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- SEPT. 13 — GOLF OUTING; YORK GOLF CLUB
- SEPT. 25 — OLD WORTHINGTON MARKET DAY



CHAMBER CONNECTIONS is published for Chamber members like Suzanne Saul of **Saul and Saul**, seen here at Reds, Whites & Desserts 2010 on May 22 at Catering by Design. Saul and Saul was a Friend Sponsor of the event. Additional photos of Reds, Whites & Desserts are available within this issue. If your business is interested in sponsorship opportunities, contact Karen Meador at the Chamber office, 888-3040.

Worthington jeweler is honored as Small Business Person of the Year

Congratulations got personal on May 27 at a luncheon honoring the 24th recipient of the Chamber's Small Business Person of the Year Award, as attendees shared many reasons why they feel downtown merchant Joe Davis is a "gem" among small business persons.

When Mark King from the district field office of Congresswoman Mary Jo Kilroy learned that a proclamation would be drafted to honor Joe, he volunteered for the opportunity to present it personally to the jeweler whose quality service and craftsmanship had played a memorable part in his wedding. When it came time for Chamber board chair Kay Lakhi of The Rite Bite to present Joe a plaque commemorating his honor, she was able to share personal experiences of "above and beyond" service experiences at Worthington Jewelers. Event sponsor Bill Alsnauer of State Farm wanted the opportunity to honor a customer who shared high standards of customer service and demonstrable loyalty for Chamber business connections. Similar conversations filled the Van Loon Ballroom of The Worthington Inn, where well-wishers gathered to hear Joe share his reflections on running a small business and to celebrate the accomplishments of all small businesses in the Worthington area.



Bill Alsnauer, State Farm agent and event sponsor for the May 27 Small Business Person of the Year luncheon (left), congratulations honoree Joe Davis of Worthington Jewelers (right).

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Early-bird networkers catch connections at first BBH



Nationwide was "on our side" when the Chamber launched a new option for making business connections at the first Business Before Hours on April 13, at the Nationwide office at 9201 Columbus Pike, Lewis Center. Jason Taylor and Janet Rodeghier (pictured) welcomed approximately 65 Chamber guests with coffee and donuts.

Complementing the long-time tradition of monthly Business After Hours events, Business Before Hours will be offered periodically to meet the needs of hosting organizations and Chamber guests who prefer early-morning networking events. If your company is interesting in hosting a BBH, call the Chamber office at (614) 888-3040. ★



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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Joe Davis receives award

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Joe Davis joins with some past honorees of the Small Business Person of the Year Award at the May 27 luncheon. Pictured are, back row, left to right: Chuck Claibourne, D.D.S. (1996); Bill Owens (2009); Steve Schnulo, O.D. (1997); Steve Potter (1988); Bill Alsnauer (2007). Front row, from left to right, are: Charlotte VanSteyn (2004); Kathryn Paugh (1999); Joe Davis (2010); and Darla King (2003).

Joe detailed ways his company developed customer and community, re-evaluated business processes during recent economic conditions, and refocused on hand-crafted pieces that created a direct interaction with customers.

The award was created in 1987 to demonstrate support for small businesses and recognize successful Chamber members who are growing and bettering the Worthington community. Several past awardees were in attendance at the luncheon.

Small business persons from the Chamber are nominated for the award each year by fellow Chamber members, employees, customers, past honorees and others who are aware of their exemplary business practices. Nominations are accepted year-round, and judging is performed each spring by a committee of past honorees. ★

Volunteers of the Month for May, June helped stage RW&D

The Chamber's Volunteers of the Month for the months of May and June have in common a dedicated effort to helping the Chamber present its largest fundraiser, Reds, Whites & Desserts. Ashwin Lakhi of The Rite Bite, May's Volunteer of the Month, served on the planning committee, helped to recruit

Ashwin Lakhi



auction items and gather information for the event program, and assisted with numerous event set-up tasks.

Jim Tully of ARC Industries, a Chamber Ambassador, is June's Volunteer of the Month. Jim served on the event planning committee and led clean-up efforts following the Reds, Whites & Desserts event. Both will receive gift cards to Old Bag of Nails Pub. ★



Jim Tully



Don't miss Business Expo June 17

More than 100 exhibitors, including approximately 30 from our Chamber, will showcase their products and services at the Combined Chambers Business Expo on June 17, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Bridgewater Banquet & Conference Center, 1056 Sawmill Pkwy. The Worthington Area Chamber of Commerce is partnering in the event with the Dublin, Greater Powell and Westerville Area chambers of commerce.

The event has a tradition as the largest business exhibition of its kind in central Ohio, and 400 to 500 attendees are expected. Admission is free for chamber members and other area businesspeople. There will be free appetizers, a cash bar and lots of prizes.

Returning corporate sponsors are Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield, Bridgewater Banquet & Conference Center, Accent Exhibits, Inc. and ThisWeek Community Newspapers.

For further information, call the Chamber at (614) 888-3040 or view the Calendar of Events on the Chamber Web site. ★



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Reds, Whites & Desserts sparkles on May 22

Decor, wines and auction packages sparkled as Catering by Design hosted the Chamber's 13th annual Reds, Whites & Desserts fundraising event on May 22. Fine wines, fancy desserts,



savory foods and tempting silent auction packages competed for the attention of partygoers throughout the evening.

In addition to Catering by Design, major sponsors of the 2010 event were B&C Blacktop Sealing Co., Mount Carmel St. Ann's and Worthington Jewelers.

Chamber-member wine retailers who presented wines for

sampling included Brookside Golf and Country Club; Cameron's American Bistro; House Wine; J. Liu; Signature Wines; The Wine Bistro; and Two Brothers Wine & Spirits.

Catering by Design served appetizers, along with coffees from Aroma Dolce, the coffee division of parent company Sanese Services. More than 20 desserts from area restaurants, caterers and bakeries were sampled and auctioned.

Wine station sponsors included Anthony Lordo, D.D.S.; Dayton Precision Services; Huntington National Bank; the Impact Tips Group of the Worthington Area Chamber of Commerce; Insurance Partners Group Ltd.; Landis Properties;

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Schoedinger Funeral Services; Sequent; and Tilton's Automotive Service.

"Patron" sponsors included Jesse Marketing Associates and The Laurels of Norworth and Worthington.

"Friend" level sponsors were ARC Industries; The Cachet Hair Salon; King Business Interiors; The Rite Bite; and Saul and Saul LLC. ★

To see additional images from Reds, Whites & Desserts 2010 by photographer Shellee Fisher Davis of The Art of Exposure, check the Photo Gallery on the Chamber's Web site, www.worthingtonchamber.org



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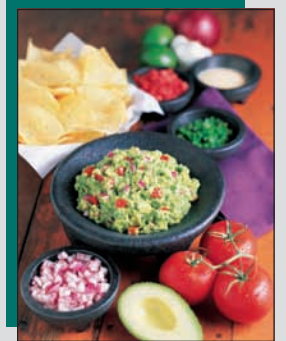


At a well-attended Business After Hours hosted by Cantina Laredo on May 25, Chamber members learned that "gourmet Mexican food" definitely is not an oxymoron. From the freshly made "top shelf" guacamole to fresh-squeezed lime Margaritas to quesadillas al carbon, chips and salsa, and other treats, guests got to know the cuisine of the new restaurant and its personable staff. Above, general manager/investor Michael Belcastro visits with Bob Jendry, Jendry Enterprises; Corrinne and Tony Konecny, First Command Financial Services; and Faith Leibowitz, Local Ad Link. Top right: the acclaimed guacamole. Right: City council member Bonnie Michael networks with Pat Snyder, Power Communications of Ohio, and Amber Setser of AAA Ohio Auto Club.



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Eric Gnezda, Arkaidy Gips headline Concerts on the Green series

Don't miss award-winning songwriter (and fellow Chamber member) Eric Gnezda, along with violinist Arkaidy Gips, of Madonna's World Tour, when they perform on the Village Green on Sunday, June 13, at 7 p.m. Joining them will be fellow songwriter Jasey Schnaars and Worthington natives Pete Cary and Tyler Barnes. Part of the Worthington Family Concerts on The Green series, the show is free.



Eric Gnezda

COTA unveils new downtown headquarters June 23

Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) will unveil its new downtown headquarters at an open house reception on June 23, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at 33 N. High St., Columbus. President and CEO William J. Lhota will welcome guests to the newly

renovated facility that houses COTA's administrative and pass sales offices and the new Customer Information Center. For more information, visit www.cota.com.



The Conference Center at NorthPointe offers Sunday Brunch

Sunday Brunch is a popular new service at The Conference Center at NorthPointe. Executive Chef Mark Moran, America's Top Conferencing Chef for 2009, has collaborated with the center's award winning culinary team to offer many of their most popular breakfast and lunch creations on Sundays. Brunch features more than 30 gourmet selections served in the beautiful dining room with floor-to-ceiling windows and on the adjacent sun-baked patio overlooking a scenic duck-filled pond. Brunch is served every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



The price of the brunch is \$25.95 for adults, \$22.95 for seniors (Golden Buckeye cards are accepted), \$15.95 for children ages 5 - 12. Children 4 and under eat free. For reservations, call (614) 880-4300.

Mid-week farmers' market debuts June 8

The Wayward Seed Farm announces the debut of a mid-week farmers' market starting Tuesday, June 8, and continuing through Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2010, every Tuesday from 4 - 7 p.m. at Sharon Memorial Hall, 137 E. Dublin-Granville Road. For more information, contact The Wayward Seed Farm at (937) 644-0786.



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YPoW Health Fair off to a healthy start

Forty-two businesses in the health and wellness fields participated as exhibitors when Young Professionals of Worthington (YPoW), a program of the Worthington Area Chamber of Commerce, presented its first annual Health & Wellness Fair for Chamber members and the community on Tuesday, April 27, at YMCA North. Anthem Blue Cross & Blue Shield was the presenting event sponsor. The Laurels of Worthington and The Laurels of Worthington were corporate sponsors.

The fair was an opportunity for Chamber members in the health and wellness-related fields to showcase their products or services and to educate the community about the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. The Clintonville Chamber of Commerce and Northland Business Association partnered in the health fair. In addition to exhibitors' informational booths, the event included demonstrations and mini-seminars on fitness topics and healthy foods available from The Wellness Forum.

Feedback from the event was extremely favorable. Tony Lordo, D.D.S., an exhibitor and Chamber board member, said his office staff attributed four new business leads to their participation as exhibitors. Ann Baldwin, board liaison for YPoW and a member of the event planning team, said the group will plan another event in spring 2011. If you are interested in participating or assisting with event planning, contact Ann at (614) 847-1020 or call the Chamber office at (614) 888-3040. ★

Top right: Dr. Kathryn Bennett of Worthington Chiropractic Center used a spinal model and computer scanning as educational tools at her booth. Bottom right: Erin Gatto and Mike Kendall distributed healthy eating information at Anthem's sponsor booth.

For additional photos, see the Photo Gallery on the Chamber's Web site, www.worthingtonchamber.org.



WIFA seeks delegates for fall travel to Sayama, Japan

The Worthington International Friendship Association (WIFA) is preparing to send a delegation of Worthington citizens to its Sister City, Sayama, Japan. Applications are now being accepted for residents interested in participating as delegates to travel to Sayama in this once-in-a-lifetime cultural exchange program. Five individuals will be selected from the field of applicants to make the trip, which is scheduled for Sept. 30 to Oct. 6, 2010. While in Sayama, Worthington delegates will stay in the homes of Japanese families and experience everyday living. A portion of the airfare will be subsidized by WIFA. Completed applications are due by Monday, June 21. Interviews will be scheduled with a field of finalists in July. Applications are available to download online on the City of Worthington Web site at <http://www.worthington.org/about/wifa.cfm>. Or, individuals may pick up applications at the Worthington Municipal Building, 6550 N. High St., Worthington.

The long-standing Sister City relationship celebrated its 10th anniversary in Fall 2009. The Chamber's executive director, Kathryn Paugh, and a current Chamber trustee, Paul Cynkar, were among a delegation in 1999 that signed the Sister City agreement in Sayama. The relationship is designed to promote cultural understanding, international friendships and opportunities for cultural exchange in a variety of areas. For more information on all upcoming WIFA programs and exchanges, contact Anne Brown at (614) 854-7173 or e-mail brown@ci.worthington.oh.us. ★



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Partners in Wallace Grossman Associates retire

Neal Grossman and Estelle Wallace, partners in Wallace Grossman Associates LLP, have retired and closed their independent insurance agency. From 1993 to 2010, the licensed insurance agents, who are married and reside in Old Worthington, have assisted local residents with life, health, long-term care and annuity needs. Neal and Estelle have joined the Chamber as retired members and will continue connecting on a social basis.



Neal Grossman, newly retired and a recent cancer survivor



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Prestigious "Torch Award" from BBB is awarded to Hetter Heating & Cooling

The Better Business Bureau of Central Ohio has awarded Hetter Heating & Cooling the 2010 Torch Award for Ethical Enterprising. Hetter is among three businesses and one non-profit organization selected in May 2010 as recipients of the prestigious award. Hetter Heating & Cooling won in the most contested category (for companies with 50 or fewer employees) and is only the third heating and cooling company to win the award since its inception in 1994 and the first in six years. A panel of judges selected these organizations based on six ethical enterprising criteria and demonstration of a high level of trust among their employees, customers and their communities.



Kip Morse, president of the BBB of Central Ohio (left), presents the Torch Award to Rick Hetterscheidt.

Worthington Chiropractic promotes Healthy People, Happy Pets

Worthington Chiropractic Center is hosting its 8th annual event to benefit the important work of the Capital Area Humane Society with "Healthy People, Happy Pets Month." During the month of July, Worthington Chiropractic Center will donate \$50 to CAHS for each for person who becomes a new patient. For further information or to schedule an appointment, call (614) 848-5211 or visit their Web site at www.WorthingtonChiropractic.com. The center is located at 6180 Linworth Road in Worthington, just north of the intersection of Linworth Road and Dublin-Granville Road.



Hometown Urgent Care acquires two area facilities

Hometown Urgent Care & Workcare Center has acquired two additional urgent care facilities in Columbus, expanding its presence to Hilliard and the west side of Columbus. The acquisition was effective June 1. Hometown has added many new features to the newly acquired urgent care centers, including expanded hours, increased services, additional insurance carriers and more savings for the Columbus communities. With the development of seven new urgent care and occupational health facilities in Ohio in the past six months, Hometown now operates 14 facilities in Ohio (including the Chamber-member center at 4400 N. High St., Columbus 43214) and is working on plans to expand further in a tri-state area. For more information, call (614) 263-4400, or visit www.hometownurgentcare.com. ★



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