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Winter 2023

A Note from the Director:

We are off, 2023 is here and we are off to embark on a new year.

What will this new year bring to you personally or in business?

What are your goals? Do you have a path set for yourself? I think

these are questions we all ask ourselves repeatedly as a new year

comes into play, but how do we put these plans into motion is the

real question. I have my second (and last) child graduating high

school this May, so my plan personally is to take in each moment

and enjoy every second. Time certainly is a thief so my "plan" is a

month at a time, a week, or maybe even a day at a time.

When I think of business though, it's not as simple as taking a day

at a time. It's the complete opposite. We must be forward thinkers,

always thinking of what we can do down the road to bring

success to our business and the businesses we serve. We have

already begun thinking of our banquet in March, our golf outing in

May, our Taste of Celina in July, and trying to plan other events to

benefit our community. But we also want to serve our members with

continued networking opportunities and additional promotional

support. I would like to hear from you though. How would you like

to become involved. We look forward to our quarterly business after

hours, but what else would you like to see, and are you willing or

wanting to become involved?

Let's get a running start in 2023! Feel free to email some of your

great ideas you would like to see come to fruition, to meet more

chamber members, and become more involved. Send a quick note

to stacy@celinamercer.com and let's make 2023 a year to

remember!!

Stacy

Calendar of Events

January 28, 2023

Race Night with Chase Briscoe

February 3, 2023

Downtown First Friday Chocolate
Walk

February 4, 2023

Groundhog Dance –
Mercer County Fairgrounds

March 16, 2023

Annual Chamber Banquet

Welcome New Chamber Members

KLS CONSTRUCTION



The Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome one of our newest members, KLS Construction. KLS is new to the chamber but not new to concrete work. KLS Construction does an exceptional job with a focus on concrete construction and excavation from footers/walls to driveways and floors. They also offer stamped colored patios as well. Their hard work and finished product are just simply amazing. Offering top quality construction services, owner Kyle Schulte works hard to have his customers walk away 100% satisfied. To see projects completed by KLS Construction you can find them on Facebook. To quote your next project or have a request for more information, contact KLS at 419-305-5895. Welcome to the Chamber, KLS Construction!

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We are pleased to share the story of our new chamber member, Rose Creations. Morgan Rose, a 17 year old senior at Coldwater High School and student at Tri Star Career Compact is sole proprietor of Rose Creations. Her story began at Tri Star as she was a part of the Graphic Communications class beginning in her junior year. With her mission and work ethic, she soon was meeting with clients and growing her business in graphic design and photography. With the support of her teacher Miss Arling, Morgan continues to grow connections with local businesses and learn even more about the industry. Rose Creations is an independent, faith, and family-based design and photography service. They are committed to telling your story through branding and photography. Their vision is to complete each job leaving a smile on the client's face, knowing that they told their story. If you would like to learn more about Rose Creations or would like to contact Morgan for more information, visit her website at morganrose090.wixsite.com/design or email her at morganrose090@gmail.com.



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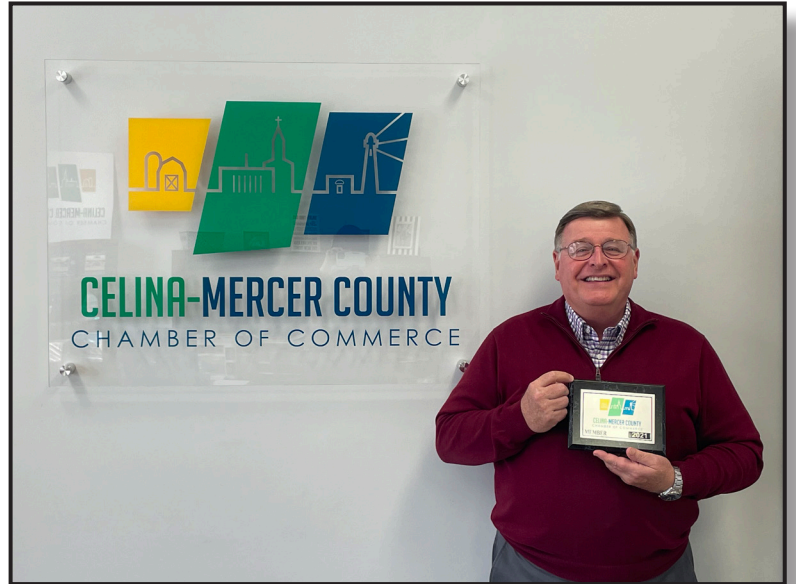
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Small Business Growth Alliance

The Celina Mercer Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome new member, Steve Mizelle with SBGA. Small Business Growth Alliance (SBGA) is a business co-op in business to support small and mid-sized businesses grow and succeed in an increasingly competitive world. They offer many programs and services to help you grow, reduce costs, and better manage your business. Services such as Merchant services, credit card processing, Point of Sale, Payroll, Gift Cards, loyalty programs, and much more. Steve Mizelle serves the Southwest Ohio area and is looking forward to working with businesses in our area. If you would like to take your business to the next level, contact Steve at SBGA by calling 1-800-889-7242. Welcome to the chamber.



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TRI STAR CAREER COMPACT

The Celina Mercer County Chamber of Commerce has the pleasure of welcoming our new member, Tri Star Career Compact. Located at 7655 State Rte 703, Celina, Tri Star Career Compact unites students from nine school districts to earn a career-technical education preparing them for either post-secondary education or the skills needed to be successful in the workforce. Hundreds of junior and seniors attend the Tri-Star program which proves its success and commitment to education. Adult education classes are also available and additional information can be found at tristarcareercompact.com or by calling 419-586-7060. The Celina Mercer County Chamber is honored to continue building our relationship with Tri Star and looks forward to finding ways to collaborate and support area businesses and schools. Pictured with Chamber Director, Stacy Beougher are current Tri Star students and Tri Star Director, Tim Buschur.



Members in the News!

We would like to congratulate Can't Stop Running for the opening of their new location inside the Rush Sports Complex located at 6301 US Rte 127 S. just outside of Celina. Can't Stop Running is owned and operated by Ryan and Amanda King. This is their third location with the other locations in Piqua and Coldwater and we are thrilled to have them a part of the Celina community. Be sure to check out their website at www.cantstoprunningco.com or stop by to check out some of the best products yourself! Congratulations to Ryan and Amanda King!



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Robinson Logistics LLC acquired the assets of L.L. Distribution on November the 16th 2022. L.L. Distribution was a Third-Party Warehouse Company providing warehouse & logistics services to companies for over 50 years. Robinson Logistics LLC will continue to offer Third Party Warehouse services.

The following is some history and current information regarding Robinson Logistics LLC.

Robinson Logistics began operations as Robinson Investments in 1970 as a real estate development company. In 1998, we expanded our business by opening our first warehouse in Bellefontaine, Ohio. In 2007, we acquired Wright Distribution Centers located in Lima, Ohio, that has been in operation since 1970.

Robinson Logistics operates in approximately 4 million square feet of dedicated and multi-client warehouse space located throughout Ohio. Our headquarters is located in Bellefontaine, Ohio. Our family of companies is spread across Western & Central Ohio. We currently own and operate 28 different warehouses in 12 different locations. We at the Celina Chamber appreciate the long time relationship we had with L.L. Distribution and wish them all the best. We welcome and look forward to working with Robinson Logistics for the many years to come!



Member Thank You!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful member businesses that support our chamber and this newsletter by renewing or placing new ads for this upcoming year. It would not be possible to share our good news and highlight new members without the support of you!! So we ask our readers to please take the time and look over the advertisers and hopefully you will find a way to frequent their business. Supporting local is the reason we are such a great and thriving community. Thank you all!





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Chamber News!

Annual Chamber Awards Banquet .

The time is upon us for the annual Celina Mercer County Chamber Awards banquet to be held on Thursday, March 16th at Romer's Catering in Celina, OH. This is always a fantastic night that we have the honor of celebrating the great people of Mercer County. Once again, we will be honoring selected award winners for Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year, Humanitarian of the Year, and an Achievement Award winner. We are also very excited to announce a new award to be given this year... the Youth Leadership Award. This award will be given to a youth nominated by a local business who excels in the workplace with leadership, integrity, passion, and commitment to his/her job. Along with this exciting award, a \$500 scholarship will also be presented to the recipient to be used towards college or whatever the recipient chooses to help them move forward in their career path. We are very excited to honor today's youth and thank them for committing to work for one of the wonderful businesses right here in Mercer County. Nomination forms can be found at www.celinamercer.com or simply call 419-586-2219 and request a form be emailed to you. Nominations are to be received by February 17!

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Recently our Mercer County Leadership in Action class had the opportunity to enjoy “Elected Officials/ Public Servants Day”. It was a day that they were able to meet several of our elected officials which included our County Commissioners, County Recorder, Clerk of Courts, Board of Elections, Celina Mayor, County Engineer, and the St. Henry EMS. We certainly appreciate all these individuals allowing us to come in and find out more about their positions. It was a very informative and enlightening day. The class also had their own election as they ran for office themselves. Brad Smith was our class winner, but it was a tight race! This class is so enjoyable, and each participant is truly committed to learning more about Mercer County and it’s leaders. Our class meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month and runs September – June. If you would like more information on the class and to be added to the wait list for the September 2023 class, email stacy@celinamercer.com for more information.



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boaters, walkers, and visitors alike will be able to see our welcome sign and find out exactly what we have to offer around our lake area and downtown Celina. We are thankful for the additional sponsors that helped complete this project; Greater Grand Lake Visitors Center, Celina Rotary, Revival Design, and Hazelnut Coffee House.



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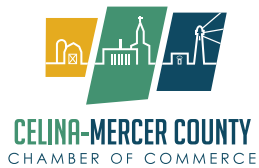
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