GENEVA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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NEWSLETTER

Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce

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Inserts and Articles Enclosed

- Meet & Greet, Aug. 16
- Fall Dinner flyer, Sept. 18
- Golf Results
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2023 Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and Officers

Officers:

President: Jamie Ortiz, Lakeview Federal Credit Union and American Electric LLC

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II-Vice President: Robert Russell, Welker Farm Equipment

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Chamber Meet and Greet August 16, at Rosabella Winery

The Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce is pleased to partner with the Youngstown Business Incubator to provide small businesses in the Geneva area the opportunity to learn more about the programs and funding available through the Youngstown Business Incubator. Scheduled for August 16, from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m., small businesses that are looking to grow their businesses are invited to Rosabella Winery, 3951 State Route 307 in Austinburg. Ginny Pasha, the Ashtabula Business Coordinator for the Business Incubator, will be there to talk about opportunities and answer any questions. There is no cost for this event. Each person attending will receive a ticket good for one beverage, and light refreshment will be available. Reservations are required. Call the Chamber at 440-466-8694 or email: info@genevachamber.org. Sue Ellen Foote, Executive Director of the Geneva Area Chamber, says, "I've met with Ginny and know that the programs available to business owners in the Geneva area can be another tool for the economic revitalization of our Community."
The Youngstown Business is a 501(c)3 charitable, non-profit corporation. With a physical presence in downtown Youngstown, Ohio, it is a collaborator and resource provider in a 21-county region of northeast Ohio. In 2017, the organization became the region's Minority Business Assistance Center; and in 2022, with funding through the Appalachian Regional Commission, YBI continued to expand its MBAC reach and impact to include Ashtabula, Columbiana, Jefferson, Belmont, and Monroe Counties.



July 4th Independence Day Fireworks Geneva-on-the-Lake

10 p.m. at Geneva-on-the-Lake Village Golf Course

Fireworks can be seen from everywhere on the strip.

Chamber Fall Dinner and Wine Tasting



Monday, September 18, 2023
Ferrante Winery & Ristorante
5585 Rt. 307, Geneva (Harpersfield Twp.)

COST $35 per person
6 to 6:30 p.m. Social (Cash Bar)
6:30 p.m. Wine Tasting followed by Dinner

Sample the three Ferrante Winery Newest Wines.

Tour of Italy Menu:

Chicken Pollo Merlot *(fresh chicken breast char-grilled then topped with mushroom medley in Merlot demi-glaze),* garlic mashed potatoes, penne pasta with marinara sauce, roasted vegetables, garden salad, Italian rolls and butter, chef's dessert, coffee, and tea.

Presenters and Speakers:

- Wine Tasting - Ferrante Winery, Mary Jo Ferrante
- Entertainment provided by Grape Jamboree.

This is going to be a great evening with wonderful food, wine, entertainment, and networking. Make reservation to the Chamber office by September 13 2023.

Member Changes

New Geneva bank manager & email:

- **Andover Bank, Jim Raabe,** Geneva Community Sales Manager - 665 S. Broadway, Geneva, Ohio 44041-0725

Email: jraabe@andover.bank—Phone: 440-466-3040 ext. 422

New email:

- Building Technicians Corporation, P.O. Box 266, Madison, Ohio 44057— Phone: 440-466-1651

Carie Van Hoy **Email: carie@buildingtechicians.org**
Commercial and residential roofing, flat and shingle roofs.

New president, email, & phone:

- Lake Coast Landing Condominium Association

David Smilek, President
Email: dsmilek@comcoast.net—Phone: 724-312-4359

New location and info.

- ThirdFederal Savings & Loan

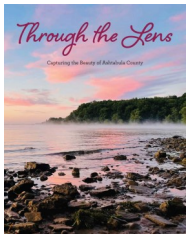
Kristen Tackett, 22332 Lakeshore Blvd, Euclid, Ohio 44123
Phone: 216-261-0900—Web: www.thirdfederal.com
Email: Kristen.Tackett@ThirdFederal.com



Geneva Area Chamber to Host Candidates Night

Wednesday, October 4, 2023
Geneva Community Center, 62 W. Main Street
7 p.m. - Free and open to the public!
Come hear the candidates from the county races and local races, and information on the issues and levies. Pick up candidates' materials. Light refreshments!

Second Edition of "Through the Lens" Photo Magazine is now on Sale



The second edition of the Through the Lens photo magazine is a 100-plus-page magazine featuring eye-catching photographs showcasing the beauty of Ashtabula County.

Huffman-Mayer-Paolo Wealth Management Group of Wells Fargo Advisors in Ashtabula and Gazette Newspapers partnered on a magazine printed on high-quality gloss paper that features photographs of Ashtabula County. Amateur and professional photographers were invited to submit photos that depicted the beauty and splendor of Ashtabula County, from its covered bridges to its communities, its countryside to its natural resources, and more for potential inclusion in the magazine. Contact the Geneva Area Chamber to make arrangements to get you copy today for only $10.

Did you know!



Ohio has a new brand! The new brand and all the ways that the state will be able to use it to market Ohio as the best place to explore, to start and raise a family, to pursue an education, to do business, and the place where you can live your best life.

Chamber Awards Two Scholarships to Geneva High School Students



Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce awarded scholarship recipients photo left: Stefan Lechintan and right Markenna Martin, center is Jamie Ortiz, Geneva Area Chamber president. The Geneva High School Awards Assembly was held on May 24, 2023.

Stefan Lechintan and Markenna Martin are the 2023 Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship recipients. They were announced the winners at the Geneva High School Awards Assembly on May 24, 2023. Since 1988 the Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce has granted more than $51,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors at Geneva High School.

The two recipients will each receive a $1,000 scholarship. Stefan Lechintan plans to attend Cleveland State for mechanical engineering. Markenna Martin is enrolled in the nursing program.

Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce Business Compass



The Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce hosted a Business Compass on May 11, 2023 at Ferrante Winery. The guest speakers with the Ashtabula Foundation. Photo right Carolyn Turk and left is Kelley Katon gave an overview and history of the Ashtabula Foundation. They discussed the significance of the Foundation. For more information about the Foundation and the many ways to donate, call 440-992-6818 or visit www.ashtabulafoundation.org.

Chamber Golf Outing at Geneva-on-the–Lake Village Golf Course



Congratulations to the first-place winners of the Chamber Golf Outing. Photo left: Jeff Burgett, George Distler, Randy Goff, and Bob Bennett.

The Geneva Area Chamber Golf Outing was held on June 21, 2023 at Geneva-on-the-Lake Village Golf Course. It was a beautiful day for playing golf! The golfers had an enjoyable day outside. They enjoyed a chicken dinner catered by Lake Erie Catering, gift bags, and winning prizes. Thank you to the corporate sponsors, team sponsors, hole sponsors, and for the donations. Listed below are results from the outing.

Golf Winners:

1st LOW TEAM SCORE (GROSS): Randy Goff, George Distler, Bob Bennett, and Jeff Burgett.

2nd LOW TEAM SCORE (GROSS): Tuck Deems Team: Tuck Deems, Dr. Henry Covetta, Mike Hassett, and Bill Deroshia.

3rd LOW TEAM SCORE (GROSS): Crawford Insurance: Mike Goddard, John Gaffney, John Goddard, and Jason Sieth.

Winners on Individual Holes:

- **#1 Longest Team Putt:** ACMC team
- **#3 Pin Shot:** Jeff Javorek—SPIRE Academy
- **#4 Closest to Pin 2nd Shot:** Stan Wnorski—VFW Post 6846 Team l
- **#7 Longest Drive in Fairway (Male):** Jeff Javorek
- **#16 Pin Shot:** Randy Goff
- **#17 Closest to Pin 2nd Shot:** Randy Goff
- **#18 Longest Drive in Fairway (Senior):** Randy Goff
- **1st HIGH TEAM SCORE (GROSS)**: GCC Team - Geneva Church of Christ
- **SKINS:** Tuck Deems team won $220.
- **50/50**: $180 was won by Leonard Stepp with ACMC.
- **Silent Auction Items:**
- 2 Cleveland Guardian Tickets: Kim Patrone
- 4 Pioneer Waterland & Dry Fun Park Tickets: Kyle Foote.
- Ferrante Winery & Ristorante gift basket: Bob Russell.



Tuck Deems Team second place low team score of Chamber Golf Outing. Photo left: Mike Hassett, Tuck Deems, Dr. Henry Covetta, and Bill Deroshia.

Thank You to our Corporate Sponsors:
American Electric, ACMC - Ashtabula County Medical Center, Crawford Insurance Agency, Huffman-Mayer-Paolo Wealth Management Group of Wells Fargo Advisors, and Loudermilk Tractor & Cycle, Inc.

Thank You to Those Who Sponsored Golf Signs:
Andover Bank, Beverage Depot, Building Technicians Corp., Central Hardware, City of Geneva, FLP Unlimited, Gazette Newspapers, Geneva Church of Christ, Green Bay Packaging – Third Dimension Division, Inc., In Memory of Mary Kay Gersin, In Memory of Tony Long, Lakehouse Airbnb Madison, Lakeview Federal Credit Union, The Lodge at Geneva State Park, North Coast Voice, Outback Auto Wash, Raymond Builders Supply, Inc., Raymond Rental, Renew Flooring, LLC, SPIRE Academy, Third Federal Savings & Loan, UH Geneva Medical Center, V.F.W. Post #6846, Victory Automotive Group, and Waste Management.

Businesses Donated Silent Auction Items or Prizes:
Thanks to the following: Crawford Insurance Agency, Double Tree by Hilton Downtown Youngstown, Ferrante Winery & Ristorante, Gazette Newspapers, Geneva Church of Christ – Paul Brunsman, Geneva-on-the-Lake Village Golf Course, Lakehouse Airbnb Madison, Maple Ridge Golf Course, Outback Auto Wash, and Waste Management.

Golf Team or Golfers: ACMC-Ashtabula County Medical Center, Beverage Depot, Central Hardware, City of Geneva, Crawford Insurance, Tuck Deems Team, Geneva Church of Christ, Randy Goff team, Lakehouse Airbnb Madison, SPIRE Academy, V.F.W. Post #6846 Team #1, and V.F.W. Post #6846 Team #2.

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More pictures from the Golf Outing



Thanks for all your help! The Golf Outing was run smoothly but wonderful volunteers. Photo left: Kim Patrone, Sue Ellen Foote, back left: Bob Russell, Shirley Lehmann, and Tim Lenart.



Congratulations to Crawford Insurance Agency, the Golf Outing third-place winners. Photo left: Jason Sieth, John Gaffney, John Goddard, and Mike Goddard.

Premium installment & true-up reporting for private employers

Employers must pay premiums timely to the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) to receive and maintain workers' compensation coverage. Through the year, employers have been making premium installment payments based on estimated payroll. As we near the conclusion of the 2022 policy year (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023), BWC will be requiring all employers to reconcile ("true-up") the payroll that was used to estimate their premium with their actual payroll for the policy year.

Important reminders

BWC mailed 2023 estimated annual premium notices along with your installment schedule around May 1, 2023.

- If you expect your payroll to change during the 2023 rating year from the estimate provided, you can call BWC at 800-644-6292 and request a change to your payroll and installment schedule.
- Failure to make installment payments based on the installment schedule can result in lapses in coverage, therefore make sure installment payments are paid by the due dates as noted on the installment schedule. The first installment payment was due by mid/late June 2023.
- If you pay your full 2023 premium by the June installment due date, you can earn a 2% Early Payment Discount. There is no need to switch to an annual installment, but the premium must be paid in full by the due date. BWC will issue the 2% refund the following month.

BWC will mail notices regarding the July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 true-up around July 1, 2023. True-up reporting and payment is due by August 15, 2023.

- Failure to true-up and pay any additional premium will result in your policy being removed from all discount and rebate programs and it will remain ineligible for discounts and rebate in future years.

If you have any questions regarding premium installments or the true-up process, contact our Sedgwick program manager, Bob Nicoll at 330-418-1824 or robert.nicoll@sedgwick.com

Active Day Hosts Coffee Contacts



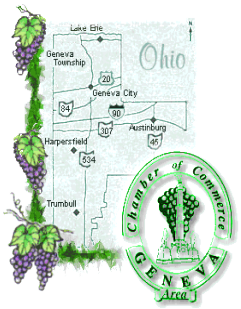
May 31, 2023 Debbie Tarr and Jan Church with Active Life Ashtabula County, formerly AshCraft Industries, were the hosts at Grand River Academy in the student hall. They shared about the services they offer for individuals with disabilities. They place client workers in the community employment with job coaches and assistance for the perfect fit for the person and employer.

23rd Annual "Walk for the Cure"

September 17, 2023
Time: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Where: Geneva High School
1301 South Ridge Road East (Rt. 84),
Geneva, Ohio 44041

Sponsorships and registration checks to:
UH Geneva Medical Center, Attn.: Paula Covell,
870 West Main Street, Geneva, Ohio 44041

For additional information call: Paula Covell
(440) 593-0374 or Denise Brown 440-593-0206.



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- *Meet & Greet—Aug. 16*
- *Fall Dinner –Sept. 18*

2023 COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Saturdays starting June 24, till Sept. 30,** "Geneva Farmer's Market & More" at Geneva First United Methodist Church, 89 S. Broadway, Geneva; from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. rain or shine. For space or for more information 440-466-2817.
- **July 4,** Fireworks at Geneva-on-the-Lake 10 p.m. Fireworks will be able to be seen anywhere on the strip.
- **July 21-23,** Wine & Walleye, Ashtabula.
- **Aug. 8** Special Election! Polls open 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- **Aug. 8-13,** Ashtabula County Fair, Jefferson, Ohio.
- **Aug. 16, Chamber Meet & Greet at Rosebella Winery**, 3951 State Route 307, Austinburg, 5:30 – 7 p.m. The Youngstown Business Incubator is hosting this for any members and/or individuals who are looking to learn more about the programs and funding available. This is free (refreshments and beverage ticket). Please RSVP to the Geneva Area Chamber 440-466-8694.
- **Aug. 17-19,** D-Day Reenactment, Conneaut. 1944 living history reenactment on shores of Lake Erie.
- **Sept. 7-10,** Thunder on the Strip, Geneva-on-the-Lake. The biggest bike rally in NE Ohio with stunt shows, entertainment, vendors, and bike parade.
- **Sept. 9,** Cask, Corks, & Forks, Progressive wine tasting & appetizers of Grand River Valley wineries. Visit www.GrandRiverCellars.com.
- **Sept. 9,** Harpersfield Township Clean-up day, 8 a.m. to noon, at Doherty's Trash Transfer Station, 1439 Rt. 534 South, all vehicles must enter from Rt. 307 and exit onto Rt. 534. You need to show proof of residence.
- **Sept. 17,** 23rd Walk for the Cure, at Geneva High School. FMI call UH Geneva Medical Center 440-593-0374.
- **Sept. 18,** Chamber Fall Dinner at Ferrante Winery, $35 per person, reservations 466-8694.
- **Sept. 23-24,** Geneva Grape Jamboree, visit www.GrapeJamboree.com.
- **Oct. 4,** Chamber Candidates Night, 7 p.m. at Geneva Community Center. F72 West Main Street, Geneva. Open to the public, light refreshments.
- **Oct. 6, 13, 20, & 27,** Regal Vineyard Dinner & a Thrill. FMI visit www.grandrivercellars.com.
- **Oct. 14 & 15**, Ashtabula County Covered Bridge Festival. A self-guided driving tour to each of 19 covered bridges. Visit the central festival at the Jefferson Fairgrounds for a parade, antique cars, activities, engines, souvenirs, and more.
- **Oct. 25,** Chamber Citizen of the Year nominations due
- **Nov. 5,** Daylight Saving ends (set clocks back one hour).
- **Nov. 7,** Election—Vote!
- **Dec. 6,** Chamber Annual Dinner at The Lodge.
- **Weekends in December** – Tannenbaum Wine Trail, every Friday& Saturdays, noon to 6 p.m.; a self-driving tour**.** Each winery you visit you receive a winery ceramic ornament. FMI call 800-227-6972 or visit www.ohiowines.org.

Call the Chamber at 440-466-8694 to schedule your event!

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Fall Dinner and Wine Tasting



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Sample three of Ferrante Winery newest wines.

Presenters and Speakers:

- Wine Tasting - Ferrante Winery, Mary Jo Ferrante
- Grape Jamboree President Brian Kelly
- Entertainment provided by Grape Jamboree.

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MENU

- **Chicken Pollo Merlot** (grilled chicken breast topped with mushroom medley in merlot demi-glaze)
- **Garlic Mashed Potatoes**
- **Penne Pasta with Marinara Sauce**
- **Roasted Vegetables**
- **Garden Salad**
- **Italian Rolls and Butter**
- **Chef's Dessert**
- **Coffee & Tea**

Order wine by the glass, or bottle can be purchased separately.

Geneva Area Chamber Fall Dinner & Wine Tasting—September 18, 2023

RSVP by September 14, by calling the Chamber office at 440-466-8694, return this portion by mail, or fax to 466-0823.

Name & Business: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ No. Attending: _____

Attending: _____ _____ _____ _____

($35) Amount Check Enclosed: _____(Optional) Credit Card: VISA _____ MasterCard _____

Card Number: _____ Signature: _____

Address for Card: _____Exp. Date: _____ V-Code: _____

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