

# CHAMBER MONTHLY



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## MARCH 2015



**LET'S DO  
LUNCH!**

**WEDNESDAY,  
March 4, 2015**

“State of the Schools”

**Dr. Madak**

Revere Interim  
Superintendent

**Dave Forrest**

Revere CFO

**11:45 Informal Networking**

**12:00 Light lunch served**

**12:30 Speaker 1:00 Adjourn**

at the

**Taverne of Richfield**

Members admitted free with a reservation.

Please R.S.V.P. to  
330-659-3300 by March. 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.**

How cold can it go? And when will it be warm again? Those are the questions on our mind these days as we look at the thermometer and it reads -10 degrees. Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow this year on February 2nd. His prediction of six more weeks of winter will likely come true this year!

Thanks go out to Jeff Shupe, Richfield Township Trustee, for his presentation at the February luncheon on the State of the Township. He highlighted the history of the township, the fire last summer that devastated the Richfield Township service garage, and plans to rebuild. Our thanks to all the village and township appointed and elected officials that attended.

I think February's luncheon had close to 50 attendees. It was a great opportunity to network with local businesses leaders and community officials. Chamber luncheons are the first Wednesday of every month alternating between The Taverne of Richfield, on odd numbered months, and Days Inn, on even numbered months. Accordingly, this month's luncheon is at the Taverne. If you haven't been to a luncheon for a while, come join us.

Help yourself and your business by checking out the Anthem health insurance discount that

the Chamber offers. Through our membership in the Northern Ohio Chambers

of Commerce (NOACC), we have leveraged the buying power of hundreds of chambers and thousands of employers to bring you a great discount for this important insurance coverage. Learn more from our website and from NOACC's web page at <http://www.noacc.org/benefits/group-health-insurance>.

Our membership renewal packets have been distributed. If you have not yet renewed, please provide us your updated information, membership renewal form and dues now. A vibrant Chamber is important to the growth and continuity of our community. If you are an insurance agent, realtor, commercial landowner with or without a business, a retail storeowner, a service provider and you aren't at our meetings, you are missing a great opportunity to develop relationships and share business. I look forward to seeing you at our next chamber luncheon.

Sophie Veillette  
President

**PRESIDENT'S  
CORNER**

Sophie Veillette

## **Bureau of Workers' Comp changes billing procedure**

Prospective billing by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC), starts in July 2015 for private employers.

In May, employers will receive a notice of estimated annual premium, which will be based on reported payroll for July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014. It is not a bill. Please review it for accuracy and contact BWC if you feel something is wrong with the estimate.

Businesses will receive their first invoice in August. As part of the transition credit, BWC will make a June invoice payment on behalf of the businesses.

Businesses will also need to report payroll for the January to June 2015 period, but BWC will pay that premium with the transition credit as well. Transition credits will not be granted to employers with lapsed coverage or employers who have not reported their January to June 2015 payroll. The deadline for programs of Destination: Excellence is now the last business day of May.

More information about prospective billing is available at [bwc.ohio.gov](http://bwc.ohio.gov). BWC is also offering free seminars around Ohio to answer questions and provide details about prospective billing. Call 1-800-644-6292, for more information.

### **As a Chamber Member,**

If you have an event or special promotion or recognition that you would like to appear in the monthly newsletter, please submit it to [mail@richfieldchamber.com](mailto:mail@richfieldchamber.com) by the 20th of each month. Please limit your release to 100 words. Attachments will not be accepted.

## **Jobs Fair**

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center will host a Student Job Fair Thursday, March 19 from 3:30-5:30 pm. Students ages 16 and older will be applying for summer, part time or seasonal positions. You can review their resumes and applications and conduct interview on the spot. Register for an event table at <http://tinyurl.com/CVCCJobFairEmployer2015>.

## **CVCC To Discuss New Manufacturing/ Robot Facility**

Chamber members from all eight of the school districts who are part of the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center school district are invited to a special program on March 31 from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. to explain the new Robotics and Advanced Manufacturing Technology Education Collaborative (RAMTEC) being planned for the school.

The event will include a presentation and a free luncheon with an opportunity to network with other Chambers of Commerce. Registration is required. To R.S.V.P. visit : <https://docs.google.com/a/cvccworks.edu/forms/d/1asMWF7aIv eXD4cEtonJoiBKQqCPRIVXOopeC-3M0Y000/viewform>

## **Regina Health Center Ranks in Top 1 Percent in Ohio for Nursing Home Family Satisfaction**

Regina Health Center ranked in the top 1 percent of all Ohio nursing homes in the recently released Ohio Department of Aging family satisfaction survey. With a score of 95.12 out of 100, Regina Health Center (RHC) placed ninth among more than 960 nursing homes surveyed.

RHC has also maintained its Five-Star Quality Rating from the CMS, which is a rating only a small percent of all nursing homes in Ohio receive.

Regina Health Center is a ministry of the Sisters of Charity Health System.

## **State of Schools Will Be Presented at March 4 Luncheon**

Two members of the Revere school system will be speaking at this month's luncheon presenting the "State of the Schools." Interim Superintendent Dr. Madak will discuss the district's characteristics and accomplishments; district challenges and "What is in our Future?"

CFO Dave Forrest will talk briefly about the district's financial highlights: the five-year budget, funding challenges with the new biennium and upcoming levies. He will also discuss safety and security.

## **Ohio Safety Expo offers workshops and certifications**

Registration is now open for the Ohio Safety Congress & Expo (OSC15), March 31 to April 2 at the Columbus Convention Center. It is the largest regional safety and health conference in the U.S. There's no charge for Ohio employers and their employees to attend the event.

Day one of the safety congress delivers full-day workshops and in-depth training. Days two and three offer general sessions, educational sessions and the Expo Marketplace. Attend the day or days which best meet your training needs.

OSC15 aims to help Ohio employers prevent workplace injuries and achieve better outcomes for injured workers. Professional certifications are offered for safety professionals, industrial hygienists, ergonomists, registered nurses, attorneys, rehabilitation, claims managers, disability managers, rehabilitation counselors, paramedics and other professions that accept IACET CEUs for certification maintenance.

For more information go to [bwc.ohio.gov/employer/programs/safety/SafetyCongress.asp](http://bwc.ohio.gov/employer/programs/safety/SafetyCongress.asp). A workers' compensation policy number is required to register.



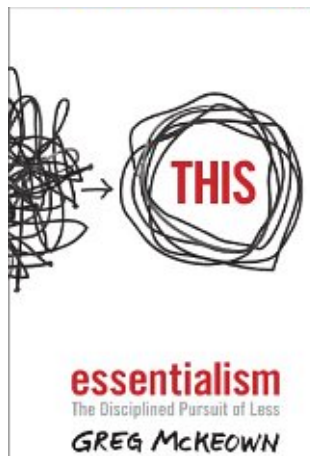
# BUSINESS BOOKS

For those of you that 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.

## Essentialism: The Disciplined Pursuit of Less

by Greg McKeown, c. 2014. Crown Business. ISBN: 978-0804137386 \$23.00

I highly recommend Essentialism for reclaiming an unbalanced, off-kilter work-life. It's a book I would like on my bookshelf. I do not buy many books. I highlighted what I am, and highlighted how I wish to be. Here, I found a way for achieving peace-at-work. My problem with being unfocused and over-committed is that I've fallen into the trap of a non-essentialist. I say yes to every opportunity and project that comes my way. I react instead of contemplate. I try to be good at everything instead of the best at a few or even one thing.



Mr. McKeown doesn't give us permission to become lazy, combative, or insubordinate. He doesn't give us the go ahead to become difficult and not helpful at home or work. He wants us to do excellent work. He simply desires us to find and do what it is in life that we are passionate about, so in turn, we will do our best work. There's still time to take back 2015!

*Reviewed by Jennifer Stencel, Branch Manager, Adult Librarian and Teen Librarian at the Richfield Branch Library of the Akron-Summit County Public Library System.*



## Renaissance of Richfield Opening Fall 2015

The Renaissance of Richfield will be the first stand-alone Assisted Living (RCF) in the history of Richfield. The Renaissance is a locally owned and operated community that is proud to be a part of the rich culture of Richfield. We will re-define life for seniors by celebrating and enriching their lives through connection with the community creating an even greater sense of purpose. Among many other unique features we will offer physician-directed care, 24/7 nursing and a beautiful specialized memory care living option. Most of all we would like to offer our gratitude to all the residents of Richfield and surrounding areas that have given us the privilege to call Richfield our home. For more information contact Jeff at [info@renaissanceofrichfield](mailto:info@renaissanceofrichfield) or call 330.313.7000.



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