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OFFICIAL LEADERSHIP VISIT NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

"On behalf of Commerce Lexington Inc., I'd like to welcome you to the 2017 Leadership Visit presented by the McBrayer law firm. During this three-day trip, we'll hear from a variety of Minneapolis-Saint Paul business and community leaders, while studying the region's successes and examining best practices.

Although the Minneapolis-Saint Paul region is much larger than the Bluegrass, both continually appear at the top of many of the same economic rankings and data sets. Both the Lexington MSA and Minneapolis-Saint Paul region are among the most educated, entrepreneurial, and innovative in the country.

During our trip, we'll hear about a variety of topics like higher education, innovation, regionalism, arts and culture, talent recruitment and retention, diversity, and more. Tomorrow,



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you'll have an opportunity to get out and experience the area first-hand through several Elective Tours outlined in your briefing book.

On Friday, we'll build on our Courageous Conversations from last year with sessions focused on helping us pinpoint and understand our unconscious biases that may be creating roadblocks to closing opportunity gaps in education, workforce and economic attainment in our community.

Over the three days, you'll have the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback directly from your mobile device using our audience engagement tool called **SLIDO** (instructions on the back of this newsletter). Your feedback is very important, as the trip planning committee develops the agenda for future Leadership Visits.

Thank you again for joining us on the 2017 Leadership Visit."

OPENING NIGHT RECEPTION | 6:00 - 7:30 P.M.

Tonight's Opening Night Reception sponsored by Saint Joseph Hospital & Saint Joseph East - part of KentuckyOne Health will be held at Orchestra Hall/Cargill Commons (1111 Nicollet Mall). Enjoy some networking with other trip participants and several Minneapolis-Saint Paul connections before heading over for the Optional Group Dinner or dinner on your own.



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With a group as large as ours, it is important for CLX staff to communicate with you about changes in the agenda, bus departure times and locations, and of course when flight delays happen like we had in 2013 on the way to Omaha. Text messaging allows us to easily keep you informed during the trip. To sign up from your mobile device, simply text keyword **mspvisit** to **511511**.



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TODAY'S NEWS TO KNOW

Opening Night Reception

The Opening Night Reception this evening **presented by Saint Joseph Hospital & Saint Joseph East - part of KentuckyOne Health** will be held at Orchestra Hall/Cargill Commons (1111 Nicollet Mall) from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Walking maps will be available for those who wish to walk, and shuttle transportation will be available to the reception, but not after the event.

Tonight's Group Dinner

Tonight's optional group dinner is going to be a lot of fun. Following the Opening Night Reception, those

who have signed up can head across the street to Brit's Pub for dinner and rooftop lawn bowling. Check with Katie Hardwick or Lynda Bebrowsky for availability of tonight's optional group dinner. The cost is \$45 per person and includes dinner, lawn bowling, non-alcoholic beverages and gratuity.

Thursday's Elective Tours

To check the availability of Thursday's Elective Tours, stop by the registration desk upon arrival at the McNamara Alumni Center.

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During the Minneapolis-Saint Paul trip, we'll be utilizing a mobile audience engagement tool called **SLIDO**. You'll be able provide immediate feedback about each session and ask questions right from your mobile device.

STEP #1:

Go to **www.slido.com** on your mobile device.

STEP #2:

In the Enter Code Here box, type keyword **mspvisit** and tap **JOIN**.

STEP #3:

Once you've entered the event, select the appropriate session and ask questions and provide immediate feedback on each session.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Minneapolis Skyway is an indoor pedestrian walkway system that links many downtown buildings. Spanning 69 blocks and seven miles, it's the longest continuous skyway system in the world.