

PERSPECTIVE

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MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- 2 **YPCoffeeMob**
7:30—8:30 a.m.—High Grounds Café, 705 Fair Road
www.facebook.com/ypconnectshelbycounty
- 3 **Shelby County Safety Council**
Topic: Mental Health in the Workplace
Speaker: Mandy McIntyre, Level Up Consultants
12:00—1:00 p.m.—Wilson Health, 915 West Michigan Street, Professional Building—LL Conference Rooms
www.sidneyshelbychamber.com/events
- 6 **Grain to Glass - A Bourbon Tasting & Dinner Experience**
6:00 p.m.—The Bridge Restaurant, 127 West Poplar St.
(more information on page 3)
- 6 **Randy Young & The Historic Sidney Theatre Presents: Eclipse of Ohio Jam**
7:00 p.m.—The Historic Sidney Theatre, 120 West Poplar Street—www.sidneytheatre.org
- 6 **The Historic Sidney Theatre Presents: The Rocky Horror Picture Show**
12:00 a.m.—The Historic Sidney Theatre, 120 West Poplar Street—www.sidneytheatre.org
- 6 **Arbogast Performing Arts Presents: The Texas Tenors**
7:00 p.m.—Arbogast Performing Arts Center, 500 South Dorset Road, Troy—www.arbogastpac.com
- 7 **The Historic Sidney Theatre Presents: Echoes of Pink Floyd—The Preeminent Tribute**
7:00 p.m.—The Historic Sidney Theatre, 120 West Poplar Street—www.sidneytheatre.org
- 8 **Solar Eclipse—Shelby County's Path of Totality**
www.visitsidneyshelby.com/the-2024-solar-eclipse-shelby-county-style
- 11 **YPCconnect Advisory Board Meeting**
1:00 p.m.—Chamber Office, 101 South Ohio Avenue
- 12 **Sidney-Shelby County YMCA Groundbreaking Ceremony—Phase I**
12:00 noon—300 East Parkwood Street
(more information on page 3)
- 12 **New Choices Presents: Give a Little • Laugh A Lot**
6:00 p.m.—Doors Open; 6:30 p.m.—Dinner. The Palazzo, 309 South Main Street, Botkins
(more information on page 3)
- 12 **Gateway Arts Council Presents: The Princess Ball**
7:00—9:00 p.m.—Lehman Catholic High School, 2400 St. Marys Avenue
www.gatewayartscouncil.org/youth-series
- 13 **Arbogast Performing Arts Presents: Paul Reiser**
7:00 p.m.—Arbogast Performing Arts Center, 500 South Dorset Road, Troy—www.arbogastpac.com

DENNY SOLLMANN HONORED AS 2023 ZENITH AWARD RECIPIENT!



Left—Denny's first pic with the 2023 Zenith Obelisk.
Right—Denny & his amazing family!

The Sidney-Shelby County Chamber of Commerce held its Celestial Affair Annual Dinner on Tuesday, March 5 at the Palazzo in Botkins. The evening began with an invocation led by 1st Vice Chair Susan Shaffer followed by dinner served by Taylor Doseck and the Palazzo staff.

Following dinner, Jeff Raible re-introduced the Chamber staff and then discussed developments and expansions taking place in each of the villages around Shelby County. He then introduced Sidney City Manager, Andrew Bowsher, to highlight the many developments and expansions happening all around the City.

Following Andrew's presentation, 2023 Board Chair, John Campbell, came to the podium to express his gratitude to fellow Board members and Chamber members for their support over the last year. Campbell also recognized past Board Chairmen and Zenith Award recipients that were in attendance.

2024 Chairman of the Board, Phil Borger, then took the stage to briefly discuss plans for 2024, introduce continuing Board members and thank John Campbell for his contributions as Chair in 2023.

John then recognized outgoing Board members Margo O'Leary with Wilson Health, Jeff Schlater with Ferguson Construction and Andrea Guckes with Cargill for all serving two three year terms on the Chamber's Board of Directors. Thank you Margo, Jeff and Andrea for your unwavering dedication, commitment and input over the past six years! Also recognized were 2023 Sidney Visitor's Bureau Advisory Council Chair, Dave Ross, and 2023 YPCconnect Chair Aaron Watkins with WiseBridge Wealth Management.

Campbell then introduced Chamber Vice President, Dawn Eilert, to highlight the 2023 Beautification Award Recipients.

Those recognized were: Ashley Himes State Farm Insurance—Exterior & Interior Renovation; The Bridge Restaurant—Exterior Renovation (patio); Cazadores—Exterior Renovation (patio); élan hair color & extensions—Interior Renovation; FGKS Law—Interior Renovation; Hits 105.5 WMVR—Exterior & Interior Renovation; Home Experts Realty—Interior Renovation; Homes by Hill of Fathom Realty—Exterior & Interior Renovation; Spherion—Interior Renovation; VFS: Health Insurance and Employee Benefits & Prudential Advisors — Exterior & Interior Renovation; Victor's Taco Shop—Interior Renovation; Victress Health and Wellness, LLC—Interior Renovation; Whole Body Aesthetics—Interior Renovation; Wilson Health—Interior Renovation (Anna Family Practice); WiseBridge Wealth Management — New Addition & Exterior Renovation.

After the Beautification Awards recognition, Eilert introduced Mick Given, CEO and Chairman of the Board at Ferguson Construction Company, who began his presentation by thanking Raible and Bowsher for showcasing all the developments around Shelby County. Given went on to highlight the many incredible accomplishments of the 2023 Chamber Zenith Award Recipient, Denny Sollmann with Sollmann Electric Company.

"I've known this recipient for 40 years and worked closely with him for 35 years. His honesty, loyalty and commitment to his business, community and family is second to none," said Given.

"I was proud and surprised to receive the award," said Sollmann. "Good stuff happens when you have good people to work with. His (Given's) first phone call to me is when we bounce ideas and get a group together" for the betterment of Sidney and Shelby County. **Congratulations, Denny—such a well deserved recognition!**

FROM JEFF'S DESK

For those unable to join us, we sure had a good time at this year's annual membership dinner in early March. The approximate 240 guests in attendance were treated to a wonderful meal and what we hope was an enlightening keynote address by Andrew Bowsher and myself. The emphasis of our remarks centered on the notable progress underway in Sidney & Shelby County relative to both residency and business.



Although there's no substitute for being there in person, we have published the keynote presentation online in PowerPoint and PDF formats. The QR code below will link you up quickly with the PDF and to view the PowerPoint, please go to www.sidneyshelbychamber.com/2024-annual-dinner-presentation.html.



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 7:30A - 8:30A

TUESDAY, MAY 7TH
MEAL PREP LIFE - COOKING CLASS!
 "LEARN TO LUNCH"
 12:00P-1:00P
 MORE DETAILS TO COME!



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 — HENRI FRÉDÉRIC AMIEL

MEETINGS & EVENTS (CONT'D)

- 16 Dayton Dragons Present: Northern Chamber Networking Night**
 7:05 p.m.—Dayton Air Ballpark, 220 N. Patterson Boulevard (more information on this page)
- 16 Sidney Alive Spring Planting Workshop**
&18 Crossway Farms Greenhouse, 117 Front Street
www.facebook.com/downtownsidneyalive
- 19 The Great Miami Riverway Summit**
 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.—Fort Piqua Plaza Banquet Center, 308 North Main Street, Piqua—www.greatmiamiriverway.com
- 20 United Way Presents: POWER of the Purse Champagne Luncheon & Fashion Show**
 11:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m.—The Historic Sidney Theatre, 120 West Poplar Street—www.unitedwayinc.org/power-of-the-purse (more information on page 3)
- 20 Cruise Downtown Sidney**
 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
www.shelbycountyhistory.org/exhibits.htm
- 20 CASA/GAL Dancing with Our Stars**
 5:30 p.m.—Doors Open; 6:30 p.m.—Dinner; 8:00 p.m.—Dancing Begins. The Palazzo, 309 South Main Street, Botkins
www.shelbycountycasa.org
- 25 Human Resources Council**
 Topic: Think Outside the Box – Creative Funding Solutions for Your Health Plan
 Speaker: Patrick Custenborder, Phelan Insurance
 12:00 noon—Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 450 Folkert Ave.
www.sidneyshelbychamber.com/events
- 26 - Christian Academy Presents: Space**
- 28 Princess Wars**
 Friday—7:00 p.m., Saturday—2:00 & 7:00 p.m., Sunday—7:00 p.m.—The Historic Sidney Theatre, 120 West Poplar Street
www.sidneytheatre.org
- 27 Blessing of the Wheels**
 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.—Downtown Sidney Court Square (more information on page 3)
- 27 Gateway Arts Council Presents: Nathan Osmon**
 7:00 p.m.—Sidney High School Auditorium, 1215 Campbell Road—www.gatewayartsCouncil.org/performing-arts

CHAMBER NETWORKING NIGHT

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024 | GAME TIME 7:05PM

Come out and enjoy a night of networking with members from all Chambers of Commerce in Dayton's Northern Region!

- TICKET INCLUDES:**
- Access to Suites 1-4
 - Dragons Hat
 - Non-Alcoholic Beverage
 - Ballpark Food



Get your ticket at: www.fevo.me/dragonsnorthernchambers2024

Tickets will no longer be available for purchase after April 14th. Tickets will be sent to you digitally within two (2) days of the event.



For any questions, contact the event representative, Eric Deutch: Eric.Deutch@daytondragons.com | 937-228-2287 x107

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2024 CHAMBER GOLF CLASSIC
Tuesday, May 21
Shelby Oaks Golf Course
10:00 a.m.
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Signature Event Fundraiser

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Champagne Luncheon & Fashion Show

APRIL 20TH 11:30 AM
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- P.O.W.E.R. (Passionate.Optimistic.Women.Encouraging.Results) Shelby County United Way women's initiative group
- Proceeds benefit children and families in Shelby County
- Meal, desserts, & designer raffle purses sponsored by **Alvetro Orthodontics**
- Models from **POWER**, United Way Partner Agencies and Supporters
- Fashions provided by **Embrace & Bloom Boutique**-Pop-Up Boutique at this event to shop on site and **Simply Cozy Boutique**-Shop at her location around the corner from the theatre after the event, 211 N. Ohio Ave.
- 10% of Boutique sales on day of the event will go back to **POWER**
- Champagne served by local "celebrities"
- Numerous Raffle Prizes, Grand Prize Diamond Pendant from **Harris Jeweler** (Cash Only)
- Reservations \$45 a guest, limited seating
- Sponsorship \$100 or more will be listed in program & on display
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- 232 S. Ohio Ave. Sidney, OH 45365, 937-492-2101



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SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 9:00AM-2:00PM
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- CAR CRUISE IN
- OHIO VIETNAM MEMORIAL
- ENTERTAINMENT

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BLESSINGS BEGAIN AT 10:00AM
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