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A Monthly Newsletter Update
For the Olmsted Chamber of Commerce

MAY 2011

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Thanks to all who supported the Olmsted Chamber of Commerce 2nd Annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser. This event was sponsored by Tony K's, owned by Tony and Joanne Kleem. The evening was filled with great wine samplings, a delicious appetizer buffet, live entertainment, silent auction, and a 50/50 raffle.

Nearly \$3,000.00 was raised this year! These funds will enable our organization to offer a scholarship to an Olmsted Falls High School senior, as well as support the Olmsted Chamber members.

A special thanks to the following people and businesses for the generous donations:

A Time to Spa - Lisa McCoy
Amigos de las Americas - Michelle Azuddin
Bruno's Landscaping & Grounds Care - Bruno Zottola
Clementine's - Doris Rundle, Cheryl Novak
Cox Business - Joe Mazzoni
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Spectralight Photography - Mark Madere
St. Mary of the Falls School - Sandie Isabella
Tony K's - Tony & Joanne Kleem
Treehuggers - Eric and Shana Trepal

Next Luncheon Meeting Wednesday, May 25, 2011

11:30 a.m. - Networking
12 - 1 p.m. - Lunch & Program

Location: *Tony K's*
841 W. Bagley Rd., Berea
Speaker: *Jerry Masek, Certified Hypnotist*
Topic: *Stress Management*

\$15/person - Reservations
Recommended

Make your reservation online at
www.olmstedchamber.org.

Welcome New Members!

Best Technology Strategy
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Our mission is to lead and support the economic development of the communities we serve by attracting businesses and organizations through collaboration and partnership with business, government, education and citizen organizations and groups.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

President Rosann Jones welcomed everyone to Razzles for the April breakfast meeting. She advised that we currently only have 50% of members who are opening blast e-mails from the Chamber. Be sure to read these important announcements or visit our website for more frequent news.

Member Carrie Weise thanked everyone who participated in the recent online survey about the Learning Series. This will consist of three to four 2-hour meetings each, every two weeks on various topics of interest to business owners. Look for more details near the end of the month.

Our guest speakers talked about economic development in the Township and Falls.

Trustee Lippus advised that the Township had very little business vacancies, that it is evaluating the pros/cons of allowing "gaming cafes," and shared information from the State Treasurer's office targeted to help small business procure loans.

Mayor Blomquist spoke of the need for more regionalize collaboration and feels positive about working with the current Township officials in spurring economic development activity. The Falls has a greater base of sole proprietors and small businesses. The city is looking at various options for designated mixed use property based upon their completed master plan.

Both the Township and the Falls are concerned with balancing quality of life issues and increased economic development.

JOIN US ON LinkedIn!!

The Olmsted Chamber of Commerce has a group on LinkedIn. Visit www.linkedin.com/groups and search for us today. Post information and happenings for Chamber members or the business community.

Thanks to the following wine tasting committee members for coordinating and executing this fundraiser: Joanne Kleem, Sandie Isabella, Todd Hoadley, Cindy Kelly, Gabrielle Oelbracht, DeeDee Alvelo, Judy Monin, Marie Grosh, Chris Rivera, Melissa Hazard & Jennifer Neihaus. Thanks to Mayor Bob Blomquist for being the emcee.

2011 CHAMBER CALENDAR

- May 25 Luncheon at Tony K's**
Jerry Masek, Certified Hypnotist & Stress Management Consultant
- June 16 Picnic Luncheon at Frostville Museum**
Joint Meeting w/N. Olmsted & Fairview
Networking only event
- Aug. 24 Luncheon at Razzles Patio**
Networking only event
- Sept. Annual Golf Outing - Date TBD**
Creekwood Golf Course
- Sept. 28 Breakfast at Tony K's w/Angelina's**
Barbara Blake, Longview Associates
Networking Tips/Working the Room
- Oct. 26 Luncheon at German-American Club**
Joint Meeting w/N. Olmsted & Fairview
Membership Drive; Dennis Willis, Action Coach
- Nov. 16 Luncheon at Tony K's**
Jean Gianfagna, Gianfagna Marketing
Branding & Marketing Strategies
- Dec. 1 Holiday Party at Tony K's**

Luncheons run 11:30 am-1:00 pm; Breakfast from 7:30-9:00 am

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 8:00 a.m. May 18 at Tony K's.