

March 2018

Chamber Chatter



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Next Chamber Event

The Chamber's next event will be a Chamber luncheon to be held at The Villa Restaurant in Carrollton on Thursday, March 8, at noon. Cassanda Nicholas from Carrollton Schools- Care Team Program will be our guest speaker for this meeting. Lunch will cost you \$10 per person, and the menu will be salad bar, soup and grilled cheese sandwiches and your beverage. Taxes and tip is included in the price. If you plan on attending, you can call the chamber office at 330-627-4811 or email Vanessa at vacation@carrollcountyohio.com.

Upcoming Events March 2018

Mar. 2

OAKS- (Older Adults Knowing the Savior) Presentation on Caring, Sharing and Giving by Dr. D.W. Cummings, Pastor. 6:30pm at the Carrollton Bible Chapel (365 Steubenville Rd SE, Carrollton) Admission- food items to donate

Mar. 2 & 3

Berlin Basscasters Fishing Expo Minerva Community Center (123 Brock Ave., Minerva) 10am-5pm both days . Admission \$3, under 14 free

Mar. 10

Bunny Breakfast Church of Christ Christian (252 Moody Ave., Carrollton) \$5 /person breakfast \$5 /Photo with Easter Bunny

Mar. 10

The Joneses in Concert at Carrollton Bible Chapel- 365 Steubenville Rd SE, Carrollton 6:30pm Admission is two food items to donate and a love offering will be received.

Mar. 17

St. Patrick's Day Dance with "New Wave Nation" at Minerva Community Building (123 Brock Ave, Minerva) doors open at 6:30pm, band plays from 8pm-11pm \$20 per person- **MUST BE 21 AND OVER!!** Tickets are on sale- contact Teri Hollar at 330-868-4332 ext. 3709, or 330-205-1616.

Mar. 17

8th Annual Treasurers of Time at the Great Trail Golf Course from 5-8:30pm Tickets are \$30 per person and it includes dinner, a live and silent auction, and entertainment. Contact Community Hospice at 330-627-4796 or 330-627-9191 for ticket information.

Mar. 24

Carroll County Bridal Show at Bell-Herron Middle School Gymnasium, 252 3rd St. NE Carrollton. 1pm-7pm Tickets are on sale, \$5 per person, contact the Chamber Office at 330-627-4811 for tickets.

Mar. 24

19th Annual NWTF Banquet at the FFA Camp Muskingum- 3266 Dyewood Rd SW, Carrollton Social Hour-5:30pm, Dinner at 7pm Tickets are on sale, contact Brad Luckey at 760- 791-2175 for more information.

Update from Last Chamber event



Photo Above: Cathy & Dave Viola, from Cathy Viola Independent Insurance Agent

The last Chamber event was a Chamber Business After-Hours at Tozzi's of Magnolia on Thursday, Feb. 8. The event was a nice evening and was enjoyed by all who attended. The food and drinks were delicious. The Chamber would like to thank Dina & David Tozzi, who own Tozzi's of Magnolia and their entire staff for everything they did to make our evening a pleasant one.

Irish Blessing

Lucky stars above you,
Sunshine on your way,
Many friends to love you,
Joy in work and play-
Laughter to outweigh each care,
In your heart a song-
And gladness waiting everywhere
All your whole life long.



2018 Chamber Meeting Dates

Mar. 8th	The Villa	Chamber Luncheon
Apr. 12th	Atwood Yacht Club	Chamber Annual Banquet
May 10th	FFA Camp Discovery	Business After- Hours

2018 Board of Directors and Officers

President— Tait Carter
Carroll County Economic Development

Vice President—Rosemary Brace
Mercy Medical Center

Secretary— Michele Catlett
Consumers National Bank

Treasurer— Lester Dodds
Dodds Funeral Home

Chris Shepherd—Huntington Bank
Yvonne Ackerman-Carroll Electric
Dan Long—Republic State Mortgage
Janet Smith— Community Title Agency

Susan Ziler— Carroll Health Care Center
Suzanne Bates— Community Hospice
Janice Fleming— Cutler Real Estate
Patrick Cooper— Cooper Accounting



Executive Director—Amy Rutledge
Administrative Assistant—Vanessa McConnell



Did you know?... St. Patrick's Day Fun Facts!



The shamrock, pot-of-gold and leprechauns are associated with St. Patrick's Day. The shamrock was worn as a badge on the lapel. Three is Ireland's magic number and the three petals that make up the shamrock are supposed to bring good luck. The three leaves also represent the Trinity in the Christian Religion.

St. Patrick's color was actually blue, not green. In fact, most of the country, including its flag, were represented by blue. Green only came later, possibly due to the country's green countryside. After all, Ireland is known as the Emerald Isle.

Chamber Board Update

The Carroll County Chamber Board of Directors met Wednesday, February 21, 2019 at noon, at the Microtel Meeting room with eight members in attendance. **Director's Report**– The committee is working on the Bridal Show on March 24. The Chamber hosted an educational seminar for the BWC on its new Wellness program for small businesses. The banquet committee met. Amy met with the new owners at Sanders Grocery Store and welcomed them into the community. She also met with Farm Bureau and the FFA Camp to start working on the May Business After-Hours that will be held at the FFA Camp. Amy also met with and discussed a potential map proposal. The Visitor's Guide is out and being distributed and Amy took copies to the County Commissioners. The CVB will do two ads and stories in Compass Media in the summer and fall editions. They also did an ad in the state golf guide. The CVB also sent in the artwork for the spring brochure ad in Pittsburgh Post Gazette, TravelHost Magazine, and Ohio Magazine. Amy attended the Chamber Business After-Hours at Tozzi's in Magnolia, Ohio Appalachian Country Board Retreat, Adventures In Northeast Ohio, Atwood Partner meeting, Eastern Ohio Lakes Region meeting, Carrollton Business Women, Ashton Board Meeting and Eastern Ohio Lakes Region meeting. **Membership**– the board approved Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities as a new member. Remember to pay your dues if you haven't. **Economic Development**– Tait Carter reported that the group she has been working with received a grant for Advanced Manufacturing Education from OMEGA. This group is Carroll, Harrison, Tuscarawas counties and KSU Tuscarawas and Buckeye Career Center and they will be buying equipment with the grant. **Banquet**– is April 12 at the Atwood Yacht Club. We still needs sponsors. **Awards**– the committee met and went over the Golden Shovel Form and set the parameters for a giving award that they are still trying to name. Look below for more information. **Old/New Business**– Amy gave an update on the Bridal Show– it is coming along well. There are 30 vendors and we have a good variety of vendors. The Plat Books and a new map proposal were discussed but no decisions were made. The next board meeting will be Wednesday, March 28, at noon, at Que Pasa Mexican Restaurant.

Golden Shovel Awards– The committee revised the amount of investment into the business to \$50,000 to be considered for recognition from the Chamber. The business also needs to be a Chamber member. If your company has made capital improvements in the 2017 calendar year of more than \$50,000, please contact the Chamber so we can send you a form to fill out. The awards will be presented at the banquet on April 12.

New Award to be given by Chamber– The committee is also pleased to announce the qualifications for the new Giving Award, (still working on the actual name.)

- 1– The Chamber will recognize any business or person who donates \$25,000 or more for the betterment of the community.
- 2– The donation is above and beyond the normal mission of the organization.
- 3– Scholarships are not included for this award.

If you know of anyone that meets these qualifications please contact Amy at the office. The awardee doesn't have to be a Chamber member. We want to recognize and encourage giving in our community.

Annual Chamber Banquet Planning

The Chamber is starting to work on the annual banquet that will be held on April 12th at the Atwood Yacht Club. We are looking for sponsors again this year for the banquet. **Gold Sponsorship**- \$250– listed on the invitation, listed on the sponsor board at dinner, included in press releases and in the newsletter. **Silver Sponsorship**- \$150– listed on sponsor board at dinner, listed in press releases and in the newsletter. If your business is interested in being a sponsor of the banquet, please contact Amy at the Chamber office by Friday, March 16, 2018.

The Chamber is also looking for businesses that have made major improvements in their businesses so we can honor them at the banquet with a Golden Shovel award. To qualify, the business needs to have made improvements over \$50,000. To nominate your business, please contact the office. We don't always know when businesses have made investments, so we need your help to make sure we don't miss anyone.

New Chamber Members

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome the following new members:

1- Carroll County Board of DD-

Matt Campbell is the Superintendent of the Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities. The address is 540 High Street NW, Carrollton 44615. The telephone number is (330) 627-6555. His email is address mcampbell@carrollhills.com. Carroll County Board of DD is a county government agency that provides Case Management, School system, Early Intervention, Community Employment, Funding and Therapy for those with developmental disabilities.

Time Change Reminder

We will Spring Ahead on Sunday, March 11, 2018.
You will want to set your clocks ahead 1 hour before you retire to bed on Saturday, March 10, 2018.
**Also, a friendly reminder to check your batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, while you are changing all your clocks in your house!!



Chamber Office Closing Early

The Chamber Office will be closing early on Friday, March 30, 2018. We will be in the office from 8am-Noon, and we will be closed from Noon until 5pm for Good Friday.



Chamber Memberships Dues

Vanessa has sent out the second invoices for the Chamber Membership investments for 2018. If you would prefer to pay with a credit card, please call the office. The Chamber uses your investment to make the county a better place to live and work. If you haven't paid your membership investment yet, please do so now! We will start making phone calls in March to businesses who haven't yet paid their dues.

Carroll County Bridal Show

The Chamber is sponsoring a Bridal Show on Saturday, March 24, 2018, at **Bell-Herron Middle School Gymnasium at 252 3rd Street NE, Carrollton**. We want to showcase our businesses in Carroll County to brides looking for unique experiences for their weddings. Tickets are now on sale at the Chamber Office. They are \$5 each.



CareWorks Comp News

Important dates and deadlines:

March 30, 2018

- Deadline to complete the DFSP annual report for the preceding 7/1 program start date.
- Last date to request a change in your estimated annual payroll exposure for policy year 2017 (7/1/17-6/30/18).
- Last date to request a change in your installment payment plan schedule for policy year 2017.
- Deadline to complete the One Claim Program (OCP) program education requirement.
- Deadline to complete the EM cap program requirements.

Potential Changes to Remaining 2017 BWC Premium Installments: A number of employers' BWC premium installment invoices were recently adjusted by the BWC. The adjustment increased the remaining installment payments for the current July 1, 2017 rate year. The reason being that when BWC initially calculated the July 1, 2017, rate year premium installments, they were based on the July 1, 2015, rate year payroll. Recently, the BWC compared the July 1, 2015, rate year payroll with the actual July 1, 2016, rate year payroll (which was reported in the August 2017 True Up.) If there was a large increase in the July 1, 2016 payroll, the BWC adjusted the remaining installments for the current July 1, 2017 rate year. The BWC's goal is to deter employers from having a large True Up at the end of the current rate year. In the last few days, BWC has sent letters to those impacted employers, explaining the charge to the remaining premium installment payments.

CareWorksComp Seminars: Please mark your calendar to attend one of our half-day workers' comp seminars this April. We will be presenting our Cost Control Seminars around the state:

- April 17, 2018-Columbus
- April 18, 2018-Cleveland
- April 26, 2018-Cincinnati

Please see the insert for additional details and to register to attend. As always, attendance at the seminars will fulfill the BWC Two -Hour Group Safety Training Requirement.

BWC's Ohio Safety Congress & Expo: The BWC Safety Congress & Expo takes place in less than a month, March 7-9, at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. There will be a Products and Services Marketplace, many educational sessions and lectures, which are all free of charge and are a terrific way to learn what's new in the world of safety. If you'd like to register, it's not too late! You may do so at <https://bwc.expoplanner.com/content/osu18/Register/>. You'll need your BWC policy number handy when you do. (If you need assistance registering, you may also call 614- 466-7695.)

Please stop by to visit CareWorksComp in booth # 208 and RiskControl360 in booth # 108!

Additional 2-Hour Training Options:

CareWorksComp is offering Two additional training sessions to fulfill the BWC Two-Hour Group Safety Training Requirement. The registration material is in the insert of this newsletter, and these will be hosted in Bowling Green on 3/13/2018, and Dublin on 6/5/2018.

Posting Requirements for OSHA: OSHA reminds employers of their obligation to post a copy of OSHA's Form 300A, which summarizes job-related injuries and illnesses logged during 2017. Each year, between February 1 and April 30, the summary must be displayed in a common area where notices to employees are usually posted. Businesses with ten or fewer employees and those in certain low-hazard industries are exempt from OSHA recordkeeping and posting requirements. Visit OSHA's [Recordkeeping Rule webpage](#) for more information on recordkeeping requirements.