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- Verbal recognition at each concert event

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- Opportunity to address the audience at a concert of your choice
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- Opportunity for company to have a tent/display table at each concert

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TO THESE CHAMBER MEMBERS

AMOS ALONZO STAGG AWARD

Former University of Mount Union head football coach Larry Kehres recently received the American Football Coaches Association Amos Alonzo Stagg Award. The award is given to those who have been outstanding in the advancement of the best interests of football.



STATE LIBRARY BOARD

Eric Taggart has been named to the State Library Board. Eric was appointed by the director of the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce and sworn in at the January State Library Board Meeting. He has 29 years of Ohio public library experience and currently serves as the Rodman Public Library director/fiscal officer.



TOP 5 AGENT

Lisa Trummer and Tanner Real Estate were honored as a Top 5 Agent in Stark County for delivering outstanding customer Satisfaction as part of the Rate My Agent Agent of the Year Awards for 2023.

HALL KISTLER

Hall, Kistler & Company has promoted Andy Griffin, CPA and Seth Turner, CPA, CVA to Partner. Additionally, Becky Stumperth has joined as a staff tax professional, and Shelly Belcher has taken on the role of billing and front desk coordinator at the firm.

Andy is a 20-year veteran of the firm and is the leader of our audit and assurance team. In addition, he serves on various internal firm committees, including those



focused on oil and gas, manufacturing, and nonprofit organizations.

With 20 years of dedicated client service experience, Seth's expertise spans accounting and assurance, tax and financial consulting, and business valuations. He manages financial statement audits, reviews, compilations, and tax returns for individual and corporate clients. Holding the CVA credential, Seth leads the firm's business valuation and fraud niche.



Becky is a staff tax professional with nine years of experience as a seasonal preparer at HK. She joins the firm as a permanent member, where she has honed her skills in preparing 1040-1041 forms.



Shelly is a member of BKR International, the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, and the Massillon Chamber of Commerce and participates in autism awareness.



ACCENT ON EXCELLENCE AWARD

Congratulations to Brooke Guiley of Old Carolina BBQ and Niki McIlvain of Alliance Area Habitat for Humanity for being recognized by the National Sales and Marketing Executives (NSME) Akron Canton with the annual Achievement in Excellence Award for 2024. Brooke and Niki were honored during NSME's 52nd Annual Accent on Excellence event held in February.



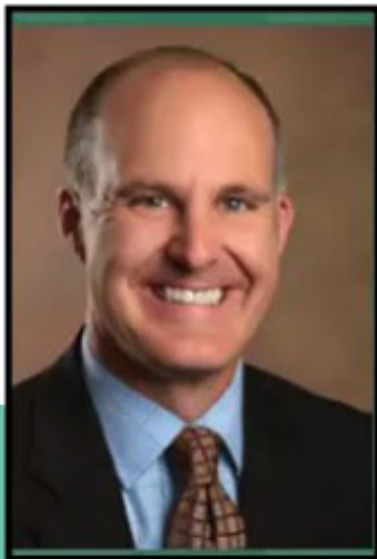
Human Resources Committee

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12PM Prompt

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SCHAUER GROUP ANNOUNCES NEW ALLIANCE OFFICE

Schauer Group’s new office in the Carnation City will help the risk management firm better serve its Alliance-area clients and strengthen the company’s talent pipeline.

Schauer Group is an independent risk management and insurance advisory firm that offers expert risk management consulting and customized business insurance, employee benefits, personal insurance and surety solutions. The company’s expansion into Alliance is a key part of the firm’s overall growth strategy, as Schauer Group works to better serve clients, support the Northeast Ohio region, and attract and retain talent.

The new Alliance office, located in the KeyBank building at 960 W State St., is headed by associate vice president Matt Griffin, who for many years has worked closely with Schauer Group’s greater Alliance-area clients.

“At Schauer Group, we define our success not only by our business metrics but by our impact in the communities we serve,” Griffin said. “We know our presence in Alliance not only helps us be better partners to our clients but also gives us additional opportunities to champion and invest in the community. We’re excited about the economic development efforts underway in Alliance and want to help support the city’s growth however we can.”

The team at Schauer Group has been active with the Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce and Alliance Area Development, where Griffin sits on the board of directors. The company also has a strong relationship with United Way of Greater Stark County, which supports many Alliance nonprofit organizations, and has joined the Give Alliance 365 initiative through the Greater Alliance Foundation.

In addition, Schauer Group is growing its partnership with the University of Mount Union to support the university’s Career Development office and offer students hands-on work experience. This semester, two Mount Union students are interning at Schauer Group’s Alliance and Canton offices with the firm’s sales and operations teams.



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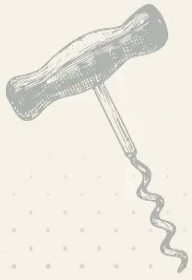
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September 20, 2024
TKG

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Small Business Marketing

March 22, 2024 from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Rodman Public Library
Cost: \$15 (lunch included)

The Marketing Committee of the Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce has been seeking feedback as it explores the potential for small business marketing consulting services for the area business community. These services would be offered based on need and at a low cost, led by a team of experienced marketing and communication professionals living and/or working in and around Alliance. Recently, nearly 60 representatives of Alliance area businesses completed a survey regarding their business marketing needs. Join us to learn a bit more about the survey results and to hear from some of the marketing experts committed to providing these low-cost services.

Seating is limited to 40. Reservations are required. Reserve by Monday, March 18. Call (330) 823-6260 or e-mail faye@allianceohiochamber.org for reservations.

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This month's Eastern Stark County Safety Council (ESCSC) meeting will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2024 – a week earlier than usual – due to the Ohio Safety Congress Expo taking place in Columbus. The meeting will be held at the Alliance Elks Lodge, located at 606 Glamorgan St. in Alliance, with lunch served at 11:45 a.m.



The meeting will feature a special presentation – “Noise Exposure and What You Should Know” – by Rick Maj, industrial hygienist and private consultant. Rick retired from the Ohio BWC Division of Safety and Hygiene after 40 years of service.

The spotlight speaker of the month will be Steve Kiko of Safe-T-Support.

Please RSVP to faye@allianceohiochamber.org or call (330) 823-6260. The cost is \$20 per person with the buffet lunch included.

FARMERS MARKET

The 2024 season of the Alliance Area Farmers Market will kick off on Saturday, June 22 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the corner of State Street and Union Avenue. The market will run weekly through October 5.

Are you interested in having a market space this year? Do you have questions and need more information? If so, we invite you to attend our upcoming market meeting on Friday, March 22 at 5 p.m. prompt in the Rodman Public Library auditorium. Please come so we can work together and make this the best year yet!

Contact faye@allianceohiochamber.org with inquiries.



SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2024

Taste of Alliance

Join us for an evening of food and entertainment!

Enjoy a variety of cuisines from local restaurants, food trucks and vendors starting at Jupiter Event Center spanning throughout Downtown Main Street.

The TOA will kick off at 5PM with The John Hampu Band hitting the Caboose stage at 6PM, followed by an hour of laughs from Canton Comedy Boom at 8:30PM. All this and more during the Main Street Alliance Final Friday festivities!

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