

CHAMBER MONTHLY

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Welcome to our December newsletter. I'd like to wish everyone a very happy holiday season!

It was very nice seeing many of you at our November luncheon – a big thank you to Sam Petros for joining us and providing an update on Petros Homes and the renovation of Farnam Manor.

Our board has been busy planning our annual banquet. This year's event will be on Wednesday, January 12th at Venue South. I would like to offer sincere thanks to National Interstate Insurance for serving as the sponsor for our cocktail hour – we truly appreciate your support! At press time, we are still finalizing arrangements with our speaker but will share more information as soon as it is available. Also, please be sure to nominate a worthy business for our Beautification and Business of the Year awards. These awards will be presented during the banquet. We hope to see you all there!

We hope you are also able to join us for our lunch on December 1. We are

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Amy French

excited to welcome Richard Myers, elder law attorney, who will speak on "Upserving, Not Upselling." We will also vote to confirm our 2022 board officers during this luncheon. Hope to see you there!

It has been a true pleasure serving as your board president these past two years. Thanks to all of you for your ongoing support, especially as we navigated through many COVID-19 related challenges.

I hope you have a very nice Thanksgiving holiday!!

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.



LET'S DO LUNCH!

WEDNESDAY,
December 1, 2021

Speaker

Richard Myers, Attorney

Topic:

"Upserving, Not Upselling"

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 10 a.m. Nov. 29.

Our December Speaker

Richard Myers, Attorney

Richard Myers graduated from Cleveland Marshall College of Law in 1988. He is an experienced trial attorney who has served as lead attorney in hundreds of criminal and civil trials and hearings in numerous counties in Ohio. He also served as an acting magistrate with the Medina Municipal Court from 1994-2000.

With the founding of Hehr & Myers Co., L.P.A. in 2001, his focus changed from litigation to his heart-felt proactive estate, Medicaid, veteran benefits and probate practice. As an experienced lead attorney in Medicaid Asset Preservation and an elder law advisor, Rick conducts workshops and works directly with several senior care providers and fraternal organizations assisting families in the establishment of an estate plan that will maximize the protection of acquired wealth and maintain the highest quality of life in their retirement. Rick has become one of the preeminent speakers in the area of elder law, regularly speaking at the Ohio Elder Law Institute and at other training conferences

In 2011, with a stronger proactive focus on elder law, Richard A. Myers, Jr. & Associates, was founded with its primary office in Westlake and a satellite office in Olmsted Falls. The firm services Cuyahoga and adjacent counties. Richard is a member of Wealth-Counsel, ElderCounsel, the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, the Ohio State Bar Association (Estate Planning Committee), and several local bar associations.

Rick has been married to his best friend, Kris, since 1984 and has three children. He currently serves as an elder at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Cleveland. He served on the board of directors of the Lutheran Home at Concord Reserve from 2004 to 2010. He coached soccer for over 11 years in his hometown of Bay Village and has been racing sailboats for nearly four decades across the country.

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.

County hosts Holiday Hounds and Festive Felines pet adoption event

Summit County Animal Control is celebrating the holiday season with a special adoption event. Holiday Hounds and Festive Felines will begin on December 1 and run through the month.

Dogs will be available for \$28 (regularly \$94) and cats will be available for \$10 (regularly \$60). All animals are fully vetted, including spay/

neuter and vaccinations. Dog adoptions include a Summit County dog license.

To schedule an adoption appointment, please call 330-643-2845, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Adoption appointments are available on Saturdays. Adoptable animals can be viewed on Animal Control's Facebook page.

FoCH presents Winter Wonders and Trails and Trivia hikes

The Friends of Crowell Hilaka are holding four free Winter Wonders mini events in the Lodge at Richfield Heritage Preserve on December 4, 11, 19, and 26. From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on those days, visitors can enjoy a toasty fire and savor hot chocolate and cookies. There will be nature crafts for the kids and FoCH merchandise avail-

able for purchase. Check friendsofcrowellhilaka.org for special events offered on select days.

The Trails & Trivia self-guided hikes will take place at the park through December 26. Maps and trivia questions are available on the website. Pandemic safety protocols will be observed.

Cuyahoga Valley Inn offers quaint space for team meetings

Cuyahoga Valley Inn is now welcoming businesses for small group meetings of up to eight team members. Participants will have access to the music room and dining area. Cuyahoga Valley Inn will provide business tools such as Wi-Fi and streaming, TV monitors, laptop stands, flip boards, and a continental breakfast with all day tea and coffee

beverage service.

Participants can also enjoy the many porches and wooded views, of this historic estate. Kick start your 2022 business plan and bring your executive team over for an all-day session.

The Cuyahoga Valley Inn is located at 3758 Brecksville Rd. in Richfield. Reserve accommodations directly by calling 330-730-2350.

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)

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