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July 28

Chamber University

The Shope on Lane Avenue
7:30-9:30 am
See insert in newsletter for
more information

September 11

Old Hilliard Street Fair

Main Street
9:00 am-4:00 pm

September Luncheon-

Joint Luncheon with other
Chambers. Details to follow.

November 12

Hollyfest Scholarship

Auction
Makoy Center
6:00 pm

Leadership Hilliard Class for 2004-05: A Great Opportunity!

The next class for 2004-05 is being formed to begin in the fall. Leadership Hilliard is a bimonthly series of classes designed to enhance leadership and teambuilding skills and to educate members about the history and inner workings of Hilliard. Leadership Hilliard is a unique opportunity to work on personal growth, meet new people and get connected with the Hilliard area.

There is a brochure in this month's newsletter which has more information on the program. Please send back or fax the card attached to the brochure or call 876-7666 for further information.

Board Vacancies

It is with regret that the Board of Directors has accepted the resignations of Karen Muse, Dave Harris and Larry Mastella from the Board. Karen and Dave will be moving out of the area and Larry's job responsibilities have increased which limits his availability to fulfill his board duties. The Board sincerely thanks these three individuals who have contributed so greatly to the success of the Chamber and we wish them well.

If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors, please submit a letter of interest and resume to the Chamber office by July 23. If you would like to discuss the responsibilities of a board member, please call Libby Gierach at 876-7666.



Chamber University—July 28th

Can you pattern your communication from your business to those in different generations? Do understand the values of the various generations and what they are looking for from you?

This highly interactive seminar is designed for anyone in your organization who needs to understand the values and work styles of different generations and the how to's of working in harmony. Recommended for managers, supervisors, customer service professionals, HR professionals, and anyone who has high intensity public contact.

Topics To Be Covered:

- Dynamics of the Multigenerational Workplace
 - ⇒ Why Generational Differences Matter
 - ⇒ Generational Values
 - ⇒ Communication Styles
 - ⇒ Lifestyle Preferences
 - ⇒ Generational Motivations
 - ⇒ Generational Characteristics
 - ⇒ Strategies for Managing Across the Generations
- Please see the enclosed flyer and sign up by the deadline of July 24th.

Chamber Reinvestment Notices

Thank you to the following members who have renewed their membership: Rj Boll Realty, Ltd.; Provincial House Fireplace & Patio; Fountain Place Apartments

The New Chamber Directories Are Here!

We are very excited about our new Chamber Directory and Buyers' Guide!! We really appreciate the chamber members who bought advertising within the publication. It helps to support the chamber as well as give great visibility to your business. The directories have recently been mailed to all of our members. Please contact us if you have not yet received it or would like additional copies for your office.

Cancelled August Luncheon

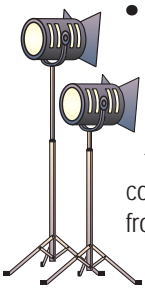
The August 20 luncheon featuring Dr. Karen Holbrook, President of The Ohio State University has been cancelled due to her being out of town. We regret that we will be unable to reschedule her at this time.

P e r s p e c t i v e

I would like to thank the City of Hilliard and the Hilliard Civic Association for working together to have this year's Old Hilliard Street Fair on Main Street in Old Hilliard. As many of you know the Hilliard Area Chamber of Commerce is a resident of Old Hilliard and are happy and pleased to support the event. We advocate for many businesses in Old Hilliard and realize that it does impact a number of the businesses and residents in Old Hilliard and hope that an agreement can be worked out for future years so the community can continue to showcase Main Street and the Old Hilliard area. It is important to continue to develop and promote the entire area and the Old Hilliard Street Fair is one way to help accomplish that goal. The festival attracts people from not only from Hilliard, but from other communities around central Ohio that would otherwise not experience what Old Hilliard has to offer. And although it is inconvenient and in some cases costly for the some of the businesses that operate on Main Street during the festival, it does help promote your establishment which hopefully will bring those people back to Old Hilliard throughout the year. The event will be held on Saturday September 11, 2004 and I hope everyone can come out and enjoy the experience. Please take this opportunity to patronize the businesses along Main Street and in Old Hilliard as well as enjoying the Old Hilliard Street Fair activities that will take place.

I would like to apologize to our entire membership for two luncheons that we had planned that have been canceled. The first was scheduled for June and featured Head Basketball Coach Jim Foster of The Ohio State University Women's program. The second was scheduled for August and was to host Karen Holbrook, President of The Ohio State University. Both of these speakers were booked several months in advance and upon confirmation prior to the luncheon both had to cancel for various reasons. The Chamber Board was very excited about providing the opportunity for our membership to hear both of these dynamic individuals and equally disappointed that we did not fit into their agenda. I would like to personally thank Chamber Board member Leslie Zimmerman for working so diligently in originally setting up these two individuals and I know there is no one more disappointed than Leslie. We are planning a very strong program schedule for our luncheons starting again in September so mark your calendars.

I would like to remind everyone that I welcome any ideas, comments or suggestions that you, as a member of the chamber have to offer. This is your organization and I am here to serve you. Please send any comments to me at toyster@champaignbank.com or by mailing them to the chamber office and I will respond to you as quickly as possible. Thank you for your ongoing support.



Spotlight on Business...Sky Bank

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(**Sky Bank** was awarded the opportunity to feature its business in this space by being the winner of a door prize drawing at a Chamber luncheon. There will be another drawing at the September luncheon, so please plan to attend!)

Advertising Opportunities

The Hilliard Area Chamber of Commerce is providing opportunities for our members to advertise within our membership and to those outside as well. Please contact the chamber for more information about the following (all are on a space available basis):

1	<u>Inserts in the newsletter:</u> Limited to no more than 3 each issues; member provides the specified number of flyers; mail to 420 people, cost is \$100
2	<u>Labels:</u> Mailing labels of members provided by zip or organization sort; cost is \$100
3	<u>Business card size ad in newsletter:</u> \$100 for 3 months; \$175 for 6 months; \$350 for 12 months (space available basis)
4	<u>Flyers in relocation packets:</u> members provides the flyers to be inserted in relocation packets requested by companies and residents; cost is \$100

Successful Annual Golf Outing

The Chamber's Annual Golf Outing was held on Tuesday, June 22 at the **Golf Club of Dublin** with perfect weather! 100 avid golfers hit their best shots on this new links style golf course.

Thank you to the committee for planning a wonderful outing: Karen Muse, **Hilliard City Schools**, and Dave Harris, **The Mall at Tuttle Crossing**.

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Volunteers

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Erica Gilhousen, First Service Federal Credit Union
Kelly Moore, Huntington Bank
Tim Chapman, Huntington Bank
Kim Johnson, New York Life
Rebecca Millier, Sports Ohio



Another opportunity to volunteer—Hollyfest Scholarship Auction!

Preliminary efforts for the Hollyfest auction, which funds the Chamber scholarships, are extensive and require many volunteers. The auction will be held on Friday, November 12 at the Makoy Center. This summer, letters will go out to Hilliard and central Ohio businesses to solicit tangible gift items for the auction. One of the year's most important volunteer activities involves making follow-up calls after these letters are received. We need many people to help with this important job, so please call 876-7666 as soon as possible

Member Bits

Mark Troyer Remodeling announced that Jim Garrett, Lead Carpenter, recently completed his Lead Carpenter Certification (CLC) through the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI). This certification takes six months of training and testing by attending weekly classes for two hours. Although certification is not required in the remodeling industry, it demonstrates a company's commitment to quality, employee development and customer satisfaction. The majority of **Mark Troyer Remodeling's** Lead Carpenters are professionally certified.

The **Makoy Center** was listed as #13 of greater Columbus caterers with its own facility as ranked by 2003 catering sales in *Business First*.

Allegra Print & Imaging of Hilliard, part of the **Allegra Network** franchise system, received an International Sales Growth Award for being among the top 10 businesses in increased sales volume for North America. Business owners Gwen and Gary Hiles were recognized with this award from the company's world headquarters in Northville, Michigan. The **Allegra Network** is one of the world's largest printing franchises linking more than 450 locations in the United States, Canada and Japan.

Chamber Announces Hollyfest Scholarship Recipients at Graduation

Four very surprised graduates were awarded the Hollyfest Scholarship at graduation in June! Amanda Stephens from Hilliard Davidson and Ryan Hanna from Hilliard Darby were awarded the \$8,000 scholarship which is payable over four years. Amanda will be attending Cedarville University where she will be studying middle childhood education. Ryan will be attending The Ohio State University and studying business and marketing. Again this year an additional scholarship of \$2,000 was awarded to a student from each high school. They were awarded to Jamie Knight from Hilliard Davidson and Liz Stelzer from Hilliard Darby. Jamie will be attending OSU and studying chemical engineering and Liz will be going to Ohio University and studying elementary education. Miah Flowers attended Tolles Technical Center and will furthering her education at Central State University where she will be pre-law major. Danielle Pemberton, also of Tolles, will be going to the Ohio State Barber School. Both graduates received a \$500 scholarship. This is the largest local scholarship given to graduating seniors in the Hilliard School District. Since 1984, the Chamber has awarded over \$183,000 in scholarships to Hilliard students. The scholarship money is raised through the Hollyfest Scholarship Auction which will be held this year on November 12, 2003 at the **Makoy Center**. We wish all of these graduates the best in the future and hope that these scholarships provide needed financial help in furthering their education.

to volunteer.

Also, please start thinking of the great donation items that you can provide this year. Some of last years items included electronics, getaway packages, jewelry restaurant and activity gift certificates.



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