

LAWRENCE BUSINESS MAGAZINE

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IMPACT *of* VOLUNTEERING

Fueling Growth, Connection, and Shaping Our Community

NEWS [MAKERS] & PEOPLE ON THE MOVE



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.

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.



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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."



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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OUR MISSION: Make a positive impact.

From the stories we tell to the FOUNDATION AWARDS we host, we are the only local magazine advocating for the people and businesses making a 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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