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ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Tuesday, December 15, 2009
11:30 a.m.

Bertram Inn & Conference Center
600 N. Aurora Road, Aurora

Please join us for our annual holiday luncheon recognizing members who have given outstanding service to the Chamber in 2009. Entertainment will be provided by Solon High School Madrigals and Quartet.



Solon High School's Madrigals and Quartet are two of the eight performance ensembles at Solon High School. The group's members are selected by audition in the Fall based on their singing abilities. The Madrigals are a highly select mix of 25 students who perform four and eight part a capella music dating from the classical madrigal to modern vocal jazz. The group is directed by Gary Lewis, Director of Choral Activities at Solon High School.

Fee: \$20.00 Chamber members & guests; \$40.00 non-members

Deadline for reservations is 3:00 p.m. Friday, December 11, 2009

Prepaid reservations are requested.

Call the Chamber office at 440.248.5080 or email staff@solonchamber.com

Sorry, no online registrations accepted at this time.

Credit card payments accepted by phone.

(No shows will be invoiced)

Sponsored by:



Congratulations to our Solon Chamber 2009
Business of the Year, CardPak, Inc.
See page 5 for a company profile.

Coming Events

New Member Orientation
Friday, December 11, 2009
Solon City Hall (Lower Level)
8:00 a.m.

Holiday Luncheon
Tuesday, December 15, 2009
Bertram Inn & Conference Center
11:30 a.m.

Board Planning Meeting
Saturday, January 9, 2010
Hilton Garden Inn Twinsburg
8:15 a.m.

January Luncheon Meeting
Tuesday, January 19, 2010
Solon Community Center
11:45 a.m.

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Calendar of Events
including all committee
meetings, see the last page
of this newsletter or visit
us at www.solonchamber.com

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Ewa Antonczyk

Happy Holidays to everyone. It is hard to believe that my term as Chairman of the Board is almost over. This year went so fast and gave me a fantastic opportunity to grow and meet so many interesting people from whom I learned a lot. I built

so many business relationships through the Chamber and I hope they will last a long time. It proves that SOLON Chamber of Commerce is all about RELATIONSHIPS.

As we enter this Holiday Season, I would like to take a minute to remind us all of the importance of family, friends and traditions. Personally, I feel very blessed by the supportive friends and professional colleagues in my life. There are so many people to thank.

First and foremost, I can not say enough about our Chamber staff. All the events that we had this year went so smoothly. There is a reason those events seem so effortless – it is the excellent work of Nancy Traum, President/CEO. Her dedication and professionalism made my term so easy. I would also like to recognize Judie Winston, program coordinator, who is a tremendous help for the Chamber. I would like to thank our Board of Directors and Past Presidents/Chairmen for their support and dedication in leading committees, attending meetings, and generating ideas. I would also like to recognize our treasurer, Harry Hunter, who gave us financial updates each month. Last but not least, thank you to all the volunteers who dedicated their time and to all our members because without you there would be no Chamber.

Mark your calendar to attend our Annual Holiday Luncheon meeting on Tuesday, December 15th where we will be entertained by talented Solon High School vocal students and where we will recognize our 2009 Chamber volunteers.

The holiday season can be a stressful time for individuals and businesses considering the financial challenges so many of us have faced this year. The thought of buying gifts can be a bit overwhelming. It is times like this that we need to call on our colleagues, our fellow Chamber members. Whether you are looking for a specific gift or simply need recommendations, there are Chamber members who can help. Our Online Business Directory, available on our website at www.solonchamber.com is a good place to look for that product or service you need.

Even though my year will be over soon, I am not going away. I love being involved with the Chamber and I have always believed the more you put into things the more you get out of it. Thank you for believing in me and for such a wonderful year!

Welcome New Members

Anita Simko

Paychex
4760 Richmond Road
Warrensville Hts., OH 44128
440.241.3884
Payroll preparation service

Mayfield Collision Care

Tom Griffin
26001 Aurora Road
Bedford Heights, OH 44146
440.374.4000
Auto repair

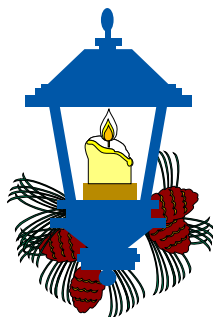
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Claudia O'Brien
30625 Solon Road, Unit J
Solon, OH 44139
440.519.9891
Construction company

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31300 Solon Road, Suite 4
Solon, OH 44139
440.248.3370
Executive recruiters

We extend a warm welcome to new members and encourage you to patronize their services.



*Wishing You a
Happy Holiday
Season and
Prosperous
New Year!*

*The Staff of the
Solon Chamber of Commerce*

Holiday Hours

The Chamber Office will be closed December 24 and 25.

The office will close at noon on December 31
and will be closed January 1.

Regular office hours will resume Monday, January 4, 2010



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Chairman Elect.....Marc

Paige

Vice Chairmen: Mark Bednar, Steve Chipchase,

Jim Kelvington, Josalyn Murray, Greg Rosenberg

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Program Coordinator.....Judie Winston

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Annual Meeting & Business of the Year Award Luncheon

Signature of Solon



Chairman of the Board Ewa Antonczyk with Mayor Kevin Patton and Mayor Elect Susan Drucker



CardPak personnel, shown with Mayor Patton, received an award from the Chamber and a proclamation from the City



Luncheon sponsor and 2008 Business of the Year Solon Creative Playrooms



Luncheon speaker Hal Becker with Sally Deitrick, City of Solon, and Joe Regano, Solon City Schools

THANK YOU TO OUR 2009 SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTORS

Thank you to the following members who made contributions in 2009 to the Solon Chamber Scholarship Fund, Inc.

Gold (\$100 and above)

Creative Playrooms Solon
Great Lakes Textiles, Inc.
Keystone Rehabilitation
Astro Travel
Mid America Management
Davis Development Group
Gregory Myers, DDS

Silver (\$50)

The Robert Halliday Company
Inovent Engineering Inc.
Christopher Tool & Manufacturing Company

Bronze (\$25)

FM Turner Company
Wasson Insurance Agency
Mount Olive Cemetery Association

Members have an opportunity to include a contribution to the Solon Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Fund, Inc. when they pay their annual dues investment. To date, scholarships awarded to Solon High School seniors total \$231,500.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

- ❑ **Glenwillow Grille** was given a glowing review in the "Scoop du Jour" section of the *Chagrin Solon Sun*.
- ❑ Articles featuring **Moxie Hair Design** and **Fitness Together** appeared in *Mimi Vanderhaven*.
- ❑ The **City of Solon** was #13 in *Crain's* list of Northeast Ohio's Most Affluent Communities.
- ❑ **HoneyBaked Ham Co. & Cafe** is moving to Solon Square Shopping Center. The new address is 33493 Aurora Road. The phone number will remain the same.
- ❑ Kathi Hayes of **Western Reserve Wines** gave expert advice as to what wine to have with Thanksgiving dinner in the *Plain Dealer's* "Taste" section.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

Invoices will be mailed soon for your 2010 membership investment in the Solon Chamber of Commerce. Don't miss the opportunity to take advantage of the programs, benefits and advocacy we provide your business.

When you renew your dues for 2010 you will receive a new date sticker for your membership plaque as a thank you for your continued support.

SAVE THE DATE!

Here are upcoming Chamber events you won't want to miss! Mark your calendars today for the following:

January Luncheon Meeting
Tuesday, January 19, 2010
11:45 a.m.

Solon Community Center
Speaker: Paul Meshanko,
Edge Learning of Ohio

Business After Five
Thursday, February 4, 2010
Fitness Together
6025 Kruse Drive

Luncheons and Business After Five events are a great way to network with other Chamber members. Building relationships is a good way to make the important connections needed to further business opportunities.

So, mark your calendars for the first two not to be missed events of the new year.

SOLON CHAMBER COOKBOOKS ON SALE

The holidays are around the corner! Pick up your Taste of Solon Cookbook for gift giving or just to serve up a new recipe. Cost is \$10. Call 440.248.5080 or stop by the Chamber office.



DOOR PRIZES NEEDED!

Donate a door prize and receive recognition for your company at a Chamber event. Yes, the door prize can have your company name on it, thereby extending the value of your donation. Please call the Chamber office at 440.248.5080 for details.

Solon Women in Business Luncheon

Solon Community Center



Luncheon speakers Mary Oehlberg Sevc, L'Oreal; Sue Huff, Marketplace Events; and Arlene Goldberg, Action Travel



Luncheon sponsors Ally Krishtal and Bella Rokhman, ABC International Employment Service



Kathy Pyle, N.E. Ohio Talent Alliance; Leanne Divis, Farmers Insurance; and Margaret Williams, AT&T



Ohio Commerce Bank employees Jaime Brotherton, Heather Ullmo, and Jeannette Knauf

CITY BUSINESS NEWS

IN THE WORKS

INCOMING ADMINISTRATION - Susan A. Drucker will assume her new duties as Mayor on December 1st. Incumbent Councilmen Edward Kraus and Robert Pelunis were re-elected to their Ward 6 and Ward 2 positions. William Mooney was elected to replace long-time Ward 4 Councilman Edward Suit, who did not seek reelection.

SOLAR SHOPPING CENTER - On November 3rd, voters approved a ballot issue creating a new C-3-A Commercial Shopping Center zoning classification and rezoning Solar Shopping Center property and 2.6 acres of property on Aurora Road to C-3-A. C-3-A zoning is intended to achieve the high quality redevelopment of Solar Shopping Center, and potentially other areas, as per recommendations in the City's Master Plan.

BUILDING CODE AMENDMENTS - The Building Code was amended to establish more stringent fines for commencing construction prior to the issuance of a building permit.

A public hearing will be held at the December 7th Council meeting on a proposed amendment to the Building Code requiring

all projects to be constructed in a workmanlike manner. The intent is to go beyond the Ohio Building Code requirement that structures be sound and to insure that they also meet a basic level of aesthetic quality and appearance, such as being level and uniform in materials.

BAINBRIDGE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION The County Engineer's Office will oversee reconstruction of 2.5 miles of Bainbridge Road from Route 91 to the Gauga County line. The project, which is receiving \$14,000,000 in federal stimulus funds, includes curbs, gutters, waterline, storm sewer replacement, replacement and addition of sanitary sewers, a 5 ft. bike lane, sidewalks, culvert replacement, and hydrant replacement as needed. Dominion East Ohio is currently installing new gas lines on Bainbridge Road between Route 91 and Liberty Road and the Illuminating Company is relocating power lines. Traffic delays can be expected during this process. Roadwork is expected to begin in the spring. Two-way traffic will be maintained throughout the two-year project with the addition of a temporary road. Project updates can be found on the home page at www.solonohio.org.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK - Completion of the new park in front of the Bainbridge Road / SOM Center fire station is expected in early December, with final landscaping to be done in the spring.

IT'S BACK!

**TASTE OF SOLON
RETURNS IN 2010!**

SAVE THE DATE

**SUNDAY,
MARCH 14, 2010**

4 - 7 P.M.

**SIGNATURE OF
SOLON**

**SPONSORSHIPS
AVAILABLE!**

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR - CARDPAK, INC.

With U.S. retailers shifting away from PVC packaging and towards recyclable packaging, Solon-based CardPak, Inc. will be a huge influence in that shift while securing its own future in the market.

CardPak was formed in 1965 as an offshoot of American Packaging Corporation. At that time, the company focused on skinboard manufacturing. In 1974, CardPak entered the blister card market and by 1990, sales topped \$10 million per year.

The company has weathered some severe natural disasters. In 1994, flooding stopped production and in 1996, record snowfall collapsed the building roof. Besides the collapsed roof, downed power lines caused a fire that resulted in \$12 million in damages. These disasters might have stopped another company, but the management retained employees and they worked together so that no customers were lost.

By 2006, CardPak had more than \$25 million in sales and made a strategic move

for its future by adapting its specialty - blister packs - to take advantage of retailers' environmental push. Tony Petrelli, an industry veteran, was hired as president and its new EcoLogical Line of Packaging was launched. The company was going completely green.

Today CardPak employs more than 120 people running three shifts, five days per week and weekends as needed for surge capacity. CardPak's products are 100 percent recyclable which is great for those retailers looking to improve their environmental scorecard.

A NorthCoast 99 Legacy winner, CardPak has been recognized as one of the best places to work in Ohio for the last 10 consecutive years. One reason for this is that CardPak allows employees up to 16 hours paid time off to volunteer for the bonified charity of their choice.

We congratulate the 2009 Business of the Year, CardPak, Inc.

WINNER OF LAKE ERIE MONSTERS SUITE

Congratulations to Chet Green of North Coast Shredding and Record Center, winning bidder of the auction for the Lake Erie Monsters Hockey Suite at the Q for Saturday, January 30, 2010, Lake Erie Monsters vs. the San Antonio Rampage game.

Employees of NorthCoast Shredding will enjoy a night of hockey and a country music concert after the game thanks to Chet's high bid.

A big thank you to all who bid on this wonderful prize even



CHAMBER 2010 ELECTION RESULTS

Ballots for the election of the 2010-2011 Solon Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors have been counted and we congratulate the winners.

Industrial

Ed Bayer, Swagelok
David Camiener, AMRESO
Steve Chipchase, Keithley Instruments
Diane Muha, Arrow/Power & Signal

Professional, Commercial & Retail

Susan Drotleff, Adecco
Jim Kelvington, Kelco Insurance
Joselyn Murray, Merrill Lynch
Marc Paige, APG Office Furnishings
Laurence Powers, Powers Friedman Linn

Directors serving year two of a two-year term

Hal Becker, The Becker Group
Mark Bednar, Nationwide Better Health
Jim Bird, Bird Technologies Group
Mike Foster, L'Oreal-USA
Michelle Seeber, Felber & Felber Marketing
Greg Rosenberg, Business Communication Solutions

NEW MEMBER TO MEMBER DISCOUNTS!

The following Member to Member Discounts were added this month. Please share these new benefits with your employees.

Fitness Together - 877.348.6446
20% off all services. Focus is on 1-on-1 personal training.

Avis Rent-a-Car - 440.914.0021
10% discount off best available rate at time of reservation. Up to 40% discount on weekend rate.
Call for details.

**The Law Offices of
Brian Halliday - 216.896.0855**
20% off standard hourly legal fees and 10% off flat-rate legal fees for corporate, employment-based, family-based and individual immigration law matters.

CORRECTION

The Member to Member Discount for Arnoff & Associates *should* read as follows:

Benefits Consultation

Arnoff and Associates, Inc. – 440.247.4511. 10% discount off Arnoff and Associates consultants hourly rate. Free benefits book available only for Chamber members who become new clients.

TIME TO GET INVOLVED!

Each year in December, the Chamber disbands all committees to reform them again in January, often with new chairs and committee members.

If you are interested in becoming more active in the Chamber, please email us at: staff@solonchamber.com and tell us you want to volunteer to serve on a committee.

Volunteering is a great way to meet new people and develop valuable business contacts. 2010 committees include:

Benefits
Business Development
Golf
Membership
Scholarship
Solon HR Roundtable
Solon Women in Business
Solon Young Professionals

There are also various task forces that will meet during the year as the need arises. These include: Home Based Business, Special Events, International/Industrial Roundtable, Marketing and Government Relations. Interested members will determine what type of programming and services would best fit their needs. If you are interested in participating, please let us know.

DISCOUNTS ON WORKERS' COMPENSATION AVAILABLE TO CHAMBER MEMBERS

To Chamber Members:

Your chamber membership gives you the opportunity to save on your Workers' Compensation premiums paid to the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC.) Now is the time to apply for a free, no obligation analysis.

Go to <http://www.benefits1group.com:8082/noacc.aspx> to fill out a form for **Benefits 1 Group**, the **only** workers' comp third party administrator endorsed by NOACC* and offered by our chamber.

Benefits 1 Group provides maximum savings tiers for you to receive the highest discounts possible with very competitive fees. They provide claims management and an integrated approach to helping you access all the programs available through the BWC to implement additional savings or services. **Benefits 1 Group** specializes in small to mid-sized businesses and has been an advocate for chambers and entrepreneurs across the state.

You are eligible to get a free analysis even if you are currently in another workers' comp group. Getting an analysis will help you compare your savings and fees. Call **Benefits 1 Group** at 1.877.765.4200 to get more information or to give a verbal AC3 approval today. Protect your time and your money—let your chamber and **Benefits 1 Group** help you.

*The Solon Chamber is a member of NOACC, a group of over 100 area chambers who band together to offer group discounts to their members. For more information on other benefits, including health insurance, please call the Chamber at 440.248.5080.

2010-11 OHIO WORKERS' COMP RATE CHANGES

On October 30, 2009 the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) Board of Directors voted to reduce the maximum discount for group-rated employers to 65 percent. However, with the break-even factors charged to each tier, group maximum savings will be 51 percent. The board decreased the maximum discount reducing the maximum credibility and applying a break-even factor. Employers will see the new rates when they pay their premium for the July 1, 2010, to December 31, 2010 pay period, which is due by the end of February, 2011.

The BWC has also lowered the minimum requirements for experience rating starting July 1, 2010. This may mean smaller employers who were kept at base rates due to size, but have some claim activity over the past 5 years, could become experience rated with an increase in premiums. Smaller employers with little or no claim activity could see a credit on their premium.

For a projection on how this change may impact you, consider filling out an AC-3 with Benefits 1 Group. We will do a claims and rate analysis of your policy free of charge.

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2010 SPONSORSHIP AND ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO PLAN! To help you allocate your company's 2010 marketing dollars, here is a list of promotional opportunities available through the Solon Chamber. **Please schedule early, as opportunities go fast.** To schedule a promotion, please fill out this form and return it to the Chamber office by fax at 440 248-9121. If you have any questions, please call the office at 440 248-5080.

<p>2010 Corporate Sponsorship \$5,000</p> <p>A multi-layered package of benefits including name recognition and tickets to selected events, newsletter advertisements, web site banner, golf sponsorship and more; one year duration. Call the Chamber office at 440 248-5080 for details.</p> <p><u> </u> Yes, please call me with more information on this EXCLUSIVE opportunity.</p>	<p>3Chamber B to B Show Thursday, May 6, 2010</p> <p>Sponsorship and table rental reservation information for the 3Chamber B to B Show will be released by the Solon, Aurora and Twinsburg chambers in early 2010.</p>	<p>Golf Outing Sponsorship – Friday, August 27, 2010</p> <p>Multiple levels available. Please reserve the following sponsorship:</p> <p><u> </u> Premier Sponsorship (\$1,500) <u> </u> Hole, includes canopy (\$300) <u> </u> Beverage Cart (\$300) <u> </u> Golf Cart (\$500) <u> </u> Tee (\$75) <u> </u> Breakfast (\$75) <u> </u> Lunch (\$200) <u> </u> Hole in One (call for details)</p> <p>Please note: Additional sponsorship opportunities may be available once the golf committee meets in spring, 2009.</p>
<p>Program Sponsorship</p> <p>Monthly Luncheon Meeting \$200 Annual Meeting: call for details Benefits: Company name/logo on all event material, including web site; ticket(s) to event; opportunity to address audience.</p> <p>I would like to sponsor the following :</p> <p><u> </u> January Luncheon (speaker) <u> </u> February Networking Luncheon <u> </u> March State of the City Luncheon <u> </u> April Luncheon (speaker) <u> </u> May Scholarship Luncheon <u> </u> June Luncheon (speaker) <u> </u> July Luncheon (speaker) <u> </u> August Luncheon <u> </u> October Luncheon (speaker) <u> </u> November Annual Meeting <u> </u> December Holiday Luncheon</p> <p>Quarterly Meetings:</p> <p><u> </u> Breakfast Growth Seminar (\$100) <u> </u> Solon Women in Business (\$175) <u> </u> Solon HR Roundtable (\$175) (Legal Update Seminars) <u> </u> Solon HR Roundtable (\$75) (monthly meetings) <u> </u> Industrial Roundtable (\$100) <u> </u> International Roundtable (\$100) <u> </u> Solon Young Professionals (\$75)</p>	<p>Newsletter Advertising</p> <p>Quarter page \$200.00 1/8 page (business card size) \$125.00</p> <p>Ads run for TWO months. Prices based on camera ready art. Please schedule early as space is limited. Benefits: Newsletter reaches decision-makers by email and is also available online at the Chamber web site.</p> <p>I would like to place a newsletter ad in the following months:</p> <p><u> </u> January, 2009 <u> </u> February <u> </u> March <u> </u> April <u> </u> May <u> </u> June <u> </u> July <u> </u> August <u> </u> September <u> </u> October <u> </u> November <u> </u> December</p> <p>Please indicate size of ad:</p> <p><u> </u> 1/4 page <u> </u> 1/8 page</p>	<p>Member to Member Discounts</p> <p>Offer goods and services at a reduced rate to Chamber members. Forms available at Chamber office. Call us! Benefits: Great, no-cost advertising! <u> </u> Yes, please send me an application for a Member to Member Discount.</p>
<p>Solon Chamber Hall of Fame</p> <p>Watch your newsletter for sponsorship opportunities for the 2010 Hall of Fame celebration honoring a new group of inductees.</p>	<p>Door Prizes</p> <p>Provide door prizes for our breakfast and luncheon meetings. Benefits: A great low-cost way to market your business <u> </u> Yes! I would like to donate one or more door prizes for the monthly meetings.</p> <p>Taste of Solon returns in 2010! <u> </u> Yes! Please contact me about sponsorship opportunities for this special event!</p>	<p>Business After Five Host</p> <p>Host a Chamber Business After Five Open House at your facility. Benefits: Great exposure! <u> </u> Yes, my company would like to host a Business After Hours.</p> <p>Web Site Advertising Highly visible location on Solon Chamber of Commerce Web Site Home Page Available in 2010</p> <p><u> </u> Yes, please send me information on web site advertising.</p> <p>Watch the Chamber newsletter for additional opportunities in 2010 including new web site banner ads on our newly re-designed web site.</p>

PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET WITH YOUR SELECTIONS TO THE CHAMBER OFFICE BY FAX: 440 248-9121

Thank you for your support!

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

Email _____

Or Mail to:
Solon Chamber of Commerce
33595 Bainbridge Road #101
Solon, Ohio 44139
You will be contacted to confirm your request.

DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3 Business Dev. Luncheon 12 noon	4	5
6	7	8	9 Membership Com. Mtg. Hampton Inn 8:30 a.m.	10 Board of Directors Mtg. Solon City Hall 8 a.m.	11 New Member Orientation Solon City Hall 8 a.m.	12
13	14 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	15 Holiday Luncheon Bertram Inn & Conference Ctr. 11:30 a.m.	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 <i>Chamber office Closed</i>	25 <i>Chamber office closed</i>	26
27	28	29	30	31 <i>Chamber office closed at noon</i>	1 <i>Chamber office closed</i>	2

Solon Chamber of Commerce Mission

To serve as advocates for the business community by supporting and fostering vibrant economic growth.

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Don't forget to visit our members who can provide you with gift ideas for both business and personal giving. With the year almost over, it's also time to start thinking about taxes. Where taxes are involved, it's best not to wait until the last minute. The

same goes for lodging for holiday guests.

The Chamber has many members ready, willing and able to help prepare and file your taxes and accommodate your guests. The following members are at your service.

More information on these compa-

nies is available on the Chamber web site, www.solonchamber.com in the **Online Business Directory**. It is easy to use, simply search by name or category. By supporting Chamber members you are supporting the local economy.

GIFT IDEAS

Embers Custom Fireplace Products
Western Reserve Wines
Wildlife Gardens
Solon Freeway Lanes
Calvetta Brothers Floor Show
Sedlak Interiors
KraftMaid Experience
Breezewood Garden Center
Sam's Club
Steve's Sports
Network Laser Art
Fitness Together
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restaurant and catering members*

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