



MISSION OF THE CITRUS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:
The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses unified in efforts to advance the economic growth of theregion, promote the interests of the business community, provide key leadership on key commerce issues and preserve the county's quality of life.

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Chamber Connection

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BAM BARBECUE
CELEBRATING LOCAL BUSINESS
THURSDAY, OCT 24TH, 6PM - 10PM

COME HUNGRY AND READY TO GET DOWN!

M&B DAIRY, 8760 S LECANTO HWY, LECANTO

LEON'S FAMOUS BBQ
GEORGE MORRISE & THE LARIAT BAND

\$35 - GENERAL ADMISSION **\$60 W/ OPEN BAR**
*MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO PURCHASE
TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.CITRUSCOUNTYCHAMBER.COM/BAM-BBQ/



Get Ready for a BAM-ing Good Time!

It's time to dust off those Cowboy boots and boot-scoot boogie your way down to M&B Dairy in Lecanto; Thursday, October 24th, 2024.

Join us as we get down on the farm with Citrus County's BIGGEST don't-miss event! This event is more than just a BBQ — it's an ode to our local businesses, a sincere thank-you for their relentless efforts and the remarkable impact they've made on our community.

Date: October 24th
Time: 6 P.M. - 10 P.M.

Location: M&B Dairy, Lecanto

Indulge in Leon's renowned BBQ, graciously supported by the Agriculture Alliance of Citrus County and top it all off with a delightful dessert straight from The Ice Cream Club — crafted using milk from M&B Dairy's very own cows! We are excited to welcome George Morris & The Lariat Band at this

year's entertainment!

Why You Should Attend:

- Prime Networking: Mingle with over 700 business professionals, influential local leaders, and spirited community members.

- Laid-Back Ambiance: Perfect setting for authentic conversations and natural relationship-building.

- On-The-Farm Fun: Experience a unique blend of business celebrations in a rustic farm backdrop.

General Admission: \$35

Open Bar Admission: \$60

For those looking to elevate their brand and impact sponsorship opportunities are ripe for the taking! Reach out to Corrine at Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com.

Come celebrate, network, eat, drink, dance, and appreciate the very heart and soul of Citrus County's business scene at the grand finale event of the Chamber's 2024 Business Appreciation Month celebrations. The B.A.M. BBQ awaits! This is a rain- or -shine event!

Chamber Hosts Chancellor of FDOE Career & Adult Education



The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce was honored to host Dr. Kevin O'Farrell, chancellor of Career and Adult Education for the Florida Department of Education, as the keynote speaker at our September luncheon. Dr. O'Farrell shared valuable insights into the future of career and adult education at the state level, highlighting ongoing initiatives and opportunities for growth.

Prior to the luncheon, we had the privilege of accompanying Dr. O'Farrell on a tour of Withlacoochee Technical College that was arranged by the Chamber. During the visit, Dr. O'Farrell was able to see firsthand the innovative programs and exceptional educational opportunities available right here in Citrus County. The tour showcased how recent state funding has been instrumental in advancing career and adult education pathways, allowing Citrus County students to pursue valuable technical skills that support both personal success and the needs of our local workforce.

We were delighted that Dr. O'Farrell not only took the time to speak at our event, but also engaged directly with our local educators and leaders. His visit underscored the importance of continuing to strengthen partnerships between the state and local institutions to ensure Citrus County remains a leader in career and technical education.

October Salute to Business Luncheon features Senate President-elect Ben Albritton

Join us for the highly anticipated Salute to Business Luncheon as part of the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce's Business Appreciation Month.

This event is one of our most prominent luncheons of the year, bringing together leaders and professionals from across the county to celebrate the strength and success of our local business community.

We are excited to welcome Senate President-elect Ben Albritton as our keynote speaker.

Senator Albritton will provide

an insightful overview of his legislative agenda for the upcoming year, offering a unique perspective on how state policy will impact businesses in Citrus County and beyond.

The luncheon will be held at the College of Central Florida, Wilton Simpson Campus in Lecanto, and will feature a delicious catered meal by Kanes Cattle Co.

Event Details:

Date: October 11th, 2024;
11:30am - 1:00pm

Location: College of Central

Florida, Wilton Simpson Campus, Lecanto
Admission: \$35 per person
Luncheon Sponsor: CORE Business Center
Venue Sponsor: College of Central Florida

Proclaimed by the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners and produced by the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce, the month of October is celebrated each year as "Business Appreciation Month" to recognize the invaluable contributions, made by ALL of

our local businesses, to support and uplift our community.

Don't miss this opportunity to connect with fellow business leaders and gain valuable insights into the future of business in Florida.

Reservations for this annual luncheon are only \$35 and must be made in advance online at www.CitrusCountyChamber.com. Table sponsorships are also available.

Contact Corrine to inquire at Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com or call 352-795-3149.



Sen. Ben Albritton

UPCOMING EVENTS

10/03 BIG BAM Mixer; 5:00pm – 7:00pm; Tampa General Hospital – Crystal River

10/11 Salute to Business Luncheon; 11:30am – 1:00pm; College of Central Florida; Speaker: Senate President-Elect, Ben Albritton; Sponsor: Core Business Center

10/24 BAM BBQ; 6:00pm – 10:00pm; M&B Dairy; Tickets on sale at www.eventbrite.com

Chamber Legacy Members



The Chamber recognizes our Legacy Partners that have made a special investment in the Chamber to support the programs and mission of the Chamber. For information on becoming a Legacy Partner, please contact the Chamber by emailing Corrine@CitrusCountyChamber.com.