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Chamber to Name 2018 Small Business of the Year

Local small businesses are one of the most integral components in making up the unique Wooster culture that we all love. From the local coffee shop that brews that special blend, to a one of a kind boutique, local businesses make our community stand out among the rest and play an important role in retaining citizens, while attracting visitors alike. The Chamber, in partnership with the law firm of Critchfield, Critchfield & Johnston and the accounting firm of Rea & Associates are sponsoring the 2018 Small Business of the Year award selection, which will be made in the month of June.

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Know a potential Award Winner?

Make a nomination today at woosterchamber.com/small-business-awards

The Chamber's Board of Directors will evaluate information submitted by the award finalists in naming one winner per category for the 2018 Small Business of the Year Award. A winner will be selected for the following:

- 15 employees or less
- More than 15 employees

Selection criteria is based on the following considerations:

- Financial Strength and Position
- Longevity years
- Community Involvement
- Customer Service and Satisfaction

in operations

The Small Business of the Year award allows the Chamber to recognize successful businesses that may not always receive the notoriety and publicity that they so deserve. With small business playing an active role in the overall success of our economy and community, the Chamber is honored to present this award annually.

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New Members



People to People Ministries

People to People Ministries is an Emergency Needs Ministry and is there to help those in need when there's no place else to turn. Established in 1978 by the Wayne County Ministerial Association, the goal of the organization was to help families facing emergencies. Today, the purpose of People to People Ministries is to provide an immediate, realistic, and compassionate response to people with basic needs when those basic needs are not being met through any other programs.



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Upcoming Events

- Field of Dreams Saturday, July 14th, 2018
- Woosterfest Friday, Sept. 28th & Saturday, Sept. 29th, 2018
- Manufacturing Day Friday, October 5th, 2018



Small Business Development Centers

The Ohio Small Business Development Center at Kent State University at Stark conducts a workshop each month at the Chamber office for individuals interested in starting a small business or those in the early stages of business formation. This information-packed program provides an overview of all issues related to starting a business.

When & Where

Wednesday, July 11th from 2:00 - 4:00pm

@ The Wooster Area Chamber of Commerce 377 West Liberty Street, Wooster

Register online cantonsbdc.org

A small materials fee applies.

Chamber News

Foster joins team as new Communications & Events Coordinator



Katie Foster Communications & Events Coordinator

The Chamber is excited to announce Katie Foster as the new Communications & Events Coordinator for the Chamber team. She recently graduated from Ashland University with her Bachelor's Degree in Public Relations and Marketing.

Katie joined the Chamber team as the Event and Program Intern in December 2016 and is excited to continue her career at the Wooster Area Chamber of Commerce. In her new role, Katie will bring strong communication skills and a support background that will be an asset for both the community and Chamber members alike. Specifically, Katie will assist in facilitating Chamber organized events and programs,

develop a strategy for the organizations public relation efforts, and market the organization to existing and prospective members.



Since joining the Chamber in 2016, Katie has enjoyed building relationships and meeting people in the Wooster Community and she is excited to have the opportunity to continue to build on the relationships that she has developed.

In her spare time, Katie enjoys the outdoors, spending time with family and friends, and crafting.

Whats going down around Town



American Electric Power

American Electric Power is in the process of constructing a 45,000 square foot service center off of Long Road in Wooster. The center will house A.E.P. employees currently located on Freedlander Road in Wooster.



JBaker Industries

A new 120,000 sq. ft. distribution center is well underway at 1909 Old Mansfield Road in Wooster. This facility will support a number of local businesses with their warehousing and distribution needs. The project is being initiated by Jerry Baker of JBaker Industries.



Western Reserve

Earthwork is underway for the construction of an 81,000 sq ft headquarter facility for Western Reserve Group. This facility will replace the company's current 50,000 square foot facility located on Cleveland Road. The project, which is located off of Noble Drive in Wooster, is initiated by Western Reserve Group and construction is being undertaken by Bogner Construction.



Public Square

Upgrades are being made to the northeast quadrant of public square, with the construction of a new multipurpose structure, along with the reconfiguration of the current parking lot area. A projected August completion date is anticipated. The project was initiated by the City of Wooster and construction is being managed by Simonson Construction Services.

Business After Hours







Assistant Airport Manager, Jessica Dufner, discusses the day-to-day operations of the Wayne County Airport.

Community attends Tuskegee Airmen exhibit

Through a joint partnership between the Wooster Area Chamber of Commerce and the Orrville Area Chamber of Commerce, the Wayne County Commissioners hosted a special May Business After Hours event at the Wayne County Airport on Tuesday, May 8th. On one of the most stunning nights of the year, community members in attendance enjoyed Certified Angus Beef hotdogs and burgers, as well as local wines from Blue Barn and Troutman. Attendees were also treated to a special viewing of the Tuskegee Airmen traveling exhibit and were also able to see the World War II era P-51 aircraft fly. The Chamber would like to thank everyone who made the event possible. We look forward to seeing everyone next month at our June Business After Hours event!





Join the Chamber at West View Healthy Living on Tuesday, June 5th

The Chamber will hold our June Business After Hours on Tuesday, June 5th, from 5 – 7 pm at West View Healthy Living. Join us for a fun-filled night of friends and networking. West View staff will provide an update on their summer construction project, as well as giving tours of the beautiful facility. Appetizers will be catered by Buehlers. We look forward to seeing you there!



Upcoming Event

Join us **Tuesday, June 5th**From 5-7pm at West View
Register online at **goo.gl/7pm1wo**



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Young Professionals

YP's enjoy locally made cider and wine at Bent Ladder!

The Wooster Young Professionals gathered on Tuesday, May 15th, at Bent Ladder Cider & Wine in Doylestown. The YP's enjoyed locally made cider and wine, friendly conversation, and a tour of the Bent Ladder facility. Several new faces joined the group for a fun filled night! We want to thank the friendly staff at Bent Ladder for opening their doors for us and we look forward to seeing everyone in June.



Members of the Wooster Young Professionals gathered at Bent Ladder for their May social.

Kickoff this summer at Muddy's in Downtown Wooster

Join the Wooster Young Professionals on Thursday, June 14th from 5 - 7 pm at Muddy's for a night of friendship and camaraderie. Appetizers will be provided by Muddy's and a cash bar will be available. Remember, we will not hold a YP social in July so make sure to join us for this beginning of summer celebration!



Upcoming Event

Join us **Thursday**, **June 14th** from 5-7pm at Muddy's Register online at **goo.gl/hZnYfW**



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2018 Chamber Golf Outing







The 2018 Chamber Golf Outing Champions, Wayne Savings Community Bank

36 teams enjoy the day at Wooster Country Club

The 2018 Chamber Golf Outing held on Friday, May 18th at the Wooster Country Club was a Par-Tee! It was a sell out event with 36 teams in attendance. The golfers enjoyed a beautiful day out on the course. and they were treated to goodies from several Chamber members. Wayne Savings Community Bank took home the trophy from 2 time winning champs, The Pines! A special thank you goes out to Roberts Funeral Home for sponsoring the event, as well as all of the golfers, sponsors & volunteers!

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Leadership Wooster

Class learns about local Community Service & Volunteerism



Captain Madelaine Dwier shares insight on the operation of the Salvation Army in Wooster



Nick Amster Inc CEO Rich Patterson presents an overview of the organizations program to Leadership Wooster.











The Leadership Wooster class met up on Wednesday, May 2nd to learn about Community Service & Volunteerism. The day started at the Village Network with an introduction & tour. The students traveled to Goodwill for an overview and industrial facilities tour where they were able to see the hands on work that happens. The day continued on to the Nick Amster Workshop with a tour and discussion on the offerings of the workshop. The Salvation Army was up next with a tour and explanation of all that the organization offers the community. The students also enjoyed learning about effective board membership, how to manage an organization of volunteers & getting connected in the community. The day ended with a leadership connection with Rodd Welker of Eagle Advisor Group.

Chamber Reps visit Rayco

Members of the Chamber Board enjoyed a company update and site visit of Rayco Manufacturing. Recently acquired by Morbark, LLC based in Winn, Michigan is a manufacturer of equipment for the forestry, recycling, sawmill, biomass, landscaping and tree care markets. General Manager John Foote and HR Manager Jim Pindell shared that Morbark is thrilled to welcome Rayco to their overall portfolio and are excited about the future opportunities for growth at the





Wooster manufacturing plant. Attendees were also an in-depth tour of the Rayco manufacturing facility, highlighted by an overview of Rayco's impressive T360 Forestry Mulcher.

Congratulations Paul Williams!

The Chamber would like to congratulate past board chair Paul Williams on his recent induction into The Village Network Hall of Fame. Williams was recognized for donating countless hours for the organization and is known as a leader for fundraising efforts through TVN's annual charity auction.

Past Board Chair Paul Williams shares a candid photo with Chamber staff at the 2018 Village Network Hall of Fame banquet held at the Wooster Hilton Garden Inn.





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Help Support the, Field of Dreams

The annual Field of Dreams softball game is more than just an athletic contest. The event, which pairs business partners with Special Olympians, is a testament to good sportsmanship and team spirit, where the spectators cannot help but get caught up in the enthusiasm. Chamber members can get involved in this memorable annual event either through direct participation or through financial support. This year's game will be held on Saturday, July 14th at the Wooster Foursquare Church softball field. In addition to the game, there are plenty of related festivities, including a tailgate party, music, cheerleading, and food concessions. Funds from the event support the local Special Olympics program, as well as the Chamber. For more information, including sponsorship levels, or to become directly involved, go to woosterchamber.com for more details.

DATE OF GAME: Saturday, July 14th, 2018

LOCATION: Wooster Foursquare Church

3666 Friendsville Road, Wooster

SCHEDULE: Tailgate Party & Home Run Derby 6:30 PM

Warmups 7:30 PM • Game 8 PM

Rain date is Saturday, July 21st, 2018

BE A SPONSOR FOR THIS YEAR'S GAME!

DREAM TEAM SPONSOR \$200 Per Player

- Participate and partner with a Special Olympic athlete on the softball team.
- Your business will receive announcements throughout the game.
- Recognition as a "Dream Team" sponsor in the Chamber newsletter.
- A picture of your business player, along with your sponsored Special Olympic athlete, in a page highlighting the Field of Dreams activities in The Daily Record.
- Recognition in the game-day program.
- Players must attend Player Reception, Monday, July 9th

GRAND SLAM SPONSOR - \$250

 Your business will be included in advertising as a "Grand Slam" sponsor.

- Recognition as a "Grand Slam" sponsor in the Chamber newsletter.
- At the event, your business will have its own company banner with your business' name and logo.
- At the event, you will receive "Grand Slam" mentions.
- Recognition in the game-day program.

HOME RUN SPONSOR - \$100

- Your business will be listed on the "Home Run" sponsor banner at the event
- Your business will be included in advertising as a "Home Run" sponsor.
- Recognition as a "Home Run" sponsor in the Chamber newsletter.
- Your business will receive mention as a "Home Run" sponsor at the event.
- Recognition in the game-day program.

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Safety Council

Last meeting will feature growing use of Exoskeleton technology



Delia Treaster Ergonomic Technical Advisor, Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation



The Wooster Area Safety Council will meet on Wednesday, June 27th for the last meeting of the 2017 Safety Council year. Delia Treaster, and Ergonomic Technical Advisor for the BWC, will speak on the growing use of Exoskeleton technology in the workplace. The meeting will take place at First Presbyterian Church in Wooster. Lunch will be served at 11:30 AM with the presentation beginning at Noon.

Delia Treaster holds both a Masters Degree in Human Factors Engineering and a Ph.D in Occupational Biomechanics from The Ohio State University. As a Certified Professional Ergonomist, Ms. Treaster has over twenty years of experience in helping companies improve their workplace and reduce the risk of ergonomic injuries. She also has provided customized training to educate companies' in-house personnel on the basic principles of ergonomics. Prior to joining the BWC, Delia worked

as a Research Scientist at Battelle Memorial Institute, a Senior Ergonomic Specialist at Travelers Insurance, and an ergonomic contractor with Humantech.

If your CEO has not attended a meeting yet this year, June will be the last chance to fulfill that requirement. If you have any questions, please contact Grant Delaney by calling 330-262-5735 or by emailing gdelaney@ woosterchamber.com. We look forward to seeing you there!



May Recap: First Responders & What Do They Need From You?



Chief of Police, Matt Fisher, discusses the importance of being vigilant at all times.



Fire Chief, Barry Saley, explains what you can do to help firefighters at the scene of an emergency.

The Wooster Area Safety Council congregated on Wednesday, May 23rd at First Presbyterian Church for their May meeting. Chief of Police, Matt Fisher, and Fire Department Chief, Barry Saley, educated the group on what citizens can do in emergency situations to make the first responders' job easier.

Chief Fisher opened the joint presentation by talking about what you can do to make their job easier. According to Fisher, the most important thing a citizen can do is don't be an easy target! Pay attention, be aware of your surroundings, don't leave valuables unlocked in your car, etc. Another important thing you can do is to be a good witness. If you witness a crime or accident, be able to give first responders an accurate description of the suspect and what directions they went. By giving accurate information, you make

it easier for the police to locate the suspect. During the second half of



the presentation, Chief Saley talked about how knowing your emergency plan is the best thing you can do to help. Also, if there is a false alarm, contact dispatch as soon as possible as it will keep the first responders safe from a possible wreck while responding. By doing these things, you can help first responders tremendously in an emergency situation.

The Chamber would like to thank Chief of Police, Matt Fisher, and Wooster Fire Department Chief, Barry Saley, for taking time out of their busy days to speak at our May meeting. We would also like to thank Gioninos for catering the lunch. We look forward to seeing you next month.







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Ribbon Cutting at Wooster Chocolate Company



Wooster Chocolate Company celebrates opening with an official ribbon cutting

The Chamber would like to congratulate Wooster Chocolate Company on holding their official Ribbon Cutting! Located in downtown Wooster across from PNC, Wooster Chocolate Company is a bean-to-bar chocolate company that specializes in organic, fair trade chocolate treats. However, Wooster Chocolate Company is more than just a chocolate store, they also dabble in candy and sell unique toys and games. Make sure to stop in and check them out sometime!



Guerne Heights employees and Chamber staff gather for a Facebook Giveaway

Join our Facebook Giveaways!



Looking for a way to market your business? One way the Wooster Area Chamber of Commerce can help is through participating in one of our weekly Facebook





Giveaways. Each week, the Chamber features a different member business on our Facebook page. The goal is to strengthen our relationships with our members and the community and we want you to be our next giveaway!

If you are interested in sponsoring a giveaway or would like more information about our Facebook Giveaways, please contact Grant Delaney, Membership & Marketing Coordinator, at 330-262-5735 or by emailing gdelaney@woosterchamber.com.

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U.S. Military Bands to give free concerts in Downtown Wooster!



Main Street Wooster, Inc. is proud to present two military band concerts in downtown Wooster this summer!

On Tuesday, June 26th at 7:00pm, the internationally acclaimed United States Army Field Band of Washington, D.C. will give a free, public performance in downtown Wooster. Sponsored by The Daily Record and Sprenger Health Care Systems, the band and the chorus will present a variety of musical selections, ranging from orchestral masterworks to Sousa marches, jazz classics, and Broadway musicals.

On their national tour, the members of the Concert Band and Soldier's Chorus, frequently represent the Army at formal and ceremonial functions.





More than six decades as the military's most traveled musicians, the members have earned the title, "The Musical Ambassadors of the Army".

On Tuesday, July 3rd at 7:00pm, The United States Air Force Band of Flight, stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio will bring their 17-member organization to downtown Wooster. This band features two musical component groups. Flight One is the popular-music group and Spirit of Freedom is a brass quintet with a percussionist.

The Band of Flight presents more than 350 performances annually, and is one of 10 active-duty Air Force and Air National Guard bands which is committed to supporting the mission and vision of the US Air Force with their musical endeavors.

Join us and enjoy the performance of these two exceptional military bands, June 26th and July 3rd, at 7:00pm in wonderful downtown Wooster! Attendees are encouraged to bring their own folding chairs. Visit MainStreetWooster.org for more details!





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What's Happening June 2018

June 1st - 2nd Music & Rib Fest

Big name entertainment. Ticket information online. Wayne County Fairgrounds 330-262-8001 www.waynecountyfairohio.com

June 2nd Kids' Day

Lots of kids' activities, animals, games, music and displays. Downtown Farmers Market opens for the season. Wayne County Library Downtown 1-4 PM 330-262-6222 www.mainstreetwooster.org

June 2nd

Shreve Village - Garage Sales

Over 100 sales in and around the village. Village of Shreve www.shreveohio.com

June 2nd

LaFlavour

Disco is back! Dance the night away like you were 18 again. Music is a \$10 Cover Charge: includes entry + one beverage token, BYOF or visit our Food Truck. Blue Barn Winery 6:00 PM 330-575-1028

www.bluebarnwinery.com

June 7th

Ladies' Night Out

Join us for a fun night of activities for women of all ages. Downtown Wooster 5-8 PM 330-262-6222 www.mainstreetwooster.org

June 7th - 9th

Creston Community Yard Sales

Days set aside for the entire village to participate in an annual yard sale. Your trash is someone else's treasure! Creston Village 330-435-6021 www.crestonvillage.org

June 8th - 10th

Cowboy Mounted Shooting

Watch these cowboys compete in timed shooting matches on horseback. Family-oriented club with members in wild west outfits. Wayne County Fairgrounds Fri 7:30 PM, Sat & Sun 10 AM 330-466-1625 www.nooutlaws.com

June 9th

Guided Bird Walk

Members of the Greater Mohican Audubon Society accompany bird watchers of all skill levels scouting dozens of birds found in the arboretum. Please dress for the weather. Seaman Orientation Plaza-Secrest Arboretum 9 AM secrest.osu.edu

June 9th - 10th

Quailcrest Farm Spring Garden Fair

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June 10th

The Great Grill Off

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June 12th

Kiwanis Strawberry Social

Strawberry Shortcake and ice cream, coffee and punch. Christmas Run Park 4:30 -8:30 PM

June 13th

WCHS Summer Community Band

Enjoy a wonderful summer evening featuring the Wayne County Historical Society Summer Band on lawn of the histoical society. Wayne County Historical Society 7 PM

June 15th

Concert/Cruise-In

Classic cars and street rods line the streets of historic Downtown Wooster. Live music and food vendors. Downtown Wooster 7-9:30 PM 330-262-6222

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June 16th

Ohio Light Opera **Opening Night Gala**

The audience is invited to celebrate the opening of our 40th Summer Season in the lobby following the performance. Freedlander Theatre Following 7:30 PM performance, 330-263-2345

www.ohiolightopera.org

June 16th

Great Adventure Race

Benefit race for the Wooster YMCA and Viola Startzman Clinic. Wooster YMCA 8 AM 330-264-3131

June 20th

Music on Market: "Michael Sonata"

One of the most sought-after Frank Sinatra tribute artists in the country. Free-will offering collected. Wooster United Methodist Church 7 PM 330-262-5641

www.fb.com/MusiconMarketWooster

June 20th Bike Night

Live music by the Red Ball Jets. 50/50 raffle, silent auction, virtual poker run. Benefit for the Wayne County Dog Shelter. The Olde Jaol 6-10:00 PM

June 21st

Bent Science: NASA & Future Human Exploration of the Solar System

NASA scientist Bryan Palaszewski will give an overview of NASA's past and current plans to send humans to the planet Mars. Other ambitious plans from corporate and international partners will be described. Other future human exploration of the solar system will also be addressed. Bent Ladder Cider and Wine 7:00 PM 330-485-1089 www.bentladder.com

June 21st

Concert by the Pond

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June 23rd

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June 26th

The United States Army Field Band & Soldier's Chorus

On the square. Downtown Wooster 7PM www.mainstreetwooster.com

June 30th

Johnny Cash Night

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