

# CHAMBER MONTHLY



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## JANUARY 2018

Happy New Year! With 2017 in our rearview window, I welcome you all to join the Richfield Chamber of Commerce, its members and affiliates a sincere wish for a prosperous and healthy New Year. Congratulations to all my newly elected officers to the Chamber for the 2018 calendar year, Amy French of OEC as Vice-President, Austin Linden III of Financial Management Strategies as Treasurer and Roger Swan as Secretary. I would also like to thank Sue Serdinak, Karen Smik and Jim Koewler for their ongoing support.

Stepping into the role as President of the Richfield Chamber is an honor and privilege. I am grateful for the support my fellow officers have provided as well as a big thank you to Tim Ochwat, outgoing president (Meridian Construction). Tim, I truly appreciate your leadership and guidance as I move into this new role. I have big shoes to fill. This is not goodbye; just I'll see you soon. As for our continuing members on the board it has been a pleasure to work with each of you and I know together we can build a strong, robust Chamber where more businesses in the community see the benefit of participation.

As we roll into 2018 it is my sincere wish that you consider active involvement in the Chamber not just at the monthly luncheons but at the various events and programs throughout the year. Richfield business leaders and members of their team can have a significant impact on our community. Join in and volunteer at

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Sheryl Wilson

planned events like our Links for Education, membership recruiting, scholarships, etc. Along with that, we ask for suggestions for monthly speakers and events you would like to see happen to bring our corporate community together. How does a food truck in your company parking lot sound? Where you can mingle with other companies and their employees. Or perhaps competitive events where corporate team building along with raising funds could mutually benefit all involved.

Finally, I encourage all members to join us at the Chamber's Annual Dinner on January 18th. National Interstate has graciously offered their facility to host the event. There will be an opportunity to tour the facility and network with other businesses. We are blessed to have Bill Considine, President and CEO of Akron Children's Hospital for nearly 40 years, as our speaker for the dinner. We will also recognize and present two awards for Richfield Business of the Year and the Business Beautification Award.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Annual Banquet. It truly will be an event not to miss!!

Sheryl Wilson, President

## Richfield Chamber of Commerce Board Members

*President – Sheryl Wilson (Bay Pointe Tech Services)*

*Vice President – Amy French (OEC)*

*Treasurer – Austin Linden III (Financial Management Strategies)*

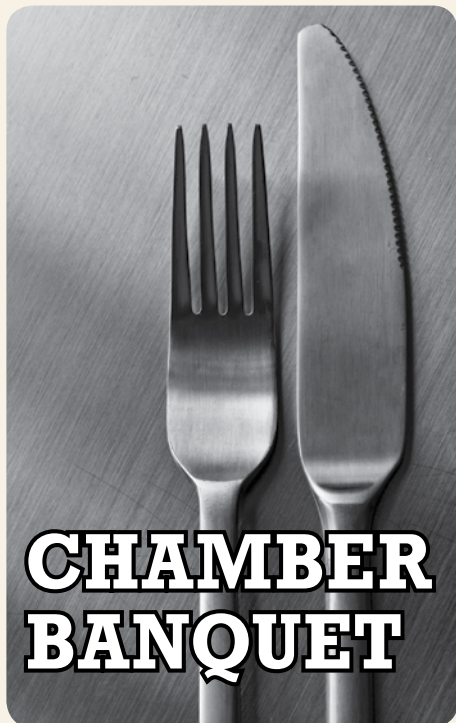
*Secretary – Roger Swan*

*Past-President – Tim Ochwat (Meridian Construction Services)*

*Sweet Corn Challenge chair – Sue Serdinak (ScripType Publishing)*

*Links for Education chair – Karen Smik*

*Scholarship committee chair – Jim Koewler (Koewler Law Firm)*



**THURSDAY,  
January 18, 2017**

### Banquet Speaker

**Bill Considine,  
Akron Children's Hospital  
President and CEO**

**6 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres  
& Cocktail Hour  
6:30 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 p.m. Program**

at the  
**National Interstate  
Headquarters**

**Reservations  
must be received by  
Thursday, January 11th.**

**Please see page 3  
for reservation form.**

## Our Banquet Speaker

### William H. Considine

Akron Children's Hospital  
President and CEO



William H. Considine, president and CEO of Akron Children's Hospital for nearly 40 years, has dedicated both his career and personal life to improving pediatric care and the quality of life for children and families. He is one of the longest-tenured hospital chief executives in the country and is an internationally known advocate for issues affecting children's health and well-being. He is widely consulted by policymakers in Columbus and Washington, D.C., and he has served on the boards of many healthcare, educational and cultural organizations.

Considine is a fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives. He is a past chairman of the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions and served as a member of its Council on Child Advocacy. He served as chairman of the Child Health Corporation of America and was a member of the American Hospital Association's Maternal Child Health Governing Council. He is a member of the Children's Hospital Association, and he currently serves as chairman of the Ohio Children's Hospital Association. He is a past chairman of the Children's Miracle Network board and served on the Governor's Advisory Council on Health Care Payment Innovation.

In 2009, Considine was inducted into the Northeast Ohio Business Hall of Fame. He is a member of the Ohio Business Roundtable and was appointed to the board of the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. Considine has been honored by the American Lung Association, March of Dimes, Mental Health Association of Summit County, Akron Public Schools and others. In 2011, the Akron Community Foundation presented him with the Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award. In 2014, the United Way and Akron Children's Hospital presented Considine with their Distinguished Service Awards.

Considine holds a master's degree in health science administration from The Ohio State University. He has received two honorary degrees: a doctorate in humane letters from The University of Akron and a doctor of science (honoris causa) from Northeast Ohio Medical University.

Considine lives in Akron with Rebecca, his wife of 45 years. They have three grown children and two grandchildren.

## BUSINESS BOOKS

For those of you who have time for only one business related book a month, the Richfield Branch Library has gone into the shelves to narrow down trending title suggestions.

### Economics in Wonderland: A Cartoon Guide to a Political World Gone Mad and Mean

By Robert B. Reich  
Fantagraphics, 2017  
ISBN-10: 1683960602



In his new book *Economics in Wonderland*, the former Secretary of Labor and current Chancellor's Professor of Public Policy at the University of California at Berkeley, comments on many of the most inflammatory issues confronting our country - health care, taxes, distribution of wealth, gender inequality, and how to talk to friends and relatives with opposing political views. Don't be lulled by the book's subtitle, "a cartoon guide to a political world gone mad and

mean." This is a book of serious essays about today's economy. Inspired by a conversation with his son about how young people "absorb information and analysis", Reich, armed with a sharpie and a shrewd wit, decided to illustrate each of the more than four dozen essays in order to reach a new audience who think more visually.

The book's political slant is decidedly liberal, as evidenced by essay titles like "The Republican's Tax Sham" and "Trump's Bonkers Budget", but even the most ardent supply-sider will have to acknowledge Reich's humor and pathos. Many of the essays were taken from previous lectures or podcasts, but they appear here for the first time in book form. The book is a very quick read at a little over a hundred pages, but it will make you think as well as smile.

Book reviewed by Mike Daly, Adult Librarian Richfield Branch Library

## Regina Health Center listed among country's top nursing homes

Regina Health Center has been named one of the best nursing homes in the country by U.S. News & World Report. The publication evaluated more than 15,000 homes nationwide in every state and nearly 100 major metropolitan areas. In Ohio, 130 nursing homes made the list.

To create the list, U.S. News used data from Nursing Home Compare, a program run by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. The nursing homes were

rated "poor" to "top-performing" on a scale of 1 to 5. Nursing home performance was evaluated over time, averaging monthly data over a year and much emphasis was placed on strong performance in medical quality measures.

In the Ohio Department of Aging family satisfaction survey released in May, Regina Health Center had a score of 93.2 out of 100, placing it fifth statewide among 541 nursing homes for which data were available.

### Business Spotlight: Regina Health Center



REGINA HEALTH CENTER

A Ministry of the Sisters of Charity Health System

Rated by US News and World Report top 130  
nursing homes in Ohio



Rated 5 STAR quality rating  
by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid

- Short term rehab (PT/OT/SP)
- Skilled nursing/Long term care/ Assisted living
- Medicare/Medicaid/ Private Insurances/Private Pay
- Top 1% in Ohio for family satisfaction

5232 Broadview Road ~ Richfield, OH 44286

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# Twentieth Annual Banquet

Thursday, January 18, 2018

Guest Speaker

## Bill Considine

CEO Akron Children's Hospital

at the National Interstate Insurance headquarters  
3250 Interstate Dr. Richfield

5:15 p.m. - Optional tour of National Interstate

6:00 p.m. - Hors d'oeuvres and Cocktail Hour

Sponsored by National Interstate Insurance

6:30 p.m. - Dinner

7:30 p.m. - Program

\$45 per person; \$40 per person for reservations for tables of 8

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ dinners @ \$45 each. My check # \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

-or- Please reserve a table of 8 @ \$40 each. My check # \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I was a Silver Corporate member in 2017. Please reserve my two free dinners.

\_\_\_\_\_ I was a Gold Corporate member in 2017. Please reserve my two free dinners.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please call me with more information on the Silver and Gold Packages.

Please check your choice of entree (buffet-style):

A- Chicken Marsala

B- Chef Carved Beef Brisket

C- Vegetarian

Please indicate names for name tags and which entree is preferred for each guest.

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_

5) \_\_\_\_\_ 6) \_\_\_\_\_

7) \_\_\_\_\_ 8) \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with your payment by **January 11** to:

Richfield Chamber of Commerce, 4300 Streetsboro Road, Richfield, OH 44286.

Only 140 reservations will be taken. You may call 330-659-3300 for more information.