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ILLINOIS CHAMBER **ST CHARLES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** **GENEVA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** **BATAVIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

TRI-CITY STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Join us for an informational meeting about legislation that impacts businesses, followed by a Q&A session.

March 7th
8:00 am to 9:30 am
Geneva History Museum, 113 S. 3rd St., Geneva, IL

Illinois Chamber's Executive Director, Government Affairs, Keith Wheeler

PRO GROWTH BUSINESS ILLINOIS

RSVP with your local Chamber



Breakfast Club B2B Networking
TUESDAY, MARCH 11
7:45AM-9AM

**SPEAKER: BECKY SMITH
 BAIRD & WARNER**

Egg Harbor Cafe
 477 S. Third St.
 (Dodson Place)
 Speaker: Becky Smith



Deadline to Register is Friday, March 7 !
 Register at genevachamber.com

Cost: **\$16 Members**
\$20 Non-Members



Are you prepared to make your business more inclusive and welcoming for our aging population?

**IS YOUR BUSINESS BOOMER
 READY AND DEMENTIA FRIENDLY?**

March 11, 2025 11:30 AM - Noon via Zoom

Presented by LaVon Lenaway, founder/owner of Dragonfly Senior Navigaton Services LLC & Member of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce

This presentation is tailored specifically to help businesses adapt to the needs of older adults and those with memory impairments. This engaging webinar will cover:

- **Optimizing Your Physical Space:** Learn about designing a brick-and-mortar business that caters to everyone, from lighting and seating options to flooring and traffic patterns, creating a comfortable and accessible environment for all customers.
- **Effective Communication:** Gain insights on how to communicate effectively with older adults and individuals with memory impairments, building stronger relationships with this growing demographic.
- **Ethical Considerations:** Understand the ethical issues surrounding interactions with individuals who have memory impairments. Learn best practices for handling transactions, signing papers, and reporting suspected elder abuse.
- **Understanding Dementia:** Get a comprehensive overview of what dementia is and why it's crucial for businesses to prepare for the increasing number of individuals affected by memory impairment.

This webinar offers practical tips and strategies that can help you enhance your business's accessibility, boost customer satisfaction, and demonstrate your commitment to ethical practices.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to make your business a leader in inclusivity and customer care. RSVP:

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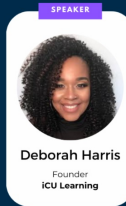
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**407 S. THIRD ST.,
 UNIT 230
 3 PM**

**QUIET QUITTING
 vs.
 LOUD RETALIATION**

ABOUT



In today's evolving workplace, employees and leaders alike are battling multiple rising trends, including quiet quitting and loud retaliation. But what do these behaviors look like and how can they be addressed proactively?

Have you heard of "quiet quitting?" What kind of "loud retaliation" have you experienced in your workplace?

Join us for an engaging discussion, where we'll break down quiet quitting (*disengagement, burnout, and unmet expectations*) and the more vocal responses of loud retaliation (*open resistance, workplace conflict, and public pushback*).

DEBORAH G. HARRIS, SHRM is the BRAIN behind ICU Learning—a place where learning is all about inclusivity. Her passion is driven by my need to create unique learning spaces. At ICU Learning, education isn't just about knowledge; it's about understanding, relevance, and impact. I have dipped my toe in various unrelated industries and bring certificates that guarantee a holistic approach to professional growth. I show up with non-caffeinated authentic energy towards everything I do...16 years later, and I still love this work!



**MARCH 18, 2025
 ZOOM WEBINAR**



11:30 TO 12:00



REGISTER WITH YOUR CHAMBER FOR THE MEETING LINK



Wow things are changing fast all around us. Uncertainty about trade tariffs, inflation, layoffs, waning consumer confidence to name just a few.

What strategies need to be in place during hard times? How long can you weather the storm?

Our SCORE Fox Valley Mentors are Chuck Turack and Susanna Watson. Both have several years experience as Small Business Mentors and come from successful professional careers where they gained and honed the skills and experiences they will share in facilitating these Chamber sessions.

Small Business Discussion Group (Includes coffee)

Thursday, March 20
8 am

Inluro Warehouse
419 Stevens St., Suite B
Geneva



Join us for our
Monthly
Networking Event

Coffee and Conversations

Are you a morning person? Come and enjoy casual networking and a hot cup of joe?

FRIDAY, MARCH 21
8-9 AM



HOSTED BY:

Cody's Belly Bites
524 W State Street
Geneva, IL 60134



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BINGO Night

March Business After Hours
Art History Brewing
649 W. State St., Geneva

THURSDAY 5-6:30 PM 27 MARCH

Business After Hours is sponsored by:
State Street JEWELERS
www.statestreetjewelers.com
No Registration Required

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2025 Member and Gift Certificate Participant Clings

We apologize in the delay of completing our 2025 membership and gift certificate window clings. If you would like either of these window clings for your business, please click on this [LINK](#) to enter your business information. One of our chamber ambassadors will be delivering them to your business.

Boost Your Business with an Exclusive Member-to-Member Discount!

Are you currently offering a special deal for Geneva Chamber members? Or would you like to increase your business exposure by providing an exclusive discount?

We're compiling a list of member-to-member deals to feature on our website and share with new members. This is a fantastic opportunity to gain more visibility, attract new customers, and strengthen connections within our business community.

If you'd like to participate, please email [Robyn](#) with the following details:

- Business Name
- Address
- Exclusive Offer for Geneva Chamber Members
- Any Stipulations (e.g., valid on weekdays only)

Let's work together to make this program a success for both our current and new members! We appreciate your support in fostering a stronger, more connected business community.

We look forward to featuring your offer!



Business Resources

- **City of Geneva:** Offers several services, programs, and resources to support businesses and encourage economic development.
- **County of Kane:** Provides various resources, programs, and support to help businesses thrive and contribute to the local economy.
- **SCORE Fox Valley:** Provides small businesses with FREE business resources and mentoring. The Geneva Chamber of Commerce hosts an event with SCORE monthly with various topics to share ideas and insights with fellow businesses.
- **The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO):** Supports economic growth in Illinois by fostering business development, job creation, workforce training, and community investment. It provides resources, grants, and programs to help businesses, entrepreneurs, and local governments thrive.
- **SBDC (Small Business Development Centers):** Free consulting, training, and resources for entrepreneurs.
- **EDGE Tax Credit Program:** Incentives for job creation and investment.
- **Advantage Illinois:** Access to capital for small businesses.





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