

Bellaire Area Chamber of Commerce

Newsletter



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A Message from the President

First off, for those that do not know, Lillian Siebieda is leaving as our Secretary/Treasurer. At our last meeting, we voted to again separate the positions and Adam Hughes has agreed to come back as our treasurer once more. Welcome back Adam. Thank you, Lillian, for all of your help with the Chamber in these last months. We wish you luck in the future. We will be looking for a new secretary for our Chamber. Until then Nancy and myself will fill in.

The Great Stone Viaduct Celebration was a huge success - great weather and entertainment, which brought out a nice crowd. Thank you all who worked on this. We really appreciate your efforts.

Our Annual Steak Fry/Membership Drive will be on Oct 18th at the Sons of Italy. Each member is allowed 2 free tickets for their business. Additional dinners will be \$15.00. Please call the Chamber office to receive your tickets and make your reservations. It promises to be a great evening again this year.

Our annual Christmas Parade will be held Saturday, Nov. 29th at 6:30 p.m., which will be here before you know it. At our last meeting, we voted to make the Senior Center our Grand Marshals and our theme will be "Christmas Is For All Ages". We will again be having our Remembrance Tree in front of the Municipal Building and we will be having Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus at The Belmont Savings Bank afterwards.

We are still needing places for businesses to come to Bellaire. I have been contacted by several and we cannot seem to find any place to put them. If you think you can help, please let us know.

We will be starting on our historical calendar again in the near future. If you have an old picture that you would like to have in it, please let us know and we will scan it and give it back to you.

The Bellaire Volunteer Fire Department will be having an open house and ribbon cutting on September 11. These guys have done a great job getting this up and running and at the same time fighting a rash of fires. The fountain at the firehouse is also being refurbished. Thanks to all of you. They are also having 2 gun raffles - one for a shot gun and one for a 9mm pistol that will be raffled off on that same day. Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased from any fireman.

At our last meeting, Ginny Favede and Doc Householder gave a presentation on the refurbishing of the old sheriff's residence in St. Clairsville. This will now be a museum with different towns having their own rooms displaying historical artifacts and stories of their town. Bellaire has room #1 and will center on road, river, and rail. If you have anything that you would like to put in there on display, please contact the Chamber office

As always if you have any comments, questions, or concerns, please feel free to call me at 740-676-4817 or the Chamber Office at 740-676-9723.

Sincerely,

Lou Ann Bennett. President



Enjoy the Holiday!
October 31st

Trick or Treat



UPDATES /ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark your calendar - Saturday, October 18th will be the Annual Dinner/Membership Drive Steak Fry at the Sons of Italy from 6:30-9:30 PM. Each business that is a member of our Chamber is allowed 2 (two) free tickets. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$15.00 each. Please call the Chambers at 740-676-9723 to make your reservations, arrange to pick up your free tickets and advise the Chambers on how many are coming from your agency and as your guess.

We will soon begin compiling pictures for the 2015 Chambers Historical Calendar. If you have any pictures that you would like to have considered for the calendar, please let us know by calling 740-676-9723 , bring them to the office or call Lou Ann at 740-676-4817.

The Christmas parade is only three months away— November 29th at 6:30 PM. During the last Chamber meeting, Doug Potts suggested the theme “Christmas—A Time for All Ages” and suggested the Bellaire Senior Center as the Grand Marshall. The general members voted to yes to his proposal. So get ready with your loved ones to enjoy the parade. We are looking for donations to support the prizes and cost of putting on the parade. As with the Fireworks Donors, your name will be listed monthly on the newsletter and be on a full page ad in our resource guide as another means of advertising your business.

Looking for Speakers for Chamber meetings— We have September and October covered for the Chamber monthly meetings for Speakers—September will be Zachary Frymier from Ohio Public Utilities Commission and in October will be Sue Douglass from the Belmont County Development/CIC Office. Our meetings are also times where you can highlight your business by giving a presentation on what you do or any expansion you may have planned. Please do not hesitate to let the Chambers know that you would like to be scheduled as a speaker.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies

On August 14th a ribbon cutting ceremony was held at Stuff With Attitude located on Guernsey Street who also happens to be one of our newest members.

An impromptu ribbon cutting was held at Midnight , July 31st to celebrate the actual start of the Bellaire VFD on August 1st. They are planning an open house/ribbon cutting on September 11th. They are also having 2 gun raffles - one for a shot gun and one for a 9mm pistol that will be raffled off on that same day. Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased from any fireman.

Please support these businesses! If you have a photo you can share of these ribbon cuttings please send a copy to the Chamber office so we can include them in the next newsletter. 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!



***Schools are back in full swing for Bellaire and St. Johns!
Please respect the bus stops and follow the law—stop until the
Bus Driver starts back up and
all children have crossed the street!***

Fall starts on September 23rd—time for pumpkin pie!



Ads

Available Buildings/Apartments/Office Space



Buildings or Locations for rent:

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

F & R Building: 32nd Street—Commercial space, street level, central heat and air, Please 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.

Office Space Available:

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

Waco Office Complex, 2358 West 23rd Street, Bellaire. Rent includes complete secretarial services, completely furnished to your liking/needs, all utilities (phone, fax, copier and Internet access), free parking, conference room access, kitchen, security access. Conference room is also available to rent separately. If interested please call Verna

Job Openings

Please stop in at the Chambers Office to view the many listings of OhioMeansJob for job openings throughout the area. We received emails daily from them and are too numerous to list—this month there are openings from general sales, bank tellers & loan officers to CDL truck drivers to executive office positions. If you know of anyone looking for employment please have them stop by to view the listings.



Secretary Position, part-time, Bellaire Area Chambers of Commerce, call 740-676-9723.

If you would like to place a help wanted ad, please send your listing by the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Monthly Reminders

The next Bellaire Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon/Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 18th at 12:00pm at the Country Club Retirement Center. The cost of the luncheon is \$7.00. There is no charge to attend the meeting.

Our guest speaker will be Zachary Frymier of the Ohio Public Utilities Commission—Office of Public Affairs from Columbus, OH. He will be speaking on energy choices for small business and how to save on your energy bills.

Please make your reservation for the luncheon by Tuesday, September 16th, by contacting the Chamber Office at 740-676-9723 or by email at bellairechamber@yahoo.com.

If you would like to place an advertising insert in the October Chamber Newsletter, please have 120 copies into the Chamber Office by September 23rd or at the Chambers 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 and need to follow deadlines for ad inserts.

October's Chambers meeting will be at the Bellaire Public Library on October 16th at noon with Max's Concessions catering and Sue Douglass of the Belmont County Development/CIC office as guest speaker.



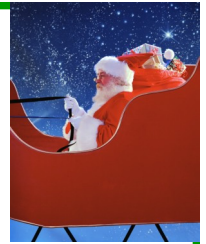
Annual Fireworks Celebration Donations

Thank you to
Bauknecht-Altmeier Funeral Homes and Crematory
Belmont Savings Bank
and
Muxie Distributing Company
for their \$1000 donation!

And to all of the following generous donators:

- Auto Choice Chevrolet Buick
- 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



- Auto Choice Chevrolet Buick
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- Belmont Savings Bank
- Belmont-Harrison Career Centers
- Bennett's Rental Property
- Zacari R. Chrisagis, DDS, Inc.
- Emma's Attic
- Hughes Xerographic
- National Imperial Glass Collectors Society, Inc.
- Nancy Raeder
- Riesbeck Food Markets, Inc.
- Tri-Son Concrete, Inc.
- Trigg Construction Home Improvement

Officers/Board of Directors:

- Lou Ann Bennett, President
- Nancy Raeder, Vice President
- Adam Hughes Treasurer
- Lisa Falcone, Secretary
- Lillian Siebieda
- 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 Siebieda 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.

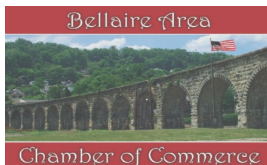
Ribbon Cutting:

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

Ordinance:

- Lou Ann Bennett, Chairperson,
- Larry Siebieda

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Office Hours:

Please check the website for updates for the new hours.