

Chamber Connection

Trotwood Chamber
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Trotwood OH 45426
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Message From The President

I love it when I get to tell people about the fun and informative Trotwood Chamber networking events like the Annual Golf outing on September 18th or the Chamber After 5 at Lowe's on October 8. I celebrate when I hear a member has saved \$1,000's on their workman's comp or health insurance. And I dance on the rooftops when we add a new business to the chamber roster.

The Trotwood Chamber is only as strong as the members it serves. Thanks to the visionary approach from our board of directors we have been able to explore new ways to bring fresh light to our business community. And more is coming in the years ahead.

I hope you will engage with us as we test some new ideas to attract and retain businesses in our city. Your ongoing membership benefits our mission and your bottom line with discounts from our partners. Together we can position our businesses for a very good future.

Bruce Kettelle, President



Trotwood Chamber's 7th Annual Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, September 18, 2015, at MeadowBrook at Clayton (formerly Meadowbrook Golf Club), 6001 Salem Avenue. We invite you, your clients, or potential clients, to join us for networking and golf.

Registration and continental breakfast from 7:30-8:15 a.m., shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. with an approximate completion at 1 p.m. , and a bountiful buffet lunch, door prizes and awards immediately after golf.

The success of our outing is dependent on our generous sponsors, volunteers, and supporters. Greater Dayton RTA has been our grand sponsor for two consecutive years and we are truly thankful! We invite you to become a grand sponsor as well. If you cannot sponsor our outing, consider donating an item for a door prize.

The entry form is included in this newsletter. Please take a few minutes to complete the form and return it to Trotwood Chamber of Commerce, 5790 Denlinger Road, Trotwood OH 45426. Proceeds from this event will be used to support Chamber programs, YMCA, community events and other organizations this coming year.



Bruce Kettelle
President,
Michael Lucking ,
City Manager,
Marie Battle
Executive Director

Michael Lucking retired July 31, 2015. He served on Trotwood Chamber Board for more than seven years and did an outstanding job representing the City of Trotwood on our board. Thank you Mike for your service, you will be sorely missed.

We welcome Quincy E. Pope, Sr., Interim City Manager/ Public Safety Director to our board. He will represent the City of Trotwood on our board.

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January 2016

RE: Group-Rating Safety Accountability

Dear Employer:

Each year Ohio employers have the opportunity to participate in BWC's Group-Experience-Rating Program or Group-Retrospective-Rating Program. While these programs are not required, they do provide you with an opportunity to significantly reduce your workers' compensation premiums, while increasing your awareness of safety and risk-management strategies.

Workplace safety is an important component of these programs. To succeed in accident prevention, we encourage you to use the many resources available to you. We believe a group-rating program is a partnership that includes you and your employees, your sponsoring organization or third-party administrator (TPA) and BWC. Each has specific roles and responsibilities, all designed to assist in preventing workplace accidents. This letter outlines the safety services expectations you should have as an employer enrolled in a group-rating program.

The employer will:

- Maintain a safe workplace;
- Attend safety training to enhance workplace safety;
- Use BWC's safety services as needed;
- Fulfill the required two-hour training requirement and provide proof of attendance to sponsor for claim(s) occurring within the last year.

The certified primary and affiliated sponsoring organizations will:

- Sponsor eight hours of safety training (this may be done at one time or may be provided incrementally as long as the total is at least eight hours);
- Provide information regarding safety resources to group members;
- Possibly assist an employer in achieving its safety needs;
- Manage employer fulfillment of the two-hour training requirement, where applicable;
- Publish this letter to group members.

The TPA may:

- Assist sponsoring organizations with fulfilling the group-rating safety requirements;
- Assist an employer with its safety needs;
- Work in conjunction with sponsors to develop safety training and deliver safety resources;
- Provide resources for claims handling.

BWC will:

- Monitor all group-rating safety activities to confirm requirements are met;
- Remain in communication with sponsoring organizations to provide recommendations for fulfilling safety requirements;
- Provide safety training through Ohio's Center for Occupational Safety & Health;
- Offer on-site safety consultation (hazard assessments, air and noise monitoring, ergonomics evaluation, training) by a BWC safety professional;
- Offer publications and videos for safety program support;
- Conduct employer visits to confirm the employer is meeting group-rating requirements, when appropriate.

The goal of this collaborative effort is to make sure all your safety needs are met. Using these resources will assist you in preventing accidents, reducing claims costs and achieving the highest discounts possible. Below you'll find contact information for various resources.

Group sponsor: Trotwood Chamber of Commerce

TPA: Hunter Consulting Company

BWC: <https://www.bwc.ohio.gov/employer/services/safetyhygiene.asp>, groupratingsafety@bwc.state.oh.us



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Thank you for renewing your membership

**Brunner Literacy Center
Sisters of the Precious Blood
Welcome New Member
Garden Center Court
4911 Covenant House Drive
Trotwood OH 45426
Phone: 937.837.2651
(long-term care and skilled nursing facility)**

Upcoming Events

Friday, September 18, Annual Golf Outing, MeadowBrook at Clayton, 7:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 8, Business After 5, Lowe's Home Improvement, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 12, Annual Dinner/Business of the Year, Friendship Village, 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Be Informed—Marijuana Amendment

The campaign to legalize marijuana in Ohio made it onto the November ballot by collecting the required 305,591 valid voter signatures, according to ResponsibleOhio Executive Director Ian James, who said he received a certification letter from Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted's office. Husted's office also confirmed that the issue is certified to make the ballot.

Voters will decide whether Ohio should switch from a complete prohibition of marijuana to allowing people to use it as medicine and permitting adults to smoke and consume pot for recreation. If it passes, adults would be allowed to buy marijuana from retail shops, possess up to an ounce of pot, and grow indoors at home up to eight plants.

The bulk of the weed will be produced by 10 indoor growing factories that are controlled by the investors who are bankrolling the constitutional amendment campaign - See more at: <http://www.whio.com/news/news/state-regional-govt-politics/ohioans-will-vot-on-marijuana-legalization-this-fa-njJH7/#sthash.xQOgzG5r.dpuf>

Mandatory 2-Hour Safety Training

Any employer that incurred a claim during the **GREEN** year and is currently participating in

a WORKERS' COMPENSATION GROUP RATING PROGRAM, must complete 2 hours of safety training to be compliant with Ohio BWC guidelines.

Private Employer green year:

January 1, 2014- September 30, 2014

Public Employer green year:

January 1, 2014 - June 30, 2014

There are a number of options available for completing this requirement, employers can:

Complete 2 hours of online training

@ www.bwclearningcenter.com

Attend a training session provided by the BWC's Division of Safety & Hygiene

[Dates, times, and locations](#)

Complete the BWC's online Accident Analysis course and the corresponding report. Once you have completed the training send your CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION to **Tammy Purcell** via fax at (513) 372-8754 or via email at tpurcell@hunterconsulting.com

Acquiring Another Business? BWC's AC-4 Form can help prevent business transfer headaches

Are you a business owner who's thinking of purchasing all or part of another existing business? Do you know the impacts the purchase can have on your workers' compensation costs?

Inherited rates and liability of the business it has acquired can have a major impact on the purchaser's **CURRENT** and **FUTURE BWC PREMIUM RATES**. It can also jeopardize the purchaser's ability to participate in certain BWC employer programs and group-rating plans offered by group sponsors.

The BWC wants to help business successors avoid unpleasant surprises when it comes to the workers' compensation history of a business it may acquire. At the acquiring business' request, the BWC will provide a limited release of information about the business being acquired. To assist with the request, the BWC created the **AC-4** form or Request for Business Transfer Information form.

For more information about to access the **AC-4** form, visit **BWC's Successorship liability page**. If you have additional questions, please send questions via email to policyprocessing@bwc.state.oh.us, or contact your local **BWC customer service office**.



**Trotwood Chamber's Seventh Annual Golf Outing
Friday, September 18, 2015
MeadowBrook at Clayton
6001 Salem Avenue
Clayton OH 45315**

Entry Form

Please Check One

Sponsor Levels: ___ *Grand Sponsor (\$1000 includes four players)* ___ *Ram Sponsor (\$500 includes two players)* ___ *Green Sponsor (\$250)* ___ *Hole Sponsor \$100)* ___ *Cart Sponsor (\$50)*

Name of Business: _____

Contact: _____ **Phone #** _____

E-mail: _____

Registration includes: Continental breakfast, golf cart, driving range, Bountiful Buffet Lunch to include slow cooked BBQ Ribs, Marinated Grilled Chicken, Baked Beans, Tossed Salad, Potato Salad and Assorted Cookies) - \$90/per player or \$360/per team - golf only \$75.

Name _____ **Phone No.** _____

Total @ \$90 each _____

I am unable to play golf but will have lunch at \$25 per person

Name _____ **Phone No.** _____

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We accept VISA, MasterCard, Cash and checks. Please make check payable to Trotwood Chamber of Commerce and mail to:

**Trotwood Chamber of Commerce
5790 Denlinger Road-Suite 4011
Trotwood OH 45426**

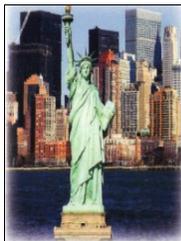


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Debbie Ashcraft
Owner

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