



# Chamber Connection

## “Creating a Bright Future”

**Trotwood  
Chamber of Commerce**

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### BEST Expo

The business expo and showcase of technology was the first for the Chamber and being the first, we did not know how the attendance would be nor what to expect. It was an immense assignment; however, the experience was worth it!

There were 31 exhibitors, four sponsors and workshops focusing on green technology and what they could provide to improve energy efficiency not only for businesses but citizens as well. There were 100 present for the lunch and keynote speaker.

Articles appeared in various papers, television as well as public appearances...publicity was great! Our hats are off to the B.E.S.T. Team; all participants did an outstanding job of working together to get everything completed. Our special thanks to the Chamber Board and H. G. Gathagan for helping on the day of the event.

The exhibitors were very pleased with the organization, professionalism and flow of the expo... several gave suggestions for our next expo and the City's Fire Department is anxious to see another expo next year.

### New SOCA Merchant Service Program

Credit card processing is an operating cost that can be controlled and minimized. **SOCA** and **Infintech** have joined forces to deliver an exclusive group rate on payment processing to all chamber members. For more information on this new benefit, contact the chamber at 937.837.1484 .

*Marie Battle, CPS, Executive Director*

### Why Employees Get Hurt

By Gary Hanson, President of

American Safety & Health Management Consultants, Inc.

If you establish a Safety Culture, make safety a top priority, communicate this clearly and your policies religiously, you will eliminate most of the reasons why employees get hurt. Accidents don't happen by accident they are caused. Eliminate the causes and you will eliminate accidents and the reason why employees get hurt.

### Step 8—Written and Communicated Safe Work Practices

Safe work practices are essential to a safe work environment. Written procedures should be developed and used to guide your company's safety effort. These in turn need to be communicated to all management and hourly employees.

The safety manual or handbook should include company wide work practices, OSHA specific written procedures and job or task specific safe operating procedures. The manual should also include Safety Policy Statement, Management and Employee Responsibilities and General Work Rules. Ask your employees or Safety Committee to help in developing these guidelines.

Examples of some of the information that should be included:

Safety Policy Statement; 2) Management and Employee Safety Responsibilities; 3) Safety Coordinator Responsibilities; 4) General Work Rules; 5) Housekeeping; 6) Proper Lifting; 7) Personal Protective Equipment; 8) First Aid Procedures; 9) Hazard Communication; 10) Lockout/Tagout; 11) Fire Extinguisher Operation; 12) Safe Use of Tools and Equipment; 13) Machine Guarding and Safe Operating Procedures; 14) Emergency Evacuation; 15) Bloodborne Pathogens if applicable; 16) Job Specific Safe Work Practices.

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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
MARY TAYLOR



## Vandalia-Butler and Trotwood Chambers of Commerce Present “Coffee With the Lieutenant Governor”

June 2, 2011 - 2:00 p.m.

Location

Christian Life Center  
3489 Little York Rd.  
Dayton, Ohio 45414

**RSVP Requested**

RSVP's are requested. Admission is \$5.00. Please contact the Vandalia-Butler Chamber of Commerce at 898-5351 or by email to [will@vandaliabutlerchamber.org](mailto:will@vandaliabutlerchamber.org) to secure your reservation.

## Save-the-Date



Golf Outing  
Saturday, September 17, 2011

*Moss Creek*



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**Four Seasons of Dayton  
Nursing & Rehab. Center  
Frontier Communications**

**Membership Renewal  
Vectren Corporation**

HAMVENTION



It is that time of year again! Hamvention 2011 begins Friday, May 20 through Sunday, May 22. It is the largest gathering of amateur radio operators in the world! They are expecting 20,000 people over the three-day weekend. Should you have

questions or need tickets, call the Hamvention office at 937.276.6930.

**You are invited to  
Chamber After-Hours**

When: Tuesday, June 14, 2011; Time: 5 – 7 pm  
Where: 301 Stuckhardt Rd (off E. Main Street at Blairwood) **Sponsored by: CountyCorp**

Adam Blake, Housing Development Manager, will briefly discuss their successful Neighborhood Stabilization Program and how it is benefitting Trotwood.

Join us for refreshments and to see the gorgeous total rehab of 301 Stuckhardt, an example of what CountyCorp is doing in Trotwood and other neighborhoods in Montgomery County. Under the NSP project, CountyCorp is purchasing foreclosed and vacant houses, often the worst on the block, and totally renovating them into beautiful, energy efficient, low maintenance homes to resell to qualified buyers.

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