



Our annual Business dinner better known as the **C.O.V.E.R.** Awards will be held, Thursday, November 8th at RSVP at Wards Corner. This exciting event recognizes our businesses both Large and Small. We also recognize a Volunteer/Service Person and the chamber honors a deserving person as Humanitarian of the Year.

Enclosed with your newsletter is a nomination form. Please nominate your favorite business or businesses and a volunteer/service person. Our businesses deserve recognition for all their hard work. Please forward your nomination to the office. You can snail mail it, fax it or using the format from the form, email it to us.

Please mark your calendar. Invitations will be sent in late September.

### Luncheon at Panera Bread

The luncheon was held Thursday, Aug. 23rd at Panera Bread in Miami Township. 50 participants were treated to a delicious lunch. In attendance were the new interim Superintendent Robert Farrell and new Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Tim Ackermann. They were introduced by Karen Huff. She then introduced the 2007-2008 MMTCC President, Ron Burke. Ron reminded everyone that we are here to serve our businesses and we offer many services that our businesses can use.

We want to thank Panera Bread for hosting this event and serving a delicious lunch. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Daylight Saving Time Ends

**November 4, 2007**

Don't forget to change your clocks.



## The MMTCC NEWSLETTER September 2007 Serving the Milford Area Since 1947



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### **Celebrating 60 Years of Service**

July 1947 the Milford Chamber of Commerce charter was issued. The first meeting was actually held on May 28, 1947 to elect the first officers. They were:

**James H. Franklin -President**  
**Verne Williams - Vice President**  
**John C. Craver - Secretary - Treasurer**

Much water has passed under the bridge since then. The annual Fall Festival evolved into Frontier Days, and many board members have come and gone. The Milford Chamber grew into the Milford Miami Township Chamber of Commerce and we are still growing. We are nearly 300 strong and many activities have been added. The present board is very proud of our heritage thanks to all the people who have worked behind the scenes such as Mary Ann Partin, known affectionately as the "Mother of the Chamber". We look forward to the future and want our members to know we are committed to helping anyway we can.

### **Your BUSINESS Matters in Milford!**

I've met many of you, but not enough--so let me do a little introduction. I'm Carrie Owings, the new Economic Development Director. City of Milford So what does that mean? Our program has us **A.R.M.E.D. (Attract, Retain, Maintain, EXPAND, and Develop** all aspects of the community) to compete in this global market. My background is where the "rubber meets the road"---Lived in Mt. WA for 19 years; started and ran multiple successful businesses; assist & coach many others; and am active in many community groups (from sports & recreation to faith to the schools to...). I am not the typical economic person, not a political or books only background, more "I've been there, done that".

Enough about me, what does that mean for you? My desire is to aid the Milford area in healthy planned growth. That equates to **assisting businesses** (looking @ tax incentives, state programs, workforce opportunities, marketing improvements, referrals to SBA or different programs... You can EXPECT responsive CONFIDENTIAL 1 on 1 help for your needs). **Promoting** area events (fine arts & entertainment become paramount in us becoming a destination). My job incorporates many other aspects---Property availability, recruiting new businesses, as well as aiding in coordination efforts of ongoing projects. This is a highlight (daily activities incorporate many other aspects--an extensive report can be furnished upon request). Let's focus on our opportunities, which are many!

I welcome your inquiries, the phone is not nearly busy enough for my taste, and I would love to hear your ideas, projects... You can REACH me at 831-2411 or by email a [carrieowings@yahoo.com](mailto:carrieowings@yahoo.com)

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## September-Check out what's happening around the area

Farmers Market New Location!! Now located in the Milford Shopping Center. Open Saturdays @10am and Wednesdays @2:00pm. Thru October.



Junction Trail Fest, Sept. 7-9. Celebrates America's Long Distance Trails connecting in Milford, OH. Go to [www.thejunctiontrailfest.org](http://www.thejunctiontrailfest.org) for more info.

Tues. Sept. 11th @ 10am at the Chamber Office, Free to Chamber Members: Get Ideas & Solutions to Expand your Customer Base  
Carrie Ownings, Presentor. Call for more info. 513-831-2411

An Art Affaire, Sat. Sept. 15th, noon to 5pm at Promont. Local artists and more. Go to [www.promonthouse@fuse.net](http://www.promonthouse@fuse.net) for more information.

After Five—Latitudes in Historic Milford, Thurs. Sept. 20th Wine & appetizers. \$15. Information will be sent.

Courage for Corey-Family Night Out at Texas Roadhouse, Mon. Sept. 24th

Row House Gallery is selling tickets for a Scott Gustafson print called *The Wizard of Oz*. Ticket proceeds will benefit the Courage for Corey Fund. The drawing will be held Friday, December 7th when Gustafson will be a Row House Gallery. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5 and are available at Row House Gallery, MMTCC office and Milford Fire Dept.

## October-

### The Buskers are Coming!!

Sat. Oct. 6th in Historic Milford 12-9pm.  
Bring the whole family. For more info visit [www.milfordbuskerfest.com](http://www.milfordbuskerfest.com)



"*Walk Through Historic Greenlawn Cemetery*", Sat. Oct. 6th . Two tours are scheduled. Please call Promont House Museum at 513-248-0324 for ticket sales locations.

MMTCC partnering with The Literacy Council present the Fall Classic, Monday, Oct. 15th at the **Oasis Golf Club**. For more information, contact the Chamber office at 513-831-2411.

**Milford Theatre Guild** will be presenting "The Complete History of America". Contact Betty at 575-2103 to pre-order tickets

## November—Remember to Vote, Nov. 6th

Town Criers from around the world are coming to Milford, Nov. 14-16. For more information contact Bill Knepp at 248-1130.

C.O.V.E.R. Awards Dinner, Thurs., Nov. 8th. See article-Back Page

## Membership—New & Renewals

### Welcome New Members

Chaser Ins. Group, Inc.  
Cincinnati Financial Group  
Ellis-Scott & Assoc.  
F.S.W. Enterprises Inc.  
Homewood Suites

J.L.K. Trucking  
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### Thanks for Renewing

Angel's House of Music  
Aquarian Pool  
Arbors at Milford  
Brian D. Vance DDS  
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CDPS, Inc.  
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