

# CHAMBER MONTHLY

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## DECEMBER 2020

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Amy French

I'd like to wish you all a very happy holiday season! I am guessing that New Year's Eve will be especially noteworthy this year as we will all be more than ready to put the year 2020 behind us. I hope everyone continues to stay safe and well.

It was very nice seeing many of you at our November luncheon, which featured Sophie Veillette from Schulte & Company who sent through some COVID-19 related tax change information for 2020 year-end planning. A big thanks to Sophie for presenting!

I would like to invite all of you to join us for our December Zoom luncheon on Wednesday, December 2. We plan to use this time to celebrate some of our first responders and thank them for all they have done and continue to

do for Richfield during this challenging and unprecedented time. During this meeting we will also hold elections for board positions. We certainly hope you can join us.

I hope you had a very nice, socially distanced Thanksgiving holiday with lots of food and maybe some binge watching. Look forward to seeing everyone on December 2.

Amy French, President,  
Richfield Chamber of Commerce



**LET'S DO  
LUNCH!**

**WEDNESDAY,  
December 2, 2020**

#### Guests

**Chief Phil McLean and  
members of the Richfield  
Fire Department**

**Topic:** The Chamber will be honoring the RFD, along with an overview of COVID-19 response in the community during 2020.

**12:00 Zoom Virtual Luncheon**

**Meeting ID: 815 0828 4530**

**Passcode: 823607**

We are hosting a virtual Chamber lunch via Zoom on **Wednesday, December 2.**

We will try to open the Zoom portal a few minutes before the noon start time. While this will be a 'bring your own lunch' event, the agenda will include the following:

**Introductions** – Participants are asked to introduce themselves and share a little about their business.

**Guests** – Chief Phil McLean and the Richfield Fire Department

#### Q & A

**Officer elections for 2021 Chamber board**

To participate, download the Zoom app on your computer (it's free). Amy French, president of the Chamber, will moderate.

**For a direct link to join the Zoom meeting,  
email: [mail@richfieldchamber.com](mailto:mail@richfieldchamber.com)**

### Chamber membership drive in full swing

The Richfield Chamber of Commerce has begun its 2021 membership drive. Membership renewal forms have been mailed to current members and contacts in Richfield area businesses will receive new member applications.

Benefits of being a member of the Chamber include networking events

such as the monthly luncheon, opportunities for business announcements in the Chamber's monthly newsletter and eligibility for group rating health insurance plans through area Chamber partnerships.

More information is available at [richfieldchamber.com](http://richfieldchamber.com) "Become a Member."

### Committee members needed for Links for Education golf outing

Volunteers are needed to serve on the 2021 "Links for Education" Golf Outing committee. The outing will be held on Wed., June 16, 2021 at St. Bernard Golf Club in Richfield.

If you are interested in helping to plan a fun and most worthwhile event,

contact Karen Smik at (330) 659-4750 or [kls1650@roadrunner.com](mailto:kls1650@roadrunner.com).

A portion of the proceeds from this event will fund the Chamber's scholarships for graduating Revere High School seniors. Over \$100,000 has been awarded since the golf outing's inception.

## CVCC's Adult Education programs are enrolling now

Are you looking to start a career as an esthetician, HVAC technician, dental assistant, machinist, cosmetologist, EKG technician or graphic designer? Check out these careers and more at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center.

Student financial aid and payment plan options are available to those who qualify. Find your career at CVCC by visiting [cvccworks.edu](http://cvccworks.edu) or call 440-526-5200.

## Empaco offers help in planning outdoor projects

Winter is approaching quickly but it is not too early to start thinking about your springtime patio or retaining wall projects. Empaco Equipment will be hosting a Spring Sale on many of their Unilock products. Hours and dates for the sale will be announced soon.

To discuss your next project, stop in or call 330-659-9393. For more information visit [empacoequipment.com](http://empacoequipment.com).

## 1 Direction gives presentation on business strategy

The world has changed at a faster pace than anyone could ever have imagined. Join Small Business Strategist, Rob Wentz, and learn about 1Direction Strategy's process for driving consistent and sustainable growth that will help take your business to the next level.

### Virtual Presentation and Q&A

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 12 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

To register visit: [1dstrategy.com/our-events](http://1dstrategy.com/our-events)

### As a Chamber Member,

If you have an event, special promotion or recognition that you would like included in the monthly newsletter, please submit a press release to [mail@richfieldchamber.com](mailto:mail@richfieldchamber.com) by the 20th of the month. Your release should be in paragraph format of 100 words or less. Attachments will not be accepted.

## Village update from Mayor Wheeler

The Village of Richfield has locked down all buildings and suspended all rentable park facilities until after the first of the year.

We continue to furnish safety

forces and maintenance.

The administration offices will remain open to address any concerns or situations.

If you have questions please call 330-659-9201 x234.



*A worker sanitizes a fire & rescue vehicle.*

## Richfield Chamber of Commerce Board Members

*President – Amy French (OEC)*

*Vice President – Lynn Seifert (Seifert & Cox LLP)*

*Secretary – Mark Yantak (Regina Health Center)*

*Treasurer – Justin Hamlin (HFS Wealth Advisors)*

*Past President – Sheryl Wilson (Bay Pointe Technology)*

*Taste of Richfield Chair – Sue Serdinak (ScripType Publishing)*

*Links for Education Chair – Karen Smik (Richfield Historical Society)*

*Scholarship Committee Chair – Jim Koewler (Koewler Law Firm)*