

CHAMBER MONTHLY

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NOVEMBER 2021



LET'S DO LUNCH!

**WEDNESDAY,
November 3, 2021**

Speaker

**Sam Petros,
Founder, Petros Homes**

11:45 Informal Networking

12:00 Light lunch served

12:30 Speaker

1:00 Adjourn

at

**Venue South at Quality Inn
& Suites, Richfield**

Members admitted free with a reservation.

Non-members bring \$15 check payable
to Richfield Chamber of Commerce

No-shows will be invoiced \$15 for their reserved lunch.

**Invite an associate! Bring your
business cards to share.**

**Please R.S.V.P. to
330-659-3300 by 4 p.m. Oct. 29.**

Hello!

The leaves are (finally) starting to change and as I write this, we are gearing up for the Browns-Steelers game on Halloween; so, now it really feels like Fall! It was great seeing everyone at our October luncheon. Thank you for your participation and support of the Chamber!

We hope you can join us for our lunch on November 3rd at Venue South. Please remember to sign up in advance as Venue South is unable to accommodate lunches for walk in participants. We want everyone to have a lunch! We are excited to welcome Sam Petros of Petros Homes as our speaker. Sam will provide updates on the renovation of Farnam Manor on Brecksville Road.

Also, we are starting to plan our annual banquet and hope to communi-

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Amy French

cate the date and speaker information in the next few weeks. The board is also soliciting nominations for officers to serve in 2022 – please contact Jim Koewler, chair of the Nominating Committee, or mail@richfieldchamber.com if you are interested in serving on the Board in 2022.

Thank you and Go Browns!
Amy French,
President, Richfield Chamber
of Commerce

ACCEPTING BUSINESS NOMINATIONS

Nominate a Richfield business for

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

See page 3 in this newsletter for the guidelines.

ALSO Each year the Richfield Chamber of Commerce recognizes a business that has enhanced their property.

Nominate a Richfield business for the

BEAUTIFICATION AWARD

Email the chamber at mail@richfieldchamber.com with your beautification nomination. The committee will view all nominated properties.

As a Chamber Member, if you have an event, special promotion or recognition you would like included in the monthly newsletter, please submit a press release to 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.

Our November Speaker

Sam Petros, CEO, Petros Homes, Inc.

Born in 1957 and raised on the West-side of Cleveland and a graduate of John Marshall High School, Sam Petros learned the building trades from his father who was a foundation contractor. In the late 1970's, Sam traveled to Singapore where he was part of a team developing high-rise retail office and residential mixed-use projects, the Wisma Atria and the Singapore Forum. Under his direction the company grew to a multi-million dollar organization. After eight years Sam returned home to carry on the family tradition of home building.



After founding Petros Homes, Inc. in 1985 Sam began to exercise his passion for land development and started to build homes in the suburbs of North Royalton, Brecksville, Broadview Heights, Hinckley, Richfield, Westlake and Seven Hills. The company has grown to over \$45 million in annual sales and has an established a reputation for creating well-built and well-planned communities. He has gained respect as a leader in an industry that provides the American dream.

Sam recently completed developing Newell Creek, a mixed use, planned community in Mentor and several townhouse communities including Stone Ridge in Seven Hills, The Retreat at Lake Medina and Arrington Village in Avon. He is also a partner in Downtown Hudson, Phase II.

Sam is managing partner in several retail shopping centers and commercial office buildings throughout Northeast Ohio. He is the sole owner of the Tensing Pen Hotel and Resort, located on a private cove in Jamaica and a partner in apartment units in Texas, Florida, Ohio and North and South Carolina. He is co-developer of luxury high-rise apartments at One University Circle in Cleveland.

Sam and his wife Anne Marie reside in Hinckley with their four children.

Richfield Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony is Nov. 26

"Come Home for the Holidays" and participate in Richfield's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, November 26.

The festivities, sponsored by the Richfield Civic Organization, will begin at 6 p.m. on the southeast corner of Broadview and W. Streetsboro with the traditional tree lighting and caroling.

After Santa's arrival, revelers will go to Masonic Hall for refreshments and some holiday camaraderie with friends and neighbors. Younger participants may enjoy a visit with Santa. The Meridian Sun Lodge #69 (which holds its meetings on the second floor of Masonic Hall) will host an open house in conjunction with the event.

Friends of Crowell Hilaka offer Trail & Trivia

The Friends of Crowell Hilaka (FoCH) will offer unique self-guided "Trails & Trivia" hikes over five miles of scenic nature trails, November 27-December 26, at Ohio's Hidden Treasure™ Richfield Heritage Preserve. Participants will learn about the park's history through a list of trivia questions. The answers will be found along the trails.

Maps/questions will be online at friendsofcrowellhilaka.org; and signs, including a QR code to scan and access the map, will be placed at various park locations. Hikers completing all trails will receive a participation gift.

For more hike details and/or information about FoCH, visit friendsofcrowellhilaka.org.

Historical Society holds costume/vintage jewelry sale

The Richfield Historical Society is holding a costume/vintage jewelry sale on Saturday, Nov. 13, 1-3 p.m., at Richfield Fellowship Hall. Over 200 pieces of vintage and modern costume jewelry will be available for purchase, including earrings, necklaces, brooches, and pins. Each piece has been thoroughly cleaned

and polished and maker marks have been identified.

Admission is free. Pandemic protocols in effect at the time will be observed and mask wearing is strongly encouraged.

Check the Society's website, richfieldohiohistoricalsociety.org for event updates.

Richfield Chamber of Commerce Board Members

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Treasurer – Justin Hamlin (HFS Wealth Advisors)

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

Scholarship Committee Chair – Jim Koewler (Koewler Law Firm)

Nominate the Richfield Business of the Year

The Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with OEC, will honor the Richfield Business of the Year at the Chamber's annual banquet. The Chamber Board of Directors is accepting nominations for this award. Large or small Richfield businesses can be nominated and businesses can nominate themselves.



To nominate a business, please send us:

- Your name and contact information.
- The name of the business you are nominating.
- The owner or CEO of that business.
- His or her contact information.

Then describe in 300 words or less how the business meets any or all of the criteria that follow:

1. This business demonstrates success and exceptional performance in business practices.
2. This business has been recognized in its industry or by an employee or business organization.
3. This business has made an economic impact on Richfield, the region or the state within the last one to three years.
4. This business has demonstrated corporate citizenship and/or community leadership.
5. This business overcame a diverse or extraordinary circumstance.
6. This business fills a unique void in the community.

Please submit your nomination no later than November 30, 2021.

It can be emailed to: mail@richfieldchamber.com

or mailed to: Richfield Chamber of Commerce,
4300 W. Streetsboro Rd., Richfield 44286

OEC, the 2012 Richfield Business of the Year, is sponsoring this 2021 award.