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COVID-19 Crisis Edition 7

Staying connected: we're here to help

In these challenging times, we want our members know we're here to help in any way we can.

The hardest part for our Chamber office is knowing and keeping up-to-date with businesses which are open, closed, providing services, what type of services, and operating hours. With different directives given to us each day, we know this has been most difficult for you as well.

Thankfully, in today's age, social media has been a significant help for streamlining much of this in our communities. Our office will continue to send out daily emails and we will continue to share and post any updates for you on our social media platforms. All you need to do is keep our office updated with your business information or ask us to share your post. **Remember to email updates to leslie.collins@preblecountyohio.com by midnight each day.**

Because so many important meetings have been postponed or canceled, we understand it's been difficult to communicate lately with employees, family members, business leaders, etc.

We've done some research for you which may help keep you in touch with all the right people following the social distancing guidelines.

See below.

-Skype for Business: audio and video conferencing. You will need to create a Skype account, and then you're able to sync with SharePoint in Microsoft, and share media. FREE download.

-Facebook Messenger: able to text chat, audio message, or face-to-face web conferencing within the app, may be useful for getting into contact directly with businesses through their Facebook page, FREE .

-Zoom: used by many educators currently. Easy to use, chat/audio/video available, can show screen in real-time, can be online or in app, FREE to sign up by using work email, ZoomPlus offers more for a price

-GoToMeeting: one-click meetings, collaboration meetings made easier, webinars available, cloud recordings, Office365 plug in, Cost starting at \$12.00.

-TeamViewer: software for audio and video conferences, interactive screen sharing, Cost starting at \$49.00.

-Microsoft Teams: uses SharePoint to share files in Office programs, conference calls, group chat, FREE to those with Office365 program package, Costs start at

Member updates and news to keep you informed

A Note from Weaver Electric: *"Weaver Electric is still operational in the face of the coronavirus pandemic, thanks to Gov. DeWine's executive order that classifies us as a critical trade and therefore an essential business. We are complying with the social distancing requirements and limiting face-to-face interactions as much as possible. To that end, we are exercising discretion regarding the projects we take on, especially residential projects, in order to protect our customers, employees, and their families. However, there may be some businesses that can use this slowdown as an opportunity to complete some electrical upgrades to their property. Weaver Electric is here to help you do that. We specialize in power and lighting wiring, panel boxes, and emergency backup power. And to better serve our local customers during this trying time, we offer same day services for emergency situations. Everyone needs power, now more than ever. To ask for a quote or request service, call Jesse at 937-733-8152. Please remember to be kind and patient with one another as we all struggle through this - love your families, care for your neighbors, and trust God."*

From Jim & Kyle Clevenger at Eagle Fence & Construction: *"In over 40 years of business, we've weathered with you the storms of the dot com bust, 9/11, the 2008 financial crisis and the recession that followed, major weather events and wild fires that have touched all parts of the world, and government shutdowns- and throughout this shared a journey we have worked to support and sustain our employees, our customers and partners. as we address a pandemic that will no doubt become a chapter in the history books, our commitment to you will never waver."*

From Angela at Eaton Floral: *"Eaton Floral has the showroom closed, however if you need anything you can call 937-456-6151 -- I'm here most days from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. I'm still taking some deliveries to nursing homes, funerals and other deliveries as I feel safe."*

From Farm Bureau: COVID-19 guidance for essential farming operations – Even as essential operations, employers need to ensure they and their employees are adhering to best practices to prevent the spread of coronavirus. Find prepared guidance from Cornell University for farmers to help tackle this issue [HERE](#).

Preble County Council on Aging: Home Delivered Meals / Meals on Wheels is on normal status. Meal delivery continues as it is an “essential business.” Decade's Diner is offering curbside pick-up/to-go orders only for the diner menu and congregate meals. Call ahead to order, 937-456-4947. Transportation department is making pharmacy runs, chemotherapy, dialysis and grocery trips. Information and referral services are by phone appointment only. All activities are canceled until further notice, as are in-home and homemaking services.

From Preble County Art Association: “We are committed to making sure creativity remains a part of our community and we are working on a series of videos, links and resources to keep you inspired, entertained and educated. We will be posting on our Facebook and Instagram pages daily; we hope you watch and participate in our activities. Our first video is a welcome to Preble Arts at Home! with our Executive Director, Vicky Fanberg. <https://youtu.be/AOLjVgetfuM>. We know that there are many people already affected by this world crisis right here at home. For some it may be their physical or even mental health, and for others it is financial. Preble Arts is working to conserve our funds so we can maintain our commitment to the community. If you are able, we ask that you make a donation to ensure the arts remain a part of Preble County and beyond. Make a donation at www.preblearts.org. Preble Arts is closed until at least April 6. Please visit us at www.preblearts.org, Facebook and Instagram.”

Olde Schoolhouse Winery is classified with grocery stores as essential. “We remain open for carry out only. Our carryout hours are Tuesday 1-5 p.m., and Wednesday through Saturday, 1-6 p.m.,” Mark Zdobinski explains. “You can also order and ship wine from our web site. www.oshwinery.com.”

Reid Health: Reid Health is further restricting visitors and taking additional steps to protect patients and staff in the ongoing COVID-19 emergency. Besides limiting visitors to personal caregivers -- and only for those with health or mental challenges that require the assistance – everyone coming in is having their temperature checked and is required to keep a mask on at all times.



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Share A Local Business Social Media Post	Call To Support, Not To Complain	Shop Over The Phone With A Local Retailer	Write Three Positive Facebook Reviews	Follow Your Local Chamber For Business Updates
Tell a Grocery Clerk They Are Appreciated	Buy A Fast Food Meal For A Trucker	Share Supplies With The Elderly And Less Fortunate	Share An Uplifting Business Interaction	Write Three New Business Yelp Reviews
Walk Outside And Take A Deep Breath	Write Three New Google Reviews		Tip Big	Thank A Healthcare Professional
Run An Errand For Your Elderly Friends	Purchase A Gift Card To Use At A Later Date	Share What You Are Grateful For Today	Shop Small Online	Create Or Cultivate Something Beautiful Or Let Beauty In
When You Eat, Thank a Farmer	Donate Food To Programs Feeding Kids During School Closures	Order Curbside Pickup, Takeout Or Delivery	Only Share Fact Based News From Reputable Sources	Check In Or Connect With Someone New Today

How many can you complete ? Every little action counts!

Find links to additional resources and all our daily COVID-19 Preble County updates at:

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