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Chesterland Chamber of Commerce COMMUNICATOR

Jeans for Teens Casino Royale 2009 Have Fun & Support a Great Cause!



Join us at the gaming tables for a night of fun as the Chesterland Chamber of Commerce presents **Jeans for Teens Casino Royale 2009** on **Saturday, July 11, 2009** at **Maxx Doogan's**, 8389 Mayfield Road. Registration and check in is at **7:00 p.m.** and the gaming

begins at **7:30 p.m.** Whether you are a player or a spectator there will be something to entertain you in this evening of Black Jack, Texas Hold 'Em, Roulette and more, with the proceeds benefitting the Geauga County Job & Family Services as well as the mission and programs of the Chamber. The goal of the evening is to help the less fortunate teens of our area build self-esteem by providing them with clean, stylish, well-fitting clothing. These young adults may soon be: released by the foster care system, searching for employment, on their way to college, or in need of "back to school" clothes. You can help by attending the Casino Royale 2009--invite your friends, neighbors and colleagues to join you. Tickets are **\$25.00** and include two beverage tickets (shelf liquor, beer and wine) and an appetizer buffet all night. The **deadline** to purchase tickets is **July 6th**. Absolutely no tickets will be sold at the door! Call Kelly at the Chamber at (440)729-7297 to purchase your tickets. Whether or not you attend, any contribution would be greatly appreciated. Many levels are available. Choose from the \$1,000 "Pit Boss" Corporate Contribution, the \$500 "High Roller" Contribution, the \$250 "Aces High" Contribution, the \$100 "Read 'Em and Weep" Contribution or the "Luck Be a Lady" Contribution in the amount of your choice. Kelly will be happy to explain the naming rights that accompany the various levels of your generosity. Know a celebrity or know someone who knows someone? Please reach out to celebrities, local personalities and sports figures and ask them to donate an autographed pair of jeans to be auctioned the evening of the event. It's a great cause. Funds generated will clothe many area young adults. Don't miss out on this evening of fun!

"Honor the Eagle" is Parade Theme

The Chesterland Chamber of Commerce will again be participating in the West Geauga annual Fourth of July Parade. Members of the Board of Trustees and staff will be "monkeying" around and handing out candy and popcorn balls along the parade route. If you would like to help offset the cost of the 1,500 popcorn balls or multiple bags of candy (any donation from as little as \$10.00 to \$50.00 or more would be appreciated), send your check payable to the Chesterland Chamber of Commerce, 8228 Mayfield Road, Suite 4B, Chesterland, OH 44026. The parade begins at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 4th in the parking lot of St. Anselm Church and heads south down Chillicothe Road (Route 306) to the parking lot at West Geauga High School. Plan to cheer us on along the parade route.



Upcoming Events

- **July 2, 2009** - Board of Trustee's Monthly Meeting, **5:45 p.m.** at the Chamber Office
- **July 4, 2009** - Annual Kiwanis Parade - look for the Chamber float (see cover story)
- **July 11, 2009** - Jeans for Teens Casino Royale 2009 (see cover story)
- **July 23, 2009** - 2nd Annual "Welcome New Member" Night (see story inside)
- **August 3, 2009** - Luncheon Meeting, **11:30 a.m.** at the Chesterland Tavern. Speaker: The Dean from KSU Geauga Campus
- **September 9, 2009** - 2009 Chesterland Chamber of Commerce Golf Classic at St. Denis Golf Course (see story on page 3 and Registration Form inside)

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Business After Hours Wrap Up & Thank You

The months of planning paid off in a big way as the 2009 All County Business After Hours (BAH) Event was held on May 13, 2009. Our location hosts at Notre Dame Education Center, under the direction of **Sister Debra Doig**, could not have been more accomodating. The location gave ample room for the multiple vendors to set up their display tables while allowing interaction between them and the many consumers who visited. We were fortunate to acquire the sponsorship of *The Geauga County Women's Journal* who provided us with wonderful event coverage both in their publication and through numerous e-mail blasts. For the second year we offered speed networking. This year's Master of Ceremonies was Chesterland Chamber of Commerce Trustee **Jim Prout** who directed the action for those who pre-registered. Each speed networker was sent a flash drive loaded with the contact information of everyone who participated in the event. Special thanks need to be given to **John Eitzroth** of *Effectium* for the countless hours he spent the evening of the BAH and thereafter meticulously loading every business card into a database and copying it onto all the flash drives. They were a great tool for those who speednetworked. There are a small number of these flash drives available for purchase (at a cost of \$10.00 each). If you are interested, contact Rose at the Chesterland Chamber at (440)729-7297. Additional thanks go to Jim Prout for his role in orchestrating a new feature at this year's BAH: Mini-Seminars. Jim arranged for **Chad E. Cook** of *Bright Side, Inc.* and **Gary G. Schoeniger** of *The Entrepreneurial Learning Initiative* to give presentations on "Innovation" and "Entrepreneurship" respectively. Both seminars were well attended and praised as a great addition to the event. We hope you were able to attend the BAH, visit the table displays, partake in the plentiful food and refreshments offered by our generous area food vendors or purchase a chance to win one of the fabulous Chinese raffle prizes provided by our wonderful donors. Be sure to look over the insert enclosed with this issue for highlights of the evening. On behalf of the Burton, Chagrin Valley, Chardon, Chesterland and Middlefield Chambers of Commerce, thank you to all who made the event a success.

Scholarship Awards

We are pleased to announce that **Kayla M. Stefancic, Lindsay Wargelin** and **Sarah Zyzanski** of West Geauga High School are this year's recipients of the Chesterland Chamber of Commerce scholarship fund awards. They each received a check in the amount of \$500.00. These students were chosen after being interviewed by Chamber Trustees **Bernice Guarnera, Monica Goins** and **Richard Healey**. Thanks go out to these dedicated Committee members for their many hours of work thoroughly reviewing the numerous applications received and paring them down to a manageable number for personal interviews. The committee members were once again impressed by the dedication, community service and future goals of the young applicants and hope that, together with this award, these students will achieve even greater academic accomplishments. In addition, for the third year the Chamber also awarded a scholarship in connection with the Scholarship of Entrepreneurial Engagement. The recipient of the \$500.00 scholarship was a team of three juniors at West Geauga High School: **Nicholas Baumgarten, Angela Ewing** and **Chris McDonald**. These students received their award when their business plan was selected from those of various students in **Danielle Emans'** business classes at the high school. The top business plans were reviewed by Chamber Trustees **Monica Goins** and **Lance Yandell** and scored on numerous criteria. The winning team's business plan, called "Blue Sage Ski Resort", provided a satisfying and worry-free skiing and snowboarding environment for individuals and families with an emphasis on customer service. Congratulations to all six Chesterland Chamber of Commerce scholarship award winners!



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- **Life and Disability** - With more than 50 years of experience and an A.M. Best rating of A (Excellent), Anthem Life has the expertise and experience to provide secure life and disability insurance options. Their products include extra member assistance benefits like the Resource Advisor program which helps with services like online will preparation and identity theft, and provides face-to-face counseling for beneficiaries and disabled employees. For a free online quote, visit the Member Benefits Page of our web page at www.chesterlandchamber.com. Click on the "FREE online quote" and complete the form. By being a partner with our Chamber you get more for less.

2009 Welcome New Members Night

We're again putting out the welcome mat and inviting you to our second annual "Welcome New Members Night" on **Thursday, July 23, 2009** from **5:00 - 7:00 p.m.** at **The Chesterland Tavern**, 8190 Mayfield Road in Chesterland. The event will be an opportunity for you to meet and welcome the newest members of our Chamber as well as talk with the Chamber Trustees and staff. The cost is **\$5.00** per person and will include an appetizer buffet.



There will be special "happy hour" prices on domestic beer, house wine and well liquor. Come network with us and **John Swartz** of *Hamilton Insurance Agency* who won the chance to spotlight his business at a previous event. Whether you are a new member or a treasured old friend, we hope you will join us at this event. Call the Chamber Office at (440)729-7297 to RSVP.

Annual Golf Classic and Clambake

Have you registered for our Annual Golf Classic and Clambake? It's time to make plans to join in on this day of fun on **Wednesday, September 9, 2009**. The proceeds from the event support the

REGISTER NOW!



Chamber's annual scholarship fund (see who received our awards this year in a related article on page two) as well as the Chamber's mission and programs. The event will be filled with fun all day, starting with golf and ending with a clambake. The outing is at **St. Denis Golf Course**, 10660 Chardon Road, in Chardon. Registration is at 9:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at 11:00 a.m. The cost is **\$125.00** per golfer if you register by August 12th. After August 12th the cost is **\$150.00**. The fee includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, a clambake dinner, drink tickets, a gift bag and golf shirt,

contests and fun all day. You know you had a great time last year, so register early to save yourself some money and be a part of this memorable event. Use the enclosed Registration Form to sign up. Various levels of sponsorship are available and all are explained on the Registration Form. Door prizes are always welcome (remember the fun during last year's prize raffles?) Not a golfer? Join us for the clambake dinner at 5:00 p.m. for only **\$38.00**. Don't miss out on the fun. Sign up today!



"Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result."
- Albert Einstein

Is it time for a change?

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