

GREATER IRMO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
THE LIGHTHOUSE

MAY 2019



Message from the President

As we approach the half-way point in 2019, I'm left wondering where the year has gone. They say time flies when you're having fun, and here at the **#FunChamber** we're experiencing just that! With so many events and activities still to come I don't imagine things slowing down.

Please join us for our May Chamber Luncheon on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 from 11:30am-1pm at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. This month, we will hear from Elmer Polite, CFO with Prisma Health (formerly Palmetto Health) and he will fill us in on the merger and the role they will continue to play in the Irmo community. FATZ Southern Kitchen will be catering.

Come join us for some fun at our annual Red White and Blues wine walk on Thursday, May 16th from 5-8pm at Irmo Town Park. This awesome night will include a wine glass, wine tasting, appetizers and live music from the Bluz Shak Jammers. Contact the Chamber if you'd like to attend or get involved. Tickets and sponsorships are still available!

For more information on our events, be sure to visit our website at GreaterIrmoChamber.org. We work to have fun and engaging events that connect everyone in our community. If you have been curious about how to get involved with our Chamber, we encourage you to come to one of our events or come by our office to meet us. We'd love to meet you and tell you more about The Chamber and how we can help better connect your business in Irmo.

We hope to see you at an upcoming Greater Irmo Chamber event!

Thank you,
Kerry Powers, President and CEO

IN THIS EDITION

- >> UPCOMING & COMMUNITY EVENTS 2
- >> WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 2
- >> DIAMOND, EMERALD, MARKETING, PLATINUM, AND GOLD MEMBERS 2
- >> BOARD MEMBER OF THE MONTH 3
- >> BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF 4

CONNECT WITH US

Stay up-to-date with all the wonderful things that the Greater Irmo Chamber of Commerce is up to by visiting our website or following us on social media.

#FunChamber



GreaterIrmoChamber.com



[@IrmoChamber](https://twitter.com/IrmoChamber)



[@GreaterIrmoChamber](https://www.facebook.com/GreaterIrmoChamber)



[@IrmoChamber](https://www.instagram.com/IrmoChamber)

UPCOMING EVENTS

>> COFFEE TALK TUESDAY

Please join us for our weekly Coffee Talks
 Tuesday, May 7, 14, 21, 28, and 30, 2019 • 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.
 Greater Irmo Chamber of Commerce
 Have a cup of coffee, conversation and build business relationships with other Irmo Chamber members. **FREE** with your business card! Sponsored by **Bart's Crazy Good Coffee**.

>> CHAMBER LUNCHEON

Wednesday, May 8, 2019 • 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 6952 St. Andrews Rd., Columbia, SC 29212
 This month, we will hear from Elmer Polite, CFO with Prisma Health (formerly Palmetto Health) and he will fill us in on the merger and the role they will continue to play in the Irmo community. FATZ Southern Kitchen will be catering. \$10 per person.

>> RIBBON CUTTING: WELLSOUL SPA + SALON

Friday, May 10, 2019 • 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
 2914 Dreher Shoals Road, Suite B, Columbia, SC 29212
 A light lunch will be provided! Ribbon cutting at 11:45 a.m.

>> RIBBON CUTTING: FINISHING TOUCH TEAM

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 • 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
 7620 Woodrow Street, Suite C, Irmo, SC 29063
 A light lunch will be provided! Ribbon Cutting at 11:45 a.m.

>> RED WHITE & BLUES

Wednesday, May 16, 2019 • 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Irmo Town Park, 1249 Lexington Ave., Irmo 29063

>> RIBBON CUTTING: CINEMAC STUDIOS

Tuesday, May 17, 2019 • 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
 6236 St. Andrews Road, Columbia, SC 29212
 A light lunch will be provided! Ribbon Cutting at 11:45 a.m.

>> RIBBON CUTTING: R3 FITNESS

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 • 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
 1235 Columbia Ave., Irmo, SC 29063
 A light lunch will be provided! Ribbon Cutting at 11:45 a.m.

OUR MEMBERSHIP



DIAMOND MEMBERS



EMERALD MEMBERS



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Cinemas Studios
- Finishing Touch Team
- Nephron Pharmaceuticals
- Network In Action
- R3 Fitness
- Spherion Staffing
- The Pointe at Lake Murray
- WellSoul Spa + Salon
- Woodridge Memorial Park & Funeral Home

MARKETING MEMBERS

- 93.1 The Lake (WZMJ)
- 94.3 The Dude (WWNQ)
- Accel Outdoor
- Allstate Insurance: The Owens Agency, LLC
- Allstate: The Salmon Agency
- American Floral, LLP
- Art of Dentistry-Dr. Gregory J. Wych
- Big Eyed Bird Creative
- Cassell Brothers Heating & Cooling
- ColaDaily.com
- Cut Throat Marketing
- DoubleTree by Hilton
- Frank's Car Wash
- Fully Promoted
- Grace Outdoor
- Great Southern Homes
- Loveless and Yarborough Real Estate
- LTC Heath Solutions
- McGuinn Homes
- Medi Home Pharmacy
- Midlands Media Group
- Prisma Health
- Providence Health
- Southland Log Homes
- Studio 3P
- Temples Halloran Funeral And Cremation Services
- The UPS Store at Kennerly Crossing
- Woodforest National Bank

PLATINUM MEMBERS

- Atlantic at Parkridge
- Baker Collision Express
- Brookdale Senior Living Solutions
- Caughtman Harman Funeral Home
- GrandSouth Bank
- Lutheran Homes of South Carolina
- South Carolina Blue Retail Center
- Staples

GOLD MEMBERS

- AAA Carolina-Travel
- Affordable Insurance Group
- AllSouth Federal Credit Union
- Allstate: The Beaty Agency
- Aloft - Harbison
- Ameris Bank
- Anchor Lanes
- AT&T
- Babcock Center Foundation
- Ballentine Collision Repair, Inc.
- Barnes Business Solutions
- Beverly C. Winstead CPA, PA
- Carolina Pest Control
- Century Glass
- Columbia Metropolitan Airport
- Comfort Services, Inc.
- Consultants in Gastroenterology
- Corporate Conference Center
- CresCom Bank-Knox Abbot
- Dillard Financial Solutions Inc.
- District 5 of Lexington and Richland Counties
- Dunbar Funeral Home
- Edward Jones Investments-David Wallace
- ERA Wilder Realty of Irmo
- Experience Columbia SC
- Eyes on the Lake, LLC
- FATZ Southern Kitchen
- FedEx Office-Dutch Fork/Irmo Walmart
- FedEx Office-Lexington Walmart
- First Community Bank
- FIT413 Health Club
- Free Times
- Generations Senior Care of Irmo
- Gibson and Associates Inc
- Gilbert Brothers, Inc.
- Harbison Community Association
- HarborChase of Columbia
- HDR | ICA Engineering
- Hyatt Place
- Irmo Drug
- Irmo Insurance Agency
- Irmo Music Academy
- J King Real Estate
- Jarvis Tax Service
- Keller Williams Realty-Corina Hooker
- Lake Murray Floor Covering
- Lake Murray Marina & Yacht Club
- Legalshield
- Liberty Taproom on the Lake
- Liberty Tax Service (St. Andrew's)
- Lowe's of Irmo
- Meetze Plumbing Company, Inc.
- Mickey's Auto Repair
- Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative
- Midlands Technical College
- Millcore Computing
- Minute Man Movers, LLC
- MOLLY MAID of the Midlands and Columbia
- Movement Mortgage
- Mungo Homes
- Mutual of Omaha
- NW Family YMCA of Columbia
- Palmetto Citizens Federal Credit Union
- Pendleton Street Business Advisors
- Pet Supplies Plus
- Principal Financial Group
- Prudential - J.D. Hacker
- PUBLIX Supermarket #656
- R3 Fitness
- Regal Columbiana Grande Stadium 14
- Residence Inn by Marriott
- Roper Staffing
- Rowe Rooter Plumbing Inc
- SAFE Federal Credit Union
- Saluda River Club
- Sam's Club #6203
- SCORE
- Security Federal Bank
- Servpro of The Dutch Fork
- Shaw Industries, Inc.
- Signs N Logos Inc
- South Carolina State Credit Union
- South State Bank
- Southeastern Chapter-National Safety Council
- Southeastern Insurance Consultants, LLC
- Special Olympics South Carolina
- Spine Pain Center
- Stanick Sheet Metal & Roofing, Inc.
- State Farm Agency - Amy Masincupp
- State Farm Insurance - Terri Brock Agency, Inc.
- Sweetgrass Home Staging, LLC
- TD Bank
- Terminix Service, Inc.
- The Legends at Lake Murray Apartment Homes
- The Residence at Marina Bay
- Total Comfort Solutions
- Town of Irmo
- Troubleshooter A/C Refrigeration
- Universal School of Karate
- Verizon Wireless (TCC)-Irmo
- Verizon Wireless (TCC)-Lexington
- Verizon Wireless (TCC)-Newberry
- Wells Fargo-Columbia

BOARD MEMBER OF THE MONTH

A Q&A with Phil Yarborough

Loveless & Yarborough Real Estate, Owner / Broker / BIC

Yco. Homes, Owner / Builder



What do you look forward to most being a Board Member for the Greater Irmo Chamber of Commerce?

I look most forward to coming together with other community and business leaders to discuss ideas and make a difference in our local businesses and our community

Why do you believe businesses and individuals should get involved with The Chamber?

It's great to be recognized on a grand scale within the community to get exposure and promote your business, but it's also great to connect with other business owners on a personal level to help one another succeed.

What is your favorite GICC event?

My favorite event is the Red White & Blues Wine Walk coming up this month because it kicks off the summer with great food, blues music, wine, and friends. You are able to connect one on one with every person who comes to your business booth with great exposure.

What do you like most about Irmo?

Irmo is the perfect area to raise a family, work, and play. The central location close to the lake, surrounding communities and accessibility to downtown makes it ideal to see it all. The Saluda Shoals Park is one of my favorite places, and I really enjoy the local shopping Harbison has to offer.

What are your goals for the Chamber as a Board Member?

My goals are to bring in outside businesses that are not a part of the chamber and include them in our events for better exposure of the businesses that are a part of the chamber. I would like to draw more outside consumer participation in our events through marketing so we can have more involvement and grow our events.

How did you first get involved with The Chamber?

I first got involved with the chamber when I was serving as the Lexington County Council Member for District 7. As a business owner of Loveless and Yarborough Real Estate and Yco. Homes I was able to see the benefits of being a member of the chamber and connecting to the community.



Have you been searching for an affordable
**Business Meeting,
 Party or Event Space?**

SEARCH NO MORE – WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED!

Beautiful meeting space, full AV capabilities, plenty of parking right in the heart of Irmo.

Give us a call for more information • 803-749-9355



Register Online at
GreaterIrmoChamber.com

THURSDAY
 MAY 16, 2019



5-8 PM
 Irmo Town Park



Ticket Includes:
 Wine Glass, Wine Tastings,
 Appetizers and Live Music!



Promote your business in a booth!
 \$200 for Chamber Members
 \$300 for Non-Members



Events@GreaterIrmoChamber.com
 803.749.9355

OUR 2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- John Coleman, Chairman**, Mungo Homes
- Shelley Woodward, Chair-Elect**, Inland Home Mortgage
- Jeremiah Davis, Immediate Past Chair**, Morgan Stanley
- Theresa Falcone, Secretary**, Lexington Medical Center-Irmo
- Emilie Keene, Treasurer**, Palmetto Health Baptist Parkridge
- Dale Sexton**, Shaw Industries
- Mary Ciesielski**, Security Federal Bank
- Mason Holley**, Southland Log Homes
- Todd Buehrig**, SC National Safety Council
- Dana Cassell**, Cassell Brothers Heating & Cooling
- Caroline Westbrook**, First Citizens Bank-Irmo
- Nancy Nelson Embler**, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage
- Cynthia Giles**, Cut Throat Marketing
- Alex Salmon**, Allstate: The Salmon Agency
- Phil Yarborough**, Loveless & Yarborough
- Councilwoman Beth Carrigg**, Lexington County Council
- Dr. Christina Melton**, Lexington Richland District 5
- Tom Ledbetter**, Midlands Technical College
- Mark Smyers**, Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission
- Chuck Larson**, President Emeritus
- Kerry Powers**, President/CEO

OUR STAFF

Kerry Powers, President and CEO
ceo@greaterirmochamber.com

Jeanette Coulter, Welcome Center
jeanette@greaterirmochamber.com

Ginger Huggins, Events Coordinator
events@greaterirmochamber.com



Growing a Stronger Business Community

1235 Columbia Avenue, Irmo, SC 29063
 Phone: 803.749.9355 | Fax: 803.732.7986

GreaterIrmoChamber.com

