



# Chamber Connection

Trotwood Chamber of  
Commerce

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*Building A Bright Future*

## Come Taste the Taste April 13

Never been to the Taste of Trotwood? Take a break from the workplace and stop by Hara on April 13 from 5-8 to recharge your Trotwood batteries. Local business leaders have been amazed at the outpouring of the community to attend this event. Last year over 4,000 came through the door. While you are there get some free food samples from this year's food partners: Bob Evans, Cub Foods, Eight Ball and Wings, Gordon Food Services, JD's Old Fashioned Frozen Custard, Subway, Sugarcreek Packing, and White Castle.

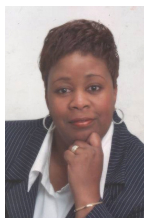
This year the Taste of Trotwood Community and Business Expo is sponsored by Greater Dayton RTA, Hara Arena and Conference Center, Logan Services and Re-Max Alliance Realty. For more information or to sign up for a last minute booth call 837-6401.

## Executive Director's Notes

Exciting news! The Chamber will host a "Chamber After Hours" event Thursday, May 26 from 6-7:30 p.m. This event is sponsored by United Theological Seminary. UTS recently relocated to Trotwood and they are excited about their relocation and they want you to view their vision for the Seminary's future. You will not want to miss this opportunity to hear/view plans UTS have for the City of Trotwood. Don't forget to mark your calendars for Thursday, May 26, 2005. United Theological Seminary is located at 4501 Denlinger Road (formerly the Jewish Community Center).

The Chamber needs your help! The Chamber will have a booth at Taste of Trotwood and at our booth we will have survey forms. We ask you to stop by the Chamber's booth, take a few minutes to complete the form, and return it. When you return your survey form your name will be entered in a drawing for one of several door prizes available. You must return the completed survey form to be eligible for a door prize. We are here to serve you, let us know how we can help you and your business become more productive.

## Chamber President Honored



Monica Hill-Sumlin, President & CEO of The MHS Group, was honored as one of 10 top African American Women in Dayton by the African American Chief Executive Officers (AACEO) of the Miami Valley area Tuesday, March 29, at Sinclair Community College. Monica says "It is my purpose in life to empower people who are looking for career opportunities by being the liaison with companies that have a commitment to a diverse workforce." Our sincere congratulations to Monica on receiving this prestigious honor.

## New Federal Guidelines

The Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act requires ALL employers, regardless of size, to post the New Federal Guidelines regarding the employment and reemployment of deployed servicemen and women. Posters can be downloaded for FREE from <http://www.acca.com/networks/lelaw.php>

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**Membership Renewal**

Budget Car & Truck Rental  
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Dayton Library—Trotwood  
Hawkins & Son Construction  
Nurrenbrock Quality Candies

Phillips Temple C.M.E.  
Ray Garner Realty  
Rogers' Funeral Home  
Salem Towing

**Welcome New Members**

D&L Automotive  
FirstDay Financial FCU  
Grismer Auto Svc Center

Key Bank  
State Farm Insurance  
United Theological Seminary

**Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance**

The Steering Committee met with officials of United Healthcare of Ohio March 16, 2005. Previously UHC had offered a 3% discount on certain UHC health plans. Effective immediately the 3% discount will apply to ALL UHC health plans. What this means is if the group is a Chamber member they will receive a 3% discount on any UHC health plan. If the group has decided to go with UHC, then they will automatically receive a 3% discount through SOCA off the rates on whatever health plan they select.

**Calendar of Events 2005**

- Board Meetings at noon the Third Wednesday of every month—Trotwood Community Center
- Steering Committee United Healthcare of Ohio March 16
- Taste of Trotwood April 13, Hara Complex
- 27th Annual Trotwood Recognition Night April 23
- Dayton Chamber of Commerce Leaders Meeting April 25 at noon
- Breakfast with the Mayor May—TBA
- Chamber After Hours May 26
- Dayton Chamber of Commerce Leaders Meeting July 25 at noon
- Breakfast with the Mayor August—TBA
- Dayton Chamber of Commerce Leaders Meeting October at noon

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