



**Sunbury/Big Walnut Area
Chamber of Commerce**

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SunburyBigWalnutChamber.com

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"News & Notes"

"The mission of the Sunbury/Big Walnut Area Chamber of Commerce is to foster, support and promote the business environment in our community."

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Chamber Annual Meeting

With just over 100 Chamber members and guests in attendance, the Chamber's Annual Meeting was held on November 17th at Royal American Links in Galena.

We had a wonderful buffet dinner prepared by the staff of Royal American, great entertainment by harpist Sharon Avis and Christmas melodies shared by singer John Ralston. All during the evening guests had the opportunity to bid on silent auction items donated by our generous membership to raise funds for Big Walnut Friends Who Share.

BWFWS President Larry Tornes thanked the group for their continued dedication toward the assistance of in-need families in the BW School District. Jack Heath of Sunbury Goodwill presented 145 \$10 Goodwill gift certificates to Larry to be included in the client family Christmas boxes. A total of \$2,617 was raised from the auction.

Chamber President David Brehm presented a short business report for the Chamber including the successful events of the year. Executive Director Cindy Hall gave the financial report, including a report of the increased membership numbers in 2011.

We would also like to recognize the recipients of our Business of the Year Award, Sunbury Ace Hardware, and Chamber Service Award, Sunbury Chiropractic Center. Joe Forkin from the State Treasurer's office was also on hand to offer proclamations from the State Treasurer to both of our award recipients. Congrats to Ace Hardware and Sunbury Chiropractic Center! Continued on page 5.

First Friday's Building Business over Breakfast Series Continues into 2012

September's inaugural First Friday Building Business over Breakfast event was a great success, as has been the October, November and December meetings. We are pleased to announce that we will continue to host First Friday's throughout 2012!

Our FREE, value-added member benefit series will continue the first Friday of each month at Driven Automotive, 686 W. Cherry St. in Sunbury. Thank you to Driven Auto for their willingness to host this event for us.

We invite our members to join us for a free light breakfast and the opportunity to hear our business associates share valuable 'tools of the trade' with us. Bring a friend or co-worker who would benefit from these sessions, or invite a prospective Chamber member and encourage them to join our Chamber and get involved in our many networking opportunities, such as this.

Watch your email for invitations each month and our website calendar will also be updated with the details of the upcoming series.

Directory Update

The advertising has been sold and we are working diligently to update the membership data and community profile information in the new publication, scheduled for production late in the first quarter of 2012.

Please be sure to respond to CommunityLink's request for verification of your contact information at your earliest convenience so we can expedite the printing and distribution of our 2012 Membership Directory!

Advertising Members in this issue:

- ◆ Andrew Wecker, Attorney
- ◆ Grady Hospital
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Introducing Our Newest Chamber Members!

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Marital Arts Instruction

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Church

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Hotel/Lodging

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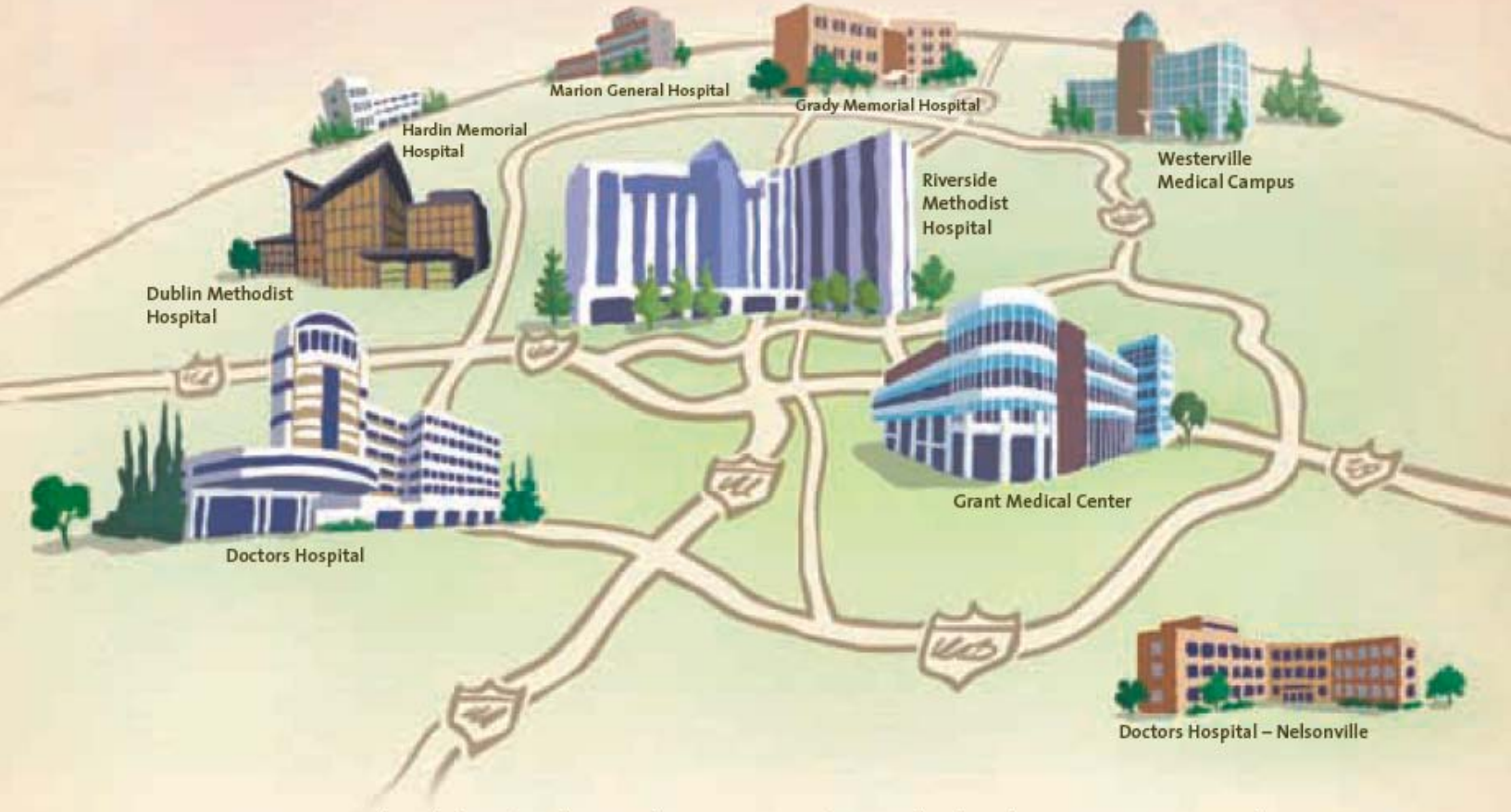
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Chamber Calendar



- ◆ **Thursday, December 15 - 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Ribbon Cutting & Holiday Open House**
Delaware County Tourism Bureau (Convention & Visitors Bureau) 34 S. Sandusky St., Delaware
- ◆ **Thursday, December 22 - 8:00 a.m. Chamber Board of Directors Meeting**, Chamber office.
- ◆ **The Chamber Board of Directors wishes you and your family a safe and wonderful Christmas and New Year's Holiday!**
- ◆ **Monday, December 26 through Monday January 2, 2012 ~ Chamber office will be closed. Will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.**
- ◆ **Friday, January 6 - 7:30 a.m. First Friday's Building Business over Breakfast**, Driven Automotive, 686 W. Cherry St., Sunbury (see details on page 5) - **"Taking Care of Business: What You Need to Know about Succession Planning"**
- ◆ **Thursday, January 26 - 8:00 a.m. Chamber Board of Directors Meeting**, Chamber office.
- ◆ **Friday, February 3 - 7:30 a.m. First Friday's Building Business over Breakfast**, Driven Automotive, 686 W. Cherry St., Sunbury - **"Extreme Makeover: Social Media Edition"**
- ◆ **Friday, February 17 - 7:30 a.m. Chamber Membership Breakfast, sponsored by Consolidated Electric Cooperative and Sunbury Urgent Care, Northstar Golf Club.** Reservations due by Tuesday, Feb. 14.
- ◆ **Friday, February 17 - immediately following breakfast, Chamber Board of Directors Retreat,** Northstar Golf Club.
- ◆ **Friday, March 2 - 7:30 a.m. First Friday's Building Business Over Breakfast - Driven Automotive 686 W. Cherry St., Sunbury - topic TBD**
- ◆ **Thursday, March 22 - 8:00 a.m. Chamber Board of Directors Meeting**, Chamber office.



Looking ahead.....Save the Date!

Thursday, April 26, 2012 - 14th Annual Chamber Community Expo - 5:00-8:00 p.m. at Big Walnut High School

Please visit SunburyBigWalnutChamber.com/News for complete details on all calendar events and a listing of community organization meeting dates and times!



You're Invited!
Thursday, December 15
5:00-7:00 p.m.

The Delaware County Tourism Bureau would be pleased to have you attend the Ribbon Cutting and Open House in recognition of our new location at 34 S. Sandusky St., Delaware, OH.



The CVB is excited to be located on Sandusky Street and close to our partners — Ohio Wesleyan University and the Delaware Area Chamber of Commerce. We look forward to serving Delaware County and welcoming visitors and residents at our new location.

2012 Chamber Membership Renewals

Watch your mail for your 2012 Chamber membership renewal invoice. All invoices will be mailed out before the end of December.

To guarantee your free listing in our upcoming 2012 Membership Directory/Community Profile/Resource Guide, please be sure your payment is made before January 31!

Also included will be information to secure your 2012 Chamber event sponsorships and newsletter advertising opportunities. Don't miss out on being an important part of our quarterly newsletters, the Chamber Community Expo, Famers' Market, Independence Day Celebration and Christmas on the Square!

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Chamber Membership Breakfast

Date: Friday, February 17, 2012
Time: 7:30 a.m.
Location: Northstar Golf Club
1150 Wilson Road, Sunbury

Breakfast is free, thanks to our generous sponsors.
Reservations are required.

Email: chall@sunburybigwalnutchamber.com
or call 740-965-2860 by no later than **Tues., February 14**
with your reservation(s).


Please be courteous. If you make a reservation you cannot keep, please notify us prior to the day of the event.



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Chamber Annual Meeting, continued.

Also at the Annual Meeting, directors Susan Dulin, Jim Hildreth and Matt Rogers received recognition of their years of service to the Board, as they will end their terms at the end of 2011. New directors Marla Evans (Evans Insurance Agency), Wendy Weiler (Ace Hardware) and Steve Hedge were nominated and voted on to fill vacated seats in 2012.

Steve Hedge, Executive Director Delaware-Morrow Mental Health & Recovery Services Board has agreed to servet for the three year term from 2012 through 2014. Steve joined the Chamber Board during 2011 to fill an unexpired term, and we welcome him back for another three years! As chair of the Community/Government Relations Committee of the Board, Steve brings his passion for working with government affairs partners on the local, state and federal level to the Sunbury Chamber.



Marla Evans will join the Chamber Board of Directors beginning January 1, 2012. Marla owns Evans Insurance Agency on the Sunbury square and says " I am looking forward to being part of the Board of Directors to help promote the Village and the local businesses. Eastern Delaware County has so much to offer, it's a wonderful place to work and live. "

Wendy Weiler will also join the Board of Directors in January. Wendy and her husband Mike, opened the Sunbury Ace Hardware in June and Wendy is pleased to have the opportunity to serve on the Board of Directors. "Mike and I are thrilled to live and work in this great community. Being a member of the Chamber Board of Directors will give me the opportunity to give back and use the resources I have to help the Big Walnut business community continue to grow and prosper."



Congratulations to Steve, Marla and Wendy! We are looking forward to a great 2012!

First Friday's Building Business over Breakfast

**Please join us Friday, January 6, 2012
at Driven Automotive, 686 W. Cherry St., Sunbury**

**"Taking Care of Business:
What You Need to Know about
Succession Planning"**

**with Dena Russell from
Haller Wealth Management Group
It's free!**

Join us for a light breakfast and lots of good information!

Some points of discussion:

- ⇒ Have you ever wondered what would happen to your business and your clients if you were unable to run your practice?
- ⇒ How will you transfer your business when you are ready to retire? And to Whom?
- ⇒ What measures have you taken to ensure that the full value of your business has been captured?
- ⇒ Take a Proactive Approach: Create a Business Succession Plan!

To reserve your spot, please visit:
<http://january6firstfridays.eventbrite.com>
Seating is limited, so don't delay!

30th Annual Christmas on the Square!

We hope you enjoy these photos of our event, courtesy of Lenny Lepola.



American Legion color guard leads the parade!



The Chamber wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas!



Grand Marshall Ken Crowl greets the crowd!



Library Friends!



Local Girl Scouts join in the fun!



Our friends from DATABus!



Ho Ho Ho Santa!



It's official!



Mindy Drayer reads Christmas stories to the children in the Town Hall.



St. Nicolas poses with the Alpacas



Genoa Christian Academy's live nativity!



Mayor Weatherby leads the Victorian Carolers during the tree lighting ceremony.

Special thanks to all of our 2011 Christmas on the Square Sponsors!

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