

July 2018



Chamber Chatter

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Upcoming Events July 2018

July 4
Independence Day
Happy Fourth of July!
Chamber Office CLOSED!

July 6
Fireworks at
Atwood Lake
(Dusk)



July 12-15
Flite Fest Ohio
Furey Field, Malvern

July 13
Movies in the Park
8pm at Malvern Park
Snacks and Drinks will be
available for purchase.

July 13-14
Small Business Weekend
(Shop Small) at participating
Carrollton businesses

July 17-22
Carroll County Fair
Carroll County Fairgrounds

July 20-22
Alive Festival 2018
Atwood Lake Park
Mineral City
www.ALIVE.org

July 21
Scott Taggart's Oil Painting
Class at the Carroll County Arts
Center 1pm
Register at the Arts Center

July 27-28
Dellroy VFD Annual
Homecoming Festival & Parade
Parade on the 28th at 4pm.

July 28
Minerva Area Chamber Rodeo
Municipal Park, (Brock field) in
Minerva, Main event at 7pm
9pm Chris Kraft concert at
Municipal Park stage, beer
garden, food &
commercial
vendors will be
available.
Tickets at the
gate are \$12
Adults/ \$6 kids,
kids under 5
are free.



Next Chamber Event

The next Chamber event will be a Chamber Luncheon to be held on Thursday, July 12, at Noon, at Ponderosa in Carrollton. Our Guest Speaker will be SAVE22 the Veteran Suicide Awareness non-profit group. You will pay for your meal at the door. We will be in the back room at Ponderosa. If you are interested in attending this luncheon, **please RSVP by Tuesday, July 10th**. You may call the Chamber office at 330-627-4811 or email Vanessa at : vacation@carrollcountyohio.com

Update from Last Chamber event

Our last Chamber event was a Chamber luncheon held at The Virginia Restaurant on Thursday, June 14. Denise Hallett, development director of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), was our guest speaker. The Chamber would like to thank Denise for speaking, and Jennifer and staff at the Virginia Restaurant for their hospitality.



Fourth of July Quote

Then join hand in hand,
Brave Americans all!
by uniting we stand,
by dividing we fall.

-John Dickinson

1732-1808

Former Delegate to the Continental Congress



2018 Chamber Meeting Dates

July 12th	Ponderosa	Chamber Luncheon
August 9th	Arbors of Minerva	Business After-Hours
September 13th	The Virginia Restaurant	Chamber Luncheon

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
Bruce Burgett— Habitat for Humanity

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?...**
**Fourth of July
Fun Facts...**



The Declaration of Independence was signed by 56 men from the 13 original colonies. Average age of the signers was 45— the youngest was Thomas Lynch Jr., he was 27, from South Carolina. The oldest was Benjamin Franklin, he was 70, from Pennsylvania. Thomas Jefferson was 33 at the time of the signing, on July 4, 1776.

The only 2 signers of the Declaration of Independence who later served as President of the United States were John Adams and Thomas Jefferson and both passed away on the exact same day just hours apart from each other on July 4, 1826.

Chamber Board Update

The Chamber Board of Directors met Wednesday, June 27, at noon at the Lil' Brown Dog Café with eight board members in attendance. **Director's Report**– Amy made calls to the last few members who haven't renewed their memberships. She wrote a letter supporting the Falcon Pipeline. Amy talked with sales reps from WTOV 9, Compass Media, Ohio Travel Pavilion, 92.5, and 95.9 radio stations. The HGTV Lakefront Bargain Hunt episode aired June 3. It represented the county well. Amy spent a day of filming and picture taking for a promotion that will run in April. The CVB will also be able to use the photography and video in future promotions. Amy attended the following meetings; Dessert Extravaganza, WSOS, Business Roundtable, OMEGA, Atwood Partner and Adventures in NE Ohio and Carrollton Business & Retail Merchants. Amy put together financial information for the board meeting. Amy completed work on a grant for Ohio's Appalachian Country for the Economic Impact Study. It allows for the Appalachian Region Report and reduced rate for the county report. Got ready for and conducted the Best Dam Poker Run, sponsored by the Atwood Lake Partnership. **Membership**– The board approved Carroll County Energy as a new member. The board also approved removing all unpaid members from the Chamber list. This will be your last newsletter if you haven't paid your dues. **Dessert Extravaganza**– the event is coming along. They are looking for a group to host a small eat stand during the event. We have received several vendors information and starting to get sponsors also. The office will be sending a mailing to last year's vendors and sponsors. **Education**– talked about how it is to hire, and the need for employees and how to address the issue for a future meeting. **Policy & Procedures**– the committee has started working on updating the policy & procedures for the Chamber / CVB. **Old/New Business**– Tait Carter told the board that she has resigned as Economic Director and will be going to real estate school and then joining Cedar One Realty. The board also discussed the finances of the CVB and the Chamber. After much discussion on options on reducing expenses because of the decline in bed tax, it was decided to lay off Kimberly Lewis, marketing manager. Other measures are to reduce travel and to cut back on advertising. The next board meeting is changed to Thursday, July 26, at the Ashton House Museum at noon.

Looking for Sponsors / Vendors for the Dessert Extravaganza

Are you looking for a way to get a little extra publicity for your business and want to help the Chamber and CVB with their projects? Here is your sponsorship opportunity.



Dessert Extravaganza is Wednesday, October 17, 2018

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Bronze-\$100– Event Registration, Ad in Program & 2 Tickets

Silver-\$250– Event Registration, Ad in Program, 2 Tickets & Flyers

Gold- \$500- Event Registration, Ad in Program, 3 Tickets, Flyers, Newsprint Coverage, Event Signage

Platinum- \$750- Event Registration, Ad in Program, 4 tickets, Flyers, Newsprint Coverage, Event Signage & Premium Table Placement

Chamber Members—Vendors are \$25 a table

Non-Chamber Members– Vendors are \$50 a table

If you are interested in any of these sponsorship opportunities or being a vendor, please contact Amy at the office.

New Members

The Chamber would like to welcome its newest member.

1-Carroll County Energy

Carroll County Energy is a 700-megawatt, natural- gas fired power generation facility in Carroll County, Ohio. The facility is on 77 acres of land located one-half mile east of Ohio 9 and 2.5 miles north of Carrollton and it is adjacent to Carroll County Community Improvement Corporation land that is designated for industrial and commercial development.

Carroll County Energy began commercial operations in late 2017. The facility features two GE 7F.05 gas turbines and an A602 stream turbine which has the capacity to generate electricity for approximately 750,000 homes in southeast Ohio. Delivering clean electricity to the merchant power market, Carroll County Energy generates power into the regional power transmission organization otherwise known as PJM.

Carroll County Energy is owned by a consortium of equity investors that include Advanced Power, TIAA, JERA, Ullico and Prudential. Ethos Energy Group is operating the facility and Advanced Power will continue its role in Carroll County Energy as an equity partner and assets manager during operations.

Advanced Power is a leading energy development company based in Boston, Massachusetts. Advanced Power's management has a proven track record of developing more than 9,400 megawatts of power generation projects worldwide.



Smart American Energy in Carroll County

TAKE NOTICE

Anyone who RSVP's for a Chamber Luncheon or Business After-Hours and doesn't show (for whatever reason) **you will now be billed for the amount of that luncheon or BAH!** Sorry to have to resort to this, but the Chamber will no longer eat the cost of your meal.



July Dates for Parade Schedule

Dellroy VFD Homecoming Festival

Parade- Saturday, July 28, 2018

Line-up at 3pm, Step-Off at 4pm.

Band- "Jon Doe" Friday Night from 6pm-10pm.

Kids games, Mechanical bull, Inflatables,

Kiddie Tractor Pull (Saturday after parade)

Breakfast- Saturday Morning 8am-11am

Car Show w/ DJ Spikeman- Saturday 5pm-8pm

Dancing on the Street -Saturday 5pm-9pm

Awesome Food, Great Prizes, Fun for Everyone!



CareWorks Comp News

Important Dates and Upcoming Deadlines:

June 21, 2018– Due date for the first installment for the 2018 policy year!

(Please note this was recently updated by BWC.– Premium notices are now available on BWC website, in the same location as your policy and premium information.)

July 1, 2018– Start date of the 2018 policy year, including new 2018 rates and programs.

July 31, 2018

- Final day to join a safety council for the 2018 policy year.
- Deadline to complete DFSP accident analysis training for 7/1 program start date (initial year only!). Please note that new supervisors have 60 from the date of hire to complete.
- Deadline to complete the online safety management self-assessment (SH-26) for a 7/1 start date for both the DFSP program and the ISSP program.

2018 True-Up: For the 2017 policy year, 7/1/17-6/30/18, true-up reconciliation may be done beginning on 7/1/2018 and must be completed by 8/15/2018. It is very important that your true-up is done timely or BWC may lapse your coverage and /or remove your company from any alternative rating programs.

Changes to Go Green Rebate: Beginning with the 2018 policy year, in order to be eligible for this 1% rebate (up to \$2,000) you will need to complete your true-up online and pay any balance owed at that time. Also, it's necessary to opt in to receive invoice email notifications to qualify, once that option becomes available early this summer (these notices alert you when the next invoice is available online.)

2019 Program Offers: Every year CareWorksComp evaluates your company for the best fitting alternative rating programs that we can offer you. During the next few months, we'll be sending program invitations and renewal notices in anticipation of fall 2018 deadlines. In some cases you will receive invitations to both group rating or group retro programs. Please know that we are available to discuss program details and the most appropriate fit for your business.

Two Hour Group Safety Training: The deadline to fulfill the 2017 Two Hour Group Safety Training Requirement is 6/30/18. If you still need to complete the training, you may do so on BWC's website, <https://info.bwc.ohio.gov/wps/portal/bec/site/safety/safety-courses/safety-courses>. If you have completed the training but have not notified us, please send that documentation to twohourtraining@careworkscamp.com

Note: If you completed the training at one of our seminars or through video, we have already documented your participation...not necessary to send it again.

Premium Rebate Approved by BWC Board: The \$1.5 billion rebate was approved in May and eligible employers will receive **85%** of their 2016 premiums paid. In order to be eligible, any overdue premiums or outstanding BWC balances must be paid by 6/8/18, as well as any outstanding payroll reports submitted. Rebate checks will be sent in early July, unless your business participated in a Group Retrospective rating program in Policy Year 2016, in which case your rebate will be sent by early November.
Housekeeping note: If you haven't done so in a while, now is a good time to check the BWC website to be sure your mailing address is correct so that you receive the rebate check to the right address!

OSHA 300 Logs: Employers have until July 1, 2018 to report their Calendar Year 2017 Form 300A data to OSHA. All covered establishments must submit the information by July 1, 2018. Remember, not all establishments are covered by this requirement. If you had 20 or more employees at any time during the year and your North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code is one of those covered, then you are required to report. Most employers in the construction and manufacturing industry are required to report. To review which establishments need to provide their 2017 data, check the website.

More BWC Info

Payroll true-up reports

The Ohio of Workers' Compensation (BWC) requires that employers reconcile their actual payroll following each policy year.

The BWC establishes each employer's estimated annual premium (EAP) Based on the most recent payroll that you reported to the BWC, or for a new employer, based on the 12-month payroll estimate that you provide.

At the end of the policy year, the BWC must "True-Up" the payroll report to ensure that the estimated premium was used for the previous policy year. Therefore, each employer must file a true-up report that reflects the actual payroll for the policy year. This report must be completed online and can be accessed (along with additional information and instructions) through the BWC website.

If your actual (true-up) payroll exceeded the estimated payroll, then you will owe the BWC additional premium. If your actual (true-up) payroll is less than your estimated payroll, you will receive a credit of premium dollars.

- **Employer must submit a payroll true-up report even if it has a zero payroll.**

Private employers will receive payroll true-up notices in July, and they must complete their report to BWC and pay any outstanding balance, by August 15.

Public employers will receive payroll true-up notices in January, and they must complete their report to BWC and pay any outstanding balance, by February 15.

Important: Employers who do not complete the True-Up process on time will be disqualified for all BWC Discounts and Rating Programs for that year!

There is still time: Consider presenting at OSC19

Share your knowledge or experience in preventing workplace

injuries as a presenter at the 2019 Ohio Safety Congress & Expo,

The region's largest occupational-focused safety and health event.

We're still accepting presentation proposals for this multi-day event,

Scheduled for March 6-8, 2019, in Columbus. We are accepting applications until July 13.

Visit our website www.bwc.com for application guidelines and to submit a proposal.

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