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Fueling Growth, Connection, and Shaping Our Community



NEW FAMILY NAME, SAME LOCAL SERVICE – LASER LOGIC IS NOW BISHOP BUSINESS!

Two years ago, Bishop Business, a family owned and operated business equipment company based in Omaha, acquired Laser Logic. Earlier this year, Laser Logic and Bishop Business merged under the Bishop Business name and moved our offices to 9th and Connecticut in downtown Lawrence. Under the name Bishop Business, we have streamlined our services, supplies and support, offering our customers a singular, efficient experience. The Laser Logic website has been replaced with a revamped Bishop Business website www.bbec.com. Easily find product information, contacts, service and billing information at one, easy to navigate website.

Rest assured, Sally Monahan, Account Representative, and Brad Farmer, Service Technician are still your primary points of contact.

GOOD ENERGY SOLUTIONS ACQUIRES LAVEN ELECTRIC

Good Energy Solutions, Inc, a leader in the solar industry, proudly announces its acquisition of Laven Electric, a well-established provider of electrical and solar services based in Leavenworth, Kansas. This strategic move strengthens Good Energy Solutions' commitment to enhancing clean energy access and expanding its electrical service offerings in Northeast Kansas and the Kansas City area.

"We are thrilled to welcome Laven Electric to the Good Energy Solutions family," said Malcolm Proudfit, CEO of Good Energy Solutions. "This acquisition aligns perfectly with our mission to accelerate the transition to renewable energy. By combining our strengths, we can better serve a wider range of customers and drive further growth for our firm."



EXPLORE LAWRENCE ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF THE FIRST ANNUAL HOSPITALITY AWARDS

Kim Anspach, Executive Director of eXplore Lawrence, hosted the first annual eXplore Lawrence Hospitality Awards. We also welcome the CEO and Founder of Bandwango, Mo Parikh and COO Jay Alson, about the newly launched Burger Battle passport using the Bandwango platform.

The winners of the 2024 eXplore Lawrence Hospitality Awards are the following: **Au Marche**, Hospitality Partner of the Year; **Jeff Boeve**, Hotel Employee of the Year; **Lawrence PRIDE Parade and Party**, Event of the Year; **Mike Logan**, Tourism Champion.

SARAH DUNEKACK NAMED PRESIDENT AND CEO OF JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF KANSAS



Junior Achievement of Kansas (JA of Kansas) is pleased to announce the appointment of Sarah Dunekack as its new President and CEO. Dunekack brings extensive experience and a strong commitment to JA Kansas's mission of empowering young people with financial literacy and entrepreneurial skills.

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 positive impact on Lawrence & Douglas County.

All of our advertisers have a stake in the
 local economy - we ask you to first consider them before looking to source your
 needs outside of the community. We believe in order to have a strong community
 you must be supported by businesses and people with a stake in that community.

"Lawrence Business Magazine is the authentic resource for diverse
 perspectives and relevant topics mixed in with community
 entertainment. We are all fortunate to have a professional publication
 that represents the unique qualities of Lawrence and Douglas County."

▲ Beth Easter, Market President - Lawrence & Topeka, INTRUST Bank

"There is a new gold standard for articulate, informative, unbiased and
 entertaining periodicals, and its name is the *Lawrence Business
 Magazine*. Each diverse issue brings long anticipated clarity to the
 people of Lawrence and Douglas County. For those of us looking for a
 better understanding of our past, our present and where we will be in
 the future, The LBM is mandatory reading."

▲ Derek Kwan, Executive Director, YOUR Lied Center

"The Chamber has been a big fan of the *Lawrence Business Magazine*
 since its inception 13 years ago. Businesses throughout Lawrence and
 Douglas County share their stories with consumers through
 meaningful and entertaining articles. The photography shows the
 diversity and vibrancy we are all so proud of in Lawrence. The
 magazine's mission of "Making a Positive Impact" reflects the vitality
 of our community."

▲ Bonnie Lowe, President/CEO, The Chamber of Lawrence

"Whenever Peaslee Tech is mentioned in the
Lawrence Business Magazine, and anytime we are guests on The
 Lawrence Business Magazine Radio Show, we get so much positive
 feedback from their readers and listeners. They boost the awareness we
 need to help create careers for those in the trade industry and provide
 businesses with qualified workers."

▲ Dr. Kevin Kelley, Chief Executive Officer, Peaslee Tech

"Express Professionals started advertising in the *Lawrence Business
 Magazine* over ten years ago. This was one of the best advertising moves
 we have made. It is continuous exposure to all our clients and potential
 clients we need to get in front of. The team at LBM is top notch to work
 with. Thanks LBM for being a great asset to the Lawrence community!"

▲ Kate Chinn, Owner, Express Employment Professionals

"The *Lawrence Business Magazine* is not only a quality publication, Steve
 and Ann truly support our business & endeavors. And with the
 FOUNDATION AWARDS - they do a terrific job.
 The *Lawrence Business Magazine* FOUNDATION AWARDS make businesses
 realize the importance of their own growth in our community."

▲ Kathy Pine, Owner, Pine Landscape Center

"It is a great place to showcase Emprise Bank and support local
 businesses. At the *Lawrence Business Magazine*, they go the extra mile."

▲ Cynthia Yulich, Community Bank President, Emprise Bank

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The Lawrence Business Magazine Foundation Awards
celebrate our local growing businesses adding jobs.**

THE FOUNDATION AWARDS

Honor Businesses located in Douglas County that are
locally owned or locally franchised,
have been in business a minimum of three years,
and shown growth in employment by 20% or 20 employees.

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The Minority-Owned Business Foundation Impact Award and The Woman-Owned Business Foundation Impact Award

Honor Minority Owned or Woman Owned businesses located in Douglas County that are
locally owned or locally franchised and have been in business a minimum of three years and
shown stability or growth in employment over the past three years as well as making

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