

AmCham HCMC Weekly Update - 48th Week of 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Voting Now Open! Board of Governors Election 2020

The AmCham Vietnam HCMC Board of Governors election for the Jan. 2020-Dec. 2021 term is now open. Nine governors will be elected from the nominated candidates in on-line secure voting. Eligible AmCham Voting members received an email the week of November 11th with instructions on completing the on-line ballot. (Contact AmCham office if you did not receive your email ballot instructions.) Voting closes Dec 5 at 11:59 p.m. Elected Governors will be announced at our Annual General Meeting on December 10, 2019. Candidates' biographies and "vision statements" for AmCham can be found on our website.



Thu, Nov 28 **19th Annual AmCham Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot Golf Tournament and Lunch**

6:00am-1:30pm, Vietnam Golf & Country Club, Long Thanh My Ward, Thu Duc District. This fun day of golf is open to all AmCham Members and their guests. You can sign up individually or with other members or friends and even make your own foursome. Non-Members are welcome to join as along as they are playing with at least one AmCham Member. There are many prizes for all to win, and a commemorative golf cap for each participant. Our awards ceremony will feature a bountiful roast turkey spread for everyone to enjoy after a fun day out on the course.



Fri, Nov 29 25th Anniversary Gala - AmCham Hanoi

An annual event since 1998, the AmCham Gala is the 'must attend' business event of the year in Hanoi. This year's Gala offers a great opportunity to enjoy America's favorite holiday - Thanksgiving - and express your thanks to friends, family, colleagues, and customers. Over 300 guests will share the fun at this unique American celebration of gratitude. Enjoy a champagne jazz reception followed by our gourmet Thanksgiving dinner with paired wines, themed-drinks and great live entertainment.



Sat, Nov 30 AmCham Scholarship 2019 - Award Ceremony

8:30am - 11:00pm, Pullman Saigon Hotel, 148 Tran Hung Dao, Dist. 1 AmCham Vietnam award ceremony for scholarships winners to 60 AmCham Scholars from top universities in HCMC and Binh Duong Province will be held on Nov 30. In the 19 years since launching the AmCham Scholarship Program in 2001, AmCham has awarded 935 scholarships.



Sat, Dec 7 AmCham Governors' "Silver Ball"

6:00pm, InterContinental Saigon, Corner of Hai Ba Trung St. and Le Duan Blvd., Dist. 1 This year's themed SILVER BALL will transport guests to the sophistication and sparkle of the holiday season, while subtly honoring AmCham's 25th "silver" anniversary in Vietnam. The Governors' Ball brings together with over 400 members of the AmCham Vietnam business community, Vietnamese business representatives, as well as U.S. and Vietnamese government leaders. The Ball provides a unique opportunity for you to access and promote your company to a large and influential audience, in a festive and fun setting, while contributing to a worthy charitable cause, the AmCham Scholarship Program. Click here for our **Cash Packages**, and **In-kind Packages**.



Sun, Dec 8 Breakfast with Santa at InterContinental Saigon

10:00am - 12:30pm, InterContinental Saigon, Corner of Hai Ba Trung St. and Le Duan Blvd, Dist. 1

Christmas is just around the corner. It's the time for family gathering and enjoying together. It could truly be a miracle to make the most of this season by bringing joy into other's lives, especially the children from social centers.

Get ready and excited once again to see Santa at the 7th Annual AmCham Breakfast with Santa.



Tue, Dec 10 AmCham's Annual General Meeting (AGM) & Members Night

6:00pm - 8:30pm, New World Saigon Hotel, 76 Le Lai St., Dist. 1 Mark your calendars to join AmCham's AGM, one of the most important AmCham meetings of the year. AmCham leaders will update members on 2019 financials, strategic results, key developments, and announce the election results for the 2020 Board of Governors.



Thu, Dec 12 Losing Points - Arbitration Procedures

8:30am - 10:30am, Park Hyatt Saigon, 2 Cong Truong Lam Son, Dist. 1 Arbitration is emerging as the favored alternative dispute resolution method due to its expeditious procedure, confidentiality and flexibility. With the promulgation of numerous laws in Vietnam to facilitate arbitration and the backlog of cases in the local courts, arbitration has become a sensible option for foreign and domestic enterprises alike. Nevertheless, arbitration procedure in Vietnam is unlike the procedure found in international arbitration as well as in the local courts, and requires adaptation and adjustment of traditional litigation strategies to achieve the best results.

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Solution for Meal Allowance in Industry 4.0

In September 2019, Sodexo Pass Vietnam officially launched "The first electronic meal voucher in Vietnam paid by QR Code technology". This is a modern meal allowance solution that helps optimize the business's resources. Minimizing paperwork, increasing financial benefits and ensuring the meal allowance budgets used for the right purpose. Solution in the field of "Benefit & Rewards Services" built and developed by Sodexo Group (France - since 1966). Contact us: 028 7305 0667 - Email: spv.info@sodexo.com - Website: www.sodexo.vn.



Enjoy Preferential Rates for a Weekend Escape with Azerai Can Tho

Treat yourself to a well-deserved relaxation break at Azerai Can Tho. Situated on a peaceful islet within the Mekong River, your rejuvenating getaway includes daily breakfast, a spa treatment, and a set dinner introducing the flavours of the region for two. A dose of nature and a dash of poolside lounging is just the ticket to prepare for the week ahead.

Available for check-in on Friday or Saturday.

Avoiding legal traps in settlement negotiations



In litigation, you will almost certainly be involved in settlement negotiations at some point. However, most people, when approaching settlement negotiations, usually focus solely on how to get the best deal and forget to keep their guard up in the event negotiations fail. As a result, people tend to fall into legal traps set by the opposing party during mediation or informal discussions and lose their case later. This insight will give you understanding of how to detect such legal traps, avoid them and reach a successful settlement. Should you have any question, please contact us at www.letranlaw.com/contact.

AIS Open Day In November And December

Australian International School (AIS Vietnam) will organize two Open Days in 30 November at Xi & Thao Dien Campus and 07 December, 2019 at Thu Thiem Campus in District 2. All prospective families are invited to join and experience our world-class education. Save up to 10.000.000 VND with an attractive scholarship program for your children.



A Bountiful Thanksgiving Feast at The Reverie Saigon

Gather with family and friends this Thanksgiving for a sumptuous dinner buffet of traditional American fare at The Reverie Saigon's Café Cardinal on November 28. The highlight of the buffet will be succulent whole turkey with cranberry sauce, creamy mashed potatoes and gravy. There is also a hot carving station featuring roast USDA beef and Spanish pork leg. Additional hot dishes available to order include foie gras poêlée and oyster gratin. Priced at 1,688,000++ per person, it also includes free-flow red and white wine, Prosecco sparkling wine, draught beer and soft drinks.



Festive Celebrations at Windsor Plaza Hotel

This Christmas and New Year is the time to celebrate with family and friends with an array of sumptuous offerings at Windsor Plaza Hotel.

Festivities kick off with a Christmas tree lighting ceremony in the main lobby on 28 November in time for Thanksgiving. Then the party really begins with holiday feasts and special offers at the hotels fine dining outlets. Café Central An Dong will also be hosting a special Thanksgiving buffet featuring roast turkey and cranberry sauce, carvery station and desserts for only 798,000++ per person.



Thanksgiving at Skewers or The Elbow Room

Thanksgiving is almost here. Arguably one of our favorite time of the year where we get the opportunity to celebrate with family, friends and love ones near & far... with lots of good foods, wine and conversation.

Please join us and celebrate with our Skewers or The Elbow Room family so book early... minimum 48hours for whole turkey and ham. Thursday November 28th Happy Thanksgiving



Dine with Michelin Starred Chef Guillaume Sanchez

From 22nd to 24th November, Social Club Restaurant, 23 floors above Saigon, enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime experience headed by Celebrity one Michelin starred Chef Guillaume Sanchez. For all 3 events, Sanchez will create complex, comprehensive, and holistic dining experiences from start to finish, to encourage a truly emotive response from all of his privileged guests. Join the exciting artful culinary journey with our celebrity-starred Chef Sanchez, Executive Chef Jorick Dorignac and Pastry Chef Laurie Prost of NE/SO Paris; Caviar and Cheese brands: Kaviari and Les Frères Marchand; guest mixologist as well as our lineup live performances from tattoo artist, hair-tattoo artist, guest saxophonist, live Jazz band and DJ.

Festive Season Offer at Banyan Tree & Angsana Lang Co



Banyan Tree & Angsana Lăng Cô are inviting guests to experience a destination beautifully themed for this holidays. Nestled between the azure waters of the East Vietnam Sea and the Truong Son mountain range, this is the perfect destination for travellers who seek a luxury hideaway, or a base from which to explore beautiful area, includes three UNESCO-listed World Heritage Sites.



LEGEND SAIGON

LOTTE Christmas Tree Lighting Celebrations

Experience festive spirit to the fullest with our Christmas Tree Lighting Celebrations at LOTTE Legend Hotel Saigon. Come and join us as we celebrate the start of holiday season with exciting live Christmas carol and many lucky prizes. **Date:** Friday, 29th November 2019 **Time:** 7:00PM - 8:30PM **Venue:** LOTTE Legend Hotel Saigon, 2A - 4A Ton Duc Thang Street, District 1, HCMC

COMMITTEE MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES - For AmCham Members only



Mon, Dec 9 Agriculture Committee Meeting (For AmCham Members Only)

5:00pm - 6:30am, Cargill Head Office in Vietnam, Floor 10 & 11, Maple Tree Business Center, 1060 Nguyen Van Linh Blvd., Tan Phong Ward, Dist. 7, The Agriculture Committee of AmCham seeks to promote the agricultural interests of both Vietnam and the United States by providing a professional discussion platform on common issues, challenges and cooperation opportunities related to these industries as well as networking opportunities.



Thu, Dec 19 Manufacturing Committee Meeting (For AmCham Members Only)

8:00am - 9:30am, Renaissance Riverside Hotel Saigon, 8-15 Ton Duc Thang Str., Dist. 1 Regular monthly meeting of the Manufacturing Committee for networking, informationsharing, and planning advocacy efforts to improve the business environment and promote trade and investment between Vietnam and the U.S.

DO YOU KNOW ...?



Welcome New Members 2019

Corporate Members: Barton Pike Executive Recruitment Company, Copper Mountain Energy JSC (CME), Data Energy Company, Hertz Vietnam, Marou Chocolate Company, Sunrise Events Vietnam Company, Vexos Vietnam Company, Vietnamese-German University, VMED Group JSC

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AmCham Premium Membership 2019

The AmCham Premium Membership 2019 is a leadership-level membership for companies contributing strategic support for AmCham's mission and programs. Our Premium Membership comes with a range of exclusive benefits. One all-inclusive Premium Membership's annual billing simplifies your businesses' sponsorship efforts. Click HERE for Premium Members' benefits.

Benefits to AmCham Membership



We love our AmCham members! Do you know all the benefits you get with your membership? Maybe you only remember the ones you've used recently, but there are many ways even our basic level members benefit at AmCham. Click <u>HERE</u> for details.

In the News

- US imports from China shrank more than 13% but imports from Vietnam are popping
- After Trump Rebuke, Vietnam Scrambles to Avoid US Trade Dispute
- From Hanoi to Halifax, everyone is worried about China
- Vietjet Air Wins Best Ultra Low Cost Airline Award For 2019
- Where to Find Working Women? Vietnam
- Sustainable infrastructure investment speeds up growth in Vietnam



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