

MEMBER NEWS

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COVID-19 RESPONSE

HOW HAS THE PANDEMIC AFFECTED YOUR BUSINESS?

Attention Small Business Owners!

The Preble County Chamber of Commerce & Ohio Means Jobs Preble County are conducting a survey to see how the pandemic has affected your businesses. Please follow the link below and answer the simple questions -- your responses will help give us a picture of what resources and funding are needed in our local business community!

RESPOND TO THE SURVEY

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Member updates & resources



'Zero Trash' Program at Garber Nature Center: The Preble County Parks District is inviting the public to visit for this weekend's program, Amazing Art with Beth Wright, at the Garber Nature Center (9691 Ohio 503 North, Lewisburg) on Saturday, July 18, from 1-3 p.m. Find out more in the flyer [HERE](#).

From the Preble County Historical Society: Say, YES! I want to join as a member! If you love everything Preble County history has to offer, PCHS is asking you to consider joining them as a valued member this year. The PCHS is looking forward to making more business partnerships and connecting more in the community. Memberships start at just \$5 depending on the interest level, and you can enroll on the website at www.preblecountyhistoricalsociety.com.



Verizon retailers hosting annual School Rocks Backpack Giveaway event: Round Room, LLC., the nation's largest Verizon Authorized Wireless Retailer, announced this week its TCC and Wireless Zone stores are donating 140,000 backpacks full of school supplies during its eighth annual School Rocks Backpack Giveaway, marking more than one million total backpacks donated since the campaign launched in 2013. The Backpack Giveaway event ensures children across the U.S. are well prepared for the

start of the new school year. Five students will also have the opportunity to each win \$10,000 college scholarships.

The local TCC/Verizon store is located at 1712 N. Barron St. in Eaton. Families are invited to visit on Sunday, July 26, between 1-4 p.m. to pick up a backpack filled with various school supplies including pencils, paper, a pencil box, folders and glue. One backpack per child will be given away to families, but to limit the number of people at the event, children are not required to be present to receive the backpack. Backpacks will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.

Each participating store location will follow the CDC's social distancing and state guidelines to ensure the safety of employees and event attendees. In an effort to

promote safety, stores will host either distanced walk up or contactless drive up events for customers to pick up backpacks. Check your local store location for specific instructions.

In addition to the backpack donations, TCC and Wireless Zone stores will be awarding five \$10,000 college scholarships. Children in grades K-12 are eligible for entry and can be registered at their local stores during the Backpack Giveaway event. Entries will be accepted July 24-31.

"We love helping students obtain essential supplies before they begin their school year each summer," said Scott Moorehead, CEO of Round Room, parent company of TCC and Wireless Zone. "To have been able to donate more than one million backpacks to our nation's youth in the eight years of this event is incredible, and I couldn't be more thankful for our store locations, employees and customers for helping us continue to do good in our operating communities." For a list of participating stores and to learn how your local store location will commence its Backpack Giveaway event, visit www.tccrocks.com/locations and shop.wirelesszone.com.

Each participating store will donate up to 180 backpacks. Any leftover backpacks will be donated to local schools. Supporters of the School Rocks Backpack Giveaway are encouraged to use hashtags #SchoolRocks and #BetterTogether on Instagram and Twitter to help spread the word.

Upcoming events



SPECIAL ZOOM MEETING, WEDNESDAY, AUG. 5: 3 opportunities to attend! Looking for a tool to help keep track of employee illness? Join us for one of three sessions presented by Recovery Amped. Recovery Amped was created in 2019 to help address mental health and substance abuse disorders, but is now an essential tool to virus tracking during the global pandemic, helpful in not only possibly saving lives, but

also keeping the economy open. **This software automates the entire symptoms tracking and contact tracing process.** The software is built to help employers be more informed, make better decisions, and help predict the spread of COVID-19 or any other future outbreak in the workplace. Intrigued? Attend one of three sessions on Wednesday, Aug. 5, giving you the opportunity to find a time which fits your schedule! Zoom links will be sent upon registration. [Register for the 9 a.m. session HERE](#) [Register for the 11:30 a.m. session HERE.](#) [Register for the 4:30 p.m. session HERE.](#)

State of the Nation & More, Thursday, Aug. 6! Join us for this special two-for-one Breakfast Event, where U.S. Congressman Warren Davidson will discuss the State of the Nation, and stay for an introduction to the two new directors of the Preble County Historical Society and a tour! Enjoy a "takeout" breakfast in the outdoors at the Preble County Historical Society Amphitheater... attendees are welcome to bring lawn chairs or blankets. Registration is limited to ensure social distancing requirements. In the event of inclement weather, the event will be moved into the PCHS Exhibit Hall (first 35 registered.) Sponsored by Reid Health. Register online [HERE](#).



Chamber Classic Golf Outing: The 2020 Preble County Chamber Classic is set for Friday, Aug. 21! Register a team, or promote your business with any of several sponsorship opportunities still available. Proceeds fund the chamber's annual academic and Ohio Business Week scholarships. Find out more, register and pay online [HERE](#)



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