Volume: 119 Number: 24

# **ERIE COUNTY** Fin CHAMBER of COMMERCE

604 W Washington Street, Sandusky • (419) 625-6421 • ERIECOUNTYCHAMBER.COM

### MESSAGE UPDATE FROM PAMELA SMITH-DROLL:

I would like to thank Robin Amezquita and her staff for hosting a fabulous 100 Year Celebration for AAA at the Sandusky location last week. Since AAA is in the Travel Business it was only suitable for them to have different countries set up for Chamber members and guests to visit, eat and learn about.



The next evening many of our chamber-members took a drive to Castalia to



stop by Kendra's House for a cozy evening Business After Hours and tour of her home to enjoy hot cider and other delicious foods while learning about her purpose and goals. Thank you Kendra for opening your home and sharing your vision. "*Kendra's House provides an independent living environment for at-risk youth that is dedicated to empowering youths in the recognition of their inner strengths and abilities in order to transition them into confident, independent, and productive adults*"

The Chamber's Taste of the North Coast is getting closer every day and we would like to feature a few more of our local area Restaurants, Caterers, Breweries and Wineries. This event is heavily advertised and provides such a great opportunity for the Vendors to show off their businesses and their Specialty Samples that will be available for several hundred people to Taste!

### **UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS**

### **Business After Hours**

When: Wed., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> – 5:00PM Where: South Shore Marine CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

**Lunch & Learn: Understanding Finances** \*When: Wed., Jan 16<sup>th</sup> – 11:30AM (Part 1) Where: Castaway Bay **\*NEW DATE\* CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION** 

Lunch & Learn: Understanding Finances \*When: Wed., Jan 23<sup>th</sup> – 11:30AM (Part 2) Where: Castaway Bay \*NEW DATE\* CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Taste of the North Coast When: Thu., Jan 311<sup>st</sup> – 5:00PM Where: Kalahari CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Looking for Member Events? CLICK HERE

### Showcase Your Menu at the

2019 TASTE OF THE NORTH COAST Thursday, January 31st 5:00PM - 8:00PM at Kalahari

Exhibitors include wineries, breweries, restaurants, caterers, grocery stores and specialty gourmet foods.

Registration must be completed by December 21, 2018

### TASTEOFTHENORTHCOAST.COM

### HIGHLIGHTING CAREERS IN MANUFACTURING

#### VICE PRESIDENT



ERIC WOOD



PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

OWNERS



SAM JEREMY & NICK DIEDERICH





PEPPERIDGE FARM

**HUMAN RESOURCES** 



### Ohio Chamber of Commerce HR Academy Webinar: Top 10 Mistakes Employers Make - And How to Avoid Them

### TOMORROW: December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM

In this era fraught with employment law risks for companies, this webinar will identify some of the key issues that arise over and over again, that pave the way for litigation

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE AND REGISTER



### Terra State and Schumacher Agree on Three-Year Contract

The Terra State Board of Trustees and President Dr. Ronald Schumacher have agreed on three-year contract. The agreement is in effect until 2021. Dr. Schumacher served as Interim President for five months following the resignation of Dr. Jerome Webster. Prior to that, he was the College's Senior Vice President and Executive Director of the Terra College Foundation.

CLICK HERE TO READ MORE

## "LOCAL ADVERTISING MADE EASY"

What is Town Money Saver? Click here:

See what our customers have to say! Click here:

TOWN MONEY SAVER®



### Sandusky Mall Gift Cards Make Great Gifts!

Looking for the perfect gift for employees? Mall gift cards are the answer. These can be used at any of the tenants in the mall and outparcels (including Target, Cinemark, Cracker Barrel and more)! We even waive transaction fees for gift card buys over \$1,000!

**CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE** 





### As Natural Gas Prices Rise 48%, Chamber Energy Program Participants Are Protected

Members who receive their natural gas supply through their utility or have expired supply contracts that are on monthly variable rates will be impacted by the 48% jump in the market pricing for December gas. The December gas market has settled \$1.53 per MCF higher than November, leaving homes and businesses alike paying more per unit of natural gas.

### **CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE**

### **Anthem's Whole Health Connection**

Anthem developed the Whole Health Connection program – to help lower diabetes-related costs and get your employees the support they need.

*Did you know?* Diabetes is most companies' biggest health care cost. That's because people with diabetes are more likely to have other health issues such as dental problems, which can be very costly for them and your company.

CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE



### **Banner Ad Bicentennial Special**

Purchase your yearlong banner ad by December 31st for just \$199

Increase traffic to your website, visibility to chamber-members and the public by placing a banner ad on the Erie County Chamber of Commerce website! A banner ad is a direct link to your company website or chamber listing. You'll also receive an enhanced webpage listing. That allows you to add more information, pictures, and videos on your chamber website listing—and you'll get to keep that enhancement after your banner ad expires.

Contact Pamela for more details!



### Ability Works is *Working To Meet Your Needs*

Are you currently paying a temp agency to assist with your hiring needs? Are you seeking qualified, dependable employees? Ability Works is "Working To Meet Your Needs". Whether you are looking for a few employees, or a crew for subcontract work, we have a driven, dedicated workforce that will get the job done!

Call or email Celeste Hillman for more information 419-626-1048 ext. 3115 or chillman@ability-works.com



### Host Business After Hours in 2019

We are currently reserving spots for upcoming Business After Hours through June 2019. The Chamber's Business After Hours program provides members with a casual, friendly networking environment while showcasing the hosting business. If you have an anniversary or new location coming up soon, this is a perfect opportunity to celebrate!

EMAIL PAMELA TO LEARN MORE

### **Firelands Durable Medical Equipment Holiday Sale**

Firelands Durable Medical Equipment is having a Holiday Sale on CPAP cleaners, Mobility & Accessories, and Bath Products! Stop into the Chamber office down the street to get a 10% off coupon. Good for regular priced cash and carry items. Offer not valid on any insurance billed claims.

**CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE** 



Advertising is available to our members at a reasonable fee. Please contact the Chamber office at (419) 625-6421 for more information. Our newsletter goes out to over 1,000 people!