What is hYPe?

Helping Young Professionals Excel (hYPe) is a program designed to provide opportunities for young professionals to develop a personal network, to grow professionally and to succeed in business while enhancing the community’s quality of life. This Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce initiative is open to those between the ages of 21 and 40 who live, work, and play in Bloomington.

Mission Statement

To create a network of young professionals in the greater Bloomington area that fosters personal and professional development through relationship building, skill enhancement, community enrichments, and career advancement opportunities.

Vision Statement

To make Bloomington, IN an attractive place for young professionals to engage in professional, personal, and civic development.
Who Can Be in hYPe?

Those who live, learn, work, or play in the Bloomington area between the ages of 21-40 are invited to join hYPe. Even though hYPe is an initiative of the Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce, Chamber membership is not required to participate. Prospective participants are required to fill out a hYPe Participant Information Sheet to be formally recognized as hYPe participants. Participation with hYPe is free of charge.


So...Why Join hYPe?

Participating in hYPe provides opportunities not ordinarily available to business professionals just starting on their career path. Every month participants have the option to attend a hYPe event. Beyond that, special events or opportunities will be made available throughout the year. Programs and events will include:

Professional Development/Social Networking

The goal of Professional Development/Social Networking through hYPe is to provide edifying opportunities for hYPe participants to learn valuable information that would enhance their professional and personal well being as well as their community relations. These programs will contribute to the quality of life our participants maintain, through informative workshops/seminars and networking opportunities. Recognizing that many business relationships can begin as friendships, these events will provide a venue where friendships and networking can be fostered.

Philanthropic Opportunities

The goal of Philanthropy Opportunities through hYPe is to offer philanthropic opportunities where hYPe participants can contribute their time for betterment of the community. Philanthropy events will focus on participants ability to spend quality time enhancing the community in which we live, learn, work and play.

College Outreach

The goal of the College Outreach committee is to engage college students on campus, and show the benefits of being part of hYPe and staying in the Bloomington community.

Examples of programs hYPe might offer: team/leadership building; communicating with your boss; financial planning; etiquette class; interview skills

Learn more about hYPe

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Twitter: www.twitter.com/hYPeBtown

LinkedIn Group: http://www.linkedin.com/groups?mostPopular=&gid=3733055

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The Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce & hYPe are pleased to announce the Honorees for 10 under 40 Awards!

10 individuals between the ages of 21 and 40 years old who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in our community and/or in their workplace. Through their actions or initiatives these young professionals serve as an inspiration, helping others to excel:

- Brad Wisler, SproutBox
- Erin Erdmann, CVB
- Mike Trotzke, SproutBox
- David Pillar, MCCSC
- Alyson Norrick, BioConvergence
- John Hurlow, Hurlow Wealth Management Group
- Jessica Hane, Oliver Winery
- Rick Dietz, City of Bloomington
- Erin Cooperman, IU
- Samantha Schaefer, IU Health