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Wedgewood Golf & Country
Club
Powell, Ohio

May 14, 2010 OSAE Monthly Luncheon Hilton Polaris Columbus, Ohio

June 11, 2010
OSAE Monthly Luncheon
Holiday Inn Capitol Square
Columbus. Ohio



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Ohio Tourism Roundtable Works On Developing New Public/Private Funding Model

The State of Ohio is working with the Ohio tourism industry to create a "public/private funding model" for a future Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) for the state. The traditional general revenue fund model for the Ohio Tourism Division will end June 30, 2010.

Ohio Tourism Works is a collaborative effort by the Ohio Tourism Roundtable, which represents leadership from the Ohio Association of Conven-

tion & Visitors Bureaus, the Ohio Hotel & Lodging Association, the Ohio Travel Association and the Ohio Restaurant Association, as well as communication professionals within the Ohio tourism industry. The group is working with the Ohio Department of Development and the Governor's office to establish a dedicated funding source at a level that can sustain a "best-in-class" state tourism effort in a public/private model that will yield a significant return on investment to all stakeholders.

The goal of this effort is to create awareness for the need of a state tourism office, to reinforce that tourism is a revenue generator for Ohio, and to receive approval by the state legislature this spring to have the new plan in place by the time funding from the state ends.

At the end of January, the Ohio Tourism Roundtable announced it had completed its research of other state tourism departments. Roundtable participants had analyzed numerous structure and funding models for the future of Ohio tourism marketing. The group has recently narrowed its focus and is prepared to recommend

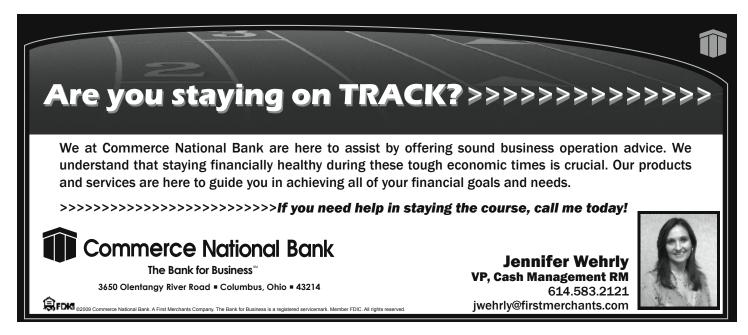


a financing model that would create sustainable growth for both tourism promotion and tourism-related sales tax revenue. The proposal would not require any new taxes, assessments or fees. The accountability-based model would prompt a reinvestment in tourism promotion funding when there is documented growth in tourism-related sales tax revenue.

The Ohio Tourism Roundtable has created a Web site, www.OhioTour-

ismWorks.org, where you can find the latest reports from the planning group, media coverage on the issue, talking points, fact sheets and recommended actions. Everyone is encouraged to provide input and thoughts on the importance of Ohio's tourism industry in general and the division of tourism to your organization. You can join the conversation or follow on Facebook (search "Ohio Tourism Works") or on Twitter @ "OTWorks."

- Tourism generates revenue: Tourism is a \$39 billion industry in Ohio, the third largest industry in the state.
- Tourism creates jobs: More than half a million Ohioans are employed in the hospitality industry at all educational levels and in all of Ohio's 88 counties.
- Tourism creates growth: Tourism diversifies Ohio's economy, provides entrepreneurial opportunities and brings new dollars into the state.
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OSAE Appoints Glasper Executive Director



The Ohio Society of Association Executives (OSAE) has named Mark A. Glasper executive director of the statewide organization. Glasper assumed his duties March 1. In his new role Glasper will work closely with the OSAE Board to fulfill the mission of the organization. He will focus on developing, managing and coordinating programs and services that help make OSAE members better at leading their respective associations to success.

"The OSAE Board of Directors is excited about the opportunity we have to move our members' professional organization forward under Mark's new executive leadership," said Gary King, CAE, OSAE President. "We believe his experience, skills, and guidance will serve us well into the future."

Glasper has had an extensive career in association management, having served as Director of Communications with the Ohio Restaurant Association since 2005 and as Director of Marketing Communications and Manager of Promotions at The American Ceramic Society from 1986 to 2003.

Glasper also had additional marketing and communications experience with a for-profit organization and a communications agency in the 1980s. He is a 1979 graduate of The Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the School of Journalism. Glasper is an adjunct professor in the Department of Communication at Capital University, and is a member of the American Society of Association Executives and the Public Relations Society of America.

NEW! Mobile Web Development Partnership – DiscoverOhio.mobi

The Ohio Tourism Division has partnered with ITI Marketing to create Ohio's first mobile enhanced web site. As the proportion of travelers using smart phones to plan trips continues to grow exponentially, this opportunity allows travel industry partners to create their own mobile friendly web presence.

Research shows that mobile web users prefer easy access to detailed listing information above a rich graphic experience, so the Ohio Mobile Travel Guide will cut right to the chase. With a clean interface light on graphics, potential travelers will be able to find information about Ohio attractions, dining, lodging and events. Pulling from the Buckeye Database, listings that are active on DiscoverOhio.com will have a presence on the mobile site. By partnering with ITI Marketing, travel industry members can do everything from featuring their listings for better visibility to creating their own customized mobile web sites at a reduced rate.

Fast Facts about Ohio Tourism

- In 2008, visitors spent more than \$39 billion in Ohio.
- More than 452,000 jobs were sustained by visitors to Ohio. Tourism jobs represent 7% of all Ohio jobs.
- Direct tax revenue from tourism spending generated more than \$2.7 billion.
- In 2007, Ohio recorded 172.3 million visits with 35.8 million of those visits including an overnight stay.
- Ohio has a diverse tourism product. It includes the Lake Erie shore, Amish country, large cities, theme parks, cultural/historical attractions, nature, sporting activities and events, educational attractions and more.

Source: Longwoods International Study – commissioned by the Ohio Department of Development



CVB's... They're Ready to Help you

One of the enjoyable parts of the OSAE annual conference is seeing the local convention and visitors bureau (CVB) showcase their community. During the red carpet tours, as bands play each and every staff member is asked to stand in line and clap and cheer in a manner that would seem hokie if the enthusiasm was in anyway contrived.

CVBs are most often staffed with hospitality veterans, folks who are genuinely accommodating and generous with their assistance. It should come as no surprise that CVBs work for you to make your meeting or convention as positive an experience for you, your members and your vendors as possible.

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Because the primary funding source is usually from a local lodging tax in addition to some form of membership fees almost all of the services provided by a CVB are provided at no charge to the event, the meeting or event planner.

Prior to a meeting, CVB professionals can help locate meeting space, check hotel availability, and arrange for site inspections. CVBs can also link meeting professionals with the suppliers, from motor coach companies and caterers to off-site entertainment venues, that can help meet the prerequisites of any event.

The bottom line may be that the CVB is working for you while they promote their market, and they sure enjoy doing it.

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About Athens County

Athens County, called one of the Top 10 Places You've Never Heard Of by Mother Earth News in 2006, is nestled in the Appalachian foothills in Southeast Ohio. Though convenient to Columbus, Cincinnati, and Pittsburgh, Athens County presents opportunities to visitors unlike those found elsewhere: 20 historic Amish-style quilt barns, unique arts scenes around Ohio University and Hocking College, and 10 State Parks, Forests, and Wildlife Reserves. Every Saturday and on Wednesdays April through November, check out the Athens Farmers Market and enjoy local foods, live music, and festivity. Historic Nelsonville presents shopping

opportunities for every taste and is home to the Hocking Valley Scenic Railway. On the Final Friday of every month, Nelsonville shops stay open late, and guests are treated to musicians, street vendors, demonstrations, and exhibit openings. Going 18 miles from Athens to Nelsonville, get a scenic look at Athens County along the Hockhocking-Adena Rail-Trail bike path.

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Lucas County Arena www.lucascountyarena.com

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Metroparks of the Toledo Area www.metroparkstoledo.com







The Historic Oliver House www.theoliverhousetoledo.com

SeaGate Convention Centre www.toledo-seagate.com

Stranahan Theater & Great Hall at the Masonic Complex www.stranahantheater.org

Toledo Botanical Garden www.toledozoo.org

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Greater Springfield CVB

20 South Limestone Street Springfield, Ohio 45502 937-325-7621 www.VisitSpringfieldOhio.com

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About Greater Springfield

Looking for a truly unique travel destination? You're IN luck! Springfield offers all the amenities of a big city, with all the comfort and charm of a small town. Amenities such as world-class antiquing, the Clark State Performing Arts Center, the Springfield Museum of Art and Frank Lloyd Wright's Westcott House. Our natural resources and recreational areas are among the finest in the region and our architectural heritage is on full display around every corner. Springfield's strategic central location near the I-70 & I-75 interchange makes it the perfect choice for a day trip, long weekend or professional meeting. Enjoy browsing our site and please let us know if we can provide any assistance in making your visit a great one!

Key Venues:

Frank Lloyd Wright's Westcott House www.wescotthouse.org

ECOSports Corridor

Springfield Museum of Art 937-325-4673 www.springfieldart.museum

Buck Creek State Park 937-322-5284 www.buckcreekstatepark.org

Champions Center 937-324-4353 championscenter.net

Clark State Community College 937-328-6066 www.clarkstate.edu

Wittenberg University 937-327-7445 www.wittenberg.edu







Courtyard by Marriott 937-322-3600 www.marriott.com

Holiday Inn 937-323-8631 www.holidayinn.com

Greene County Ohio CVB

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About Greene County

Greene County, approximately 10 miles east of Dayton, is truly unique with its cultural diversity, small town charm, and exceptional landscapes. It was founded in 1802 and named after a celebrated Revolutionary War hero.

Aviation heritage is abundant in Greene County from the birthplace of practical flight at Huffman Prairie Flying Field to a national park site commemorating the Wright Brothers. The National Museum of the U.S. Air Force traces the development of the airplane from its beginnings to the magnificence of the space age.

Greene County features historic sites as-

sociated with the Underground Railroad, prehistoric Mound builders, and frontier setters. There is plenty to do for the outdoor enthusiast: extraordinary canoeing, hiking, rock climbing, mountain biking and skydiving.

With a diverse selection of accommodations, from full-service hotels and charming country inns to first class bed and breakfasts, Greene County is a one-of-a-kind destination.

Key Venues:

Ervin J. Nutter Center (WSU) 937-775-3498 www.nuttercenter.com

Hilton Garden Inn 937-458-2650 www.daytonbeavercreek.stayhgi.com

Holiday Inn Fairborn Hotel and Conference Center 937-426-7800 www.whihotels.com/ebrochures/hifairborn





Hope Hotel and Conference Center 937-879-2696 www.hopehotel.com

Wright State University 937-775-3333 www.wright.edu

Schindler Banquet Center 937-374-3064 www.legacycenter.org

Cedarville University 937-766-7000 www.cedarville.edu



Lake County Visitors Bureau

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About Lake County

Lake County is Cleveland's eastern neighbor, next to Lake Erie, off Interstate 90. Lake County is a prosperous Ohio county with an abundance of quality, unique meeting venues in a tranquil setting for more productive, successful events, large or small. New and renovated conference and boutique hotels with lower taxes and rates will reduce costs. Venues like a Holden Arboretum meeting room with a full glass wall or a smaller meeting at a Frank Lloyd Wright Vacation Rental House should create interest and more attendance. Lake County's winery district is Ohio's largest, with private meetings rooms and catering. Conduct business and fish with charter captains in the deeper Lake Erie waters of Lake County. Lake

County's golf resort plus one of the largest concentrations of championship, designer golf courses will score business and great golf. Several of the Lake Metroparks 27 parks have meeting facilities like Lake Metroparks Farmpark with catering. Mooreland Conference Center, a restored mansion and Wildwood Mansion offer fresh meeting space. Fine restaurants with private meeting rooms plus waterfront dining like Pickle Bill's features a meeting /dining room.

Key Venues:

Quail Hollow Resort and Country Club (with two designer/championship courses) www.quailhollowresort.com

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites LaMalfa (with 60,000 square feet of meting space) www.lamalfa.com

Radisson Hotel & Suites Cleveland/Eastlake www.radissoneastlake.com

Mosley Select Suites www.mosleyhotel.com







Holden Arboretum www.holdenarb.org

Lake Metroparks Farmpark and Pine Ridge Country Club www.lakemetroparks.com

Comfort Inn & Suites www.choicehotels.com

Lake Erie Shores & Islands° Welcome Center

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About Lake Erie Shores & Islands

Experience first-class event facilities and hospitality surrounded by miles of beautiful shoreline and activities one can only find at the water's edge! At Ohio's Lake Erie Shores & Islands® you and your colleagues will discover a meeting destination that's anything but dry!

With over 400,000 square feet of versatile meeting space, Lake Erie Shores & Islands has the ability to host traditional events; but, it's the non-traditional events that peak with creativity. From intense board meetings and intimate banquets to large-scale tradeshows, the options are endless. Choices range from a professional, top-

notch convention center to a quaint island retreat.

Stunning scenery and numerous entertainment options are what you'll find less than an hour's drive from Cleveland and Toledo. Cedar Point, island cruises, four indoor waterpark resorts and flourishing fishing opportunities are just a few of the fantastic options that this freshwater destination provides.

Customize your event with the Lake Erie Shores and Islands Welcome Center! From initial contact to the final good-bye, the group sales team is eager to help with every detail.

Key Venues:

Kalahari Waterpark Resort and Convention Center www.kalahariresorts.com

Sawmill Creek Resort and Convention Center

www.sawmillcreek.com







Lakeside Association http://lakesideohio.com

Cedar Point / Castaway Bay www.cedarpoint.com / www.castawaybay.com

Great Wolf Lodge www.greatwolf.com

Lima/Allen County CVB

144 South Main Street, Suite 101 Lima, Ohio 45801 419-222-6075 Fax: 419-222-0134 www.lima-allencvb.com

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About Lima/Allen County

Lima and its surrounding area were known at the turn of the 19th century for the discovery of oil and were the locations for one of the Rockefeller's Standard Oil refineries.

Though the boom was relatively short lived, it helped fuel the Lima Locomotive Works' 70 year run as one of the biggest and best known train engine producers in the world.

In its heyday, Lima was a significant railroad hub and was served by five separate rail lines. Today, visitors to Allen County can see this history and more at the newly expanded, nationally accredited Allen County Museum, party of the Allen County Museum Complex that also include the Children's Discovery

Center and Children's Garden. Tilton Farm shows what life would have been like for the Swiss and German immigrants to the area in the 1850s. Also housed at Tilton is a ¼ inch scale hand carved circus sure to delight visitors of all ages! Also in Lima is a contemporary art gallery housed in the Victorian-era mercantile building sure to please visitors with its ever changing exhibits!

Key Venues:

Veteran's Memorial Civic and Convention Center 419-224-5222 www.limaciviccenter.com

UNOH Event Center 419-998-8807 www.unoh.edu

The Centre at Bluffton 419-358-8533 www.thecentreonline.com







Holiday Inn, Lima 419-222-0004 www.holidayinn.com

Courtyard by Marriott 419-222-9000 www.marriott.com

Wingate Inn by Wyndham 419-228-7000 www.limawingate.com

Mansfield/Richland County CVB

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About Mansfield/Richland County

Centrally located between Cleveland and Columbus, Mansfield offers a full-service CVB staff to assist with your planning needs. Check out the meeting planner section on our web site to get you started. Free information welcome bags available for groups.

Non-traditional Meeting Sites – take your team trackside with the Mid-Ohio Driving School where your CEO or sales team can drive a real racecar. Feel movie magic at the Ohio State Reformatory, filming site of The Shawshank Redemption, where meeting attendees can dine where Andy & Red did or top off the meeting with a "Ghost

Walk." Need more team building? How about our paintball park, winter tubing park, or a summer camp for adults! Need just a little twist, how about lunch, dinner, of social hour on stage at the beautiful Renaissance Theatre or surrounded by art at the Mansfield Art Center.

Traditional Meeting Facilities are also available with up to 33,000 square feet under one roof. Conference hotel, log-cabin style space, and large indoor space with high ceilings and "drive-in" garages for tradeshows round out traditional options. Visit www.MansfieldTourism.com for all these meeting sites or call 800-642-8282 for a free Facility Guide.

Key Venues:

Ohio State Reformatory (filming site of The Shawshank Redemption) www.mrps.org

Mid Ohio Conference Center www.midohioconferencecenter.com







Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Conference Center www.holidayinn.com

Mid-Ohio Driving School www.midohio.com/School

Richland County Fairgrounds www.richlandcountyfair.com



Medina County CVB

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About Medina County

Medina County is located south of Cleveland and west of Akron with Interstates 71, 271, and 76; all running through the county. We have great highway access from all directions including State Routes 18 and 224. Even with our close proximity to Cleveland and Akron (within 35 minutes) we are a more rural community with a small town atmosphere. We have unique and relaxing meeting locations and have several great off-property locations for spousal tours or off-site functions. Our largest meeting and hotel facility is in Wadsworth at The Galaxy Banquet & Party Center with two adjacent properties. The Bureau will be happy to assist your organization with

bids for properties.

The Bureau can also help with planning of spousal tours, off-area functions, Visitors Guides and Events calendars.

Key Venues:

The Galaxy Banquet & Party Center 330-334-3663 www.thegalaxyrestaurant.com

Williams on the Lake Banquet & Party Center 330-722-6766 www.williamsonthelake.com

Buffalo Creek Retreat Meeting Space 330-722-9364 www.medinacountyparks.com

Sharon Center Banquet & Party Center 330-239-4233 www.sharonpartycenter.com

Fox Meadows Country Club 330-723-4653 www.foxmeadowcc.com



Rustic Hills Country Club 330-725-4281 www.rustichills.com

Blue Heron Country Club 330-722-0227 www.golfblueheron. com

Rodeway Inn & Medina Conference Center 330-725-4571

Diamond Event Center 330-225-1995 www.diamondeventcenter.com





Perrysburg CVB

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About Perrysburg

A storied past of early American history is part of the tapestry that is Perrysburg's rich past. Perrysburg is one of only two cities in the United States platted by the federal government (Washington, D.C. is the other one).

Voted "Best Home Town" in 2009 by Ohio magazine, Perrysburg is home to the largest wooden walled fortification in North America, is soon-to-be site of the world headquarters of Fortune 500 and boasts Tree City USA distinction for its care for the environment and lush surroundings.

Walk or drive through the

historic district of Perrysburg and you will marvel at the many stately homes and businesses with architectural styles from the 1800s. Looking for a little history? Visit Ft. Meigs State Memorial Park. Recreation? Perrysburg offers 11 parks totaling more than 180 acres. Music lover? Enjoy our summertime Music in the Park. Perrysburg has a lot to offer.

The Perrysburg CVB was formed in March 1997 for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the City of Perrysburg through tourism and convention business. It also operates the Perrysburg Farmers Market, which is in its 12th season of operation in downtown Perrysburg and is open every Thursday from 3 to 8 p.m. beginning the week before Mother's Day in May until mid October.

Perrysburg was the host of the 2009 OSAE Annual Conference.







Key Venues:

Hilton Garden Inn 419-873-0700 www.toledoperrysburg.stayhgi.com

Ft. Meigs State Memorial 419-874-4121 / 800-283-8916 www.fortmeigs.org

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The Higbee Building 100 Public Square, Suite 100 Cleveland, Ohio 44113 216-875-6600 or 800-321-1001 Fax: 216-621-5967 www.clevelandmeetings.com

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About Cleveland

The Cleveland Plus region is a dynamic mix of history and heritage and cutting edge technology; the best healthcare and the warmest people; fabulous neighborhood ethnic eateries and restaurants led by world-renowned chefs; top notch arts organizations and community festivals for every reason or no reason at all. And – of course – the beat of rock and roll carries through everything we do. With affordable amenities and easy accessibility, this Lake Erie city can meet the needs for your next event.

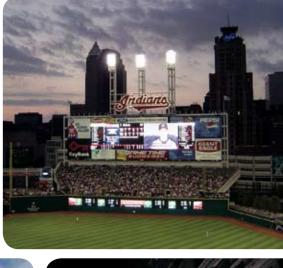
Key Venues:

Cleveland Convention Center
(278,000 square feet of exhibition space)
www.clevelandconventioncenter.net

LX Center

(more than 1,000,000 square feet of exhibition space, near Cleveland Hopkins Airport) www.ixcenter.com

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame + Museum (a unique venue for events) www.rockhall.com







Tuscarawas County CVB

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About Tuscarawas County

Tuscarawas County sits equi-distant from Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Columbus and is easily reached via I-77; State Routes 800, 250, 36, or 39.

We are home to: Ohio's oldest Outdoor Drama, Trumpet in the Land, Warther Carvings and Gardens, Dennison Depot Railroad Museum.

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Key Venues:

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McDonald/Marlite Conference Center 330-308-5009 www.mcdonaldmarlite.com







Schoenbrunn Inn & Suites 800-929-7799 www.christopherhotels.com

Ramada Limited 330-878-1400 www.strasburgramadalimited.com

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About Erie, Pennsylvania

Erie is Pennsylvania 's only Great Lakes Port City and boasts a wealth of natural beauty and fascinating history. Erie is situated along picturesque Presque Isle Bay, one of the world's best-protected harbors surrounded by a 3,200acre peninsula, Presque Isle State Park. Enjoy Presque Isle State Park with seven miles of sandy beaches, trails and plenty of outdoor recreation including swimming, fishing, boating, skiing, birding and the new Tom Ridge Environmental Center, an educational fun way to learn the history of the Park. Travel downtown for Broadway shows, riveting theatrical performances, philharmonic delights, and comedy club entertainment. Explore acres of vineyards at local wineries. Enjoy dinner and a show at unique interactive dinner theaters. Root for our professional sports teams:

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Key Venues:

Lake Erie Speedway www.lakeeriespeedway.com.

Erie Western PA Port Authority www.porterie.org

Erie Art Museum www.erieartmuseum.org

Waldameer Park www.waldameer.com

Erie Zoological Society www.eriezoo.org

Erie County Historical Society www.eriecountyhistory.org







Family First Sports Park www.familyfirstsportspark.com

Louis J. Tullio Arena www.erieevents.com

Warner Theatre www.erieevents.com

Jerry Uht Ballpark www.erieevents.com

Manufacturers' Association Conference Center www.manp.org

Warren County CVB

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About Warren County

Welcome to Ohio's Largest Playground for meetings! Warren County has what you want and what you need for your next event. Only in Warren County will you find the perfect mix of abundant meeting facilities, affordable hotels, world-class attractions, great dining and some of the best shopping in Ohio. Warren County's three large convention hotels offer 69,773 sq. ft. of convention space with a combined total of 990 available guestrooms, all within five miles of each other. Our Plantation-Style banquet center offers 8,900 elegant sq. ft of space to host your group. Plus, there are numerous other hotel meeting facilities and non-hotel meeting facilities perfect for the needs of your event. You will also find a wide array of group-friendly attractions and group-friendly dining options. Only in Warren County can your attendees (all in one day) ride the world's longest wooden

roller coaster at Kings Island, soar down the largest zipline in the continental United States at Ozone Zipline Adventures and dine at the Golden Lamb, a historic restaurant visited by 12 American presidents!

Key Venues:

Bel-Wood Country Club www.belwoodcc.com

Bonnybrook Farms www.bonnybrookfarms.com

The Golf Center at Kings Island www.thegolfcenter.com

The Golden Lamb Inn www.goldenlamb.com

Great Wolf Lodge www.greatwolf.com/mason/waterpark

Joy Outdoor Education Center www.joec.org

Kings Domain Conference & Retreat Center www.kingsdomain.org







LakeView Acres Pavilion and Lodge www.lakeviewacres.net

The Manor House Banquet & Conference Center

www.manorhouseohio.com

Ozone Zipline Adventures http://ozonezips.org

Shaker Run Golf Club www.shakerrungolfclub.com

Warren County History Center www.wchsmuseum.org

Worthington CVB

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About Worthington

Founded in 1803, Worthington is a historic community steeped in New England tradition. Beautiful tree-lined streets, American flags on every downtown lamppost and quaint charm greet every visitor to Worthington, and the town offers quiet retreat with easy access to the capital city action of Columbus. Visitors may enjoy a walking tour of the historic town and its active main street stores, boutiques, and restaurants.

Also located in Worthington is the American Whistle Factory, the only manufacturer of metal whistles in the country. Commemorative Super Bowl whistles are created here annually, and the factory is open for tours. Nearby Columbus attractions include the Columbus Zoo, Highbanks Metropark with walking trails and picnic facilities, and the Whetstone Park of Roses.

Key Venues:

Holiday Inn Hotel Columbus-Worthington 614-436-0700 www.holidayinn.com

Hyatt Place 888-492-8847 http://columbusworthington.place.hyatt.

Sheraton Suites Columbus 800-325-3535 www.starwoodhotels.com

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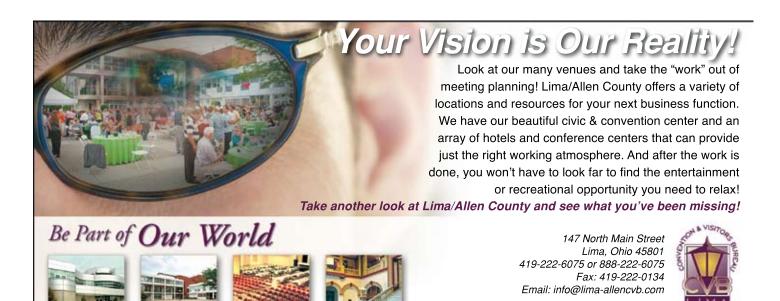
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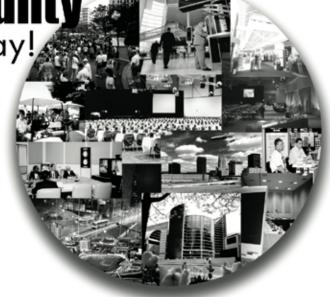
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