

CHAMBER CONNECTIONS

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2010

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- JAN. 13 — BUSINESS AFTER HOURS; DOUBLETREE HOTEL
- JAN. 19 — LUNCH AND LEARN; NETWORKING
- JAN. 28 — NEW MEMBER BREAKFAST; HOMEWOOD SUITES
- FEB. 2 — GROUNDHOG DAY FORECAST BREAKFAST; BROOKSIDE COUNTRY CLUB
- FEB. 11 — BUSINESS AFTER HOURS; DEVRY UNIVERSITY; CO-SPONSORED BY SWEET LAURIE'S OLD TYME PHOTOS
- FEB. 16 — LUNCH AND LEARN; WINDOWS 7
- FEB. 18 — WOMEN'S BUSINESS NETWORK LUNCHEON; CROWNE PLAZA COLUMBUS NORTH
- FEB. 23 — ANNUAL MEETING; HOLIDAY INN

SAVE THE DATE

- MAY 22 — REDS, WHITES & DESSERTS
- JUNE 17 — BUSINESS EXPO
- July 9 — A TASTE OF WORTHINGTON
- SEPT. 1 — GOVERNOR CANDIDATE FORUM
- SEPT. 13 — GOLF OUTING
- SEPT. 25 — OLD WORTHINGTON MARKET DAY



CHAMBER CONNECTIONS is published for Chamber members like Ximena Jones of **The Ohio Council of Churches**, which is entering its 10th decade of service this January. Ximena is the Chamber's Volunteer of the Month. She has volunteered at Reds, Whites & Desserts, A Taste of Worthington and Market Day. Each month the Chamber recognizes a volunteer through a random drawing of members who have volunteered during the year. Volunteers of the Month receive gift certificates. To volunteer for an upcoming event, contact the Chamber at 888-3040.

Discover 'What's In It For Me?' at annual meeting on Feb. 23

Discover "What's in it for ME?" at the Chamber's 2010 Annual Meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at the Holiday Inn Columbus/Worthington, 7007 N. High St.

Sponsors of the 2010 annual meeting include the Holiday Inn Columbus/Worthington, Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield, CompManagement Inc., a Sedgwick CMS Co., DeVry University and CFBank.

From 11:15 a.m. to noon, check in and preview "What's In It for Me?" opportunities at display tables. There you will be greeted by volunteers who are familiar with the Chamber's varied program and benefit offerings. Participate in prize drawing opportunities at each station.

From noon to 1:15 p.m., enjoy lunch and participate in the business meeting that includes the annual election of trustees and officers, as well as a program reviewing the past year



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Darla King is lucky winner of Restaurant Raffle

The owner of King Business Interiors can eat like "royalty" on numerous occasions after winning a tasty prize in the Chamber's Art of Fine Dining raffle in late 2009. Darla King won \$1,000 in gift certificates featuring 10 of the area's finest dining establishments (all Chamber-member restaurants) after purchasing three tickets in the



Chamber fundraiser. The winning ticket was drawn at the Business After Hours at the Peggy R. McConnell Arts Center on Dec. 9.

The drawing took place during announcements and prize drawings in the arts center auditorium. Representatives of some of the participating restaurants were in attendance to introduce themselves and highlight their menus. One of them, Jason Liu of J. Liu Restaurant & Bar, selected the

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Please join the Chamber in welcoming these new members who joined during the past month. Do you have friends, colleagues and suppliers who should be benefiting from Chamber membership? Contact the Chamber at 888-3040, or e-mail Karen@worthingtonchamber.org.

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Mark Laughlin, left, meets Rich Cordle at a Business After Hours.



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Consultants - Human Resources

Lynda Chambers
Lynda Chambers is an independent contractor/consultant with more than 20 years' experience in human resources, specializing in recruiting, benefits administration, compensation and training. She holds a life/health/annuity license from the state of Ohio. Lynda will be the keynote speaker for the Women's Business Network luncheon on March 30, advising attendees on honing resume and interviewing skills.

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The Chamber thanks and recognizes the following businesses or individuals who have renewed their annual membership as of Jan. 31.

★ denotes a Sustaining Member of the Chamber. For information on how your business can become a Sustaining Member, contact the Chamber office at 888-3040.

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Welcome More New Members

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Sharon Memorial Hall is a preserved 1860 landmark structure listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The property is owned by the non-profit Sharon Memorial Board comprised of community veterans.

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Members applaud MAC's BAH performance

Nearly 200 Chamber members and guests gathered to celebrate the arts — and the art of networking — on Dec. 8 at a Business After Hours at the Peggy R. McConnell Arts Center (MAC). The event was co-sponsored by Worthington Industries.

Attendees enjoyed hors d'oeuvres from Catering by Design and toured the contemporary, 20,000-square-foot facility for the performing, visual and digital arts. Visitors explored the 213-seat theatre, exhibition gallery, five classrooms, dance studio and exhibits. During announcements in the theatre, the Chamber introduced community fundraiser Nancy Goorey and representatives of the Convention & Visitors Bureau and Holiday Inn, who are sponsoring a program to benefit the MAC when businesses group events at Holiday Inn. MAC executive director Jon Cook invited guests to a wide variety of upcoming events and encouraged their support as contributors. Cathy Lyttle reviewed the history of support from the late John H. "Mr. Mac" McConnell, the Worthington Industries founder whose memorial donation to his wife helped create the center. The winner of the Art of Fine Dining raffle was drawn (see page 1 and below).



Sonya Higginbotham and Cathy Lyttle of Worthington Industries, BAH co-hosts



Left: Jon Cook outlines upcoming activities at the MAC.

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Darla King wins restaurant raffle, cont.

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winning ticket after describing what the winner might order at his restaurant. Participating restaurants included: Cameron's of Worthington; Columbus Fish Market; J. Gilbert's Wood-Fired Steak and Seafood; J. Liu Restaurant & Bar; Marcella's; Mitchell's Steakhouse; Molly Woo's; Old Bag of Nails; The Refectory; and Ruth's Chris Steak House. The Chamber thanks each of them for their generosity and support. ★



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Welcome New Members

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high level of fuel efficiency, comfort, agility, safety and ecology. Smart Center Easton, an exhibitor at the 2009 Taste of Worthington event, is a year-round sponsor of the Chamber's Young Professionals of Worthington (YPoW) group for 2010.

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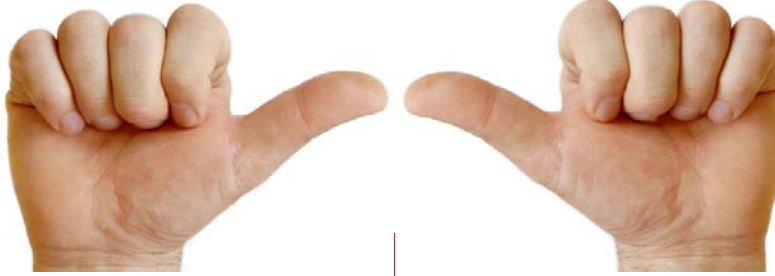
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Discover “What’s In It For Me?”, continued

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and outlining plans for the remainder of 2010. Executive director Kathryn Paugh will outline ways that Chamber members evaluated “What’s in it for me?” as they made choices during the past year – including an investment of dues, time and talents in the Chamber. She will detail the many programs and benefits that members found in the Chamber. An audiovisual program will explore how members “Wanna Talk About Me” at networking and educational opportunities.



For election to three-year terms of office on the board of trustees are:

Ann Baldwin, an independent senior sales director for Mary Kay Cosmetics; **Jeff Regensburger**, adult services lead librarian at Worthington Libraries; **Sheila Sinno**, an attorney and owner of Sinno Law Office; and **Norris Woods Jr.**, general manager of OhioHealth’s McConnell Heart Health Center and Big Red’s Lodges.

Chamber trustees who were nominated for officer positions in the coming year include the following:

Kay Lakhi, president of The Rite Bite, which provides corporate and individual wellness programs, is nominated for the position of board chair. **Shera Skaggs**, vice president of CSGraphics, a full-service printing firm, has been nominated for the position of chair-elect. **Paul Cynkar**, nominated for the position of treasurer, is managing director of operations for Battelle for Kids, an independent, not-for-profit organization supporting educators’ school-improvement efforts.

The cost is \$20/members and \$30/non-members. Register online at www.worthingtonchamber.org. On the Chamber Calendar, click on the event date and then the REGISTER NOW link at the right of the screen; follow the prompts. You will receive a confirming e-mail. You may also register by phone at 888-3040. The registration deadline is Feb. 19. ★

Memberanda

NorthPointe invites you to “Grow in 2010: Meet with Purpose”

The Conference Center at NorthPointe invites you to “Grow in 2010: Meet with Purpose,” at NorthPointe’s second annual Meeting Planner Summit on Thursday, March 4. NorthPointe is located at 9243 Columbus Pike, Lewis Center, Ohio 43035. The day-long session is targeted to meeting planners, administrative assistants, sales, marketing and HR professionals who are responsible for planning meetings. Topics include The ABCs of Contract Terminology; Generations in the Meeting Place; Beyond the Basics of Meeting Planning; Motivating Employees; Community Service and Your Meeting; How to Create a Brain-Friendly Meeting; and more. The cost is \$69 per person (includes education, breaks and lunch), with a discount for five or more registrations from the same organization. To learn more or register, contact Tracey Peyton at 614-880-4177, or visit www.conferencecenteratnorthpointe.com/Summit10.



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Your Professional Helper shares “green” ideas on ONN

Marla Jones of Your Professional Helper, Ltd. offered a handful of easy tips to “green” the holidays on a segment of Ohio News Network (ONN) on Dec. 18. She focused her tips on resource conservation: reduce, reuse and recycle. The company serves corporate and residential clients with virtual assistant services, organizing, concierge, and errand services. View part of Marla’s interview at: http://www.onntv.com/live/content/onnews/stories/2009/12/17/green_holiday.html?sid=102.

Brickman receives national Business Ethics Award



The National Capital Society of Financial Service Professionals has presented Brickman, a 70-year-old landscaping company, with their Business Ethics Award, recognizing the company for its commitment to ethical business practices in everyday operations, management philosophies and responses to crises or challenges. More than 130 companies were nominated. Judging was conducted in partnership with the New Century College of Business at George Mason University in the National Capital Area, where Brickman is headquartered.

Judges were impressed with Brickman’s commitment to the dignity of each team member; their attention to training and development; their creation of a foundation to help team members challenged by personal, financial and health crises; and their response to economic changes, including no layoffs and continuing contributions to employees’ 401(k) plans. To schedule Brickman’s services, contact Christine Dudgeon, business development associate, 3001 Innis Road, Columbus, OH 43224, at 614-478-2085.

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"I'd like to continue to strengthen contacts with existing customers, meet new people and build my business by volunteering at events like the Chamber's golf outing, as well as utilizing the many networking events."

Bill Alsnauer
State Farm Insurance & Financial Services - Bill Alsnauer Agency



"2010 means further success in demonstrating our expertise in catastrophe response and remodeling by increasing response capabilities and visibility, reducing costs we can pass on to customers, building relationships within and beyond our industry, and inviting customers to our new home — giving confidence in our professionalism. Thank you, Worthington Chamber, for helping us increase our opportunities in 2010."

April Williams
Global Builders



"My resolution is actually my business plan for 2010. It includes much greater involvement with Worthington Chamber members. My first 'e-vert' will be attached to an upcoming weekly e-newsletter. It is a lead-in to a series of educational seminars on restoring and protecting your retirement income. Growth is a key component to my 2010 plan, and I am counting on the Chamber to be an essential part of that growth."

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Memberanda, continued

Dawn Blessing joins staff at Homewood Suites

Homewood Suites of Worthington has hired Dawn Blessing as its new director of sales. Blessing graduated from The Ohio State University with a bachelor's degree in psychology and then moved to Orlando, Fla., to pursue a degree in hospitality management. After 13 years of experience in group/convention sales in the Orlando area, she moved back to Ohio. She lives in Westerville with her husband and 4-year-old son.



Dawn Blessing

Willow Brook celebrates opening of Delaware Run campus

Willow Brook Christian Home celebrated the opening of the Village Square at Delaware Run at a special ceremony in October. The Village Square project is the culmination of the 50-acre Willow Brook at Delaware Run campus, the second full-service retirement community in Central Ohio sponsored by Willow Brook Christian Communities. In a surprise announcement, officials read a proclamation naming the lobby at Delaware Run in honor of CEO Larry Harris. Harris has led the organization as its first nursing home administrator, first executive director, and chief executive officer since 1975.



Larry Harris

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Silver Sustaining Members

- Old Bag of Nails Pub/Pig Iron BBQ
- Shawan Marquis Agency Inc.
- The Worthington Inn

Kathryn R. Paugh, Executive Director

Communications intern Kyle Wright contributed photos and Memberanda articles to this issue.

Doubletree launches networking year with festive BAH

Doubletree Hotel Columbus/Worthington, 175 Hutchinson Ave., launched the Chamber's after-hours networking year on a high note on Jan. 13, as they hosted a Business After Hours for approximately 100 members and guests. Thanks to general manager Dwight Miyakawa, sales manager Jason Martin, and catering manager Molly Oches for a wonderful venue to make productive business connections.



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