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ECCO Select Acquires Miro Consulting Integration

North Kansas City-based ECCO Select, a leading provider of technology talent and consulting solutions, announced the successful integration of Miro Consulting, Inc.'s assets following its acquisition effective April 1, 2025.

The acquisition significantly expands ECCO Select's capabilities in software asset management, license advisory, and compliance consulting while creating powerful opportunities to cross-sell services across both organizations' client bases.

"This acquisition was a major investment for ECCO, and we're excited to capitalize on it," said Jeanette Prenger, Founder and CEO of ECCO Select.

"The integration of Miro strengthens ECCO in ways that immediately benefit clients," said Darren Prenger, President & COO of ECCO Select. "We now have the scale and expertise to deliver strategic guidance and execution together — and we're already seeing traction as ECCO and Miro clients gain access to new services. This is exactly the ROI we set out to achieve with this investment."

MTS completes Art Wall and Preserves Aladdin Hotel

North Kansas City Business Council member MTS Contracting has recently been involved in some interesting art-related projects.

Art exhibits aren't typically part of their business—but this project was an exception.

Located outside the East Patrol Division of the Kansas City Police Department, the wall had significantly deteriorated over the years due to weather and repeated freeze/thaw cycles. They began by removing the failing waterproofing system and replacing it with a new air barrier and waterproofing membrane.

New clay tile was installed using Laticrete materials, and the ceramic bowls were mounted to stainless steel pins anchored through the tile into the CMU substrate. They also applied new sealants around the upper two-thirds of each bowl to ensure long-term durability.



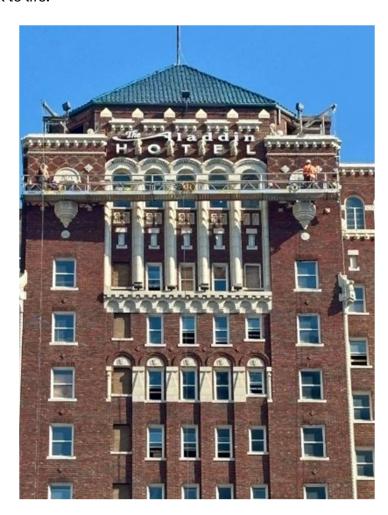
Both the tiles and bowls were handcrafted by an art studio in Iowa, adding a unique artistic touch to the restored wall. This collaborative effort not only restored the wall's integrity but also transformed it into a lasting piece of public art.

MTS Contributes to Historic Aladdin Preservation

MTS is proud to be part of the ongoing renovations at the iconic Aladdin Hotel in downtown Kansas City, MO.

Originally built in 1925, the Aladdin was once the tallest building on the Kansas City skyline. Designed as a convention hotel, it could accommodate more than 700 guests and remains a significant piece of the city's architectural history.

Today, the hotel is undergoing a full restoration—both inside and out. Crews are uncovering original flooring, ceilings, and architectural features, bringing the building's historic character back to life.



MTS is playing a key role in the exterior restoration. The building's façade has been carefully cleaned using a masonry detergent, and repairs to the ornate terra cotta detailing are currently underway. In addition, the masonry will be re-pointed to ensure structural integrity and preserve the building for years to come.

Economic Summit October 24 at Diamond Conference Center

Please plan to attend the **2025 Fall Economic Summit** presented by **The River Partnership.** This is an ideal opportunity to come together to shape the future of the Northland. The River Partnership is comprised of:

- North Kansas City Business Council
- Parkville Area Chamber of Commerce & EDC
- Platte City Chamber of Commerce
- Riverside Chamber of Commerce

This year's summit will bring together leaders, businesses, and community partners to explore opportunities for strengthening our workforce, driving economic development, and showcasing the places that make our region a destination for working smarter, playing harder, and living bolder.

Topics to be discussed include:

- Clay and Platte County tourism joint GoNorthKC promotional plans
- FIFA World Cup 2026 planning and how it impacts Northland businesses
- Workforce Development + Training
- Live Nation Amphitheatre opening next Spring
- National and Regional economic issues update by Chris Kuehl

Date: Friday, October 24, 2025 **Time:** 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: The Diamond Conference Center, 1875 Diamond Pkwy, North Kansas City

Register Here

International Credit Union Day at Burlington Northtown Community Credit Union

Burlington Northtown Community Credit Union, at 1002 Swift, invites you for a special day on October 16th from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to celebrate **INTERNATIONAL CREDIT UNON DAY.** Stop by for Grilled Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chips, Drinks and Prizes.

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Recent NKC Health Honors

It seems that every time we turn around there is a new honor being given to NKC Health.

Recent honors include:

- 1 of just 49 hospitals in the United States by Forbes' as Best Employers for Women
- #10 in Missouri for Best Employers in the State of Missouri
- Gold winner on Ingram's Best Hospitals list
- U.S. News & World Report among Best Hospitals for Maternity
- Newsweek Top 3 Best in State Missouri Hospitals

Farmer's House "Happy Hour with a Purpose"



If you have business income or potential Missouri state tax liability, such as from rentals, farm operations, LLCs, or other ventures, **this session is for you.**

RSVP below to attend this Tax Savings Happy Hour complete with cocktails and appetizers and valuable insights from Peter Marshall, CPA. Peter will share how individuals and businesses can **reduce their Missouri tax liability with 70% Missouri NAP Tax Credits.**

This is an educational event only. No solicitations.

Space is limited. RSVP HERE!

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Learn how you can reduce your taxes AND help youth with developmental disabilities be employment ready by graduation.

First Christian Church Benefit Concert, October 19



North Kansas City Business Council Events

- Northland Coffee Connect
 - Wednesday, October 15 Ag Annex at Maple Woods Community College
 - Wednesday, October 22 OPES Professional Employer's Organization, 214 E 18th Ave
 - o Wednesday, October 29 Quality Plumbing/Quality Mechanical, 1731 Howell
 - o Wednesday, November 5 Mega KC, 1491 Iron
- Monthly Membership Luncheon, Thursday, October 16 Fire Station #1, The State of the City report by Mayor Jesse Smith and City Department leaders
- **First Friday Coffee**, Friday, November 7 Pro Apparel KC and Polka Dots Event Rental, 500-502 Armour
- Holiday Magic Dinner & Auction Thursday, December 4, Harrah's Nevada Ballroom register for a table of eight at this link: 2025 Holiday Magic Dinner & Auction presented by NKC Health Dec 4, 2025
- **City Sidewalks Tree Festival** sign up to sponsor and decorate a Christmas tree register using this link: <u>City Sidewalks Tree Festival 2025 Nov 1, 2025</u>

Note: Only North Kansas City Business Council member businesses will be featured in these enewsletters, although the distribution goes to ALL businesses to get more attention for the featured businesses. Whenever any member business is mentioned, I will also include the website address of that business so readers can inquire further about your business if they are interested.

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