

CHAMBER MONTHLY

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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Although it seems hard to believe, we're past the halfway mark of 2023. Soon, summer vacations will be over, the school year will begin, and then, before we know it, the holidays will be upon us. But we're not there yet. There's still time to take stock of the year thus far and make tweaks and changes to our business plans.

Mid-summer provides a good opportunity to review the plans you made and the goals you set for yourself and your business at the start of the year. It can be a constructive use of time while we're still in "summer mode." Ask yourself:

- Which goals have I already achieved this year? Give yourself a pat on the back for each one; positive self-talk is important.
- Which goals need some tweaking? Has anything changed since I established this goal? If so, there's still plenty of time to adjust your strategy. The ability to pivot is an important skill to develop.
- Are there goals I'm not likely

to complete? If so, it's OK. Don't waste time and energy that can be spent on more fruitful endeavors. You'll know when it's time to abandon a plan in favor a more realistic or profitable one.

- What additional goals have emerged since I set up my business plan at the beginning of the year? Are there new opportunities to capitalize on? If so, you'll need to establish goals and make a plan to achieve them, too. Success is much more likely if you're following a purposeful, well-laid path.
- Perhaps most importantly, have I taken time for myself, amidst the busy-ness of work and the completion of my professional endeavors, to enjoy these fleeting summer days? After all, isn't that why we plan so diligently and work so hard to make our businesses successful?

Summer is going fast, but it isn't over yet! Take some time to evaluate your business plan and the goals you established back in the bleak days of December and January. And then grab the golf clubs, tune up that bicycle, hop in the kayak, or just grab a cold beverage and sit on the front porch. However you enjoy Summer, make sure to find that elusive work-life balance. You'll be glad you did!

SAVE THE DATE!

Open House

Petros Homes Corporate Office
and Design Center

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 4-6 p.m.

Light Food, Tours & Networking



LET'S DO LUNCH!

WEDNESDAY,
Aug. 2, 2023

Speakers

Bill Roemer,
State Representative
(R, House District 31)

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 \$20 check payable
to Richfield Chamber of Commerce

No-shows will be invoiced \$20 for their reserved lunch.

Invite an associate! Bring your
business cards to share.

Please R.S.V.P. to
330-659-3300 by 10 AM July 31.

Our August Speaker

**Bill Roemer,
State Representative
(R, House District 31)**

State Representative and long-time community leader in Summit County, Bill Roemer (R, House District 31), will give an update on the Ohio General Assembly at the next Richfield Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Wednesday, Aug. 2.



Representative Roemer is serving his third term in the Ohio House of Representatives. As an active local community leader, Roemer served as commissioner of Revere Baseball, served on the executive committee of the Cuyahoga Valley Regional Council of Governments and on the Akron General Hospital Member Advisory Committee.

Roemer earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the Weatherhead School of Management from Case Western Reserve University and he is a former instructor of finance at Myers University.

Rep. Roemer is married to Josie Roemer, a member of the Summit County ESC, and resides in Richfield with his family.

Grab a hot dog for lunch on Aug. 4

The Chamber of Commerce will sell Hebrew National brand hot dogs outside the library at lunchtime on Aug. 4, in association with the famous Enchanted Forest. Come by and grab a quick lunch or a snack from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

The Chamber table will be set up in front of the Richfield Branch library.

Interested in becoming more involved with the Chamber?

Mark Yantek, president of the Richfield Chamber of Commerce, will meet immediately after the August luncheon with anyone interested in becoming more involved with the organization. Mark will answer any questions you may have about the Chamber, the board of directors, committee chairpersons, and other responsibilities that the Chamber has. Learn about opportunities to make a difference in the Richfield business community and stay and join the conversation with Mark after the lunch.

Historical Society to offer art show and presentation on the Flats

The 21st Picket Fence Art Show will be held on Sunday, Aug. 13, 1-5 p.m., at the Johnson Barn in Richfield Woods Park. Admission is free. Original framed art, ceramics, photography, jewelry, and fine crafts will be available for purchase.

On Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 7 p.m., Judy MacKeigan, Cleveland Metroparks historian/archivist will

present "Exploring the Flats: Up and Down a Crooked River." She'll talk about the Cleveland Flats history from the first log cabins to today's vibrant venues.

The presentation will be at Richfield Fellowship Hall, 3903 Broadview Road. For more information, visit richfieldohiohistoricalsociety.org or call 330-659-0336.

Waterfront Music Festival debuts at Richfield Heritage Preserve

The Richfield Heritage Preserve will be the scene of an eight-hour music festival on Aug. 19, showcasing some of the best bands in the country. The Waterfront Music Festival, presented by Otter Entertainment, will offer seven musical groups from noon to 8:30 p.m. at two locations in the park.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and cost \$15. A limited number will be sold. To purchase go to rjrd.recdesk.com/Community/Program/Detail?programId=112

Please note that the Richfield Heritage Preserve will be closed on August 19 due to this event.

Enjoy Kirby Day at Richfield Heritage Preserve

Join the Friends of Richfield Heritage Preserve in celebrating Kirby Day on Saturday, Aug. 26, from 12-4 p.m. at Richfield Heritage Preserve. Event parking will be at the 3771 Oviatt Rd. entrance, off Rt. 303.

Participate in the "adventure quest" featuring kids' crafts, games, marbles, and fascinating and fun STEM-related activities. Enjoy photo

ops with Sunny the Pioneer Horse. Some of this 336-acre public park's historic structures will be open to tour. Refreshments will be offered, and Friends' keepsakes will be available for purchase.

This free, family-friendly event will be held rain or shine.

For further information, go to friendsofrhp.org.