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President's Corner

2009 looks to be a historic year. Record drops in the stock market, record number of foreclosures, record amount of federal fiscal stimulus has 2009 beginning from a historic position. But Richfield looks to excel through these tough times through our commitment to our community and each other. This year is also one for celebration of Richfield's

200th birthday since our community was founded by Lancelot Mays in 1809.

I am very excited to be president of the chamber this year. I believe that the chamber can be a great tool for businesses to use to help navigate their way through these difficult times. As president I will direct my efforts in keeping the chamber in line with its original intent and purpose. The chamber can be a source of savings on workers compensation and health care, a source of growth through networking, a source of support of local business, a source of historic pride, and a voice for community, business, and government.

The Chamber not only helps to keep the past intact via its work with Richfield Town Trust Grants which help local businesses revitalize Richfield Historic downtown, but it also rewards Richfield's future business leaders via the Scholarship of Entrepreneurial Engagement. I had the opportunity on Jan. 20th to present Revere students with \$500 in awards for their work in developing the best business plans in the SEE program. It was exciting to see the strength, knowledge and leadership of our local students and to see

Let's do lunch!

Wednesday, February 4, 2009

Mayor Mike Lyons
State of the Village

11:45 - Informal Networking 12:30 - Speaker
12:00 - Light lunch served 1:00 - Adjourn

Members admitted free with a reservation.

Please R.S.V.P. to 330-659-3300 by February 2.

Non-members bring \$11 check payable to Richfield Chamber of Commerce

No-shows will be invoiced \$11 for their reserved lunch.

Invite an associate. Bring your business cards to share.

the unique business ideas that they may bring to Richfield one day.

So let the chamber help make 2009 a historic year for your business. I wish you and yours the very best and look forward to seeing all of you at this month's luncheon with *Mayor Lyons* State of the Village address and at the Chamber's Annual Banquet on February 25th to welcome Steve Anderson, Senior Vice President of Charles Schwab in Richfield.

Member Spotlight

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services issued a five-star ranking to **Regina Health Center**, the highest overall rating based upon three key areas related to quality of care for nursing home residents: health inspections, quality measures and staffing information. The Ohio Department of Aging announced results of its family members satisfaction survey with Regina Health Center listed among the top 10 nursing homes in the state of Ohio.

"We're extremely proud of our rankings," said *Brian J. Flannery*, executive director of RHC. "These two rating systems approach quality of care from different aspects. The national

that are critically important to residents and families - trust, dependability, compassion, respect and skilled training."

Located on 230 acres in Richfield, as one of the 20 sponsored ministries of the Sisters of Charity Health System, RHC provides compassionate and holistic health care services for members of religious communities, clergy and lay people needing supportive services or residential nursing care. Regina Health Center provides a full range of quality of life programming that affirms the dignity and fullness of life for each individual resident.

2009 Officers

President: *Jason M. Long*, **Fussy Cleaners**. Vice President: *Richard Seligson*, **Grunt's Gym**. Treasurer: *Jim Smith*, **Exit 11 Truck Tire Service** and Secretary: *Ryan McAllister*, **I-Tran Electronics Recycling**

Annual Banquet

Call the chamber office for reservations to attend the banquet on Wednesday, February 25 at the Tavern of Richfield. Steve Anderson of Charles Schwab will be the speaker. Cost is \$30 for dinner with a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres at 6pm.

CMS study focuses on quality through data and compliance with regulations, clinical outcomes and staffing while the ODA survey focuses on consumer feedback. Both types of measurement are important. No survey, however, can take the place of visiting the home in person and talking to staff and family members of other residents."

"We're proud of our staff," said Flannery. "They excel in areas

February 4	Luncheon	11:45 a.m.	Quality Inn & Suites Richfield
February 11	Board meeting	7:00 a.m.	Scriptype Publishing
February 16	Newsletter Deadline		
February 25	Annual Banquet	6:00 p.m.	Taverne of Richfield
June 17	Golf Outing - Steak Roast		St. Bernard Golf Club
July 26	Eddy's Bike Shop 15th Annual Sweet Corn Challenge		

Mark your calendar