

Good afternoon members,

Lots of relevant webinars coming up this week. We just added an informational Q & A with our Rep. Lauren Underwood and Robert Steiner, District Director for the U.S. Small Business Administration's Illinois District. You can also find her Coronavirus Community Resource Guide [HERE](#). Please note, they are highly encouraging questions to be submitted beforehand.

On Thursday, Mayor Kevin Burns is having “Ask Burns Anything” webinar. We anticipate this being very popular, so please sign up early as registration is required.

Wrapping up the week, on Friday, is our rescheduled “Worker's Compensation Emergency Rule Changes Informational” webinar. This topic is not only timely, but being talked about in Congress. Changes happen daily and this is a great opportunity to get the latest from an expert.

Also new is a “**Business Update with Illinois State Representative Dan Ugaste**”. We are requesting questions be submitted beforehand with this webinar. All information can be found below.

Each week, the Chamber strives to offer webinars from a diverse group of people on subjects that are timely, beneficial and educational. It is our hope that you find at least one free webinar that is significant to you and your business.

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)

Informational Meeting with Rep. Lauren Underwood and Robert Steiner, District Director for the U.S. Small Business Administration's Illinois District

Hosted by Rep. Lauren Underwood

May 5 @ 1 pm

Join [HERE](#)

The meeting is an opportunity for members of the small business community to ask questions and also receive an update on the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) and Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL). Please submit your questions in advance [here](#). *Although there will be an opportunity for questions during the live session we strongly encourage you to submit your questions in advance.*

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.

WEBINAR (free)

Business Update with Illinois State Representative Dan Ugaste

Hosted by Geneva Chamber of Commerce

May 8 @ 11 am

Register [HERE](#)

Please register by May 6 @ 3 pm. Please send questions beforehand to Robyn (rchione@genevachamber.com). You will receive a Zoom link within 24 hours of registration.

From Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity

Effective May 1, the new [Stay at Home Executive Order](#) included modifications to the following:

[Occupancy Restrictions for Essential Stores](#); New Essential Businesses; Non-Essential Retail Curbside Pickup; Select Outdoor Recreation Sites; Safe Business Operations: Face Coverings; Social Distancing for Essential Manufacturing Businesses. Read the FAQ's [HERE](#).

Facebook Small Business Program

With businesses everywhere affected by COVID-19, Facebook is giving away \$100 million to up to 30,000 eligible businesses across 30 countries where they operate. Learn more and apply [HERE](#).

From Small Business Development Center at Waubensee Community College

Sharing an [update on SBA's EIDL program](#). You're probably aware that legislation from 4/23 provided additional funding to the EIDL and EIDL advance programs. In addition, it relaxed eligibility requirements so agricultural businesses including businesses engaged in the legal production of food and fiber, ranching, and raising of livestock, aquaculture, and all other farming and agricultural related industries (*as defined by section 18(b) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 647(b))*) are eligible for the EIDL and EIDL advance. These businesses would still need to meet the criteria of having 500 or fewer employees.

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.