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Calendar of Events

Oct. 9	Down Town Fall Festival
Nov. 13	Holiday Open House
Nov. 27	Santa's Grand Apperance
Dec. 3	Midnight Madness
Jan. 8	Evening for Race Fans

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Fall 2021

A Note from the Director:

The temperatures are cooling down, or at least they are today as I write this. I must admit, I do love fall weather…sweater weather, right? But I am not so sure I am ready to let go of summer. This summer things felt good in Mercer County as we were able to have our festivals, Taste of Celina, 5K races, and even a full and busy county fair. These wonderful events would never happen if it wasn't for the great support of YOU, our LOCAL businesses and of course all the local volunteers that put these events together and execute them with amazing ease.

We are excited to see what the fall will bring. We are happy to be bringing back our leadership class and look forward to the winter events that include Midnight Gladness, Race Night, the opening of Santa's house, and so much more. Every week I say it on my radio report, and I will say it here…we have a great community, and you truly can find just about everything you are looking for right here in Mercer County. So, when you are out and about this holiday season, remember to shop local, support local!!
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Stacy

Welcome New Chamber Members

Family Care Options

The Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce their newest member, Family Care Options, Inc. Located at 5327 OH-29 just outside of Celina, Family Care Options offers compassionate around the clock service and support to the families of individuals with disabilities. Some of Family Care Options services include respite care, 24/7 supported living services, personal care, nursing care, and much more. Family Care Options continue to work hard to make a difference in the lives of the individuals they serve with exceptional care. For more information on the services offered, contact Family Care Options at 419-586-2576. Accepting the chamber membership plaque is CEO Krissy Zeisloft along with program managers Leslie Humbert and Tracy Gray. We welcome Family Care Options to the Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce.

Enyart Floor

The Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome new Chamber Member, Enyart Flooring & Home Decorating. Enyart Flooring & Home Decorating offers experienced interior design consultants and professional installers to create beautiful living spaces that reflect the taste and lifestyles of the clients they serve. With over 50 years of combined experience, their staff will accommodate light remodels, residential, and commercial grade projects. Located at 577 S. Second Street in Coldwater, Enyart's is locally owned and operated by Mark Enyart (pictured). Enyart Flooring is excited to serve you. Call 419-678-8777 to inquire on their services. Enyart Flooring is also accepting the Celina Mercer County Chamber gift certificates. Welcome Enyart Flooring to the Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce!

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Superior Credit Union has recently joined the Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce. The roots of Superior Credit Union can be traced back to the Superior Coach Corporation. In October of 1954, 20 employees of the Superior Coach Corporation signed a charter creating the Superior Coach Employees Federal Credit Union. In 2017, First Choice Credit Union in Coldwater celebrated its 50th year in business. That same year, in order to provide additional products and services to its members, First Choice elected to merge into Superior Credit Union. Superior broke ground on a new full-service office in Coldwater at 950 W Main Steet, which opened in 2018. Jayme Moorman of Coldwater is the Mortgage Loan Originator for Superior Credit Union. With almost 20 years of experience in the financial sector, Jayme is happy to be a part of Superior Credit Union and continue her involvement in the community and the Chamber of Commerce Leadership in Action program. We welcome Superior Credit Union to the Celina Mercer Chamber of Commerce!

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Attorneys associated with FGKS Law include John Garmhausen, Ralph Keister, Jim Shenk, Jim Thieman, Mike Staudt, Tom Potts, Dan Bensman, Bryan Niemeyer, John Deeds, Josh Koltak, Phil Borger, Craig Albers, Cameron Downer, and Colleen Gong.

For more information about FGKS Law attorneys and practice areas, as well as a sampling of representative business clients, please visit www.fgks-law.com. We certainly welcome FGKS Law to the Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce.

Annual Evening for Race Fans

We are very excited to announce the 26th Annual Evening for Race Fans is back and scheduled for Saturday, January 8, 2022 with special guest, Ryan Blaney. That's right, it will be a great evening for race fans as we will enjoy an evening with Nascar driver, Ryan Blaney who is currently competing in the Nascar Cup Series. Ryan will engage us in an entertaining evening of racing stories while also offering an autograph session. The evening will also include a buffet style dinner, 50/50, and a live auction benefiting the Celina Chamber and EverHeart Hospice (formerly State of the Heart Care). Join us at Romer's Catering in St. Henry on Saturday, January 8th. For ticket information, call 419-586-2219.

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Golf Outing Success

The Chamber Golf outing was a huge success thanks to all the great businesses of Mercer County. Thirty teams took the course at the Mercer County Elks on a gorgeous September day. (Remember it was rained out in May). Thanks to the Elks for another fantastic outing and to Mercer Savings Bank for our beverage sponsorship! Also, many thanks to our volunteers, hole sponsors, raffle prize donators, players, and corporate sponsors Stammen Insurance and Rino's Auto Sales. These events would never happen without your support. Congratulations to our winners!! Flight A Champs: B&B Carpet (John Shreeves, Caleb Shreeves, Mark Winkeljohn, and Jim Davis. Flight B Champs: Wabash Telephone (Mike Boley, Tim Weininger, Amy Wendel, and Garret Weininger. Thanks all for a great day and we will see you next May!

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Fall time flavors:

What is fall without homemade pumpkin pie? Several years ago, I had my first attempt at a real pumpkin pie made from real pumpkin…not out of a can. I am proud to say it was delicious but also a fun accomplishment. I'll be honest though…I do use store bought pie shells at times because I have not perfected a pie crust and sometimes it's just faster!! So here is my recipe for real pumpkin pie. Happy Fall Y'all

Cut the stem off a pie pumpkin (ask your grower the best pumpkins to use). Cut the pumpkin in half vertically down the middle. Remove the seeds. Place face down in a shallow baking pan. Must have an edge. Put a thin coat of water in the pan (keeps the pumpkin from burning). Bake 1 hour at 350. Remove from oven and peel off outer layer. It will come off easily if baked long enough. Puree your pumpkin in a blender. 2 Pumpkins = 4 Cups of pumpkin puree. (2 Cups for a recipe and freeze the other two cups)

Filling recipe:

2 Cups Pumpkin Puree
1 Cup brown sugar
½ tsp salt
12 oz can evaporated milk
2 Eggs
1 tablespoon flour
2 ½ tsp pumpkin pie spice

In large bowl slightly beat eggs, add brown sugar, flour, salt, puree, pumpkin spice, and evaporated milk. Stir well after each addition. Fill two shallow pie crusts. If using a deep dish pie crust it will fill that but not have enough remaining for a second pie…which I have used left over crust and made small tarts.

Bake 10 minutes at 450, then reduce oven temp to 350 and bake an additional 40-50 minutes. Cover crust edges with foil. Toothpick will come out clean when fully baked. Cool completely…that is if you can wait that long!

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Businesses in the News!

Floral Relfections

Recently, Kathy Sovinski of Venetian Gardens decided it was time to retire her green thumb. After many years of wonderful service and friendship, Kathy has retired. We thank Kathy for the great service she provided Celina and the surrounding area. Venetian Gardens was a staple in Celina and to know Kathy and her crew was to love them! But with her retirement, Kathy has sold the business to Floral Reflections. So let's take a moment to congratulate chamber member Floral Reflections!! Floral Reflections located in St. Henry, OH is a wonderful florist who has an eye for flare and offers beautiful arrangements and gifts for all occasions. Nikki and her staff value customer service and take pride in all they do to make a special occasion breathtaking. Stop by Floral Reflections 2nd location at 210 W. Market St. in Celina and be sure to say hi.

Grand Lake Eyecare

Grand Lake Eyecare is excited to announce the groundbreaking of a new location. Grand Lake Eyecare is currently located at 1025 Grand Lake Rd. As they continue to grow, they want to continue to offer the best in eye care and products to serve you. They recently broke ground at a new location in Celina near the Mercer Savings bank and Aldi's. Stay tuned to watch the progress of their new building. At Grand Lake Eyecare, LLC, they are committed to providing you and your family the highest quality eyecare in the most compassionate manner. Congratulations Grand Lake Eyecare!

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Holiday Happenings

The Holidays are quickly approaching (I know, who's ready for that!) and it's time to think about shopping! The Celina Holiday Open House will be held on Saturday, November 13th throughout Celina. Enjoy the kick off of the holiday season shopping downtown and thru Celina. Downtown businesses will once again have drawings for a chance to win some awesome prize baskets. Baskets range in value with last years' grand prize basket worth well over $500. If you are interested in donating products or gift cards for these baskets please email downtowncelinamerchants@gmail.com. Midnight Gladness is also coming up and is scheduled for Friday, December 3rd. This downtown event will host shopping and fun as we will have pictures with Santa, live reindeer, and entertainment. It's sure to be a welcoming winter event and will be fun for the entire family. Stay tuned forfurther details!!

And don't forget…Santa will be coming to town very soon. Santa Claus will make his grand appearance on the Saturday after Thanksgiving and will be at his house every Tuesday and Thursday from 6p-8p and Saturdays from 12n-2pm to greet all the good little boys and girls. It's going to be a great holiday season in Mercer County!!

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Adult Leadership in Action

The 2021-2022 Leadership in Action Class kicked off their class year with a welcome orientation in early September. We had the pleasure of meeting the entire class and enjoyed sharing all the great things to come in the next ten months. This class is designed to promote the leadership in the many different industries Mercer County offers and to expose the class to the different entities such as healthcare, education, law, elected officials, communication, and so much more. We have a wonderful committee that strategically plans out each class to give the participants the most information for their experience. We recently hosted the first class which was Communication Day. We kicked off our morning by visiting WCSM Radio and Brand It Marketing where they were able to observe a radio broadcast, tour the station, and see a beautiful farmhouse converted to a business where they design and deliver products nationwide. We then traveled to WTLW where the class had a fascinating tour of the Television studio and was able to read off the teleprompt. We ended our day visiting Messenger Press and observing print in process. It was a great day to see these businesses that appear small on the outside offer so much not only for our community but nationwide. We thank them for allowing us into their business world for a day. We are a truly blessed community to have these great companies literally in our own backyard. If you would like more information in participating in the leadership class, please email Stacy@celinamercer.com. We currently have a wait list for the 2022-2023 class that we would be happy to add you to.

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