

# Bellaire Area Chamber of Commerce

## A Message from the President

### Newsletter



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Finally the weather is breaking and spring is right around the corner. There is a lot going on in the Chamber.

The first item to cover was election of new board members. Congratulations to Bubba Kapral -Times Leader, Karen Zonker-Progressive Bank, C.J. Laroche- LaRoche Tree Service, Rosalie Wenckoskii- National Imperial Glass Museum, Brad Jenkins-Business Resource Network, and Lou Ann Bennett-Bennett Rental Properties. Dan Frizzi made a motion to keep the current officers.

We have 2 different fireworks companies that are going to give us proposals for our fireworks display for the All-American Days Festival. Pyrotechnics by Presutti are no longer going to do the displays. They have changed their name to Ohio Fireworks and are only going to sell retail and wholesale fireworks. A big thank you goes out to them for all of the years and hours of enjoyment that they have provided the valley with all of their wonderful fireworks shows.

The deadline for getting your business in our Resource Guide is fast approaching. We have already started working on it, so if you have not yet paid your dues, please do so as to not be left out. We will be going to the Gas & Oil Expo on April 29th and passing them out to all of the businesses set up there.

The Grand Opening and ribbon cutting for the Autism Education and Research Institute was held on Monday February 23 at 3391 Belmont Street ( The Old Hap's ) from 12:00pm -3:00pm. Congratulations on your new place. We wish you many years of success.

For those of you who do not know it, The Imperial Plaza has been sold to BON Investments and are now managed by Zamias Services Inc. out of Johnstown PA. We will be having a ceremony in the future for them to welcome them to Bellaire. The space that once housed Verizon is available for rent. It is 4000 sq, feet and those interested can call 814-535-3563.

The Great Stone Viaduct Committee unveiled their plans for The Great Stone Viaduct Park. Things are moving along on this project.

The All-American Days Festival Committee will be organizing the 10th Annual Easter Egg Hunt. to be held March 28th starting at 1:00p.m.This is open to all children that either live in Bellaire or go to school in Bellaire. There will be 6000 eggs to hunt and 300 Easter baskets will be given away. We are hoping for good weather and that the kids do not have to hunt the eggs in the snow. Come on down and join the fun.

As always if you have and questions, concerns, or comments, please call the Chamber at 740-676-9723 or me at 740-676-4817.

Sincerely,  
*Lou Ann Bennett*, President

## UPDATES /ANNOUNCEMENTS

**10th Annual Easter Egg Hunt**— The All-American Days Festival Committee is holding their Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Historic Bellaire Park at 1:00pm on Saturday March 28th. Children who are 12 years of age or younger that live or go to school in Bellaire are welcome to attend. Any of you who would like to make a monetary donation may do so by either dropping it off at the Mayors Office or by sending it to: The All-American Days Festival Committee c/o Lou Ann Bennett 2901 Washington Street, Bellaire, Ohio 43906

**Calendars Are Still Available**— The first round of calendars sold out in record time thanks to the beautiful historical pictures. If you haven't gotten yours yet you can stop by the Chamber Office or pick one up at Hughes Xerographics, The Mayor's Office, Lil' Gerardo's Pizza, and Bev's Floral and Gifts. They are being sold for \$10.00...

**It's Been A Busy Year So Far**- We have welcomed three new businesses to Bellaire this year which is amazing considering the unpredictable weather lately. Now that Spring is right around the corner let's keep the ball rolling. If you know of any new business in town or if you have updated your facility and would like a ribbon-cutting /dedication please contact the Chamber office to set a date. All ribbon-cutting ceremonies have pictures with information placed in the local paper which provides free publicity for your business...

**Tax Time**— Spring is right around the corner which means all of us are needing to file our 2014 taxes before April 15th. Liberty Tax Service located on Union Street in Bellaire is currently offering great discounts such as 30% off for it's existing customers, 50% off competitors prices and \$50 for new referrals as well as special rates for those who serve our community and help keep us safe. The Chamber loves supporting our local businesses so contact them at 740-325-1665 for an excellent tax experience and tell them we sent you...

*May The Luck Of The Irish Be Will You All...*

## Ads

### Available Buildings/Office Space



Commercial property for rent, 3253 Guernsey Street, Bellaire, 1800 square feet, 9 individual rooms, Handicap accessible. Call 740-676-4817

F & R Building: 32nd Street—Commercial space, street level, central heat and air, Call 740-676-2743 or 740-676-1126 for appointment showing

To reserve or rent the Bellaire Park Gazebo call Lawanda at Bellaire Mayor's Office at 740-676-0553

Chase Bank Building, Bellaire, Professional Office space, \$175.00 per month, utilities included. Call 740-676-5444

## Job Openings

Please stop in at the Chambers Office to view the many listings of OhioMeansJob for job openings throughout the area. We receive emails daily from them so if you know of anyone looking for employment please have them stop by or call the Chamber Office.



\*\*If you would like to place a help wanted ad, please contact the Chamber office\*\*

## Monthly Reminders

**The Bellaire Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon/Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month.** The cost of the luncheon is \$7.00. There is no charge to attend the meeting. Our next meeting will be held at Country Club Rehabilitation Campus in Bellaire at Noon on Thursday March 19th. Please make reservations for the luncheon by calling the Chamber Office at 740-676-9723 or by email at [bellairechamber@yahoo.com](mailto:bellairechamber@yahoo.com).

If you would like to place an advertising insert in the next newsletter please bring 120 copies into the Chamber Office or to the monthly meeting. The cost of a one page insert for one month is \$25. Articles and fundraising event information is always welcomed to be included in the newsletter

***Remember this is YOUR newsletter. Put it to work for you!***



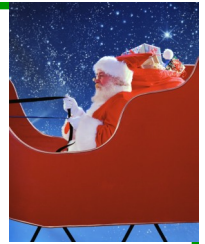
## Annual Fireworks Celebration Donations

*Thank you to  
Belmont Savings Bank  
and  
Muxie Distributing Company  
for their \$1000 donation!*

And to all of the following generous donators:

- Auto Choice Chevrolet Buick
- Bauknecht-Altmeier Funeral Homes and Crematory
- Belmont Community Hospital
- Belmont-Harrison Vocational School District
- Bennett's Rentals
- Chirp's Auto Collision & Body Service
- Zacari R. Chrisagis, DDS, Inc.
- Domino's Pizza
- Emma's Attic
- Honda Direct Line
- Lancione, Lloyd & Hoffman Law Office
- MPR Supply Chain Solutions
- The Times Leader
- Trigg Construction Home Improvements

## Christmas Parade Donations



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- Emma's Attic
- Hughes Xerographic
- National Imperial Glass Collectors Society, Inc.
- Nancy Raeder
- Riesbeck Food Markets, Inc.
- Save Rite Pharmacy
- Tony Scott on behalf of Bellaire Schools
- Trigg Construction Home Improvement

### Officers/Board of Directors:

- Lou Ann Bennett, President
- Nancy Raeder, Vice President
- Adam Hughes Treasurer
- Lisa Falcone, Secretary
- Brian Kent
- Christopher J. LaRoche
- Rosalie Wenckoski
- Doug Potts
- Kristin Wittenbrook

### Chamber Committees:

#### *Christmas Parade:*

- Lou Ann Bennett, Chairperson,
- Nancy Raeder, Susan West

#### *Community Development:*

- Larry Siebleda Chairperson,
- Nancy Raeder

#### *Finance:*

- Adam Hughes, Chairperson,
- Nancy Raeder.

#### *Fundraising:*

- Lou Ann Bennett, Chairperson,
- Bubba Kapral, Rosalie Wenckoski.

#### *Grants:*

- Adam Hughes, Chairperson,
- Lou Ann Bennett, Bob Bell

#### *Membership:*

- Lou Ann Bennett, Chairperson,
- Bubba Kapral, Nancy Raeder.

#### *Nominating:*

- Bob Bell, Chairperson,
- C.J. LaRoche, Mark Westlake.

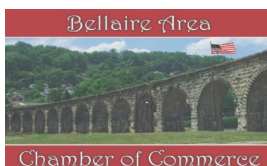
#### *Ribbon Cutting:*

- Doug Potts, Chairperson,
- Lou Ann Bennett, Adam Hughes, Nancy Raeder.

#### *Ordinance:*

- Lou Ann Bennett, Chairperson,
- Larry Siebleda

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Office Hours:

Please check the website for updates for the new hours.