

ALLIANCE



AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

THE CHAMBER

News

Volume 22, Issue No. 5 | November 2023



Burgess Group
Insurance and Financial Services

DUSTIN BURGESS
CLTC

Auto, Home, Life, Business and Financial Services

330-821-8567
www.BurgessInsuranceGroup.com



ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE

Contact the Chamber for more information.

JIM FISH MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING A SUCCESS

The annual Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce golf outing in memory of Jim Fish was held Friday, September 15 at Tannenhauf Golf Club. A portion of the proceeds will help fund an account set up with the Greater Alliance Foundation called the Jim Fish Memorial Charitable Fund. This will be used to benefit local organizations that help support the battle against cancer.

The winning team was Cassaday Turkle Christian Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Golfers Adam Christian, Chuck Kesterke, Bill Schuld and Phillip Mastorianni took 1st place with a score of -14. The second place team – Robertson Heating Supply/Schauer Group – wasn't far behind with -12.

Thank you to the following sponsors and volunteers for making this event possible!

Continued on p. 2



Free Cyber Security Consult for Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce Members

PROTECTING YOUR NETWORK LIKE A HAWK

950 S. Sawburg Ave.
Suite B
Alliance, OH 44601
(330) 680-6002

TRUSTASTORIA.COM

BE A LION AND SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE ALLIANCE LIONS CLUB?
CALL: 330-206-1179

AllStaff
Staffing Solutions

Labor
Skilled Trades
Clerical

(330) 938-6717

Continued from p. 1

DIAMOND SPONSORS

Copeland Oaks and Crandall Medical Center,
University of Mount Union, Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths
& Dougherty Co. LPA, A-Town Burgers & Brews.

PLATINUM SPONSORS

415 Group, Consumers National Bank, Tanner Real
Estate Co., Cassaday Turkle Christian Funeral Home.

GOLD SPONSORS

Hall, Kistler & Company LLP. Cart Sponsors: ComDoc
& Roy's Wash & Lube.

HOLE IN ONE SPONSOR

Lavery Automotive

And thank you to our volunteers from Schauer Group,
Servpro of South and East Stark County, and the
American Heart Association.

GOLF OUTING

in honor of Jim Fish

Photos courtesy of Faye Roller and Burst of Light Photography





CHAIR'S MESSAGE

Chamber members,

It is really hard to believe that we are a short eight or so weeks away from bringing 2023 to a close. But, before we usher in 2024, there are a number of opportunities remaining this year to connect and network with your professional colleagues in the City of Alliance.



Join us on November 9 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Nest on State for our next Business After Hours event. Enjoy food, wine, beer, and a raffle and perhaps do a little holiday shopping at the same time.

Also, mark your calendars for what is quickly becoming a favorite holiday event in the City of Alliance – Christmas in the Park. This year's event will take place on December 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. in Silver Park. With eight free interactive stations for families and lighted displays throughout the park, it is an event you and your family won't want to miss. A special thank you goes out to Andrea Lee, Christmas in the Park committee chair; Kim Cox, director of the city's parks and recreation; and the entire Christmas in the Park Planning Committee for all they do to make this a memorable event each year.

And, finally, make sure to submit your reservation for the Chamber's annual holiday gathering. Scheduled for December 7 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Jupiter Event Center, this year's event will feature a fiesta theme. You won't want to miss the music, food (including a Jalisco's Taco Bar), drinks, and door prizes of the evening. It promises to be a lively and enjoyable holiday event.

Additional information about these events are included in this newsletter. You can also reach out to the Chamber office for additional details.

We hope to see you at a Chamber event or meeting soon!

Melissa Gardner
Chair of the Board

NUMBERS. PEOPLE.
It takes balance.



We'll get you there.

CPAs | CONSULTANTS | WEALTH ADVISORS

Greg Blasiman, 330-266-4126, Canton
CLAconnect.com

©2022 CliftonLarsonAllen LLP. Investment advisory services are offered through CliftonLarsonAllen Wealth Advisors, LLC, an SEC-registered investment advisor.

Experience Our Unique Brand Of Community Banking Service



Scott D. Lawrence
Business Banker

CONSUMERS
National Bank

- Commercial Loans
- Personal Loans
- Mortgage Loans
- Checking & Savings



Julie Lee
Relationship Manager

610 W. State Street, Alliance • Member FDIC • Equal Housing Lender



Helping You Since '72!

*Wrapping our Hearts
around your Home!*



Tanner Real Estate

1965 Glamorgan St.
Alliance
330-823-8880



#1 ALLIANCE
#1 Real Estate Company



Co-owner/ Broker
Lisa Trummer
330-257-0870

www.tannerrealestate.net

Hometown/Family Owned Business



Cheers

TO THESE CHAMBER MEMBERS.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Scott Zurakowski of Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths, & Dougherty Co. LPA on being named Best Lawyers in America® 2024 “Lawyer of the Year” in the areas of litigation – labor and employment.



STARKFRESH

Congratulations to StarkFresh on the opening of their new Alliance grocery store! On October 9, many from the community gathered for a grand opening and ribbon cutting event. The grocery store is in the lower level of The Alliance Commons located at 405 S Linden Avenue. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM. StarkFresh joins the YWCA Career and Fashion Boutique in the lower level with other agencies.

ALLIANCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Alliance Historical Society has received a collaboration grant from the Greater Alliance Foundation to create a self-guided walking tour of the East Main Street National Historic District in downtown Alliance. The Alliance Area Preservation Society will collaborate with the Historical Society to identify, research, and create the tour. The grant will pay for permanent signage marking the 25 to 30 stops on the tour. The Clio app for history will be used for recording the descriptions, historic photographs, and audio narration of the tour. The project will be completed during the winter with a launch in spring 2024.



UNIVERSITY OF MOUNT UNION
**TOMORROW
STARTS HERE**

To learn more, visit mountunion.edu



Christmas in the Park

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK SEEKING DONATIONS

As we embark on another year of planning and striving to create a positive community event, we are reaching out to request a donation to support the various components of Christmas in the Park. This year's event will take place on December 2 from 5-7 p.m. at Silver Park.

Local contributions have played a pivotal role in helping us achieve our mission in the past, and we are immensely grateful for continued support across the community. In the past few years, we have expanded Christmas in the Park to an event that has more than eight free interactive stations for families and increased the number of displays at Silver Park.

This year, we are looking to expand the activities offered while investing in new light displays that will last for years to come. However, we cannot achieve these goals without the financial support of compassionate individuals and businesses like yours.

Please consider a tax-deductible donation to Friends of the Park. Your contribution, no matter the amount, will make a significant difference in the lives of those we serve. Here are some ways your donation can impact our organization:

- \$250 – sponsorship of activity for children and families at the event
- \$500 – partial sponsorship of ice sculptor or new light display
- \$750 – sponsorship of small light display
- \$1,250 – sponsorship of large light display

To make a donation, please mail a check to the Friends of the Parks at 2930 S Union Avenue, Alliance, Ohio 44601. If you have any questions or require additional information, please reach out to committee chair Andrea Lee at alee@ymcastark.org or (330) 823-1930.

Your generosity can help our committee create a great event this year while having a lasting impact on what the parks department can offer each year for the holidays. Thank you for considering our request, and for your continued support of our community.

Sincerely,

Christmas in the Park Committee Chair
Andrea Lee

City of Alliance Parks and Recreation Director
Kim Cox

Christmas in the Park Planning Committee
Niki McIlvain
Chelsea Venables
Beth Miles
Rick Baxter
Faye Roller
Abby Schroeder



Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce

cordially invites you to a

Christmas Fiesta!

Thursday, December 7th
at

DJ
Balletbooth

Jupiter Event Center

346 EAST MAIN STREET IN DOWNTOWN ALLIANCE

JALISCO'S
TACO
BAR!

ENTRY \$30 | 5-8PM
MUSIC | FOOD | DRINKS &
DOOR PRIZES!



RSVP ONLY TO:
faye@allianceohiochamber.org
or call/text (330) 680-5376



FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

and the Mount Union Art Fest





HELP PUT FOOD ON THE TABLE AND A SMILE ON THEIR FACE



JOIN THE 10 FOR 10 OR 10 FOR 40 FOOD DRIVE AT YOUR ALLIANCE SLEEP OUTFITTERS

We'll all sleep better knowing our neighbors have food on the table. That's why we've partnered with Alliance Community Pantry to participate in food collection, and we're offering a 10 for 10 OR 10 for 40 deal to those that do. Your donations will help families in need throughout our community.



GIVE 10 FOOD ITEMS, GET 10% OFF MATTRESSES OR 40% OFF ACCESSORIES*

Simply bring 10 non-perishable food items to your Alliance Sleep Outfitters and you'll get 10% off your next mattress purchase OR 40% off accessories, including pillows, sheets, and mattress protectors*. Proving that giving back is very rewarding.

SUNDAY NOON - 6PM • MONDAY - SATURDAY 10AM - 8PM

 **SLEEP OUTFITTERS**
WWW.SLEEPOUTFITTERS.COM

ALLIANCE | 330-257-7996
2618 W STATE ST., STE A, ALLIANCE, OH 44601
IN ALLIANCE, OFF WEST STATE ST NEXT TO
CARNATION CITY MALL

*See store for details. Prior sales excluded.

For *You* ... For *Your Family* ... For *Your Community*.

Aultman is **HERE FOR YOU**.

And we've ALWAYS been here. As our community's ONLY locally owned and operated health system, we have ALWAYS been committed to providing you with the very best in care, wellness, education, insurance and more ... because you matter.

Visit us at aultman.org.



© 2022 The Aultman Health Foundation



DIGIANANTONIO NAMED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR AT RODMAN PUBLIC LIBRARY

A familiar face is filling a new position at Rodman Public Library.

DJ Digianantonio, who has been on the staff at RPL for 12 years, has been promoted to the position of assistant director.

Digianantonio prides himself on providing quality customer service and says he will continue to do so in his new role.

“I have always enjoyed working with the public,” said Digianantonio. “With this promotion, I will get to be involved in a larger part of the forward facing services at the library. Of course, this is a new position at Rodman Library, and it is always exciting to do something new and to take on the opportunities as well as the challenges that it may present.”

A lifelong resident of Stark County, Digianantonio was hired in October 2011 as Rodman Public Library’s first teen librarian and a member of the reference staff. In

September of 2014, the Perry High School and Kent State University graduate took over as head of the reference department.

As assistant director, he will continue to be in charge of the reference department and teen services at Rodman Library while taking on more administrative duties.

“DJ is an incredibly talented librarian and is very dedicated to the Alliance community and Rodman Public Library,” said Director Eric Taggart. “His promotion to assistant director is very well-deserved. I know that we are a better library with DJ taking on an expanded role within the organization.”

Digianantonio lives in Alliance with his wife, Stacy, who is head of children’s services at RPL, and their two sons, Oliver, 7, and Henry, 3.

“Rodman Library has been a great place to spend my career,” said Brown “I am happy I was able to stay in my hometown and contribute to our community.”

Find Your Friends at Copeland Oaks

Staying socially engaged is essential to maintaining physical and mental wellbeing.

Ways our residents stay social:

- Interest groups and clubs
- Volunteer opportunities
- Community planned events
- Indoor and outdoor recreation
- Personal training and fitness classes
- Spiritual groups
- Gathering with friends

At Copeland Oaks we offer a worry-free, safe, and fun environment where seniors can thrive emotionally, physically, and spiritually. Visit our website or set up a private tour to learn more.



Commit to an independent villa or apartment and we will cover your moving expenses up to \$1,500!



www.copelandoaks.com

Independent Villas and Apartments | Catered Living | Assisted Living | Memory Care | On-Site skilled nursing



BUSINESS ALLIANCE AWARDS

Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce

Photos courtesy of Burst of Light Photography

On October 16, we held our annual Business Alliance Awards at Mount Union's Hoover-Price Campus Center. Congratulations to the following award recipients.

- Athena Woman of the Year: Elayne Dunlap
- Small Business of the Year: Burgess Group Insurance
- Large Business of the Year: AllStaff Careers
- Spirit of Enterprise: Mark Locke

A special thank you to our sponsors:

DIAMOND SPONSORS

University of Mount Union, A-Town Burgers & Brews, Copeland Oaks, Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co. LPA

PLATINUM SPONSORS

Cassaday Turkle Christian Funeral & Cremation Service, Tanner Real Estate Co., 415 Group, Consumers National Bank

GOLD SPONSORS

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, Schauer Group





news

PUPPER



ANDY GROVE
MAYOR OF ALLIANCE



SCOTT LAWRENCE
CONSUMER'S NATIONAL BANK



IMP Physicians
The Future of Healthcare
Recognized by the
National Committee on
Quality Assurance



www.ncqa.or

Mark E. Hostettler, MD
David B. Kimbell, MD
Pamela A. Rodocoy, MD
Matthew Gooch, CNP
Quinn M. Repp, PA-C
Sheri Siefke, Practice Manager

Welcoming New Patients
Alliance (330) 821-3244
Canton (330) 492-8117
Minerva (330) 868-3711
www.impdoctors.com

YOUR ALLY IN ALLIANCE



Randy Hunt



Danielle Frye



Scott Zurakowski



Christopher Hunt

KWGD
attorneys at law

KRUGLIAK
WILKINS
GRIFFITHS &
DOUGHERTY
CO., L.P.A.



330.821.4232 | 960 W. State St., Suite 230, Alliance, OH 44601 | KWGD.com




SHOWROOM HOURS

Mon-Tues-Wed-Fri:
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thu: 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

Sat: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

2155 W. Main St.
Alliance, OH 44601
330-821-9180

Robertson
KITCHEN
AND BATH GALLERY
www.RKB1.com

NEST ON STATE

invites you to an Alliance Area
Chamber of Commerce

Business After Hours

Thursday Nov 9
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

1816 W State St. Alliance

Enjoy food, wine, beer, raffle &
shopping!



RSVP to the chamber

faye@allianceohiochamber.org or 330-680-5376



**Thursday, November 16th, 2023 from 12:00 - 1:00PM
at Don Pancho's Restaurant with lunch served at 11:45AM**

Join us for a presentation from:

**Bill Robinson, Environmental Director
and Environmental Health Specialist
of the Alliance City Health Department**

**Our Spotlight Speaker will be the
Alliance Health Department Blessing Box**

**Please bring a non-dairy soup as a donation.
Monetary donations will also be accepted.**



***Healthy Lifestyles,
Healthy Community***

RSVP to faye@allianceohiochamber.org or call (330) 823-6260

Cost is \$20 per person with buffet lunch included.

TannenhauF
GOLF CLUB




FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED
SINCE 1959

18 Championship Holes
Driving Range and Practice Facility
Pro Shop and Snack Bar
League Openings and Outings Welcome

(330) 823-4402
11411 McCallum Ave., Alliance
www.tannenhaufgolf.net

Givens-Grove
INSURANCE



Tracy Grove
401 S. Arch Ave.
Alliance, OH 44601
(330) 821-2463
givensinsurance@
sbcglobal.net

M The Motorist Insurance
Group, You know us.®

givensinsurance.net

CASSADAY TURKLE
CHRISTIAN
FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICE



75 South Union Ave.
Alliance, OH 44601
(330) 823-1050
www.ctcfuneral.com

We listen.
We care.
We comfort.

Paulie
ELECTRIC

STATE LICENSE #14619
475 E. State St., Alliance, OH 44601

Residential
Commercial
Industrial
Farm Wiring
Generators
Bucket Truck Service

(330) 821-7438
office@paulielectric.com

PAULIELECTRIC.COM

Dear Friend of the Festival,

November 1, 2023

The 2024 Greater Alliance Carnation Festival will be celebrated from August 1 - August 11. As you can imagine, it takes a lot of time, work and money to maintain a festival as big as ours from year to year. Now in its 64th year, it is one of the largest events in Ohio!

Visit our website at: www.carnationfestival.com

Through your generosity the Carnation Festival Board of Directors can provide our community with the wonderful festival each year. For 2024, the Carnation Festival will offer 11 full days of activities for family fun and community fellowship; the Food Fest, the Queen's Pageant, the Balloon Lift-Off, the Carnation Days in the Park, the Fireworks, the Grand Parade, plus many other great events.

There is no question that the economy has affected everyone this year. Please realize that without supporters like you, the Carnation Festival would not be the successful community event that we all look forward to each year.

Our categories of giving:

- \$0 - \$199 Festival Benefactor (includes recognition on our website)
- \$200 - \$499 Bronze Sponsor (website recognition, name in brochure)
- \$500 - \$999 Silver Sponsor (website recognition, name in brochure & 3x5 banner)
- \$1000 - \$1999 Gold Sponsor (website recognition, name & small logo in brochure, (2) 3x5 banners)
- \$2000 - \$2999 Scarlet Sponsor (website recognition, name & large logo in brochure, (2) 3x5 banners)
- \$3000 - \$3999 Lamborn Sponsor (website recognition, name & extra large logo in brochure, (2) 3x5 banners)
- \$4000 Grand Sponsor (website recognition, name & double extra large logo in brochure, (2) 3x5 banners and designation as Grand Sponsor)

The Carnation Festival gives our community, **Your Community**, a sense of pride by being the home of the Ohio State Flower, the Scarlet Carnation. Please be an integral part in building the community spirit. It is people like you that will help make the Annual Greater Alliance Carnation Festival a success. If you have any questions, please call me directly at (330) 704-8410 or email carnationfestival2017@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

Sue Grove

2024 President — Greater Alliance Carnation Festival

Please complete the form below and mail along with your contribution by June 3, 2024.

Make checks payable to: **Greater Alliance Carnation Festival**

This due date **CANNOT** be extended due to printing deadlines.

Name of Business (if applicable): _____ Amount: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone# _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____



BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Pauli Electric





Human Resources Committee



Tuesday | November 7, 2023
12PM Prompt

Elks Lodge located at
606 Glamorgan Street, Alliance

Welcome our Featured Speaker Carrie Robson of
Ameriprise Financial Services



Presenting:
"Confident Retirement –
Living well today &
tomorrow"

RSVP to faye@allianceohiochamber.org or
call/text (330) 680-5376

ALLIANCE LIONS CLUB
WE SERVE



Learn what you need to know about Automated External Defibrillators

The Alliance Lions Club cordially invites you to attend our meeting on **Thursday, November 9, 2023**. The meeting will begin at **6:45 p.m.** and is being held at the **Alliance Elks Lodge #467** located at 606 Glamorgan Street. The subject of the program for the evening is AED (Automated External Defibrillators). Our club recently purchased one of these medical devices for the Alliance Parks Department to be installed for use at the new Robertson Lodge Building at Silver Park.

Gary Barnes of American AED and a representative of the Alliance Fire Department will discuss the function/operation and importance of this device. These easy-to-use medical devices, found in many public buildings and work places, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. The chance of surviving a cardiac arrest drops 10% for every minute's delay in resuscitating a victim, so it is important for all of us to have a working knowledge of an AED's operation.

We are hopeful that you see the importance of this subject and will be able to join us on November 9th. Coffee and dessert will be served following the presentation.

To confirm your attendance, please call or text Dave Williams at 330-206-1179 or email at dwplayground74@gmail.com to make a reservation. Your response by Tuesday, November 7th will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Williams".

David Williams
Alliance Lions Club



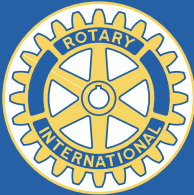

ALLIANCE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER

We're with you, every step of the way.

Services:
 Obstetrics and Gynecology
 Family Medicine
 Walk-In Primary Care
 X-ray
 Sliding Fee Scale Available

Women's Health/Family Medicine:
330-249-7011
 1401 S. Arch Avenue, Suite A
 Alliance, OH 44601
www.alliancefamilyhealth.org

Service Above Self



To find out more or join the Rotary Club of Alliance, visit our website.

www.AllianceRotary.org



ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE
 Contact the Chamber for more information.

The Alliance Chamber welcomes the following new members.

- TKG (The Karcher Group)
- OTS Cleaning & Restoration
- Lohnes Dental
- Stark Education Partnership
- Re/Max Edge Realty



210 E. Main St., Alliance, OH 44601
 Phone (330) 823-6260
faye@allianceohiochamber.org
www.allianceohiochamber.org

Follow us on Social Media



STAFF

Rick Baxter
 Faye Roller

President
Vice President of Marketing and Development

OFFICERS

Melissa Gardner
 Lisa Trummer
 Eric Taggart
 Greg Blasiman
 Rick Baxter

Chair
First Vice Chair
Second Vice Chair
Treasurer
Secretary

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Carl Ammon
 Grayson Beamer
 Dustin Burgess
 Adam Christian
 Gary Conny
 Marcie Curry
 Chris Debo
 Melissa Gardner
 Lisa Gentile
 Rob Gress
 Sherry Groom
 Brenda Johnson
 Mark Johnson

Laura Kessel
 Ryan Klusch
 Julie Lee
 Frank Minear
 Dave Mitchell
 Eva Murphy
 Dave Shroades
 Eric Taggart
 Lisa Trummer
 Stacie Bacorn
 (Women's Division)
 Rich Burton
 (ESCS)