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State of the City

February 27 7:30am Olivedale RSVP 653,825

Email



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March 26 11:30am Liberty Center RSVP 740.569.9150

Email

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BUILDING...BUILDING... EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK



The construction industry has found a happy home in Fairfield County in 2013. After the last several years of limited projects, activity can be noted in all parts of the county. The variety of projects bodes well for all.

Lancaster City Schools will be building five new elementary schools for \$81 million . District officials hope to open the first three schools in August 2015 and the last two schools by August 2017.

Fairfield Medical Center is planning a \$35M expansion that will include a new surgery wing and 36 patient rooms. Completion date is mid 2015.

Fairfield County Municipal Court is rehabbing the Columbian Building. The 1894 structure will be renovated to house the Fairfield County Municipal Court, the Municipal Court's Clerk of Courts and probation offices. Construction is expected to begin this year on the \$6.7M project.

The Midtown Apartment Complex continues toward completion on Ety Road. Developed by the Schottenstein Real Estate Group, it will feature one and two bedroom garden apartments and two and three-bedroom townhouses. The clubhouse will have a fitness center, a Wi-Fi business center, meeting rooms, swimming pool and terrace areas.

River Valley Highlands and Dominion Homes have approval to build on 39 plots of land. Street and infrastructure construction has already begun. A larger expansion is possible near to one of the new Lancaster City Schools to be built in the complex.

The \$5M **Pearl House** Project is a 21-unit apartment complex for people recovering from sub-

stance abuse. Developed by Fairfield Homes, construction is expected to begin this year.

Fairfield Heating & Cooling is moving to the heart of the city. It will move operations to 512 S. Broad Street. Improvements to the building include energy efficiencies. Owner Roger Ratcliff estimated the cost of renovations to be about \$100,000.

The 20 inch **ATEX Natural Gas Pipeline** will cut through a portion of the northwest part of the county.

Dan Singer is renovating a building at 200 South Columbus Street. It is being converted to office space and will house about 12 units.

The **Village of Baltimore** announced a \$3 million upgrade to Walnut Creek Retirement Community and a \$190,000 street paving project.

Joe Henderson, Development Services Director for the **City of Pickerington** reports that construction was just completed at the Tide Dry Cleaners on Hill Road North. Burger King just completed an update to the exterior of their building. Getting ready to break ground this spring is the Diley Crossroads Commercial plat with Midas being the first to break ground. Also the Pickerington Plaza is expected to break ground this summer at the Southeast Corner of Hill Road North and SR 204. Pickerington Eye Care should be breaking ground soon with their new office building located on Clint Drive.

AK Athletics in **Canal Winchester**, manufacturer of protective padding for over 20 years, will build an additional 12,000 SF facility and bring another 12 jobs to the area.



BUCKEYE LAKE WINERY COMING IN MAY



By Memorial Day, you may be able dock your boat on Buckeye Lake, walk a few short steps, and sit in a newly constructed 6,000 sq. ft. building overlooking the beautiful lake, sipping a glass of wine made from Napa Valley grapes.

After spending 20 years in Corporate America, Tracy Higgenbotham decided to pursue his passion for good food and great wine by opening The Buckeye Lake Winery with his wife Laura. This casual, yet elegant, winery on Buckeye Lake is expected to open in May 2013 and will initially employ 14 people. The couple has already been selling wine over the internet and has several events booked

for this summer.

Higginbotham is a Newark native who plans to use local suppliers and vendors for the business

Visitors will have access to special wines from California's Napa Valley to enjoy in a relaxing and recreational setting. The wine would initially be purchased from an established winery and private labeled for one year. Thereafter, the wine would be produced on site.

The restaurant operation would be limited

at first, offering sandwiches, gourmet pizzas and fruit/cheese plates. They will conduct wine tastings and are considering bringing in live music. In the future, the Higgenbothams plan to add high end entrées. Tracy often refers to his business as Napa Valley meets Buckeye Lake.



Wine Tasting Event
Shaw's Restaurant
April 25
6pm

Will include Wine from Buckeye Lake Winery

WINE GUY TURNS BREW MAN



Selections from Rockmill:

Witbier

Saison

Dubbel

Tripel

Matthew Barbee was a wine guy who loved the big city but now finds himself a beer maker on a small rural farm in Fairfield County. Barbee opened Rockmill Brewery, located at Rockmill Farms, 5705 Lithopolis Road in Lancaster in the fall of 2010 and continues to grow his Ohio distribution one location at a time.

Brewing two barrels of beer a day currently, he expects to expand his operation with a 20-barrel brewhouse this year, a production increase that will help expand his reach in Ohio and beyond the borders.

"The challenge has been meeting the demand, " says Barbee. " It exceeds production."

A tasting room opened last year due to a change in state law. You can visit the brewery from noon to 8pm Friday thru Sunday.

For more information visit the website.



"When life gives you clean, high mineral content water, you make Belgian beer," shares Barbee. "This is pure water."

EXPORT SURVEY NEEDS YOUR INPUT

In 2011-2012, four major metropolitan areas including Portland, Los Angeles, Minneapolis and Syracuse participated in the Brookings Institution's **Metropolitan Export Initiative (MEI)** pilot. The goal was to understand international market challenges and opportunities for regional economies, and adapt efforts to meet these needs.

The MEI is a ground-up collaborative effort to help regional civic, business and political leaders create and implement customized Metropolitan Export Plans (MEPs). These localized export plans will apply market intelligence to develop targeted, integrated export-related services and strategies that help regions better connect their firms to global customers, as outlined by their individualized export goals. These MEPs will also

lay out the kinds of state and federal reforms needed to support the effective implementation of such plans. Ideally, these export plans will be elements of broader regional economic development strategies.

The Columbus Region has been selected to participate in this initiative with select other metros. Columbus 2020, with the help of the well-respected Brookings Institution, is in the early stages of developing a metropolitan export initiative. With the research support of Brookings and by working with eight other metro-regions from around the United States, we are attempting to dramatically increase the ability of U.S. companies to enter and be successful in international markets, increase the value of exports, and raise the awareness of the services that exist to

<u>support such efforts.</u> By doing so, Columbus Region economy will be strengthened and more diverse.

Understanding the current state of exporting activity in the region will provide some key insights. We would appreciate receiving your feedback via a brief online survey https://www.research.net/s/ColumbusRegionExportSurvey or through a personal interview. To schedule, please contact Patty Huddle at 614-225-6095

Whether you export currently or plan to export, your participation is welcome and needed. Please take some time to assist the region.

MANUFACTURING FUTURE

"He is desperate for a steady job. He has been unemployed for most of the three years since he graduated from a community college here after growing up on a farm. The young man, 25, has worked only several months at a time in low-paying jobs, once as a shopping mall guard, another time as a restaurant waiter and most recently as an office building security guard.

But he will not consider applying for a full-time factory job because, as a college graduate, thinks that is beneath him. Instead, he searches every day for an office job, which would initially pay as little as a third of factory wages."

The paragraphs above are excerpted from this New York Times article. It's about a young man from Guangzhou, China, but could have easily been set in almost any region of the United States.

As noted in this BusinessWeek

article, 600,000 manufacturing jobs are going unfilled according to the Manufacturing Institute's skills gap assessment. There are many reasons for this perception and manufacturing is not a career everyone can pursue. However, it is indeed a career very well suited for thousands of bright people who have not given it enough consideration.

Knox County, Ohio made this video that promotes the profession, and we are happy to share it with both employment seekers and parents of kids considering career options. Manufacturing is important to the economy in the Columbus Region - an area that's home to great manufacturing companies like Worthington Industries, Rolls Royce, DuPont, PPG, Honda, and Anheuser-Busch Inbev.

The manufacturing industry is full of interesting and lucrative career paths within innovative companies. Manufacturing is safe, stimulating and provides a sense of accom-

plishment that few professional jobs can offer. Good training programs are offered at low costs and are available throughout our communities. Salaries and wages can be quite good, and in some skilled positions they can be outstanding. Business training learned on the shop floor has led countless workers to the board room, because of the intimacy with the products produced and the people they worked with to produce them.

The growth and health of our regional economy depends on the production of quality, innovative products. Manufacturers can and will continue to provide good jobs, great career opportunities, and a point of pride for our entire area.

For more about manufacturing in the Columbus Region, visit this page on our website and check out OH!Manufacturing. You can also view manufacturing opportunities available in the Columbus Region at this link from Ohio Means Jobs.

-Kenny McDonald, Columbus 2020

COUNTY DEPT GARNERS AWARD



Audit Staff Includes Front Row: Angie Crawford, Ginger Caito, Lisa Notestone, Auditor Jon Slater. Back row: Sherry Smart, Leann Glass, Molly Johnson, Lori Hampshire. David Miller. A recent financial audit of Fairfield County by Auditor of State Dave Yost's office has returned a clean report to Fairfield County. The Auditor's Department was awarded the Auditor of State Award with Distinction.

Out of over 5700

yearly audits, only about 100 qualified for this prestigious honor. Those honored filed an annual CAFR and timely financial reports in accordance with GAAP. The "clean" audit means that the financial audit did not contain finding for recovery, material citations, material weakness, significant deficiencies, Single

Audit findings or any questioned costs.

The award was presented during a weekly commission meeting. President Steve Davis stated that "there is an element of trust between the Commission and the department." Newly elected commissioner Dave Levacy, who recently attend a CCAO meeting, was surprised that all commissions don't have the good

working relationship between the departments that Fairfield County enjoys. Commissioner Mike Kiger commended the staff for their diligence.





CSI MAKING STRIDES

Lt. Governor Mary Taylor issued a report detailing the 2012 activities of Ohio's

Common Sense Initiative (CSI). The report highlights implementation of a new CSI review process for the state's business-impacting rules, as well as the efforts of CSI to directly address the burdensome regulations that stifle job creation in Ohio. The Annual Report can be found at www.governor.ohio.gov/CSI.

"There is still a lot of work to do, but 2012 was a watershed year for state government in Ohio," said Taylor. "Through CSI, we have sent the message that before proposing regulations that impact Ohio's job creators, agencies must reach out to those businesses and

ensure that the purpose justifies the impact."

A key goal of CSI was to establish a process for reviewing the impact of agency rules on businesses. The Annual Report shows that CSI successfully delivered on this promise and, in 2012, Ohio agencies had to follow a formal process for the first time to justify the impacts to businesses from their rules. In 2012, the CSI Office reviewed more than 1,500 proposed rules. Overall, rule filings were down by 44 percent compared to the historical average.

In addition, 2012 provided a number of opportunities to work directly with businesses to resolve regulatory burdens that were standing in their way. This annual report highlights a number of these accom-

plishments, and in many cases, the dollars and jobs saved.

Launched on Jan. 10, 2011 by the Kasich Administration and placed under the leadership of Lt. Governor Mary Taylor, CSI is reforming Ohio's regulatory policies and helping make Ohio a jobsand business-friendly state. CSI reviews Ohio's regulatory system to eliminate excessive and duplicative rules and regulations that stand in the way of job creation.

Ohioans with ideas on cutting red tape are encouraged to visit www.governor.ohio.gov/CSI, "like" Ohio's Common Sense Initiative on Facebook, and follow @CSI_Ohio on Twitter.

FEDERAL BENEFITS GOING ELECTRONIC

If you receive your federal benefits by paper check, you'll need to switch to electronic payments by March 1, 2013. The federal benefits affected are: Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, Veterans Affairs, Railroad Retirement Board, Office of Personnel Management and Department of Labor (Black Lung).

You have two options to pursue.

Direct Deposit: The US Treasury deposits your benefits directly into your bank account. You can sign up for direct deposit in one of these ways:

Enroll Online

Visit your bank or credit union
Call 800.333.1795 Mon-Fri, 8am-8pm
Contact local agency providing benefits
Enroll by mail

Prepaid Debit Card: The US Treasury deposits your benefits to a debit card. This is an option if you don't have a bank account and do not want to open one. You can request a debt card by calling 800.333.1795 (Mon-Fri, 8am-8pm ET)



Who are the County's Major Employers

Every year the Fairfield County Economic Development Department calls county employers, both in the public and private sectors, to identify the number of active employees they have on their payroll roster as of December 31. There is no identified source of this information for the entire county other than this phone survey. Local Chambers of Commerce may have access to some of these figures from Chamber membership. Local tax rolls may also have some of this data.

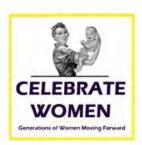
FCED makes the local calls. Calls will begin in March. f you are able to support this effort and share that data from your company in advance of a phone call, please email Linda Kauffman or call her at 740.652.7161.

Currently the process of calls begins with the previous years list. It is possible that your company has increased it's employment numbers enough to make this list.

To view the Major Employers List from 2011 <u>Click Here.</u>

Should your company or agency be on this list?

CONFERENCE MARCH 22 AT OU PICKERINGTON



Newly appointed Ohio Supreme Court Justice Judith L. French is the keynote speaker for this year's Celebrate Women conference at Ohio University's Pickerington Center. French became the

155th justice of the Ohio Supreme Court on January 1, 2013. She was appointed by Ohio Governor John Kasich.

"I am really looking forward to hearing Judi French. She seems to have a good sense of humor," said Conference Co-Chair Pam Kaylor. "I've heard her call herself 'Judge Judi'. She's a local judge and I'd really like to hear more about her new position as Ohio Supreme Court Justice."

Before her appointment to the Ohio Supreme Court, Justice French served at the Tenth District Court of Appeals. That court hears appeals from Franklin County courts and state administrative agencies. She was elected to the appellate court in November 2004.

The theme for this year's Celebrate Women conference is "Generations of Women Moving Forward." It will be held on March 22.

"We want to honor those women who came before us. This is both a time to reflect on how far women have come and examine the past and present accomplishments of women – for all ages," said Kaylor. "We can learn a great deal by examining the past – such inspirational and valuable stories of challenge and success. At the same time, we can use this knowledge to recognize the challenges that lay ahead for our daughters."

The annual Celebrate Women conference is planned in conjunction with Women's History Month. The focus of the event is to bridge women's relationships from the areas of community, university and business.

Eastland-Fairfield Career & Technical Schools

TEEN TODAY*CEO TOMORROW

Eastland-Fairfield Career & Technical Schools presents <u>CareerQuest</u>, an unpaid internship program in partnership with EDCTS and industry. This program gives businesses an opportunity to "grow your own employees!"

CareerQuest places eleventh grade high school students with local businesses from the following career & technical programs: Interactive Media, Financial Services, Medical Office Technologies, and Programming & Software Development.

Students will spend 7 school days onsite this Spring 2013 in positions completing hands-on workplace activities related to their career and technical training. The following dates will be the internship schedule: the Thursdays of April 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

Students' technical skills will be reviewed with businesses prior to placement to match business' needs.

If your business would be interested in participating or if you have more questions about CareerQuest, contact Jane Briggs at Eastland Career Center, 614.836.5725 x 1365 or email her at ibriggs@efcts.us



LEADS CLASS & ANNUAL DINNER

The Pickerington LEADS Class of 2013 begins February 27. LEADS stands for Leadership Education and Development Seminar. The programs seeks individuals with leadership talent or potential and those who have shown at interest in community services.

Graduates have demonstrated increased leadership responsibilities both within their companies and communities. The LEADS program is a blended curriculum of general leadership skills, guest speakers and hands on practical experience. Graduates will gain expertise in personality and leadership styles, time management and organization skills, local government roles and responsibilities, communi-

cations and public speaking . Click here for a complete list of classes and locations. For more class information call the chamber at 614.837.1958.

PACC hosted its annual dinner February 2 with the theme "Western Roundup." Wagner Insurance was honored as Business of the Year. The new Business of the year is Tyler's Light, the non-profit organization helping communities with information and resources to help young adults choose a drug-free life. Jeff Myers was recognized for Community Service of the Year. Myers was instrumental in revamping the PCMA Pickerington Food Pantry. City Engineer Greg Bachman was honored with the Doug Barr Safety Award



Honorees and presenters at PACC Western Roundup

Among those attending were State Senator Troy Balderson, State Representative Gerald Stebelton and U.S. Congressman Steve Stivers.

CWACC STARTS YOUNG PROFESSIONALS



The Canal Winchester Area Chamber of Commerce will begin a series of Young **Professionals** CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Networking Group events with a Mix

& Meet on February 26, 2013, beginning at 5pm at The Harvest Moon Café, 7 N. High St. Canal Winchester. OH.

Local young professionals are invited to meet with one another in this first informal "Mix & Meet" in the heart of downtown Canal Winchester for 21st Century Networking.

We don't "elevator speech"; we build relationships! Join us!

Follow the chamber on twitter: @CwChamberofComm.

#ilovecwbusiness #ilovecwchamber #cwyoungpros

All attendees may leave their business cards to get registered to win a ticket to the Chamber's Annual Expo and Dinner: "Red Carpet Premier" March 15 at The Links at Groveport, beginning at 5:45pm!

For more information, please contact Amanda Lemke, 614-837-1556.

BALTIMORE RESTORATION

The Baltimore Downtown Restoration Committee is collecting photos of Baltimore to include in this years Community Calendar that reflects August 2013 through July 2014. The Community Calendar Committee needs to choose 12 new pictures to be included this year. The public will get to vote on which pictures will be included prior to printing. All pictures must be digitized for submission and please include where the photo was taken, and names of individuals in the picture. The pictures may be vintage shots of the Village, sports teams, events or anything that reflects the community. Please have all your photos submitted by May 1. If

you would like an order form mailed to you, have a photo submission or comments or questions regarding the calendar, call 614-450-0237 or email baltimorecalendar@gmail.com. You may go to www.BaltimoreDowntownRestoration.com and choose the Calendar tab to learn more.

Applications can now be obtained from the Baltimore Downtown Restoration Committee website or you may call 614-450-0237 or email baltimorefarmersmarket@gmail.com to have one mailed to you. The Baltimore Farmers Market has been in

existence for 7 years and is the most affordable market for vendors in the area. The Baltimore Farmers Market accepts credit, debit and Direction Card Food Assistance

benefits. Please go to www.BaltimoreDowntownRestoration.co m and choose the Farmers Market Tab to learn more.

The efforts to restore the Victoria Opera House at the corner of state route 256 and state route 158 have progressed with the launch of its website. The campaign needs to raise funds in order to acquire the neighboring property, making the Victoria Opera House accessible to everyone. The planned addition will include such basic amenities as elevators, heating, and plumbing. The opera house is the last of its kind in Fairfield County and will be the future home for community and county events and gatherings. You may call 614-450-0237, email at info@victoriaoperahouse.org or visit the website.

SID DIRECTOR READY TO GET STARTED



The Special Improvement District and Destination Downtown Lancaster are pleased to announce the hiring of Kate Ervin as their new Executive Director starting

March 4, 2013. Kate comes from the City Planning Department in Dayton, but also with a wealth of experience in urban planning, development and related projects. She is bringing a definite passion for and experience in economic development and is eager to be a part of the continued development of the downtown area.

"It's an exciting time to be in downtown Lancaster," said Ervin. "The community has clearly done important work in creating a shared vision for its future. I'm ready to take that road map and begin implementing its key development priorities in order to bring new businesses, funding sources, and customers into the district."

Please welcome Kate as we work together toward a mission of successful economic development for the SID and downtown area.

She will be formally introduced at the upcoming Annual Meeting & Dinner, Thursday, March 7. Please join us for the meeting and help us welcome Kate to Lancaster. Please RSVP for the meeting & dinner at destinationdowntownlancaster.com.



CELEBRATION OF POSSIBILITIES

March is developmental disabilities awareness month. The Fairfield County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Fairfield DD) has a number of activities and events planned throughout the month to raise awareness in the community. People with disabilities go to school and to work with us. They volunteer. They are our neighbors and our friends. People with disabilities are an important part of the community. Fairfield DD would like to thank the businesses, organizations, and individuals that work every day to make Fairfield County a more inclusive community.

Please make plans now to attend the 5th Annual Celebration of Possibilities on Thursday, March 28th. Fairfield DD will celebrate and recognize several individuals, businesses and organizations that promote the concept of community inclusion of individuals with developmental disabilities and that support Fairfield DD's mission: To bring about a vibrant community where people lead fulfilling lives and make meaningful contributions.

Josh Blue, winner of NBC's 2006 Last Comic Standing competition, and who him-

self has a developmental disability, will perform during the event.



Tickets are available now, and this event sells out each year. Contact Gaynor at 740-652-7220 for more information and tickets, or go to www.fairfielddd.com

GENEVA HILLS OPEN HOUSE MARCH 21



Families seeking summer camp options for children are welcome to attend an open house at Geneva Hills on Thursday, March 21, 2013 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the camp grounds – located at 1380 Blue Valley Road, Lancaster, OH 43130 at the gateway to the scenic Hocking Hills. The open house will be held at the Welcome Center.

"Summer camp is something that every child should have the chance to experience. The social and educational benefits camp offers cannot be found in any other setting. Our open

house event is the opportunity for parents and their children to come and explore the opportunity to attend camp this summer at Geneva Hills," said John Greenwood, Program Director. "We really offer something for every child – whether they are looking for a week-long overnight camp for older kids or a day camp for younger children."

The event will include tours of the grounds, meet-and-greets with camp staff and counselors and registration with an early bird discount of up to \$35 off.

Camps are open to children who have completed Kindergarten through those who have completed 12th grade. Camping activities include hiking, swimming, exploring nature, lakefront adventures, ropes and ground initiatives courses, meals, crafts, campfires and much, much more. For more details go to their website or call 740.746.8439.



RLF LOANS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

HISTORY

The Fairfield County Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) was created in 1992, using grants from two separate agencies - the United States Economic Development Administration (EDA) and the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD), Office of Housing and Community Partnerships, through its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Matching funds were contributed by the City of Lancaster and Fairfield County.

The purpose of the Revolving Loan Fund is to assist new or existing small businesses achieve their goals and create jobs in Fairfield County.

Typical loans range from \$10,000 to \$100,000 with a fixed rate that is generally 2 points below prime at the time of application. Terms vary according to collateral and may be up to 20 years.

The EDA Revolving Loan Fund may be used throughout Fairfield County, while the CDBG Revolving Loan Fund cannot be used within the City of Lancaster or City of Canal Winchester.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Loans may be made to private, for-profit businesses located in Fairfield County. Applicants may be in the manufacturing, agri-business, wholesale, service and/or retail sectors and must have fewer than 200 employees. All taxes must be current and an Equal Opportunity Employment policy must be in place and followed.

Loan applications may need to be prioritized. Criteria may include the enterprise's ownership, (women or minorities), number of jobs created, industry, and/or reinvestment in an existing facility.

Funds received from the Revolving Loan Fund may be used to purchase land or an existing building, machinery and equipment, furniture and fixtures, inventory, and possibly a limited amount of working capital. Funds cannot be used to restructure existing debt.

An application must be proc-

The Revolving Loan Fund can

only lend money in conjunction with a lending institution. RLF participation is determined by the bank's willingness to lend money for a pro-

The application package reguires the same information as your bank, including tax returns, a business plan for start-ups, financial reports and projections for existing, expanding businesses, a personal financial statement, and a signed application detailing the project and requested use of funds.

The RLF process from application to loan approval and disbursal of funds can take from 6 weeks to 4 months, depending upon the project and fund requirements.

The application is presented to the Loan Review Committee, which meets the second Wednesday of every month. This committee discusses the application and reviews the strength of the borrower and viability of the proposed project. Plan ahead, ask your commercial lender if the RLF can be a participant in your project and call the office for a deeper understanding of the program and the process.

CHECK **OUT OUR** REVOLVING LOAN FUND

LOAN FUND BALANCES As of February 22, 2013

EDA \$ 534,660.24 **CDBG** \$ 84,746,54

Scheduled LRC Meetings March 13, 2013 April 10, 2013 May 8, 2013

Loan applications should be received in the Fairfield County Economic Development office at least two weeks prior to a scheduled LRC meeting.

(740) 652.7160

essed before a project begins. **HOW TO APPLY**

Speak with your banker first.

RLF LATEST PROJECT SMOKESTACK HOBBY SHOP

Smokestack Hobby Shop, located at 368 Lincoln Ave in Lancaster, Ohio will keep its doors open. Don and Patty Riordan intend to purchase the business with financing from Fairfield National Bank and the Fairfield County Revolving Loan Fund. The shop is a destination for families who love the small store front atmosphere, the "hands on" of the inventory and the opportunity to find that

"just right item" not easily found in the big box store.

It will focus on three targeted areas of products including model railroad items in multiple scales, servicing the casual consumer and the dedicated hobbyist, and the purchase and trade-in of used train sets. Radio control planes, cars, and helicopters will be available for sales and service. You can also

get plastic modeling kits along with paints, brushes and decals. The store will also feature magazines, books and educational related items.

The Riordans plan to develop an online presence/social media via a website, Facebook, Twitter, Web Store Front sales and eBay.





Microsoft

Primary Business Address Your Address Line 2 Your Address Line 3 Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555 Fax: 555-555-5555

E-mail: someone@example.com

We're on the web www.businesscounty.com

Make Fairfield County Your Advantage!



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Lancaster-Fairfield

Travis Markwood 740.653.8251

Pickerington (PACC)

Helen Mayle 614.837.1958

CHAMBER & BUSINESS EVENTS

RECURRING CHAMBER NETWORKING LUNCHEONS

RSVP's Needed [Visit Chamber website or call]
Location and time may vary with a Special Event

Lancaster Fairfield: First Wednesday at 11:30am at 230 North Columbus Street

Canal Winchester: Second Wednesday at 11:30am at 22 Trine Street (Senior Center)

Pickerington: Third Thursday at 11:30 at 150 Hereford Drive [Senior Center]

Bremen: Fourth Tuesday at Noon at 161 Carter Street [Bremen Historical Society]

Mar 1: PACC Women's Leadership Coalition~130 W Columbus St~8am~RSVP

Mar 6: Adult & Teen Career Expo~3-6pm~Ohio University Lancaster

Mar 8-10: Tri-County Home & Garden Tour~Fairgrounds~Fri:Noon-6; Sa:10-6; Su:11-4

Mar 7: SID Annual Dinner~5:30pm~Lodge in Lancaster~RSVP 740.653.8251

Mar 15: CWACC Annual Dinner~5:15pm~Links at Groveport~RSVP 614.837.1556

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mar 1-April 7: Exhibit Animals in Art~ Decorative Arts Center~145 E Main

Mar 1: Valley ZipLine Tours Open~3465 Duffy Rd~740.654.3392

Mar 1-2: Millersport Minstrel Swinging Thru the Years~8pm~Details 740.862.4951

Mar 2: Lancaster Chorale Concert Sings & Swings~Lodge~8pm~740.687.5855

Mar 9: Chestnut Ridge Metro Park 5-0 Off Trail Hike~10am~614.508.8114

Mar 10: Community Band Concert~2610 W Fair~2pm~FREE

Mar 16: Over the Rainbow~OGM~7-9pm~More Details Call 740.687.0101

Mar 17: LCCA Concert Lone Raven~Fairfield Union HS~3pm

Mar 19: Marbles Meeting/Tournament Info~124 W Main St.~740.687.0101

Mar 20: Civil War Roundtable~Sherman House~7pm~Ohio's Frontier Economy

Mar 22-24: Garrett Players Present Harvey~219 N Broad~Fri-Sat:7pm;Sun 2pm

Mar 23: OGM Fundraiser Smooth as Glass~Dinner/Concert~Lodge~6-9pm



Marbles Tournament Coming

Start practicing now for 2013's local marble tournament with one of the Ohio Glass Museum's marble packs. The pack contains everything you need to get up and running. Leave your name and number if interested in participating this year as a player, senior or sponsor. OGM Phone Number 740.687.0101