



Chamber Update

Chamber of Commerce of Sandusky County

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It's "Tee" Time!

By now you should have received your invitation to the Chamber Foundation Annual Golf Classic on Friday, September 15th at Green Hills Golf Course, 1959 S. Main St., Clyde.

Just \$80 per golfer will cover golf, lunch, cart rental and dinner. Lunch will be provided on the course to allow continuous play; snacks, pop and beer will be available on the course throughout the day. This year, teams will be made up of 4 players each, but if you don't have enough people to form a team, we can pair you up with one that needs more people.

A great way to advertise your business is to buy a sponsorship for the Golf Classic. Lunch, dinner and beverage sponsorships are available. Hole sponsorships are \$100 and proximity sponsorships are \$25 each.

If you're not a golfer but still want to get involved we're signing up volunteers to help throughout the day.

If you'd like to sign up for any of these, please call Amy at the Chamber.

Chamber Ag Tent

The Sandusky County Fair is quickly approaching! Mark your calendars and plan to visit the Chamber Ag Tent August 22nd – 27th.

Along with the Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber Ag Committee, there are 16 additional participants in the 2006 Chamber Ag Tent. Participants include Leadership Sandusky County; Sandusky County Farm Bureau; FBPA – Vanguard – Sentinel – Adult Education; Fremont License Agency, Inc.; Sandusky County Habitat for Humanity; Lucky Farmers, Inc; Parkview Care Center; Sandusky County Soil & Water Conservation District; Tranzitionz Salon & Spa; WSOS Community Action Commission; Sandusky County Economic Development Corporation; Ohio State University Extension; Hasselbach Meats, Inc.; Crown Battery; Baker Bonnigson Realty & Auctioneers; and Country Mortgages/ Ag Credit, ACA.

At the time of printing, there were still four tables available for Chamber members to participate. For \$85, you will receive an 8 foot table, 2 single-day worker passes and six days of exposure to a variety of different people! If you are interested in reserving a table, contact Amy at the Chamber.

Hope to see you at the Fair!

Member Mania

It's time again for Member Mania! Each month we will ask you to discover something about our featured member. The information will come from the members' website. This month's member is **Dairy Queen**. Visit their website at www.dairyqueen.com to find the answer to this question: **Dairy Queen operators have been providing consumers with crave-satisfying treats and food since what year?**

Once you have found the answer, log onto our website www.scchamber.org and submit your entry for a chance to win!

Last month's question came from The Andersons Inc. were we asked: Founded in Maumee, Ohio, in 1947, the company now has operations in how many U.S. states? The answer was: Seven.

Congratulations to Denise Majoy. By answering the June question correctly, she is the winner of an Ag Pack!

Chamber Events

August 22 - 27

Chamber Ag Tent at the Sandusky County Fair

September 14 (Thursday)

BAH, 5 to 7 p.m.
Spa at Castaway Bay
2001 Cleveland Road, Sandusky

September 15 (Friday)

Annual Chamber Golf Classic
Green Hills Golf Course
1959 S. Main St., Clyde

September 22 (Friday)

Coffee & Contacts, 8 to 9 a.m.
Chamber office
101 S. Front St., Fremont.
Reservation required.

October 12 (Thursday)

BAH, 5 to 7 p.m.
Valley View Healthcare Center,
825 June St., Fremont.

October 19 (Thursday)

Orientation Breakfast, 7:30 a.m.
Holiday Inn

November 2 (Thursday)

BAH, 5 to 7 p.m.
TBA

November 9 (Thursday)

Town & Country Banquet
6:30 p.m.
Ole Zim's Wagon Shed

November 17 (Friday)

Coffee & Contacts, 8 to 9 a.m.
Chamber office
101 S. Front St., Fremont.
Reservation required.

November 24 & 25 (Friday & Saturday)

Annual Tree & Wreath Auction
& Community Days
American Legion, Fremont
Keep Watching for more details!

November 25 (Saturday)

Annual Tree & Wreath Auction
American Legion, Fremont
**This year's auction will also
feature dinner and a dance!

Welcome to our New Chamber Members!

Zorn Construction

Eric Zorn
1784 C.R. 84
Burgoon, OH 43420
419-986-9501

Westview Veterinary Hospital

Dr. Ryan R. Zimmerman
3032 Napoleon Road
Fremont, Oh 43420
419-332-5871
www.oakharborpetcenter.com

Tree & Wreath Auction will be Rockin'



Mark your calendars now to join us for "Rockin' around the Christmas Tree", our 10th Anniversary Tree and Wreath Auction! For the first time, we are inviting the community to view these unique Christmas trees decorated by members of the Chamber of Commerce. This annual event is being expanded to allow the community an opportunity to be part of this enchanting event.

The public will be welcomed free of charge on November 24th & 25th at the American Legion in Fremont to share in the festivities and support your favorite charity by voting for your favorite tree! Along with our traditional tree auction, Chamber members will be invited to attend the dinner, dance and auction on the evening of November 25th to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Chamber of Commerce of Sandusky County. Keep watching for more details on this upcoming event!

BWC's William E. Mabe to Address Sandusky County Safety Council

William E. Mabe, Administrator and CEO of the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation, will be the featured speaker at the Sandusky County Safety Council's monthly luncheon meeting to be held on August 23, 2006 at St. Francis Health Care Centre, Green Springs. Mabe, 58, a retired Nationwide Insurance Co. executive, was appointed to the office by Gov. Taft in November of 2005 because of his "strong record of improving...operations in need of turnaround."

All Safety Council members and businesses interested in the Safety Council are welcome to attend the meeting, which runs from 11:00 a.m. to 12:45p.m. There is no charge for the luncheon, but reservations are necessary. Please contact Jim Miranda at the Chamber office at 419-332-1592, or safety@scchamber.org for reservations or additional information about the meeting or membership in the Safety Council.

Sixty for Sixty

Since 1946 the Chamber of Commerce has been serving the Sandusky County Community as a leading business organization, serving members and the community. In this anniversary our goal is to have 100% Member Participation in our "Sixty for Sixty" fund raising drive. The purpose of this effort is to secure future funding for the Chamber with the establishment of a Chamber Foundation.

To date over 18% of our members have made their pledge. If you need a pledge form please contact us.

A special thank you to this month's newest pledge: Ken Smith Agency - American Family Insurance.



B.A.H. News

Are you looking to do some networking and have fun at the same time! Join us for our monthly Business After Hours event. You'll have a chance to promote your business, visit with friends and colleagues while making new business contacts.

Our next BAH is Thursday, August 10 at Community First Bank & Trust located at 137 Buckeye St., Clyde.

BAH's are open to all employees of Chamber member companies and you are welcome to bring guest, including potential Chamber members! If you think you'd like to have a BAH at your business, call us at 419-332-1591 — we still have an opening for December 14, 2006.

ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

It's hard to believe, but we are in the downward slide of our 60th Anniversary Year! However, still plenty of time to celebrate as we begin our next 60 years of providing service to Sandusky County!

Remember our business is your business and we are proud to have you as members. Throughout this newsletter you have read a variety of information on the upcoming events and activities of the Chamber. Here are some additional Anniversary Year updates for you.

Sandusky County Fair

What's Your Business? This is the catchy phrase we are using to celebrate 60 years of serving Sandusky County at this year's fair. In the Chamber Ag Tent we are providing fair attendees a chance to win one of 60 special Chamber t-shirts each day if they answer one of 60 trivia questions correctly. We still have a few t-shirt sponsorship spots available as of this printing, so if you would like your business to be featured on the shirts call Amy today! Also, still a spot or two left for rent in the tent!

Membership Referrals

Thank you to all the businesses that made referrals for us during the 60-Day Membership Drive. We have just one thing to say... "DON'T STOP"! You are our best source of reaching new members. In fact, your efforts are so greatly appreciated we are going to continue something we started with the membership drive campaign. If a new member joins and lists a current member as the "Referring member" on their application, that "referring" member is going to receive a \$25 Gift Certificate from a Chamber Member. A simple way for us to say "thank you" for helping your Chamber grow.

Fair Special

As we continue to celebrate our first 60 years at the fair this year we are also going to offer a New Member Incentive as a Fair Special. If a new member joins during fair week we will wave the \$25 processing fee.

Encourage potential members to stop by the fair tent to pick-up a membership packet and to try to win a cool chamber t-shirt! We will be sending all our prospects a letter this month to encourage them to consider joining.

Sixty for Sixty

Our "Sixty for Sixty" fund raising drive to establish the Chamber Foundation is coming along. We still have a ways to go before reaching our goal of having 100% of our members participate by giving to this special drive, but we are not giving up! If you haven't made a contribution yet we hope you will soon. We are going to be doing another contribution mailing soon and we would love to have your business name on the list we display at the fair of our contributors to date!