act, and look at how to protect your staff and build a more resilient organization. They'll discuss: If you're able to secure a loan, how can you remain compliant? How do you protect and keep your staff in place? Where are you with cash flow overall? What do you need to act on the loan, and how do you produce the reports you need once secured?

WEBINAR (free)

Ask Burns Anything (ABA)

Hosted by Geneva Chamber of Commerce

May 7 @ 10:30 am

Register [HERE](#)

Join us for a ZOOM meeting for a Q & A with City of Geneva Mayor Kevin Burns. Space is limited and registration is required.

WEBINAR (free) *Rescheduled from earlier date*

Worker's Compensation Emergency Rule Changes Informational Webinar

Hosted by Fox Valley Chambers

May 8 @ 9 am

Register [HERE](#)

The emergency rule attempted to establish a rebuttable presumption that COVID-19 conditions in employees of essential businesses are work related and shifting the burden of proof to the employer. The rule was withdrawn after considerable objection and lawsuit. The IWCC is going back to the drawing board to consider other ways to address the COVID-19 Cases.

This webinar will be presented by Attorney George Klauke from the Klauke Law Group, LLC, who is an attorney for employers in worker compensation claims.

From Illinois Department of Tourism

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity continues to update their dedicated COVID-19 [website](#) with information and resources for businesses, residents and workers. With the passage of additional federal stimulus funding, the SBA resumed accepting Paycheck Protection Program applications on Monday, April 27th. An additional \$310 billion in funding is available for loans to eligible entities to help small businesses and non-profits maintain their existing workforce and pay for expenses like rent, payroll, mortgage and utilities. Loans are subject to forgiveness for businesses that retain or rehire laid-off employees and maintain salary levels.

SEND PICTURES FOR SOCIAL MEDIA

Since we had to cancel Swedish Days, our social media manager, Kristen Cornelio is working on a special Swedish Days Social Media Post and would love for our members to share with us a photo of you or your team that we can include. Photos can be of you enjoying a past Swedish Days or just a nice photo of you & your business. Please email Kristen your photo submissions by May 22 to kristenhollyevents@gmail.com.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)?

Are you providing PPE like masks or gloves? Do you have any resources you can share that are? With the requirement of wearing masks in public places, where social distancing of 6 ft. or more is not possible, beginning May 1, we would like to assemble a list to share with the members if they need anything. Please email Robyn (rchione@genevachamber.com) if you are able to assist.

