



**Cape Girardeau Area
Chamber of Commerce**

Leading Businesses ... Serving People ... Creating Communities

**2008
COMMITTEES, COUNCILS & TASK FORCES**

NAME	CHAIRMAN	VICE CHAIRMAN	MEETING TIME	DESCRIPTION
Chamber Ambassadors	Paula Myers	Ellen Carlson	Third Wednesday of each month, 12 Noon, various locations	Actively recruits prospective members to the Chamber. Assists with monthly networking events (Business After Hours & First Friday Coffee) and other orientation opportunities such as ribbon cuttings, ground breaking, etc. Plays a supportive role in membership retention and conducts 2 membership recruitment events.
Chamber Young Professionals	Jennifer Hendrickson		Second Thursday of each month, 5:30 p.m., various locations	Involves young professionals under 40 years of age in the mission of the Chamber for the benefit of each individual member and the strength of the Chamber as a whole both now and in the future.
Community Beautification & Enhancement Committee	Dan Muser	Trae Bertrand	Third Tuesday of each month, 12 Noon, My Daddy's Cheesecake	Works to keep Cape Girardeau beautiful and rewards businesses and citizens who contribute to the aesthetic appearance of the city. This committee works on the Yard of the Month program, Holiday of Lights competition, supports "Keep Cape Beautiful", and downtown redevelopment.
Education Committee	Angie Umfleet	TBA	Third Wednesday of each month, 4:00 p.m., Chamber office	Focuses on efforts to help the business community assist the educational community and vice versa. The committee sponsors Career Day, Educator of the Year Awards and an Ethics Workshop for high school students.
Government & Public Policy Committee	Marsha Haskell	Jim Lawrence	Fourth Thursday of each month, 12 Noon, Chamber office	Observes legislation and makes recommendations to the Board as it relates to business. The committee hosts several legislative programs and provides speakers for First Friday Coffee quarterly.

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Health & Human Services Committee	Emily Stapleton	TBA	Second Wednesday of each month, 7:30 a.m., Chamber office	Keeps careful watch on the health issues important to our members and community. It works with area health care providers as well as human services organizations to take action when necessary.
Industrial Management Council	John Mehner		Quarterly	Consists of members working specifically with industry. The council addresses issues concerning our area industry.
Leadership Cape Alumni	Bill Cole	TBA	Second Friday of each month, 12 Noon, St. Francis Medical Center	Graduates of Leadership Cape Program who organize alumni events to foster continued contact and leadership opportunities.
Leadership Development	Rick Ennis (9/1/07 to 8/31/08) Angie Umfleet (9/1/08 to 8/31/09)		First Thursday of each month, 8:00 a.m., Chamber office	Sponsors the Leadership Cape Girardeau program to assist emerging leaders in getting to know the area, other leaders and information.
Media & Communications Council	Meg Davis	TBA	Fourth Monday of each month, 4:00 p.m., Chamber office	Uses Chamber member expertise to develop communication strategies for media relations, the benefit of members, and awareness for the entire area.
Redevelopment Advisory Council	Tim Arbeiter		Quarterly	Consists of members working specifically with redevelopment.
Small Business Council	Bill Vickery		Fourth Wednesday of each month, 7:30 a.m., Chamber office	Focuses on issues of importance to small businesses (under 50 employees). Sponsors quarterly business round table luncheons.
Special Projects Task Force	Tim Arbeiter		On Call	Coordinates planning and decorating activities for these Chamber special projects: Annual Dinner, Industry Appreciation Golf Tournament, and other miscellaneous events.
Transportation	Moe Sandfort	TBA	Second Wednesday of each month, 4:00 p.m., Chamber office	Promotes continual improvements in Cape Girardeau's transportation system working cooperatively with the city of Cape Girardeau and the Missouri Department of Transportation.