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## Chamber Monthly, July 2008

### President's Corner

The beginning of summer means vacations, weekends doing yard work and picnics. Don't forget to stop and just enjoy the days. Many times our lives are so busy we forget to relax and enjoy what we have. So take a minute or two in July and join us for our monthly luncheon where Bruce Baylor will provide us with an overview of workers' compensation information..

If you missed last month's meeting, we had a great speaker, Timothy Dimoff. Mr. Dimoff provided some wonderful motivational insights into managing our work and home.

A reminder, the new web site is coming together and will be up and running soon. I need additional information from each member should you want your web site linked, maps available, as well as a brief description of your business. Watch for an e-mail request soon.

June 12th was the 1st Annual Business Expo held at the Cuyahoga Community Career Center. The expo was coordinated by the Brecksville/Broadview Hts. Chamber and was a collaboration of over ten chambers. Even being the first, it was well attended and we had fun networking with other businesses in the region.

Keep July 27th open to either participate or volunteer for the Sweet Corn Challenge. It is a great event that benefits the chamber and the Richfield Town Trust. Contact myself, Wendy Pollarine, at 330-388-6568 for an opportunity to volunteer. Contact the chamber office at 330-659-3300 if you wish to ride; registration forms are available at the front desk.

## Let's do lunch!

Wednesday, June 2, 2008  
Quality Inn & Suites Richfield

**Bruce Baylor**  
**Baylor and Associates**

### Cutting Workers' & Unemployment Compensation Cost

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 June 27**

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.

If there is one thing that the company learned after being in business for over 40 years, it's that, big or small, family businesses are unlike any other business. The differences in strategy as it relates to the family, the environment created by working so closely with your loved ones and, ultimately, the satisfaction of sharing success with those closest to you make this kind of business unique. With that in

mind, The Ahola Corporation is dedicated to improving the way families do business - one business at a time.

At Ahola, they don't just want you to be a client, they want you to be a part of the "family" as well. Ahola is constantly working to improve services and listening to clients is a priority. In order to meet and exceed client expectations, Ahola's staff is encouraged to develop relationships with the people they serve.

Contact Victoria O'Donnell at 800-727-2849 or go on-line at Ahola.com.

### Monthly Luncheon

June 2, 2008

Workers' Compensation Premium and Unemployment Compensation is not a cost of doing business which can be avoided for employers with one or more workers. It can be controlled. Bruce Baylor, President of Baylor Associates, with more than 30 years' experience in managing these social insurances for employers on a national basis will discuss some of the more important elements of mitigating these costs through the Richfield Chamber of Commerce's programs.

Call the chamber office (330-659-3300) to reserve your meal at the luncheon

### Member Spotlight

The Ahola Corporation is a family owned payroll company that started out in 1967 as Key punch Services which was a broad based information services company founded by Chester and Rheta Ahola. In 1970 they changed the name to The Ahola Corporation and started to expand their client list in 1974 which included Central National Bank, Master Card, American Express, Hillside Dairy, United Airlines, Stouffer's Foods, the Kennedy Mint, the City of Cleveland and Chrysler. The Ahola Corporation also provided NASA with keypunchers.

Currently Ahola's services reach 3,300 clients in 48 states, managing over \$1.5 billion of payroll and processing nearly two million payroll checks annually. In 2002 The Ahola Corporation led the way in technological advancement by moving from DOS processing to Windows with their own original software program - Generations. Generations, developed in-house, gave Ahola many options and capabilities not available in the previous system including Ahola's ground breaking product Family Pay.

**Mark your calendar**  
 July 2 Luncheon  
 July 9 Board meeting  
 July 18 Deadline for Newsletter  
 July 27 Eddy's Bike Shop 15th Annual Sweet Corn Challenge  
 Quality Inn & Suites Richfield  
 1:45 a.m.  
 Scriptype Publishing  
 7:00 a.m.