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February 2021 – News and Updates from the Wooster Area Chamber

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Members receive a monthly copy of the Chamber Newsletter. This publication is full of information on upcoming sessions and events, member benefits, community happenings, and so much more! Did we mention you can advertise your business/organization as a benefit? The newsletter reaches 13,000+ individuals monthly!





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Members of the Wooster Chamber receive exclusive benefits such as business referrals! NEW - Check your email for eReferrals from Chamber staff to track this benefit.

Contact the Wooster Chamber team at (330)262-5735 to begin utilizing these benefits TODAY!

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* New Members



Compak LLC

Compak is a warehousing, 3PL, and fulfillment company located in Northeast Ohio. With headquarters in Wooster, the Company has more than 35 years of experience and currently manages nearly 2 million square feet of class A warehousing space. Compak prides itself on being a dependable partner to its customers and boasts a strong network of facilities, logistics support equipment, and a capable staffing network.



Crum Cattle Co.

Crum Cattle Company is a cow calf operation that specializes in Simmental & Angus crossbred breeding stock. These sales feature cattle with superior genetics which improve growth, material properties, and structural soundness.

The scale of the family cattle operation will be expanding in 2021. Crum currently has cattle on Smithville Western Rd in Wooster, and on his family farm in Woodsfield, Ohio.

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The Leaf

The Leaf Restaurant located at 203 West Liberty Street in Wooster offers a variety of food and drink options. Exclusive menus for breakfast, brunch. lunch, trough (happy hour / 3PM -5PM), and feast (dinner) are all available at theleaf.restaurant/menu

Their team is excited to awaken your tastebuds with flavorful dishes! Call them today at (330) 804-0126.



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Grand Opening is scheduled for Spring 2021. 4369 Burbank Rd., Wooster, OH 44691



Taejon's Treehouse

Save Cats and Connect Community - that is the mission at Taejon's Treehouse. They are working hard to open a Cat Cafe in September of this year. It will act as a foster home for cats at the Wayne County Humane Society while connecting the community with events with the cats. The cafe part will be a small vegan restaurant right here in Wooster. You can find out more on their website, www.taejonstreehouse.com and by following them on Facebook



Providing Pawsable

Providing Pawsable is a disabled owned and run dog training program in Smithville. Their goal is to allow training to better the bond between you and your pup so that you may have the best relationship possible. Providing Pawsable offers the following training: basic obedience, household manners, potty training, proper leash etiquette, advanced obedience, trick, rally, CGC, therapy dog and service dog. They have experience with training medical alert, psychiatric, autism, and light mobility service dogs.

For more information please contact Rebekah at 513-545-0842 or providingpawsable@gmail.com.

Apply to

- 1. Apply online at woosterchamber.com
- 2. Chamber staff will contact you with more information regarding the approval process, member benefits, opportunities, and rates.

3. Once approved, begin utilizing the many valuable resources available to you through Chamber membership.

Contact Katie Foster at kfoster@woosterchamber.com with questions.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS Oct. 2020 Nov. 2019 Nov. 2020 Oct. 2020 Nov. 2019 Nov. 2020 Unemployment, Labor Force, Employed 6.6% 3.3% 6.4% 59.400 61.600 57,000 **United States** Wayne County Unemployment Labor Force, Unemployed 5.8% 2,500 3.8% 5.2% 1,900 2,200 Wayne County Unemployment **Wayne County Sales** 4.0% 3.7% \$1.108.616.93 3.1% \$976.705.50 \$1,116,445.85 **Wayne County** Tax by Month

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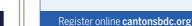












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February 1, 2021

5:00 - 7:00pm

March 1, 2021

5:00 - 7:00pm

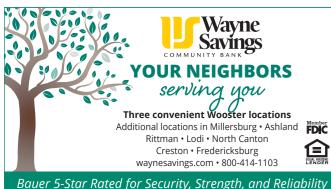
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Barbara Knapic Barbara A. Knapic, Attorney at Law, LLC

Barbara A. Knapic is a Wooster resident and attorney who has been practicing labor and employment law, with an emphasis on workers' compensation for employers, for 36 years. She has a very diverse background, having been the in-house program administrator at BP America and subsequently a partner with both large and small law firms. Ms. Knapic has represented large and small employers in all types of administrative matters, from BWC hearings to hearings before the Industrial Commissioners. She has also represented employers at every level in court, including the Ohio Supreme Court. Ms. Knapic previously served as the Public Member of the Ohio Industrial Commission, appointed by Governor Voinovich as the first female Chair of the Industrial Commission and tasked with implementing reform legislation. She also served as the Chair of the Self-Insured Evaluation Board. She

has held many positions, including Chair, on the Workers' Compensation Committee of the Ohio State Bar Association and is currently on the Board of the Workers' Compensation Section of the Ohio State Bar Association. She is a Certified Worker's Compensation Specialist, an Ohio Super Attorney and Best Attorneys in Ohio and has been named as one of the top 50 Women Attorneys in Ohio. Ms. Knapic is a Fellow of the American Bar Association Workers' Compensation Academy. She is a frequent speaker for the Ohio State Bar Association and other organizations. She is also a member of the Wayne County Bar Association. Ms. Knapic recently opened her own practice in Wooster.

Ms. Knapic prefers an informal, conversational type of presentation and encourages you to bring questions regarding the Ohio Workers' Compensation system.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 16 at 12:00pm

Register online at: woosterchamber.com/educationalseries

EDUCATIONAL SERIES RECAP:

Tackling Essential Hiring Issues

Julie Kastner, Founder of Ethos HR Consulting spoke with some of our small business members in January on the very relevant topic of Tackling Essential Hiring Issues. Thank you to Julie for taking the time to speak with us and thank you to all that joined us. If you missed the webinar you can view the recording by visiting woosterchamber.com/educationalseries.



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UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL SERIES:

Webinar: How to Use Time to Your Advantage

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SPEAKER: Chuck Visocky, Enlighten Business Coaching

- WHEN: Tuesday, March 16th at 10:00am

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UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL SERIES:

Webinar: Attract or Repel? How does your website treat visitors?

Your website is like the welcome mat to your business. Many people have their first interaction with you on your website. What kind of welcome mat are you setting out? Is it full of intentionality as you introduce your visitor to your brand and invite them into your

space? Or are you just throwing down the same welcome mat you have used for the last three, maybe even eight years? It is probably dirty and dated as shoe after shoe has stepped on it.

Your website is the same. You have the opportunity to truly guide and engage your visitors on a journey of getting to know your business. You can lead them from visitor to loyal customer to fan through the effective use of your online presence. Let me help you examine your online welcome mat and walk away with some practical tips for creating a website that attracts, not repels visitors.

SPEAKER: Jen Kline, Owner/Designer Line of Hope Creative Solutions LLC

WHEN: Tuesday, March 30 at 2:00pm

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* February Newsletter

Chamber celebrates opening of The Leaf in Downtown Wooster with official ribbon cutting



Congratulations to The Leaf Restaurant on holding their Official Ribbon Cutting! We would like to thank Samantha and Jason Stine for their continued investment in the Wooster Area. The Leaf Restaurant is a great addition to our downtown.

The Leaf Restaurant (203 West Liberty Street, Wooster) offers a variety of food and drink options. Exclusive menus for breakfast, brunch, lunch, trough (happy hour / 3 PM -5 PM), and feast (dinner) are all available at theleaf.restaurant/menu

Jason and Samantha Stine are no strangers to the restaurant industry as they own and operate Green Leaf Restaurant and Drive In on the north side of Wooster. Their team of servers. bar manager, executive chef, and general manager are sure to provide you with an excellent dining experience!

Reservations and hours of operation can all be viewed at theleaf.restaurant







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The Wooster Area Young Professionals are made up of energetic, motivated people who are age 21-40. Despite the wide age range, the YP's have several things in common. They're movers and shakers, driven to succeed, and are committed to making a difference in the community where we all live and work. Contact Katie Foster at kfoster@woosterchamber.com to join today!



*#LoyaltoLocal

Chamber thanks community participation in #LoyaltoLocal **Holiday Passport Program**



We were so overwhelmed with excitement about our most recent program! This year in an effort to support our local small business community the entire holiday season, we created a #LoyaltoLocal Holiday Passport Program. Over 70 businesses participated and 750+ passports were returned for our grand prize drawing. We were able to track \$187,500 spent locally through this program alone!

The feedback and response from our community has been such a positive and bright light in what this past year has thrown everyone's way.

Our passports had spaces to stamp in various dollar amounts from \$2 - \$25 totaling in \$250 when completed. Participants simply took their passport to a participating business and had it stamped according to the amount of spaces in products/services they purchased. They could complete as many passports as they like to increase their chances of winning!



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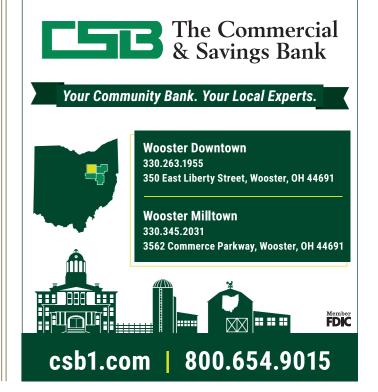
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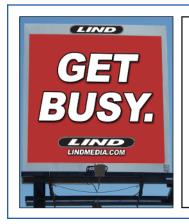
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