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August
2018



It was a beautiful (and warm) summer day for our **4th Annual Member Appreciation Picnic**! Over 200 members enjoyed a laid back lunch provided by **Pump House Catering**, drinks by **Pepsi** and **Culligan of Mansfield**, ice cream from **Paul's Drive-In**, and goodie bags from the Ambassadors Committee and **Staker Dental**! Thanks to **Ricky Mitchell** for the live entertainment as well!



We are very excited to announce that our Chamber President, **Jodie Perry**, earned her **Certified Chamber Executive (CCE)** designation at last week's ACCE Conference in Des Moines, Iowa. Since the first CCE designation was conferred more than 40 years ago, about 500 professionals have become certified. CCE is recognized by many as the highest, and most elite, professional designation in the chamber of commerce profession. Please join us in congratulating Jodie on earning this distinction!

We were honored to be on hand for the **Flag Raising & Dedication** of this new huge flagpole along 71 in Bellville (behind Loves). Mayor Teri Brenkus (Village of Bellville) spearheaded this project and many, many local professionals and contractors donated their time, talents and resources to make it all happen. This was a wonderful project of the Richland Community Development Group (RCDG) Bellville Beautification Sector! Keep an eye out for it as you drive by!



He's cleaning up Mansfield, one piece of litter at a time

Nelson Shogren may have the record amount of time spent picking up trash in and around Mansfield.

He may also have the distinction of picking up the greatest variety of discarded items.

He has walked streets, sidewalks and parking lots to snare glass bottles, aluminum cans, and plain old paper. But, he has also waded Mansfield streams to collect plastic and other trash items that not only look bad but provide health risks for swimming fish, wading birds and other creatures from the waterways. He has even hiked four-lane U.S. 30 to pick up everything from paper to auto parts.

"I have picked up enough car parts over the years that I could almost build a car," Shogren said, adding he only needed a chassis.

Kim Hildreth, program coordinator for the engineering department, coordinates the litter prevention and public involvement programs for the city. She agreed that there are very few other people who have been as active picking up litter as Shogren has. She said he participates in nearly every available program, including Earth Stewardship programs, the downtown Clean Sweep, and Operation Clean Sweep (S.O.S.) - A stream clean-up program. He has been at it for some 20 years, she believes.

As an example of the volume of litter that Shogren has helped pick up, last year's Earth Stewardship program alone saw about 20,000 pounds of litter cleaned up in the local community. There were 51 projects in last year's stewardship program, with the majority of them being litter pick-up projects.

Shogren, 63, said the waterway clean-up is the most challenging of the litter projects. He said the streams not only contain paper and plastic washed in from areas upstream, but also piles of trash intentionally dumped into the water.

Wading and cleaning the streams is particularly important because the plastic and other materials can break down and harm wildlife," he said.

Shogren is a life-long Mansfielder who graduated from Madison High School. His post high school education took a couple of turns. He attended Mansfield-OSU and graduated from North Central State College with a degree in electronic engineering. He later graduated from Ashland University with a journalism degree. Shogren worked for 30 years at the phone company that was called Sprint when he started and Century Link when he left. He spent most of his time in the communications department.

His focus on environmental issues has been a straight thread throughout his life.

"I have always felt that people who enter a clean area like a park are less likely to litter than they would in an area already containing litter," Shogren said, explaining that he organizes a neighborhood clean-up project each year in his neighborhood along Charles Mill Lake. Other favorite spots for him to pick up trash is in city parks like Liberty, Middle, and North Lake. He also works along the B & O Bike Trail. Again, part of his focus on parks is in the streams that cut through them.

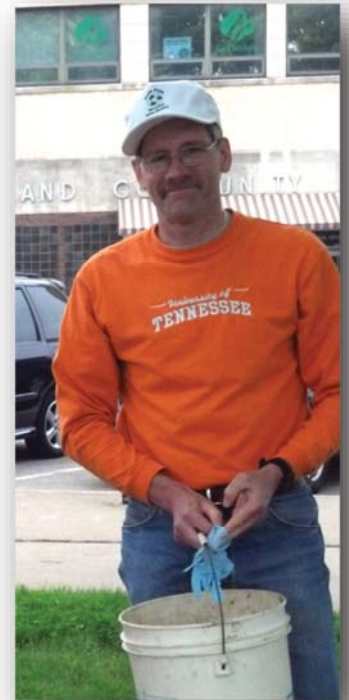
Shogren is also involved with other efforts that focus on community health and environmental issues. He participates in Richland Moves!, a group that promotes cycling and active transportation in Mansfield and Richland county.

Shogren is an active cyclist and said his most recent part-time job since leaving Century Link is to take care of bikes at Dick's Sporting goods.

"I can't believe I get paid for having fun," he said, adding that he goes for a bike ride nearly every day. When asked how far he normally travels on his daily rides, he said about 6 miles when he is pressed for time and as many as 50 if he has most of a day.

Nelson's father was noted Mansfield artist Kinley Shogren. He said his father probably painted as many as 3,000 local scenic pictures, including some depictions of historic buildings and settings in Mansfield. He said he believes his father's artistic talents may have been what motivated him toward cleaning up litter. "I always have wanted everything to look picture perfect," he concluded.

Written by Tom Brennan, retired editor of the News Journal and a member of the Mansfield in Bloom steering committee. If you are interested in participating in any number of litter projects or other programs that beautify the community, contact Roberta Perry at roberta@chooserichland.com or 419-755-7234. If you wish to participate in the Earth Stewardship program, contact Kim Hildreth at 419-755-9689.



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Marijuana and the Workplace

2 sessions available

August 8th 8am-11am or 1pm-4pm

at Deluxe Catering & Events, 28 N. Main St. in Mansfield

As states trend toward marijuana legalization, popular notions about the safety of the substance are often misunderstood or overstated. This leads to new questions and quests for more information on the topic, such as: "How safe is marijuana REALLY?"

"What are the expected outcomes for employers in states where marijuana laws are changing?" "What long-term impacts can be anticipated where legalization is embraced?" and "How can we best prepare to protect the safety of our work place?"



We will hear from national expert and Colorado resident, Jo McGuire, about actual outcomes and best practices for maintaining safe and drug free workplaces.

We will also hear from Tony Coder, Director of Program & Services, Ohio Assoc. of County Behavioral Health Authorities. Tony will be speaking about the details of the Ohio Law and what employers need to know.

\$20 - light refreshments will be served.

Register at RichlandAreaChamber.com or call 419-522-3211.



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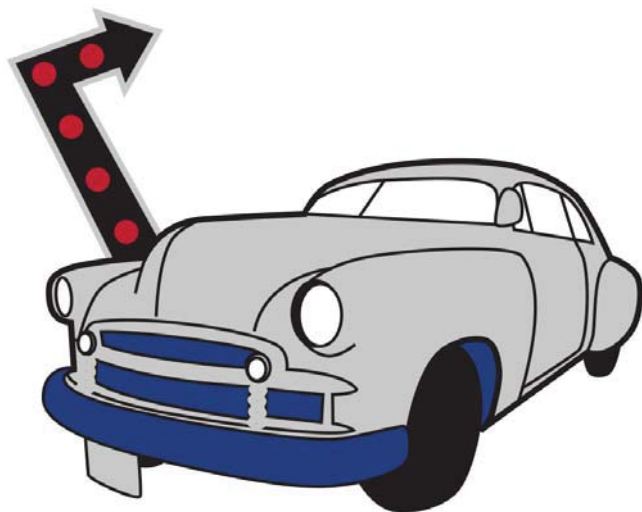
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Heart of the City Cruise In—VENDOR ALLEY Spots — Member Price: \$25, Non-Member Price: \$35

(*Due to food vendor regulations from Downtown Mansfield, Vendor Alley participants are not allowed to sell food.

If you are interested in being a food vendor, please call DMI at 419-522-0099)

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Organization _____ Phone _____

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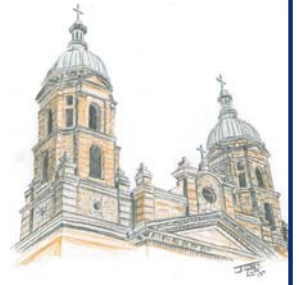
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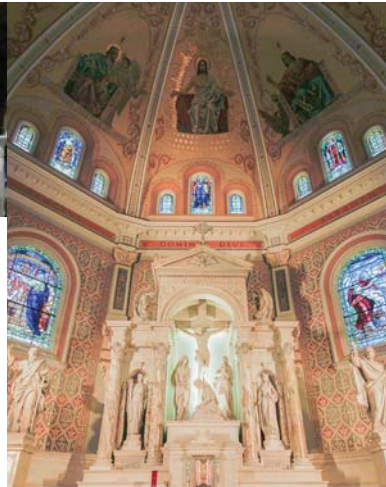


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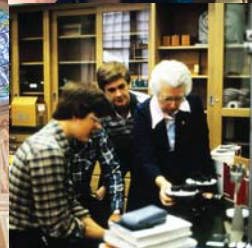
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AUG 2 12 PM-1 PM *Neos Dance Theatre*

AUG 10 11:45 AM-1:15 PM *Jimi Vincent
& Steve Calabria
Two Trains Runnin'*

AUG 24 11:45 AM-1:15 PM *EKG*

Special performance times are listed above, but our courtyard is open every Friday over lunch! Come early or stay later and enjoy the courtyard.

In the event of inclement weather, we'll save Live@Lunch for another day.

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Below is information from the Chamber's workers comp provider. If you would like a free quote, please contact the Chamber at 419-522-3211 or email selgin@RichlandAreaChamber.com.



Important Dates and Upcoming Deadlines
(for Private Employers):

August 15, 2018 Due date for BWC to receive your 2017 payroll True-Up report, as well as any True-Up payment for the July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 rate year.

2017 Rate Year True-up: True-Up reconciliation **must be completed by 8/15/18** for the July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 rate year. It is very important that your true-up is done timely or BWC may lapse your coverage and/or remove your company from any alternative rating programs. The BWC considers the True-Up complete when payroll is reported and any related premium payments are made.

August 30, 2018 is the DFSP action plan deadline for 7/1 start date – *advanced level only*.

Remember, you must true up even if you are reporting \$0 payroll.

Questions? Contact Amber Hart amber.hart@careworkscomp.com 614-932-1553

More Upcoming Learning & Networking Events

BUSINESS BOOT CAMP ☆☆☆ SERIES



Presented by:
Linda Horning-Pitt

IDENTITY THEFT – An identity theft education can save employers and employees thousands of dollars in potential losses!

When: Thursday, August 9th 7:30-9am - continental breakfast provided

Where: Richland Area Chamber, 55 N. Mulberry St., Mansfield

The cost is \$15 for members/\$25 for non-members - please RSVP to reserve your spot (see registration information at bottom of page).

- ~ Learn how to protect yourself from the devastating effects of ID theft
- ~ Be introduced to the six major types of identity theft
- ~ Learn how to better protect personal and company information
- ~ Learn about restoration services & credit monitoring plans

**HR personnel
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CEU for this
workshop**

Lunch WISE WEDNESDAY

Network & Be Inspired by Local Women!

When: August 15th 11:45– 1pm

Where: Deluxe Catering & Events, 28 N. Main St., Mansfield

Mark your calendar for the 3rd Wednesday of each month to join a group of dynamic, innovative local women for a time of powerful networking and motivation, as well as a chance to learn more about your community.

August topic: Wheel of Life Do you look cool, calm and collected on the outside, but feel like a hot mess on the inside? Do you wish you had all your ducks in a row, but instead feel like you have squirrels running everywhere? Do you think, once, just once, could the “social media Jones’s” post a vacation photo from Findlay rather than Fiji?! How in the world do we keep our lives in balance these days?



Join Julie McCready as we discuss our “Wheel of Life” and how we can focus on keeping it comfortably rolling in our personal and professional lives. **Julie McCready** is a life long resident of Richland County. She and husband Tom own McCready Interiors/Norwalk The Furniture Idea, a 22 year family business that is part of the McCready Family’s 94 year furniture history. She is a residential and commercial designer and manages a team of five designers at McCready’s.

The luncheon cost is \$12.00 - please RSVP to reserve your spot (see registration information at bottom of page).

This collaborative series is being co-hosted by the Richland Area Chamber, Mind Body Align and the Small Business Development Center at NCSC.

JOIN US FOR A CHAMBER COFFEE

7:30-8:30am



**Join us for Open Discussion while Enjoying
Your Morning Coffee!**

When: Friday, Sept. 14th

7:30– 8:30am

Hosted by:



27 Ryan Road, Shelby OH

Join us at our next “Chamber Coffee” session. You will have the chance to do some networking, share updates about your business, and participate in open discussion.

There is **no charge** to attend, but seating is limited. Please reserve your spot early (see registration information at bottom of page).

3 WAYS TO REGISTER for these events (or any other Chamber event):

- Register online using the event calendar at richlandareachamber.com
- Call 419-522-3211
- Email: lduckworth@richlandareachamber.com



YEA!

Now You're In Business

The Young Entrepreneurs Academy provides students in grades 6-12 with the knowledge and skills they need to start and run their own business. No business experience is needed—just creativity, enthusiasm, dedication and lots of effort.

Young Entrepreneurs Academy Information Session

August 7, August 29, and September 11

From 6:00-7:00pm

Richland Area Chamber of Commerce

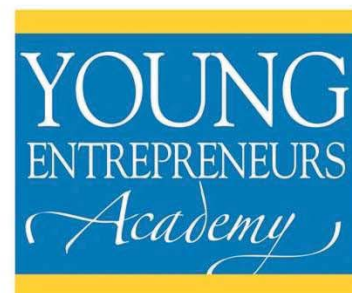
55 N Mulberry St, Mansfield

YEA! Richland Class Information

Class Meets from 4:00-7:00pm each Tuesday at
North Central State College

Contact Nikki Lewis, Program Manager:
nlewis@richlandareachamber.com

Or visit yeausa.org today to learn more.



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Get Involved!

This fall, area middle and high school students will have the unique opportunity to start and launch their own REAL businesses or social movements by participating in the Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!). Over the course of the 25-week program, students will brainstorm ideas, write business plans, pitch their plans to a group of investors, obtain funding, launch their enterprise and actually sell their products or services. Along the way they will register their business with the State of Ohio, open a business bank account, and get a tax ID number. They will work with business professionals to build a brand identity and create a website and a social media presence. The students will hear from local business owners, take trips to area businesses to see how they function, and have a personal business mentor to guide them along the process. Students are able to create a business by themselves or they are welcome to start a business with a group of other students. At the end of the program, the students will participate in a Trade Show where their businesses, products, and services will be on display for the community to see.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about YEA!, there will be **information sessions on August 7th, August 29th, and September 11th from 6-7 pm.** The sessions will be held at the Richland Area Chamber of Commerce building which is located at 55 N. Mulberry St., Mansfield. All are welcome to attend.

Applications are already being accepted for the 2018-2019 YEA! class. Students can apply online at www.yeausa.org or by contacting me for an application.

A bit of background...

The Richland Area Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to be bringing the Young Entrepreneurs to Richland County for its fourth year. YEA! was developed at the University of Rochester in 2004 with the support of a grant from the Kauffman Foundation. In 2015, the Richland Chamber Foundation began the program right here in Richland County.

YEA! guides middle and high school students through the process of starting and running a legitimate business or social movement over the course of an academic year. YEA! has graduated hundreds of students since 2004, who have started well over 700 businesses and social movements! Kids start as students and graduate as CEOs!

How business professionals can get involved...

Through business professionals during the year. YEA! students gain some of the most important knowledge and experience they need to succeed. Local professionals volunteer their time and expertise as guest speakers, mentors, investors, graphic designers, field trip hosts, business plan reviewers, and much more. The time YEA! students spend with adults who encourage their futures is invaluable, and participants often report getting even more out of their participation than they put in to it! If this sounds like something you would be interested in being involved with, you can contact me for more information at (419) 522-3211 or nlewis@richlandareachamber.com.



YEA! Class of 2018



Ian Dzugan & Kent Reese, 2018 and 2017 Saunders Scholars Semi-Finalists from Richland County

Richland Area Chamber Member **SPOTLIGHT**

Take a Hike!

Ok, that sounds a little harsh, but it was meant in a good way! What Executive Director Jason Larson calls “the best kept secret in Richland County” is your opportunity to hike on level to moderate terrain amongst some of the best that Mothers Nature has to offer locally. We are talking about the Richland County Park District and its Gorman Nature Center on Lexington Ave.

Our park district was started in 1965 with a generous donation of 20 acres from Jim Gorman and his sister, Jean Bate. In the ensuing years additional donations were made bringing today’s total to almost 150 acres. The original question was ‘how do we best use this land’? Recognizing that numerous recreational opportunities already existed the decision was made to create a nature center.

Today over 6 miles of mowed trails, prairies, wooded areas, and a pond are yours to explore. Trail maps are readily available. The trails are open 365 days a year from dawn to dusk. They are also dog friendly with the only requirements being that they be kept on a leash and under control at all times, and of course poop pick up (bags and a trash can are available).

The Center sees 20/25K visitors each year, many are school aged children on a class adventure. The goal is to educate and inform these young citizens about the wonders of our natural world. On display in the center are various creatures that inhabit our area, and yes you can touch the snake, if staff is available. The Centers hours are 9-3 Tues. – Sat.

The Park District also includes the B&O Bike Trail, Hemlock Falls, and coming soon is Camp Mowana aka. Fleming Falls (at no taxpayer expense).

Find lots more info at: www.gormannaturecenter.org. The best part is it’s free!



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With backgrounds in the hospitality industry and healthcare, the first order of business became cleanliness. The second was to create programs that would appeal to a large variety of individuals. The result was the requisite cardio workouts, something for body builders, and a Zumba class. In addition they offer something called Cardio Drumming, which involves actual drumming at moderate pace with a few moves thrown in. Coming next month is Senior Fit class, just for older folks, with the routines accompanied by 50/60's rock music. Further down the road is an advanced edition of the drumming routine with a more aggressive pace called Pound.

The facility is open 24/7 to members, each issued a personal card which opens the always locked door. Think you are too old? The members range from 94 to 14 years old. If you don't know where to begin, a personal trainer is available in a contractual arrangement to get you started.

For more info contact them at: mansfielddoh@snapfitness.com or call 419-610-2111.

Get Fit!





BWC Rebate Checks on the Way

Attention Richland County employers - be on the lookout for your rebate check from the Ohio BWC over the next month. They visited us at the Chamber to announce over \$25 million will be given back to employers in our region. We know this money will be so helpful for the thousands of small businesses in the 6 county region who are working hard to provide great jobs, give back to the community and grow their businesses!



Chamber Coffee at Gorman Nature Center



Lunch WISE Speed Networking

July Business After Hours



**Mansfield Richland Area Educational Foundation
Economic Club**

#SXSW419

Presented by Jay Allred, Jodie Perry, and Allie Watson



Special Guest: Susan Fisher, INKcarceration

The Future of Mansfield

Monday, August 27, 2018

Life Celebration Reception Center, 11:45 am

Reservations must be made by August 16th

In March 2018, 15 individuals took a big step forward in the re-imagination of Richland County's greatest opportunity, Mansfield's Central Business District. The group attended South by Southwest Interactive (SXSW) in Austin, Texas. They spent a week immersed in the world-renowned festival of ideas and technology in hopes of bringing the ideas back to our community. Since then the group has met on a regular basis with a team of 26 advisors to begin the process of creating a plan for our community. Join them on August 27th as they provide more information about the project, how it started, and what are the next steps.

Event fee is \$35 for non-members. Economic Club annual membership fee is \$100.

Reservations can be made using the Chamber website or by mailing, faxing or e-mailing this form.

All reservations must be made no later than August 16th:

Economic Club, 55 North Mulberry Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44902.

Fax: 419.526.6853 e-mail: nlewis@richlandareachamber.com

Name: _____

Business: _____

e-mail: _____

_____ I wish to make a reservation for the Monday, August 16th Economic Club.

_____ I would like to renew my membership for the Economic Club.

_____ I would like to become a member of the Economic Club.

Celebrate Small Business!

2018 Small Business of the Year Awards Nomination



To be considered for the Richland Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year Awards, the nominated business must:

- Be headquartered in Richland County
- Employ 250 or fewer full-time equivalent employees
- In operation for at least three years
- Have annual sales revenue of less than \$20,000,000
- Demonstrate an active concern for the community

Eligible applicants will be judged on the following:

- Business History & Performance
- Staff Training & Motivation
- Community Involvement
- Customer Service
- Business Strategies & Goals

To be considered for the Richland Area Chamber of Commerce Small **Non-Profit** of the Year Award, the nominated organization must:

- Be headquartered in Richland County
- Total budget \$1M or less
- In operation for at least three years
- Must be a 501c3 organization



NEW!

Eligible applicants will be judged on the following:

- Collaboration with other organizations
- Employee Practices
- Financial Performance (diversification, income streams, rainy day fund, etc).
- Customer Service
- Strategic Planning - long range

Business Nominated _____

Contact Person _____ Title _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (day) _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Nominating Individual (Optional) _____

Email _____

Why are they deserving of the award (briefly):

Return To:

Richland Area Chamber of Commerce ~ 55 N. Mulberry St., ~ Mansfield OH 44902
F: 419-526-6853 E: lduckworth@richlandareachamber.com

Deadline for nominations is August 17, 2018

Awards will be presented at a special luncheon - November 30th, 2018





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SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION



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- Company **Logo** (color) printed in the Tasting Menu given to each attendee
- Company **Logo** listed on event posters
- Company recognized in announcements
- Company **Logo** listed on event webpage with link

Gold Sponsorship - \$500

- 8 Tickets Included (\$160 Value)
- Company name on event banner
- Company **Logo** (1 color/small) printed on tote bag given to each vendor and attendee
- Company Name listed in the Tasting Menu
- Company Name listed on event posters
- Company recognized in announcements
- Company Name listed on event webpage with link

Silver Sponsorship - \$250

- 4 Tickets Included (\$80 Value)
- Company name on event banner
- Company Name printed on tote bag given to each vendor and attendee
- Company Name listed in the Tasting Menu
- Company recognized in announcements
- Company Name listed on event webpage with link

*Sponsorship must be received at least six weeks in advance to take complete advantage of this benefit

2018 SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION

Organization Name: _____

Contact: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

SELECT YOUR SPONSORSHIP LEVEL:

☐ Platinum Sponsorship - \$1000

☐ Gold Sponsorship - \$500

☐ Silver Sponsorship - \$250

METHOD OF PAYMENT: ☐ Check enclosed ☐ Visa/MasterCard/Discover

Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date. _____

Security Code _____ Signature _____ email _____

Address of Cardholder _____

AUCTION AND FOOD TASTING EVENT



October 23rd, 2018 5-8pm

at the Mid-Ohio Conference Center

☐

Yes, I would like to donate an item to the auction!

Business/Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

Item(s):** _____

◆ Item enclosed _____ Need pick up between (dates) _____ & _____

Value of item: _____

Please respond by Friday, September 14th:

Mail to: Richland Area Chamber of Commerce
55 N. Mulberry St. Mansfield OH 44902

Silent Auction

Fax: 419-526-6853 Call: 419-522-3211 Email: lduckworth@richlandareachamber.com

Why participate? This event is a great opportunity to highlight your business and potentially get some new long-term customers! Some great ideas include: gift cards, baskets, trips, gas cards, chocolate, tickets to sporting events, etc.

Thank you for your participation!

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Sponsorship/Booth Registration/Prize Donations (you may also complete payment online at RichlandAreaChamber.com)

Spotlight Sponsor - \$1000:
(exclusive)

Center Stage Sponsor - \$450:

- One tabletop booth space in a prime location
- Logo (large) on all promo materials for Showcase
- Logo (large) on booth map provided to attendees
- Logo & link on website for Showcase
- Logo promotion on Showcase social media
- Logo in Chamber Newsletter regarding Showcase
- Logo & link on Showcase email blasts

Ensemble Sponsor - \$225

- One tabletop booth space in prominent location
- Name on all promotional materials for Showcase
- Name & link on Showcase event page
- Name promotion on Showcase social media
- Name in Chamber Newsletter regarding Showcase
- Name listed on email blasts for Showcase

Donate a Door Prize:

Business mention and thank you during event

Booth Only - \$60 if reserved by 8/15/18

After this date, the cost will be \$85.

- Space size is 8x10.
- 8ft table, 2 chairs, & electricity/wifi included
- Set up will take place from 10-11am.
- Vendor networking session prior to event

*To guarantee a spot,
please respond early!*

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Contact person: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Payment: _____ check enclosed VISA/MC/DISC# _____

exp. ____/____/____ Security Code _____ Cardholder Address _____

Choose one: Center Stage Sponsor (\$450) _____ Ensemble Sponsor(\$225) _____ Booth Only(\$60) _____

I would like to donate the following door prize: _____

Cancellations must be received by September 1, 2018 or booths will be charged at full price.

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You should receive several directory copies by mail in August. Feel free to stop by the Chamber if you don't want to wait or if you would like additional copies.

This publication is full of great information for visitors and long-time residents alike so be sure to put copies in your waiting room or any high-traffic area!

Upcoming Events

- 8/3/18 — **Chamber Golf Classic**
- 8/7/18 — **YEA! Information Session** 6pm@ Chamber
- 8/8/18 — Executive Committee 7:30am-9am
- 8/8/18 — **Marijuana in the Workplace Seminar**
@ Deluxe Catering & Events, 8am-11am or 1pm-4pm
- 8/9/18 — **Business Boot Camp** @ Chamber
Topic: Identity Theft Workshop 7:30am-9am
- 8/13/18 — Lunch WISE Wed. Committee Meeting 3pm
- 8/14/18 — Advocacy Committee 8am
- 8/15/18 — Chamber & RCDG Board meeting 7am
- 8/15/18 — Small Bus. Saturday meeting 10am @ Chamber
- 8/15/18 — **Lunch WISE Wednesday Women's Luncheon**
11:45-1pm @ Deluxe Catering & Events
- 8/16/18 — **Business After Hours @ St. Peters** 5-7pm
- 8/22/18 — Ambassador Social
- 8/25/18 — **Vendor Alley @ Downtown Cruise-In**
- 8/29/18 — **YEA! Information Session** 6pm@ Chamber
- 8/30/18 — Ambassadors Committee 8am
- 9/7/18 — **Small Bus. of the Year Nominee Breakfast** 8am
- 9/11/18 — **YEA! Information Session** 6pm@ Chamber
- 9/12/18 — **Women's Bus. Showcase @ Holiday Inn** 11am-1pm
- 9/14/18 — **Chamber Coffee @ Pioneer** 7:30-8:30am
- 9/20/18 — **Business After Hours @ NCSC/OSU** 5-7pm
- 10/4/18 — **Business Boot Camp Plus @ Holiday Inn**
Harassment in the Workplace & Employee Handbook Guidelines
- 10/16/18 — **Idea Audition @ OSU Mansfield**
- 10/23/18 — **Savor & Sip Auction and Food Tasting**
- 10/25/18 — **Rome & the Amalfi Coast Chamber Trip**
- 11/30/18 — **Small Business of the Year Awards Luncheon**
@ Holiday Inn
- 12/5/18 — **Business Boot Camp @ Chamber**
Topic: New Tax Laws

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Advantage Credit Union would like to thank the Chamber Staff, members, our Community Picnic Partners, and all who attended our June Business After Hours event.

Also, thank you for your support in donating \$540 to the Ontario Police Toy Program. The Harmony House was also able to benefit from the remaining food.

We really appreciate all of you!



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