

CHAMBER MONTHLY

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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As we enter the month of June, and the beginning of summer, I'm excited and confident about all that lies ahead for our Chamber of Commerce and the businesses we represent. This month, as every month, we find ourselves faced with opportunities where resilience, innovation, and collaboration are key to navigating the ever-changing landscape of our business climate.

Reflecting on the first two quarters of 2024, I'm impressed by the unity and determination demonstrated by our members. Despite the challenges of being a small Chamber, our community has shown remarkable adaptability and perseverance. Together, we've weathered storms and embraced opportunities, proving time and again that our strength lies in our collective efforts.

Looking ahead, I'm excited by the opportunities that lie before us. From networking events to our monthly luncheon meetings, we're committed to providing you with the resources and support needed to thrive in today's competitive market.

I'm grateful for our partnership with our local Richfield government agencies to continually foster a business-friendly environment. By working hand in hand with village and township leadership, we can enact positive change and pave the way for continued success for all.

Furthermore, I encourage each of you to take advantage of the opportunities for collaboration within our Chamber. Whether it's forging new partnerships, sharing best practices, or simply lending a helping hand to a fellow member, let's continue to build upon the strong foundation of camaraderie that defines the Richfield business community.

Thank you for your continued dedication and support. Together, we will continue to shape a thriving business community for generations to come.

2024 scholarship recipients announced

Congratulations to Julia Grandon and Katie Nowakowski, who were selected to receive scholarships from the Richfield Chamber of Commerce this year. Julia and Katie's applications for the schol-

arships demonstrated leadership and community involvement. They were each awarded \$1,200. They have been invited to attend the Chamber's August luncheon, before they head off to college.

SAVE THE DATE! The Chamber will not hold a luncheon during the month of July due to the holiday. Save the date for August's luncheon on Wednesday, August 7, at 12 p.m.



LET'S DO LUNCH!

**WEDNESDAY,
June 5, 2024**

Speaker

**Don Laubacher,
Richfield Township Trustee**

11:45 Informal Networking

12:00 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 June 3.

Our June Speaker

Don Laubacher, Richfield Township Trustee

Don Laubacher is the current chair of Richfield Township Trustees.

Following his graduation from Bowling Green State University with a masters degree in accounting, Mr. Laubacher has spent his profes-



sional career in financial services, including as senior vice president and shareholder at Sequoia Financial Group and senior vice president at Key Bank. He has held the CPA and CFP designations for over 30 years.

Mr. Laubacher serves as the trustee liaison to the Richfield Township Zoning Department, Richfield Joint Recreation District, the storm water district, and the police and fire safety services.

He also serves on the board of the Richfield Chamber of Commerce as the membership chairperson.

Mr. Laubacher can be contacted through the Richfield Township administration office by phone at 330-659-4700 or through email at d.laubacher@richfield-twp.org.

Final call for golf outing sign-ups

Only a few days remain to sign up for the annual Richfield Chamber of Commerce "Links for Education" Golf Outing, sponsored by GMS, to be held on Wednesday, June 12, at St. Bernard Golf Club. Registration, lunch and a putting contest will begin at 11:30 a.m., followed by a 1 p.m. shotgun start. Dinner will be served at approximately 5:30 p.m. Fun contests and skill challenges add to the fun of this event along with a raffle of great prizes. A beverage cart will make its rounds throughout the day.

To sponsor a hole and have a sign

with your company's name on the course, please email your information to Karen Smik at kls1650@roadrunner.com, no later than June 6. For more information, call 330-659-4750.

The golfer registration form and sponsorship/donation form are attached. We are still accepting donations for the raffle.

The Chamber has awarded over \$107,000 in scholarships from the profit of this event over more than 25 years and recently awarded two \$1,200 scholarships from the 2023 outing.

Nature in Therapy presentation

The Friends of Richfield Heritage Preserve invite guests to hear Dr. Joe Blanda speak about "Nature in Therapy/Dark Skies." He will discuss the health benefits of experiencing the awe and wonder of the night sky as well as the adverse

effects of blue light. He will also share tips for getting the most out of our night sky experience.

This free event will be held on Wednesday, June 19, 7-9 p.m., in The Lodge at Richfield Heritage Preserve, 4374 Broadview Road.

Chief Pontiac is next TakeMeBack topic

The Richfield Historical Society will host John Burke on Sunday, June 23 to give a presentation titled "Chef Pontiac of the Ottawa/The First Tecumseh."

Born along the Cuyahoga River, near Boston Mills, Pontiac became the leader of the largest confederation of Native American tribes yet

encountered by the Europeans. Like Tecumseh after him, Pontiac unified and rallied the Native Americans in 1763 to take most of the British forts on the frontier and drive the white man from Native American lands.

This free event will be held at Richfield Fellowship Hall, 3903 Broadview Road.

County offices install Narcan boxes

Naloxone, also known as Narcan, rapidly reverses the effects of an opioid overdose. Narcan boxes have recently been installed in most of Summit County's public buildings. The county health department installed the boxes and will refill them with naloxone as needed.

Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro's office was designated a Recovery Friendly Workplace following the installation of the boxes.

Recognizing and thanking our 2024 Richfield Chamber of Commerce Silver & Gold Members

2024 Gold Members
(to date) include:



**NATIONAL
INTERSTATE
INSURANCE**
Member of Great American Insurance Group



2024 Silver Members (to date) include:

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 by the 20th of the month. Your release should be in paragraph format of 100 words or less. Attachments will not be accepted.



RICHFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
 "LINKS FOR EDUCATION" ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
 (With Over \$100,000 in Scholarships to Revere Students)
 SPONSORED BY GMS



DATE: Wednesday, June 12, 2024

LOCATION: St. Bernard Golf Club
 5364 Streetsboro Road -- Richfield

GOLF: 4 Person Scramble (**soft spikes only**)

Check-in/Lunch/Putting Contest Begin at 11:30 a.m.
 Putting Contest from 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
 Shotgun Start at 1:00 p.m.
 Contests/Raffle throughout event
 Dinner after golf (steak or chicken)

FEE: **Super Ticket \$425 per foursome by 6/1; \$445 per foursome after 6/1 (this package available to foursomes only)**
 (includes hot dog for lunch, greens fee for 18 holes of golf, cart, refreshments, dinner, skins, 2 raffle tickets per golfer and special gift for each member of the foursome)

Golf & Dinner \$95 per person (\$380 per foursome) by 6/1; \$100 per person (\$400 per foursome) after 6/1
 (includes hot dog for lunch, greens fee for 18 holes of golf, cart, refreshments, dinner and special gift for each golfer)

Dinner Only \$35 per person

Mulligans (\$5/person) and skins (\$20/foursome for those not on the Super Ticket) will be sold the day of the event

PLEASE COMPLETE AND MAIL THIS FORM ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO:
 "Richfield Chamber of Commerce" 4300 W. Streetsboro Road Richfield, Ohio 44286

Golf Foursome

(All foursomes must be on the same fee "package")

	Dinner (indicate steak or chicken)	Super Ticket	Regular Fee
<u>Price By 6/1</u>		<u>\$425/4some</u>	<u>\$95/person</u>
<u>Price After 6/1</u>		<u>\$445/4some</u>	<u>\$100/person</u>

Name: _____
 (Team Captain)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Dinner Only

(indicate steak or chicken)

\$35/person

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED (CHECK PAYABLE TO "RICHFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE") \$ _____

Company Name (if applicable): _____

Address: _____
 (street---or p.o. box # if applicable) (city) (zip code)

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

PAYMENT IN FULL MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORM
*****80 GOLFER LIMIT - REGISTRATION ON FIRST COME BASIS*****
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1 (\$5 LATE FEE PER GOLFER ASSESSED AFTER JUNE 1)



RICHFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
 "LINKS FOR EDUCATION" ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
 SPONSORED BY GMS
 June 12, 2024
 St. Bernard Golf Club -- Richfield, Ohio



HOLE AND EVENT SPONSORSHIPS/DONATION/RAFFLE PRIZE FORM

This popular and worthwhile event has provided over \$100,000 in scholarships to Revere students from funds raised through participation in the golfing event as well as hole and other sponsorships, cash donations and raffle prize contributions. Whether or not you attend the event, here's another way to show your support and make a difference in advancing educational opportunities for our young people.

Levels of sponsorship available:

PAR	\$100	receives 1 distinctive hole sign/recognition in Chamber newsletter
BIRDIE	\$200	receives 2 distinctive hole signs/recognition in Chamber newsletter
EXCLUSIVE	\$250	receives 1 distinctive hole sign plus exclusive rights to hole/opportunity to set up table on hole with representative promoting business, offering company "swag", etc./recognition in Chamber newsletter
BEVERAGE CART	\$275	receives signage on beverage cart which travels the course throughout the event/recognition in Chamber newsletter
KEG STOP	\$275	receives signage by beer keg located at clubhouse/recognition in Chamber newsletter
GOLFER GIFT	\$275	receives company logo imprinted on gift/recognition in Chamber newsletter
EAGLE	\$300	receives 3 distinctive hole signs/recognition in Chamber newsletter
DOUBLE EAGLE	\$400	receives 4 distinctive hole signs/recognition in Chamber newsletter
HOLE-IN-ONE	\$500+	receives 5 distinctive hole signs, keepsake hole flag, and recognition in Chamber newsletter and on Chamber website

Hole sponsorship _____ \$100 _____ \$200 _____ \$250 _____ \$300 _____ \$400 _____ \$500+

Beverage Cart Sponsor _____ \$275 Keg Stop Sponsor _____ \$275 Golfer Gift Sponsor _____ \$275

Donation: _____ \$100 _____ \$75 _____ \$50 _____ \$25 _____ Other

Raffle Prize: _____

Individual/Company Sponsor Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____
(street---or p.o. box # if applicable) (city) (zip code)

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Return Your Hole Sponsorship/Donation/Raffle Prize by no later than June 1
"Richfield Chamber of Commerce" (check payable to same)
 4300 W. Streetsboro Road
 Richfield, Ohio 44286

Contact Karen at kls1650@roadrunner.com or (330) 659-4750 with questions or for pick-up of a raffle prize.

Note that because the Chamber is a 501(c)(6) organization, "contributions and gifts are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes". If you are a business, however, you may claim this as an advertising expense deduction.