

Chamber Connection

Trotwood Chamber
 5790 Denlinger Road
 Trotwood OH 45426
www.trotwoodchamber.org
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As we venture into the new year, we are dedicated to supporting our businesses in ways that will be profitable, engaging and beneficial.

We are planning workshops, seminars and a member appreciation event. We are still in the planning stage of this appreciation and we need your help. We would like to have the appreciation sometime during the week of June 22. We encourage you to complete the survey below and return it as soon as possible indicating a day and time that is best for you to attend. The appreciation will be **FREE** to member businesses. Please call the chamber at 937-837-1484 or email mbattle@trotwoodchamber.org.

Marie Battle, Executive Director

	What day is best for you	Breakfast 7:30 a.m.	Lunch Noon	Immediately after work
Monday				
Tuesday				
Wednesday				
Thursday				
Friday				

Community Gala

The community gala held February 14 was very successful. Including the dancers, there were approximately 75 in attendance (the weather played a part in attendance). The décor, food, venue and orchestra were excellent; networking and comradery were wonderful!

Our sincere thanks to the committee for doing an outstanding job of working together planning this event; our sponsors Coolidge Wall LLP, Events & Occasions LLC, Grandview Medical Center, Mayor Cameron, Michael Lucking & Ron Fuller of Preference Technologies and the community for supporting this wonderful event. With your support, we will be able to give a generous donation to support CHAMPS afterschool meals program.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, February 26—Colonel John M. Devillier, 88th Air Base Wing Commander, WPAFB - 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Miami Valley CTC

Tuesday, March 10—Lunch & Learn, DPL Energy and Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Clarion Inn, Englewood

Friday, March 13—Feller's Garden Seminar, 8:00-10 a.m., Grace Brethren Village, for information call 837-1123

Tuesday, April 21— Social Medial Workshop, noon-1:00 p.m., Friendship Village

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February is National Heart Month. Keep your heart healthy at work and at home.



Health Care Update

SOUTHERN OHIO CHAMBER ALLIANCE
Delivering Value to Chamber Membership

Late last year Governor John Kasich signed legislation (**House Bill 201 under the 130th General Assembly**) that brings a couple of provisions of Ohio insurance law into line with Federal rules. **Eligibility definition changed to 30 hours for small groups**

First, small groups in Ohio (i.e. those with 50 or fewer employees) had to offer health coverage to employees working at least 25 hours per week. Beginning for plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2016, coverage has to be offered to employees working at least 30 hours per week.

Adult children eligible for coverage to age 26

Second, fully insured health plans (and self-funded health plans maintained by churches and government entities) had to offer coverage to children until 28 under certain circumstances. Beginning for plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2016, these plans only have to continue coverage up to age 26.

For the complete article on Health Care Update, call Matt Appenzeller at 937-395-4533 or visit www.joinsoca.com.



“Shred-it Document Shredding” is proud to partner with the Trotwood Chamber of Commerce to offer

a member benefit for document shredding. Shred-it is the global leader in information destruction and operates out of Dayton, Ohio. We offer solutions for both small and large businesses with one time clean-outs, as well as periodic pickups. As a NAID certified supplier, members can rest assured that confidential records will be destroyed in a professional, timely, and secure manner.

For more information contact Alex Spidare at T: 937.630.3530 | C: 330.554.9482 or email alex.spidare@shredit.com. Be sure to mention the Trotwood Chamber of Commerce for your member benefit rate.”

KNOW THE ISSUES

See the legislation we're tracking and find out how it could affect your business.

We're All For...

SCRUTINIZING THE TAX REFORM PLAN

Gov. John Kasich's tax reform proposal would make 22 separate changes to Ohio's tax code. Lawmakers wrestle with their potential impact. **See Their Concerns.**

REFORMS TO OTHER STATE PROGRAMS

Beyond taxes, Gov. Kasich's \$72 billion budget recommends other major policy changes. **Find Out More.**

SPENDING CUTS HIGHLIGHT WORKERS' COMPENSATION BUDGET

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation's proposed budget reflects a four percent decrease in spending and a number of common sense policy changes - but no game-changers. **Get the Highlights.**

Welcome

New Member
Trotwood CIC
3035 Olive Road
Trotwood OH 45426

Thank You

To the following businesses for renewing your membership for 2015:

CMD Technologies, DP&L, Friendship Village, Trotwood Florist, Salem Woods Apartments, Stryver Manufacturing, Inc., Trotwood Madison Educational Foundation, Wertz Insurance Group, Wise Construction



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THE CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF MANAGEMENT LEADERSHIP IN SAFETY

By Gary W. Hanson

Senior management is the single most important aspect in an effective safety program. Without visible, enthusiastic and focused management leadership, no safety program will be able to help contribute to the overall company's efforts to be successful, grow and make a profit.

Employees watch what management does as well as what management says. If they sense a lack of commitment to the safety program they will not believe in it. If they do not believe in the program, bad safety habits will be developed and once developed these bad habits are extremely hard to break.

Many companies fail to recognize the critical importance of management leadership.

Good safety programs do not happen by accident, they happen because management is committed to making the program work and provides the everyday leadership and direction.

Active leadership is critical to ensure the safety program achieves its primary purpose of protecting the company's most vital assets.

If you have any questions or need assistance with your safety program, please call American Safety & Health Management Consultants, Inc., at 800-356-1274.



Ohio

Bureau of Workers'
Compensation

Ohio BWC Prospective Billing Timelines

The Ohio BWC new prospective billing system begins July 2015. Prospective billing is an insurance industry standard practice that will enable the Ohio BWC to collect premiums before extending coverage. Currently, Ohio employers pay for coverage they have already received.

When will this transition happen?

- July 1, 2015: for private employers
- Jan. 1, 2016: for public employers

For more information about the Ohio BWC Prospective Billing please visit www.bwc.ohio.gov

Legislative Update

Starting a business entity in Ohio involved taking many steps involving different federal and state agencies. However, the first step for many of those starting a business is the Secretary of State's office. For detailed information on starting a business or nonprofit organization, visit www.ohiostateofstate.gov.

The Secretary of State's office provides service for business enterprises throughout Ohio, including authorizing entities to do business out of state. Please contact the Secretary of State office at 614-466-0771 for more information.



Registration is now open for the Ohio Safety Congress & Expo, March 31 to April 2 at the Columbus Convention Center. [Click here](#) to view event information, including the event schedule, hotels, directions and free online registration.

Day one of the safety congress delivers full-day workshops and in-depth training. Days two and three offer general sessions, educational sessions and the Expo Marketplace. Attend the day or days which best meet your training needs.



TROTWOOD CHAMBER

Presents

Matt Appenzeller, Executive Director
Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance (SOCA)

&

Jacob Armbruster, Account Manager
DPL Energy

Topics to be covered are:

DPL Energy

- ◆ New this year is customized commercial rates offered to chamber members
- ◆ How do I cancel my contract with another supplier
- ◆ When I contact DPL Energy, when will I start realizing the savings
- ◆ What type of rate structure would be best for my business

Please bring a copy of your DP&L bill

Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance

- ◆ SOCA Benefits Refresher
- ◆ Update on New Benefits
- ◆ Trak I—Employee background screening company
- ◆ Biggest Loser

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

11:30 a.m.—1 p.m.

Clarion Inn-Englewood, 10 Rockridge Road, Englewood OH

Registration and Lunch 11:30 a.m.—12:15 p.m.

Cost: Members \$7.00; Non-members \$10.00

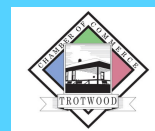
To register, please contact Trotwood Chamber at 937-837-1484 or

email mbattle@trotwoodchamber.org

Please RSVP by Tuesday, March 3, 2015



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SOCIAL MEDIA 101: BASICS OF SOCIAL MEDIA

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CARLOS SCARPERO (MR. LEADS)



Have you been thinking about marketing your business with social media, but you feel overwhelmed and not sure how to get started? Or maybe you are not convinced that it works? This social media workshop will show you how it can reach your customers and lead to new customers.

We will take a look at the 5 most popular social media networks – Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Google+ and Pinterest and help you decide what is right for your business.

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

Noon – 12:15 p.m. Registration

Friendship Village, 5790 Denlinger Road
Trotwood OH 45426

Cost: Members \$5.00 – future-members \$10.00 (lunch will be provided). Please RSVP to 937.837.1484 or email mbattle@trotwoodchamber.org by Friday, April 17.

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