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# Medina Welcomes You!

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As Mayor of the City of Medina, I am fully committed to providing citizens with a safe community in which they can raise a family and also provide a great place for businesses to locate confidently. I believe that goal has been and continues to be met through the longstanding record of excellent services provided to the public, as well as providing vast government services in an efficient and effective manner.

It is my hope after reading this magazine you will be reminded of the many great attributes this community has to offer. The city is committed to seek out opportunities for continuous improvement through many initiatives, development projects and enhancements that will perpetually reinvigorate and revitalize our great city.

Thank you for taking the time to review this magazine, and please contact the city if we may assist you in any manner.

Sincerely,

Dennis Hanwell, Mayor







## Economic Collaboration Brings National Recognition to the City of Medina

**R**onald Reagan, our 40th President, once said, “There is no limit to what a man can do or where he can go if he doesn’t care who gets the credit.” The science of economic development typifies this statement, for it is a discipline that enjoys its greatest success when through its facilitating of economic growth, collaboration becomes its primary tool.

Through the 2009 and the first half of 2010 year, it has been this focus of working with various organizations and government entities that has and will continue to be a force in not just maintaining but growing the city of Medina’s economic base. This approach has been successful enough to earn recognition in the House of Representatives by Congressman Boccieri. In a speech delivered on the House floor, Mr. Boccieri commented on the city’s ingenuity and commitment to growth in tough economic times. Further stating, “I commend the efforts of Wooster Mayor Bob Breneman and Mayor Dennis Hanwell in Medina for their efforts to bring jobs to our district. The teamwork of local officials, local leaders and employers paved the

way for economic growth and job creation.”

Congressman Boccieri’s comments don’t suggest that Medina has not had families struggle during these times. A friend of mine shared a familiar saying, “A recession is when your neighbor loses his job, and a depression is when you do.” As I travel our community, the statement I have heard in many

of our Medina-based companies when asked how they are weathering the times is, “We refuse to participate in the recession.” I don’t believe this is synonymous of the ostrich desiring to bury his head in the sand, rather a bold approach that brings innovation into their operations.

Through the 2009-2010 year, Sandridge Food Corporation has been an example of this ingenuity. Refusing to participate could be their rally cry as the Medina-based company has had one of, if not their best, year to date. This growth in sales has demanded CEO Mark Sandridge, President Bill Frantz and the rest of the Sandridge management team to be in a constant state of expansion and innovation. The most recent \$6.2 million dollar expansion for





machinery, equipment and building expansion earned the city of Medina a nomination as a finalist for the Team NEO Economic Impact Awards in the category of Business Expansion. This was Medina's second year in a row to be recognized for the award. Working together with the State of Ohio, city staff, and Medina County Economic Development Corporation, all contributed to facilitating the expansion which will add a minimum of 50 jobs to the city. Other expansion projects include McJak Candies, Giant Eagle, Marc's, Summa Hospitals and University Hospital.

Sandridge Food Corp. was not the only business to be recognized for its achievement. During the past year Fire-Dex, Vexor, BPR Rico, Falcon Industries, Dorman-Farrell, Trillium Creek Boutique, Wellman Products Group, and Stop-n-Go have all been award-winning companies.

Recently, the tool of collaboration was again used when the City of Medina and Montville Township entered into a JEDD agreement. JEDD is an acronym for Joint Economic Development District. The district, in essence, serves as a joint governing entity over designated properties in Montville Township. The property remains in the township but the employees are taxed as working in the city. Some of the properties included in the Medina-Montville JEDD include the Medina City Schools, Summa Hospital, and University Hospital. A portion of the income tax goes to the JEDD, possibly to assist in future infrastructure repairs on the property, and the remainder is divided 50-50 between Montville and the city of Medina. JEDD's assist townships and cities to maintain the level of service to their residents and businesses without increasing the base tax rate. This is especially vital to the township where the demands of service due to population growth never match the property tax gains. JEDDs also serve as catalysts for cooperative agreements between and among two or more government entities. Common dispatch, fire protection and maintenance of the community parks are examples where the townships and

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## Innovative, Responsive, Resourceful

**T**he Medina Fire Department has provided fire/rescue service to the community for 136 years. Through innovation, responsiveness, and resourcefulness the department has evolved to meet the needs of the residents.

The department is currently staffed by 40 dedicated on-call firefighters who operate out of 3 stations. They staff 2 aerial trucks, 3 engines and other support vehicles. In 2009 the department responded to 747 incidents. This figure includes fire, medical first responder, rescues, carbon monoxide incidents and citizen complaints. The department strives to be a one-stop service for the residents. Besides the normal fire and medical first responder services, we also offer services in the following areas: hazardous materials, water/ice rescue, technical (rope) rescue, Heavy rescue/extrication, public education, and fire prevention.

The firefighters train 10 hours per month to maintain their skills and proficiencies on their equipment. Each piece of apparatus and equipment has been designed with 3 things in mind; to provide the safest, most efficient, and cost-effective service to the community. The single most important thing we can do as a community is to prevent a fire from occurring. With that concept guiding us, we provide a very proactive fire prevention program.

The Fire Prevention office is staffed by a full-time Fire Marshal and several part-time fire inspectors. They are responsible for over 1,000 businesses and performed 800 inspections in 2009. This includes new construction, re-inspections, fire alarms, fire sprinkler systems, fire pumps, and plan reviews. The fire prevention team prides itself in working with the customer. The Public Fire Educator is also busy in the community. Fire safety talks, fire extinguisher classes and station tours are just some of the activities offered. In 2009 they had 94 events and had 3,500 residents attend.

The department strives to provide the best service possible to the residents of Medina and Montville Twp. In 2010 we added a new 105 foot ladder truck to the fleet. We are also starting a Fire Explorers Program for teenagers interested in the fire service.

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cities become better stewards of our tax dollars.

Main Street Medina (MSM) celebrated its third year by receiving recertification. Last year, the International Festival became MSM's initial major event and became an immediate success, drawing over 10,000 residents and visitors to the town square. The assistance MSM has been to the city in promoting the Historic District is significant. The level of occupancy and the vibrancy of the district has been the envy of other Main Street communities. Recently, Mayor Hanwell hosted a group of citizens, city administrators and advocates of the Historic District to share with another city what we are doing that makes Medina work.

When a group of economic developers get together one thing can be guaranteed, we will steal each other's ideas. It is one of the most sharing occupations but rarely do you find a group from different cities working together on a common project. In Medina our cooperation spells success. A great example is the work the economic development organizations, the Chambers of Commerce and Medina's Workforce Development did to develop a worker incumbent training program that received state



Tom Krueger, Economic Development Director

recognition. Through the leadership of Bill Hanigan, Medina Director of Workforce Development, the program used federal dollars to provide a grant to county and city companies to provide certified supervisory training, lean manufacturing and six-sigma training. The goal of the team is to provide the opportunity for Medina businesses to become globally competitive and grow their companies and thus be a source for new jobs. As of this writing the most recent unemployment numbers have come from the State of Ohio and Medina has the



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An area landmark, the Medina County Courthouse on North Broadway serves the residents of the entire area.

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For more information call Tom Krueger in the Economic Development Office at 330-764-3319.



A creative view of the square in the center of Medina where four busy Ohio Routes intersect; signs (below) help identify local businesses who contribute to Main Street Medina's events.



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# Health and Safety Partnerships Vital to Success

**M**edina has just been named one of “Ohio’s Best Home-towns for 2011” by the editors of *Ohio Magazine* and was recently ranked 40th on the list of “America’s Best Small Towns” by *Money Magazine*. The rankings were no surprise for long-time residents of Medina, who know it as a great place to live, work, and raise a family. Compared to other cities in the survey, the City of Medina is ranked high due to its low crime rate, excellent schools, affordable housing, low cost of living (ranging 12-20% below the national average), and tremendous local and regional health care system.

One of the many reasons that Medina is a safe place to live is the existence of the Community Policing Program. During his tenure as Chief of Police, the current Mayor, Dennis Hanwell began the Community Policing Program. As Police Chief, Mayor Hanwell instilled the philosophy of community policing and “Order Maintenance Policing” in the police department and the community. As Mayor of Medina, Dennis Hanwell is committed to a Community-oriented Government Model, in which all city employees are cross-trained in aspects of the Community Policing Program.

As one of “America’s Best Small Towns,” the City of Medina is ranked as one of the safest communities in America, but that praise doesn’t stop its attempt to continually strive for improvement. A current issue and serious nationwide problem, sudden cardiac arrest is one of the leading causes of death in the U.S., striking about 250,000 Americans each year. This translates into nearly ONE DEATH EVERY TWO MINUTES. To address this nationwide crisis, the City of Medina Police Department partnered with Medina Hospital to place lifesaving technology



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The partnership between Mayor Dennis Hanwell (left) and Rob Stall, president of Medina Hospital, has strengthened the “health care safety net” for Medina area residents.

in each of the City’s police cars. Medina Hospital has trained and certified each police officer in the lifesaving techniques of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the use of external units, known as automated external defibrillators (AEDs). AEDs automate the diagnosis of treatable rhythms, meaning that lay responders or bystanders are able to use them successfully. Medina Hospital donated the lifesaving AED units for the Medina patrol cars at no cost to the department. This partnership has strengthened the “health care safety net” for Medina residents by putting an AED device and a trained officer less than a minute away in an emergency.

Taking a page out of a cavalry officer’s handbook, and adding with it modern-day communications, Medina has also implemented a comprehensive new strategy for a safer and more efficient overall emergency medical response in the city. The plan improves emergency coordination in the City by dispatching for police, LST and fire from one call center, the Police Communications Center at Police Headquarters. This plan takes full advantage of Police cars as they are circulating throughout the city to assist in emergencies. “We are using police cars as our modern-day cavalry scouts, the advance element of our team,” said Mayor Dennis Hanwell. “Our officers are from one to three minutes away from any serious call because they are spread throughout the city and are always moving.” Under the new plan, police officers will be dispatched on every medical call as well as the Medina Life Support Team (LST) and, when available, Medina Fire Department Medics. The first arriving unit will notify the other responding units if there is a need for a continued emergency response or if they can proceed more cautiously.

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The Sanitation Department provides solid waste removal for all city residents at a cost of \$14.00 per month per household. Medina participates in a recycling process through the Medina County Central Processing Facility which has been designed to accept unsorted solid waste and remove recyclables with a high degree of efficiency and reliability.

## Medina Street Department

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# Esbi International Salon

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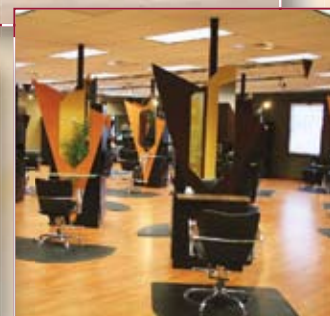
As a result of their skills and stringent staff training, ESBI has developed an enormous client base scattered throughout the Greater Cleveland area—and beyond. In fact, the wildly popular Strongsville destination had attracted so many clients—and talented stylists—over the past 10 years, the couple realized that change was inevitable.

“We were about to launch our Faith, Love, and Hope line of salon-quality haircare products, but our staff had grown to the point that we realized we didn’t have the room to accommodate them and additional clientele any longer,” Nuccio recalls. “My wife and I just turned to each other and said, ‘We have to move.’”



ESBI International Salon owners  
Cheryl and Nuccio Basilisco

The couple decided to temporarily suspend production of FLH and instead focus their energies on finding a space large enough to comfortably house their growing staff and increasing client base. It also had to reflect their creative vision. They found the perfect blend in



the former Realty One building on Center Road, (Rt 303) in Brunswick, and moved their operations in late 2009.

“The dramatic carport canopy and beautiful exterior finishes helped determine the design inside,” Cheryl says, noting the stunning new modern Tuscan vibe found within—a dramatic contrast from the brightly-colored, funky Strongsville space. Nuccio, an art-lover as well as creative visionary, commissioned local artist Nicolette Capuano to create the dramatic, hand-painted murals gracing the interior walls. Among the stunning granite and tile finishes, you will find replicas of some of the most famous works by Boticelli. Artist John Blazy designed stunning contemporary glass partitions and wall art.

The new space includes a relaxing new facial room, private spray tanning room, and an additional pedicure chair. Styling stations increased from 12 to 22. And while the stunning grandeur of the new space has caused some to pause in awe, Cheryl and Nuccio are quick to point out that ESBI prices have remained the same since the move. Haircuts start at \$30.00 and increase due to level of stylist.

“We’re giving pampering a new image,” Nuccio smiles. “It doesn’t have to cost a fortune for you to feel like a million dollars. We make every client feel special.”





# Main Street Medina

Once noted as “The Sweetest Hometown in America,” and recently named one of the “Top Five Hometowns” in the State of Ohio by *Ohio Magazine*, the nine-block historic district of Medina enchants anyone who visits this storied town, and even more so, those that call it home. In just over three years, Main Street Medina (MSM) has become a strong partner in the community, with a mission to lead the effort for preservation, economic sustainability, and continued evolution of the Historic District as the heart of the community.

As a non-profit, membership supported organization, MSM works on many projects and events to promote the historic district as a destination, a place to shop, dine, entertain, explore, or just to relax on a bench in the Square. We also present three major events each year, including the Chalk Art Festival (late May), the Medina International Fest (last Saturday in August), and the annual holiday kick-off, the Medina Candlelight Walk (weekend prior to Thanksgiving). In addition to festivals, MSM also produces a professional concert series, the World Tour of Music, which has featured the St. Petersburg String Quartet, and will premiere the upcoming North American debut of Australian tenor, Brad Cooper.

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Your personal style is priceless, but is yours sending the right message? Are you investing in the right things, like a great haircut, haircolor, facial or pedicure or do you have a closet full of clothes you don't wear and rows of shoes and handbags? We all love that favorite pair of shoes or

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# Medina Schools Make the Grade

Welcome back to what will certainly be a year filled with opportunities, challenges, and excitement. Even though times have been tough economically, we have remained determined to perform at the highest levels possible. Last year the Medina City School District had not only another outstanding academic year, but performed as well as we ever have in the performing arts and athletics. We experienced much success in almost every sport.

We continue to show our strength in the performing arts



Dr. Randy Stepp

by having our high school choir, band and orchestra again receive the top ratings in the state. Last year we began the year with a state championship in girls' soccer and ended the year with a state championship in girls' lacrosse. I truly believe that these two state championships along with our continued academic success and ongoing performing arts excellence represent our district's resilience and

determination to be the best.

This year will be no different. We will continue to live and breathe our longstanding tradition of excellence. In Medina, excellence is determined by performance around a set of core values. These core values are an extension of the beliefs of our community and we are striving to represent the community in every aspect of those beliefs. Academic excellence, opportunities for students, reaching maximum potential, instilling enthusiasm for learning, engaging in community partnerships, and involving families are just to name a few.



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We are driven to adhere to these values in the classroom, on the stage, on the athletic field, in our schools and out in the community.

After all, when it is all said and done our job is to support the expectations of this community and serve our community's children. I believe that this expectation includes excellence in all areas of education, not just academics.

I thank you for your ongoing support of the Medina City School District, especially during these challenging times.

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# Students Excel in Class and on the Field

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“**E**ducate, Challenge, Inspire” is the motto that students, staff and community members live by within the Medina City School District. The school district has been rated ‘Excellent’ by the State of Ohio for multiple years.

The school district encompasses 52 square miles, including the city of Medina, Medina and Montville townships and a portion of Lafayette Township. The district and community continues to experience growth. Currently, enrollment is nearly 7,800 students. Facilities within the school district include seven elementary schools: Canavan, Garfield, Heritage, H. G. Blake, Fenn, Eliza Northrop and Ralph E. Waite; two middle schools: A. I. Root and Claggett; and Medina High School.

Always striving for improvement, the district and each school develop annual Continuous Improvement Plans focusing on specific academic areas. Staff members are encouraged to pursue professional development so that educational experiences for students are always on the cutting edge. Through a vast

computer network and accessibility in the buildings, students have opportunities to interact with technology on a daily basis.

Buildings have a wide variety of computer and multimedia devices that enhance and enrich student education. Medina students excel in many

areas from academics to athletics to performing and fine arts. Students and staff recognize the importance of community service and frequently give time above and beyond the school day to provide volunteer service to meet community needs.



Extended educational opportunities are available for students through a partnership with the University of Akron and a Distance Learning Lab located at the high school.

Fostering community relationships and partnerships are key to the success of the Medina City Schools. For more information about the school district visit the web site at [www.medinacityschooldistrict.org](http://www.medinacityschooldistrict.org) or call the Communications Office at 330-636-3112.

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# District's Garden Program Continues to Grow

**T**he Medina City School District's Community Garden Program is now in its second year. The district's Wellness Committee has set a goal of establishing a community garden at every school building within five years. School and community gardens teach and enhance environmental attitudes, social skills, self-confidence, leadership skills, nutritional attitudes and scholastic achievement.

Currently, there are gardens located at Medina High School and A.I. Root Middle School. Garden volunteers include students, parents, school district staff and community members. The garden program leadership team continues to work towards incorporating the gardens into the school curriculum. In early spring, the high school environmental science students started 27 varieties of plants for the gardens.

Student council members and community volunteers have watered and tended to the gardens throughout the summer and then weekly donations of produce were donated to a Medina food pantry. Donations included a variety of lettuce, cucumbers and peas. High school students Kate Nickley and Maxine Slaybaugh were instrumental in delivering the produce and volunteered their time at the local food pantry. Kim Grigsby a member of the district's Wellness Committee stated, "The pantry workers and customers were thrilled to get the

fresh produce and pleased that it came from the school garden and student effort."


Recently, 27 pounds of potatoes were harvested and sold at the Medina Farmer's Market.

Local resident and parent, Chris Fullerton, owner of the Cookie Chix allowed the students to sell their produce at her booth.

A new initiative for the Garden Program this school year is to implement composting at the high school. Cafeteria manager Liz Kiousis plans to use food scraps to produce nutrient-rich compost that can be used in the gardens.




All supplies, seeds, and materials for the gardens have been donated with no cost to the school district. The program is in need of volunteers, garden tools, compost, soil, plants, seeds and creative ideas. If you are interested in helping, please email [grigsby@zoominternet.net](mailto:grigsby@zoominternet.net) and indicate your area of interest.






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# The Faces of Medina

**A** town is often known for its geographical and architectural landmarks. The mention of Medina, for example, conjures up images of Victorian shops lined up on an old town square. But for all of its charming physical characteristics, it is people that give a town its unique personality.

The more than 25,000 people of Medina – caring parents, insightful grandparents, playful children and trusted friends – provide the vitality and character that make the town more than just a collection of parks, shops and businesses.

In this section we profile some of the most recognizable and interesting people of our town – the leaders, talented business owners and managers who not only help to keep the local economy vibrant but live among us as our neighbors and friends. You may know some of them personally; others by appearance, by name or maybe only by the look of their signs or storefronts.

The following pages will offer you a chance to learn more about whom they are and what makes them so successful in what they do in our community.

They are the Faces of Medina.

## THE FACES OF MEDINA – First Row (left to right):

Rita Muckensturm, Astin/Muckensturm Interiors; Dennis Hanwell, Mayor of Medina; Debra Lynn-Schmitz, President of the Greater Medina Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Najia Usman, Visage Surgery Center; Dr. Charles Pfister, Charles Pfister, DDS, MS; Jon-Michael Astin, Astin/Muckensturm Interiors (seated).

**Second Row:** Barbara Wilson, The Wilson Team; Howard Hanna Real Estate Services; Angel Brown, Salon Evangelene; Amy Douglass, The Interior Design Studio; Faisal Quereshey, Visage Surgery Center.

**Third Row:** Randy Stepp, Superintendent, Medina City Schools; Dr. Helen Torok, Trillium Creek; Tina Gienger, Member Services Manager, Greater Medina Chamber of Commerce; Jim Jumpa, JJ Renovations LLC; Dr. Allan Milewski, Medina Family Dentistry; Dr. Zach Mellion, Mellion Orthodontics (seated).

**Fourth Row:** Rob Stall, Medina General Hospital; Dr. Lyndin Merrick, Straight Up Chiropractic; Dr. Jeffrey C. Esterburg, South Court Dental Medicine; Brandon Rapp, Homestead Insurance; Jason Graf, Ferrell-Whited Physical Therapy Services (seated).

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*Helen M. Torok, M.D.*



Medical Director, Leonard J. Torok M.D., heads the laser rejuvenation and body shaping treatments at Trillium Creek. Dr. Torok offers laser treatments of blood vessels, brown spots, scars, wrinkles and sagging skin. He has also trained for 15 years in the study of Homeopathy. In addition to his medical degree, Dr. Leonard Torok is also a board certified Homeopathic practitioner at Ohio Holistic Medicine at Trillium Creek. Dr. Patrick Killian, also a board certified dermatologist, is the expert in Mohs Skin Cancer Surgery. As a member of the American College of Mohs Surgery, Dr. Killian brings advanced techniques in the surgical treatments of complex skin cancers.



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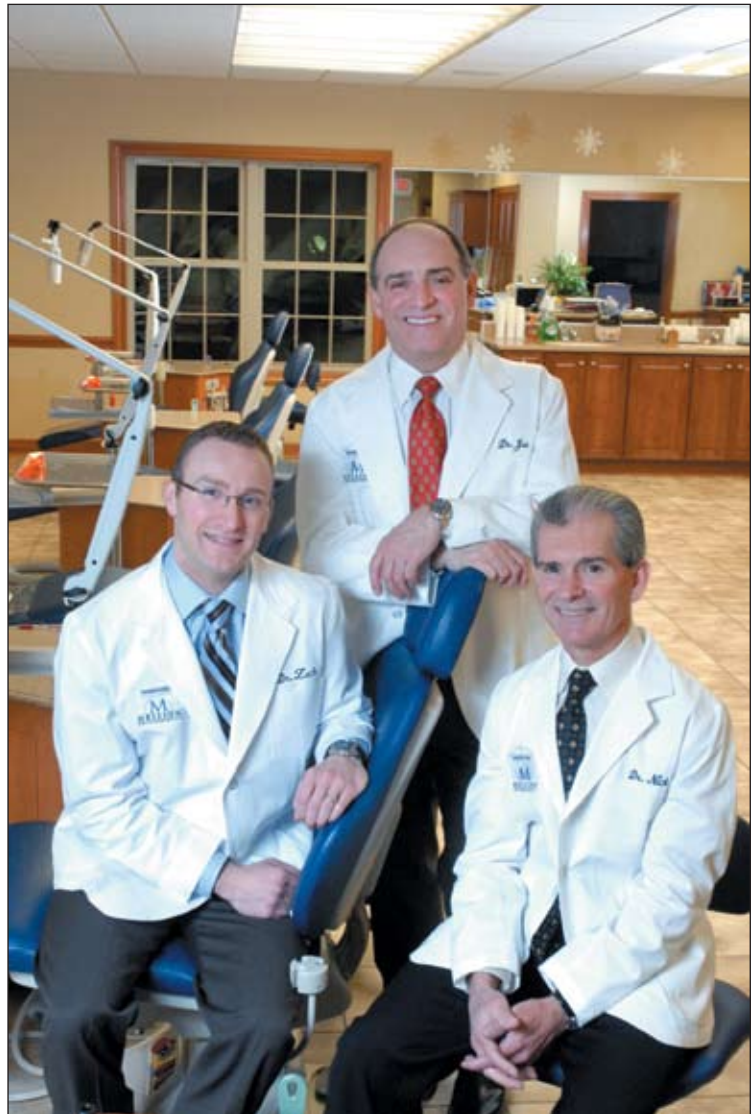
Ask any of the doctors what they love most about practicing orthodontics and you will get a similar response, “We love our patients!” Truly knowing each individual is something each doctor strives to achieve while making a positive impact. It’s not uncommon to find one of the doctors at a school, sporting, or community event supporting their patients.

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**D**r. Charles Pfister, a lifetime native of Medina County, has been creating smiles in Medina as a board certified orthodontist for 29 years and feels one of his most important duties is listening to each patient to determine his or her goals for seeking treatment. A member of many local, state and national dental orthodontic organizations, Dr. Pfister is also a fellow member of the honorary International College of Dentists. Participation and promotion of local and state dental programs has earned him the Ohio Dental Association 2010 Achievement Award, a statewide award given to one dentist a year. Dr. Pfister is the first Medina County dentist to have been bestowed this prestigious award.

Dr. Pfister's training in growth and development at Case Western Reserve University and The University of Michigan has earned his office an excellent reputation for correcting early skeletal problems in young patients. In the past 3 years we have gone from removable to new cemented bone growing appliances that totally removes patient cooperation. Parents love it! It's satisfying to prevent the need for more dramatic

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Dr. Pfister and his wife Terri, stay busy raising their sons, Stephen and Trenton as well as staying very involved in the community. Dr. Pfister feels "Working with today's youth and helping them discover their talents are our best formula for guaranteeing their success as adults."



*Dr. Charles Pfister*

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Amy Douglass, the owner of The Interior Design Studio, has more than 25 years of experience in every aspect of interior design. She purchased The Interior Design Studio in 1999. Prior to purchasing the Studio, she freelanced through major interior designs firms for over 20 years.

Amy's youngest daughter, Julie Douglass, began managing the family business after graduating from Ohio State University in 2003. Julie has created an aggressive marketing strategy to

help promote and strengthen relationships with the Studio's clients. The Interior Design Studio is also proud to have Amy's Daughter Katie Heinz as a full-time designer. She has designed everything from hair salons to churches, as well as many private residences. Katie specializes in window treatments, applying her knowledge of textiles to create unique and customized window dressings for her clients.

The relationship between client and designer has always been a main focus at IDS over the years. The company believes that they are not just designing a house, but designing a house that at the end of the day, the customer will love to be in. To accomplish this, the finished design must always reflect the customer's personality, desires and dreams.



*Katie Heinz, Amy Douglass and Julie Douglass*

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Conveniently located east of Medina Square on East Washington Street, Dr. Milewski is proud of his experienced, professional team. "Our patients love our staff. As a team, we work hard to keep dental health care affordable and available to the people of Medina," says Dr. Milewski. "Give us a call and come in and meet us. We welcome you becoming a part of our dental family!"



Dr. Allan J. Milewski

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## Jon-Michael Astin & Rita Muckensturm ASTIN/MUCKENSTURM INTERIORS

**A**stin/Muckensturm Interiors, owned by partners Jon-Michael Astin and Rita Muckensturm, has been providing the greater Medina community with expert design service for years. With more than 50 years of interior design experience between them, this team has worked on projects ranging from whole homes and office spaces to individual rooms and window treatments.

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Evangelene Brown

**Salon Evangelene is located at 4018b Medina Road. Contact us**  
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## Dr. Merrick STRAIGHT-UP CHIROPRACTIC

**O**ur non-invasive approach to healthcare focuses on the idea that the nervous system plays a direct role in all illnesses and ailments, including colds, headaches, kidney issues and back pain,” says Dr. Lyndin Merrick, owner of Straight-Up Chiropractic.

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“Our approach isn’t just about healing back pain,” he insists. “We can address any health issue—naturally.” Our hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday 8 a.m.-noon; and Saturday by appointment. New patients who mention this story will receive a complimentary consultation.



Dr. Lyndin Merrick

*Straight-Up Chiropractic is located at 283 E. Reagan Blvd. Call 330-764-9449 or go to [www.Straight-UpChiropractic.com](http://www.Straight-UpChiropractic.com)*

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Jim Jumba

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## South Court Dental Medicine Jeffrey C. Esterburg, DMD



**S**outh Court Dental Medicine is proud to be a member of the Medina healthcare community for more than 30 years. Founded by Jeffrey C. Esterburg, DMD, the practice has cared for four generations of Medina families, initially on North Court Street and from its current location two miles south of the square on South Court Street. To keep pace with the growth of Medina, Dr. Esterburg expanded the facility and the staff in 2003.

Dr Esterburg and his family live and work in Medina and know how important it is to find quality care in a familiar, welcoming environment. SCDM has maintained a relaxed, yet professional, atmosphere consistent with much of Medina’s local charm, while providing dentistry’s most advanced procedures, materials, and equipment. By offering a full range of preventive, restorative, and cosmetic care, each patient’s needs and desires are met with a customized treatment plan. We welcome patients of all ages.

“At South Court Dental Medicine there is more to oral health than restoring damaged teeth and gums,” says Dr. Esterburg. “Our focus of care is firmly directed toward long-term oral health, which contributes significantly to overall physical health.”

SCDM is fortunate to be a part of a diverse, progressive network of medical and dental professionals who have chosen to practice in Medina. No matter how complex a patient’s needs may be, Dr. Esterburg and his staff are ready to be their compass to comprehensive oral healthcare.



Jeffrey C. Esterburg, DMD

*New patients welcome! South Court Dental Medicine is located at 1063 South Court Street. Call 330-725-0581 or visit us at [www.SouthCourtDental.com](http://www.SouthCourtDental.com)*



● Real Estate



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**Things to Consider:**

Do your research! Some updates may not actually increase the potential sale price on your home. Be careful not to make improvements beyond the current market values of the homes in your neighborhood.

Keep in mind that some changes need to be more recent when the time comes to sell. For example, carpeting that is 10 years old is not necessarily going to be considered 'updated' to buyers. This may mean you think about postponing some updates that might need to be done closer to the time you sell.

# Homeowners Can Plan Ahead

While 'staging' a home for sale has become a great way to help potential buyers visualize your home as their own, there are also other updates you can do to increase your home's competitive edge. If you plan ahead, you can spread out the costs and time of 'staging' throughout the years you spend living in your home.

As you decide on improvements or changes you want to make, be sure to consider what effect they will have on the resale value of your home when it comes time to sell.

First impressions really DO count toward a buyer's perception of your home. One of the most important features is your home's exterior. A well manicured and landscaped yard can make a huge difference in your home's appeal. Shrubs, trees, and other landscaping elements take time to mature to reach their fullest effectiveness in increasing the privacy and attractiveness of your yard.

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### Orthopaedics

We're making great progress in Orthopaedics so you can too. As a result of our recent Cleveland Clinic affiliation, Medina Hospital now brings you more orthopaedic expertise and treatments than ever. We're proud to welcome new additions to our team of trusted and experienced physicians, known for their success in total joint replacement surgery, arthroscopic surgery, sports medicine and outpatient rehabilitation. To make an appointment with one of our orthopaedic physicians, please call 866-733-6363.

### Women's Health

Area families have trusted our Family Birthing Center with their

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# Keeping Diabetes Under Control

**D**iabetes Mellitus is a disease that is becoming more prevalent in our population. There are two basic forms of Diabetes Mellitus: Type I and Type II. Type I Diabetes occurs when the body cannot make insulin on its own and insulin must be given to make up for this.

While Type I Diabetes Mellitus can occur at any age, it is the type that most commonly occurs under the age of 30 years. Type II Diabetes is the most common type of Diabetes that occurs. It can also occur at a variety of ages, but is most common during adult life.

Being overweight, obese, and/or having a family history of Diabetes can increase your personal risk of this disease. Maintaining a normal weight, getting regular daily exercise (30 minutes or more per day), and eating a healthy diet are things you can do to minimize your risk of getting Type II Diabetes. If you have risk factors or are over 50 years of age, you should have your fasting blood sugar checked annually.

In the last 20 years, new discoveries and medications have helped improve the management of Type II Diabetes. In Type II, especially early on in the disease, insulin is present in the body, but the body has insulin resistance that prevents the insulin from lowering the blood sugar as it should. There are medications that help improve insulin resistance, such as metformin (Glucophage), and can also help an overweight diabetic lose weight. There are many additional medications that can be helpful as well, but each must be chosen specifically for a patient based on their overall health and conditions.

It is important for persons with Diabetes to get started on medications early on in the disease. Tight control of cholesterol and triglycerides (fats in the blood), is very important to help prevent vascular disease (which is increased in Diabetes). Additionally, there are types of medications (typically used to treat high blood pressure) that can be taken early on to help protect the kidneys from diabetes. Regular eye examinations are important to check for diabetic eye damage before it affects vision.

Please see your physician for regular Diabetes screenings and information on maintaining a healthy lifestyle. *See ad on page 2.*

— Karen Monheim, MD

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## Summa Health Center at Lake Medina Nears Completion

**S**umma Health System is putting the finishing touches on the Summa Health Center at Lake Medina, a 100,000 square foot healthcare campus located at 3814 Medina Road (Route 18) in Medina.

Slated to open in late Fall, the three story, 100,000 square foot facility will include physician medical offices, ambulatory surgery center, and comprehensive outpatient services. Earlier this year Summa also announced construction of a 24-hour emergency department at the Lake Medina campus set to begin next year.

According to Summa officials, the Health Center

at Lake Medina represents Summa's commitment to the Medina region. This is further evidenced in Summa's recent

announcement of its intention to expand its clinical expertise in cardiology, orthopaedics and senior services, in addition to expanding and renovating Summa Wadsworth-Rittman Hospital.

"There is no question Medina area physicians are committed to their patients and their community," says T. Clifford Deveny, M.D., president of Summa Physicians, Inc. and Summa Health System vice president of physician alignment. "There are many outstanding Summa physicians in the Medina region and we are eager to provide support, resources and accessibility to advanced healthcare services to them," adds Deveny.

Summa Health System is one of the largest integrated delivery systems in Ohio and is renowned for excellence in patient care and for exceptional approaches to healthcare delivery. In addition to a network of hospitals and community health centers, Summa offers SummaCare insurance, covering the health of over 17,000 individuals in Medina alone.

To learn more about the Summa Health Center at Lake Medina, visit [www.summahealth.org](http://www.summahealth.org). See ad on inside back cover.

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# Come Home to Medina

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Compared to other cities in the survey, The City is ranked high due to its low crime rate, excellent schools, affordable housing, general low cost of living, and a tremendous local and regional health care system.



Kids playing at Medina City Park.

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# Medina Community Recreation Center

## FACILITY HIGHLIGHTS

The Medina Community Recreation Center (MCRC) is a 107,000 square foot facility attached to Medina High School. The facility is designed to enhance the quality of life and physical well being of the Medina community.

### Leisure Pool

- Water geysers, current channel, spray-ground and play structures, 129 ft. waterslide, zero depth entry, lap lanes and hot water spa

### Competition Pool

- 8 lap lanes, 25 meters

### Fitness Room

- Over 60 pieces of cardiovascular fitness equipment including Woodway Treadmills, Precor Recumbent Bikes, Upright Bikes, Elliptical Trainer & Steppers, Cybex Arc Trainers, and Concept II Rowers
- York and Magnum free weight equipment, benches, and dumbbells
- 35 Stations of Cybex selectorized weight equipment

### Aerobic Rooms

- Two rooms conducive for a variety of programs including: aerobic, dance and martial arts
- Mirrored walls, sound system, and suspended wood flooring

### Field House

- 24,056 square feet, 4 courts for basketball, volleyball, and other activities
- Baseball/softball batting cage and golf cage

### Jogging/Walking Track

- One-twelfth mile track with 4 lanes for walking and jogging

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Director — Mike Wright

### Rascal Room (Child Activity Center)

- A safe and fun child care alternative for parents and guardians using the MCRC
- Children, ages 6 months to 8 years of age, may use the room for a maximum of 2 hours per visit
- Patrons can purchase either a daily visit or punch card



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### Memberships

- Annual memberships are available for both residents and non-residents
- Payment plan options available

### GENERAL FACILITY HOURS

Monday – Friday 5:30 am – 10:00 pm

Saturday 8:00 am – 8:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Note: Natatorium closes one hour prior to facility closing. Special Summer Hours, visit the MCRC website for exact times.

### RENTALS

Many areas of the MCRC are available for rent during operating and non-operating hours. Rental areas can be utilized for parties, special events, business meetings, and other activities.

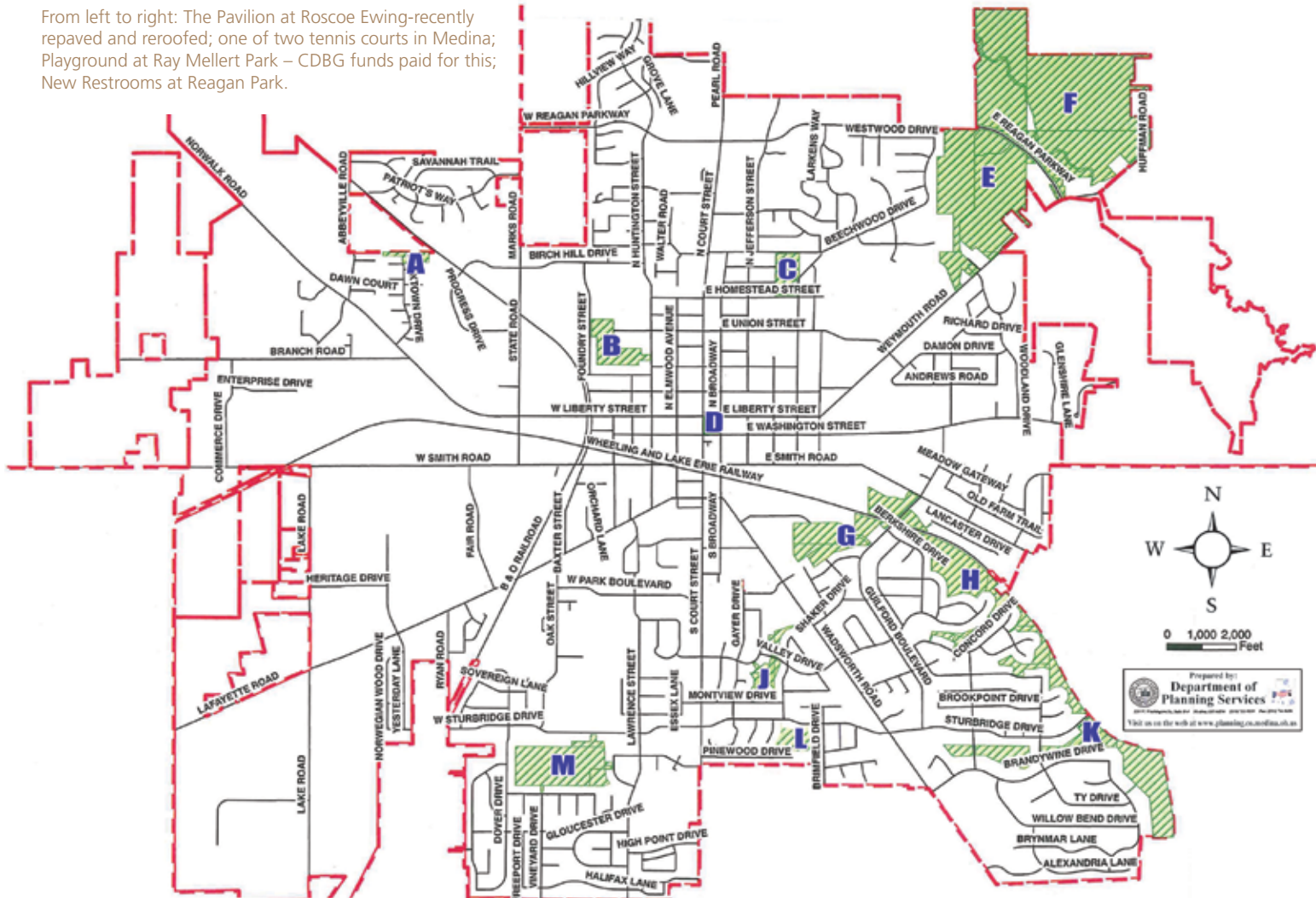
For more information, visit our website at [www.medinarec.org](http://www.medinarec.org)







From left to right: The Pavilion at Roscoe Ewing-recently repaved and reroofed; one of two tennis courts in Medina; Playground at Ray Mellert Park – CDBG funds paid for this; New Restrooms at Reagan Park.



# Medina City Parks

## A Liberty Park

Pavilion, Playground, Natural Area

## B Ray Mellert Park

Pavilion (with electricity), Playground, Baseball Fields, Basketball Court

## C Memorial Park

City Pool, J.U.M.P. Playground, Pavilion (with electricity), Dog Park, Wooded Area

## D Uptown Park

Gazebo, Picnic Area, Band Concerts, Orchestra & Special Events. For information on renting the gazebo, call Dawn at 330-722-9020

## E Reagan Park

Pavilions (one with electricity), Skate Park, remote Car Track, Baseball Fields, Football Field, Basketball Court, Playground, Sledding Hills, Mountain Bike Trail, Walking Trail

## F Huffman/Cunningham Fields

Pavilion, Playgrounds, Soccer Fields, Sledding Hills, Walking Trail, Mountain Bike Trail

## G Sam Masi Park

Pavilion, Handicap Accessible Playground, Challenger Field, Tennis Court, Disc Gold Course, Natural Area

## H Roscoe Ewing Park

Pavilion (with Electricity), Playground, Walking/Jogging/Biking Trail, Disc Golf Course, Natural Area

## J Sycamore Park

Nature Trail

## K Jaycee Park

Pavilion, Playground, Natural Area

## L Ken Cleveland Park

Tennis Court, Pavilion, Playground, Softball Field, Basketball Court

## M Fred Greenwood Park

Splash Pad, Pavilion (with electricity), Playground, Softball Fields, Soccer Fields



# Taking Care of Our Senior Residents

**T**he Medina County Office for Older Adults serves all Senior Citizens within the County. Services include all Older Americans Act programs, which are free to residents. Seniors can register with the office to receive free transportation through Medina County Transit to doctors, hospitals, nutrition sites, senior centers, grocery stores and pharmacies.



The office provides free congregate meals at the Medina Senior Center, the Wadsworth Center for Older Adults, Brunswick Recreation Center and Gloria Glens in Chippewa Lake. Nutrition days vary by site. The office also




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provides Home Delivered Meals to county residents who are homebound and unable to prepare a meal or in need of a meal.


Interested seniors need to call the office to determine program eligibility. The office also provides Social Service Outreach to introduce supportive services available to older adults and their families dependent upon particular needs. These programs are designed to help keep seniors within their homes for as long as possible.

The Office for Older Adults is located in the Senior Center at the Human Serves Center at 246 Northland Drive. Besides being a nutrition site, the Senior Center has pool tables, a library outreach center, games, activities, educational and informational programs, and various exercise programs. And they welcome visitors!

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# Medina Area Community Information

## IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

### EMERGENCY DIAL 9-1-1

**Medina Police** (non-emergency)  
330-725-7777

**Police Anonymous Tip Line**  
330-764-TIPS

**Medina Fire** (non-emergency)  
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**Medina County Sheriff**  
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## CITY BUILDINGS

**City Hall**  
132 North Elmwood Ave.  
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**Medina Community Recreation Center**  
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**Engineering Department**  
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330-725-8861

**Fire Department**  
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330-725-1772 (non-emergency)

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**Economic Development**  
Tom Krueger, Director  
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**Parks & Recreation Department**  
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855 Weymouth Rd.  
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Gregory Hannan  
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330-725-7777 (non-emergency)

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330-722-9081  
Billing: 330-725-8861, ext.254

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330-636-3800

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330-636-3600

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825 Lawrence St.  
330-636-4000

**Garfield Elementary**  
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330-636-4200

**H.G. Blake Elementary**  
4704 Lexington Ridge Dr.  
330-636-3900

**Heritage Elementary**  
833 Guilford Blvd.  
330-636-4400

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330-636-4500

**Sidney Fenn Elementary**  
320 N. Spring Grove St.  
330-636-4100

**GRADES: 6-8**  
**A.I. Root Middle School**  
333 W. Sturbridge Dr.  
330-636-3500

**Claggett Middle School**  
420 E. Union St.  
330-636-3600

**GRADES: 9-12**  
**Medina Senior High School**  
777 E. Union St.  
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**OTHER SCHOOLS**  
**Buckeye Local Schools**  
3044 Columbia Rd.  
Medina, Ohio 44256  
330-722-8257  
[www.buckeye.k12.oh.us](http://www.buckeye.k12.oh.us)

**Cloverleaf Local School District**  
8525 Friendsville Rd  
Lodi, OH 44254-9706  
330-948-2500  
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**Medina County Career Center**  
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6300 Technology Lane  
330-721-2210  
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**Medina Performing Arts Center**  
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Medina, OH 44256  
330-636-3400  
[www.mcsch.org/pac](http://www.mcsch.org/pac)

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Medina, OH 44256  
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[www.highlandschools.org](http://www.highlandschools.org)

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330-725-4635

**Medina County Career Center**  
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330-725-8461

**Medina Area Chamber  
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330-723-8773  
[www.medinahchamber.com](http://www.medinahchamber.com)  
[info@medinahchamber.com](mailto:info@medinahchamber.com)

**Medina Municipal Court**  
135 North Elmwood Ave.  
330-723-3287  
330-225-1108 (fax)  
[www.medinamunicipalcourt.org](http://www.medinamunicipalcourt.org)

**U.S. Post Office**  
303 North Court St.  
330-722-6511

**Medina County Convention &  
Visitors Bureau**  
124 West Lafayette Rd.  
330-722-5502  
800-860-2943

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330-239-3611

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6776 Wedgewood Rd.  
330-725-6515

**Medina Township**  
3799 Huffman Rd.  
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# Medina Dining Guide



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## North of the Square

Applebee's  
Arby's  
Ashley Place  
Asian Grill  
Bob Evans  
Bullies BBQ  
Bunker's Sports Bar  
Burger King  
Chipotle Mexican Grill  
Coppertop at Cherokee Hills  
Don Tequila Mexican Restaurant  
Donatos Pizza  
Dragon Buffet  
Dunkin Donuts/Baskin Robbins  
Eat'n Park  
Fiesta Jalapenos  
Fox's Pizza Den  
Geppetto's Pizza & Ribs  
Golden Corral  
Hop Hing Chinese Restaurant  
Jimmy John's  
Johnny Malloy's  
KFC  
Legends Sports Pub & Grille  
Longhorn Steakhouse  
Marco's Pizza  
McDonalds  
Mr. Hero  
Panera Bread  
Pizza Hut  
Romeo's Pizza  
Ruby Tuesday's  
Smoothie King  
Steve's Dakota Grill  
Subway

Taco Bell  
The Bakery Shoppe  
Thyme the Restaurant  
Wendy's

## Downtown & South of the Square

Can a Wine & Martini Bar  
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Dan's Dogs  
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## East of the Square

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Bob Evan's  
Buffalo Wild Wings  
Burger King  
Cracker Barrel  
Dairy Queen  
Denny's  
Happy Garden  
Lou's Landing

McDonalds  
On Tap  
Pizza Hut  
River Styx Grille  
Rockne's  
Santosuosso's Pizza, Pasta & Vino  
Skyway Drive-in Restaurant  
Teresa's Pizza  
The River Styx Grille at Blue Heron  
Waffle House  
Wendy's  
Yours Truly  
Zepp's Pizzeria

## West of the Square

Corkscrew Saloon  
Gionino's Pizza  
Ja-Mo's Medina Diner  
Lagerheads  
Medina Steakhouse & Saloon  
Oasis Grill  
Paul's Pub & Sub  
Papa John's Pizza



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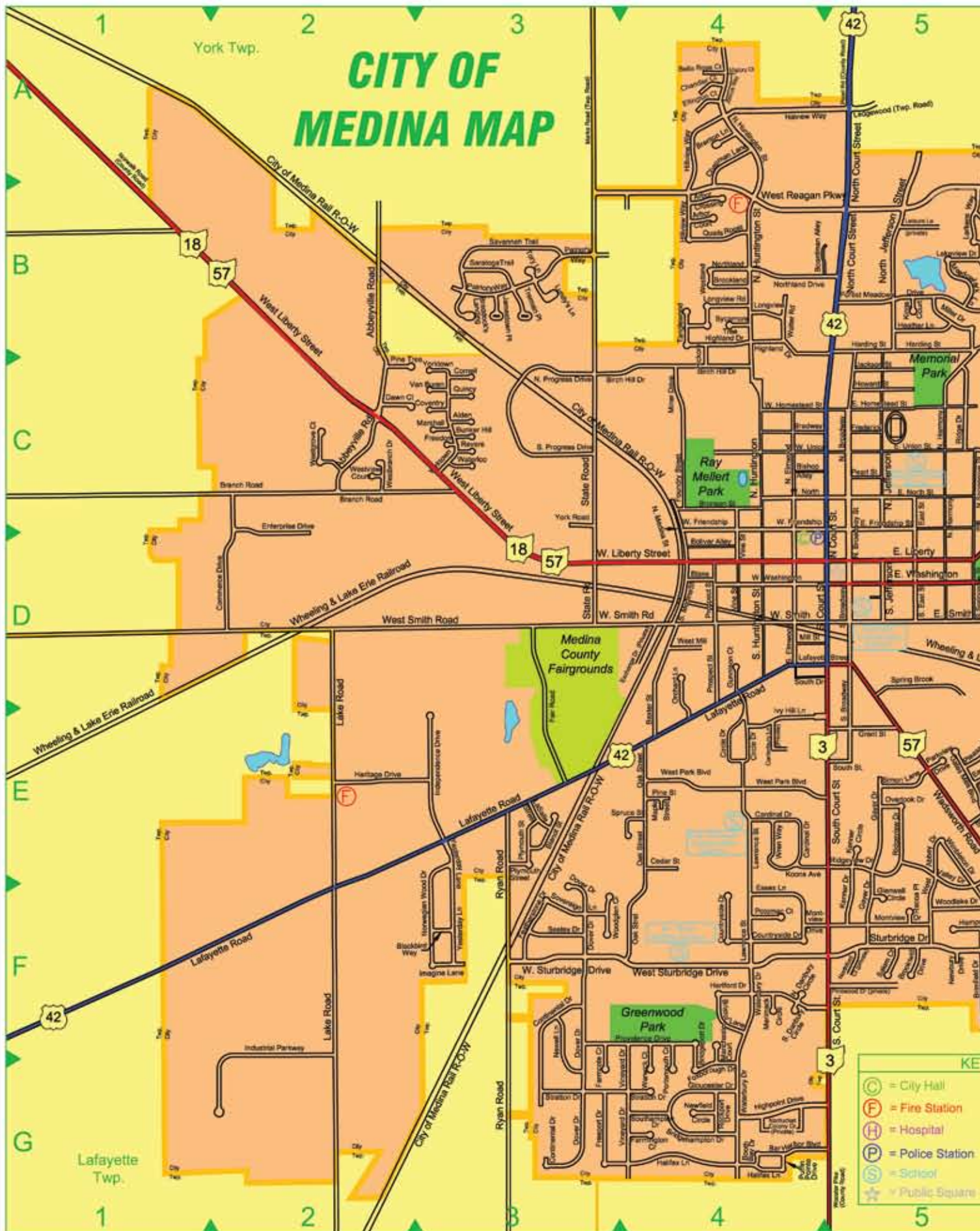
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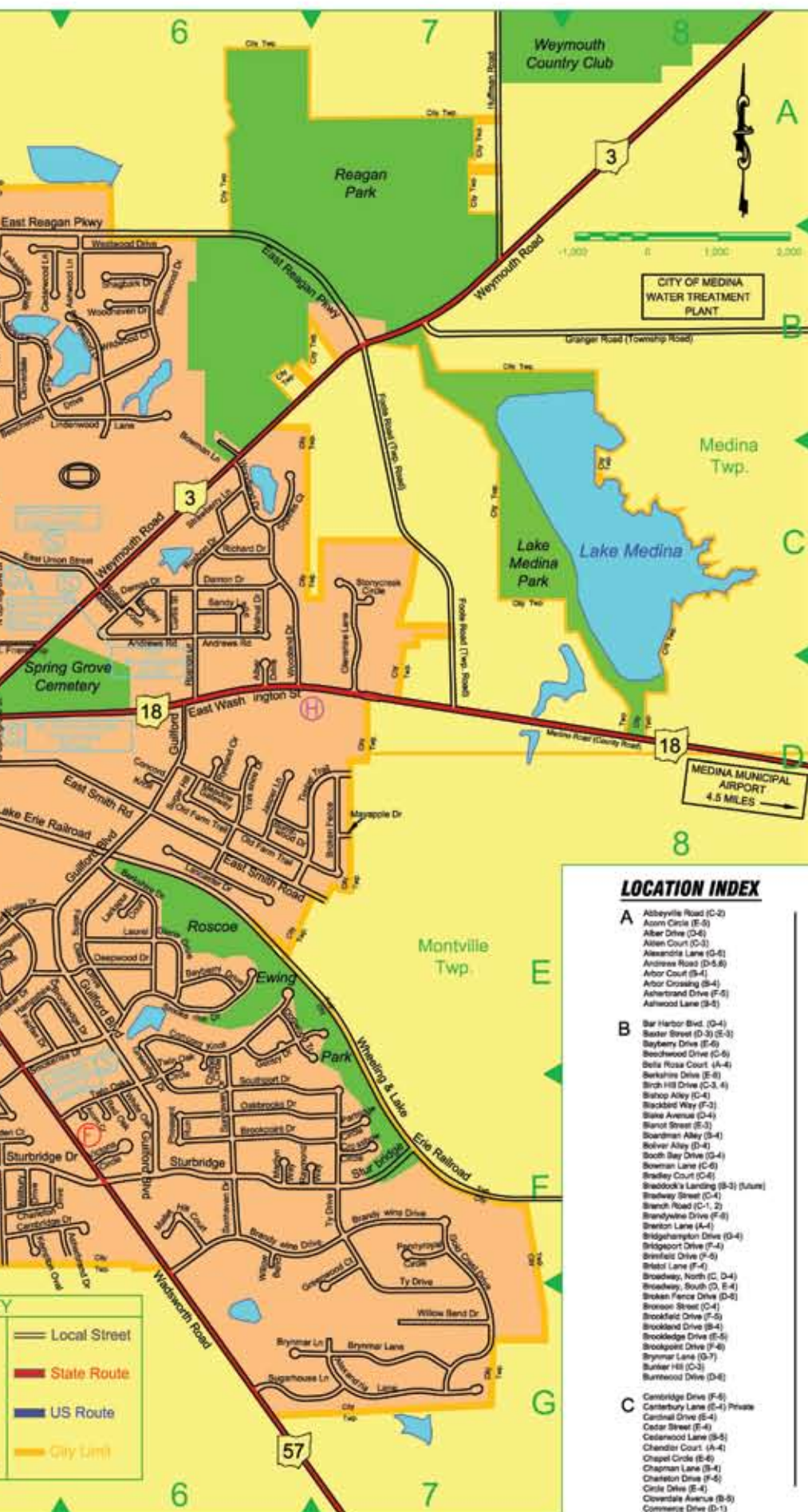
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Tina Gienger, Member Services Manager (left) and Debra Lynn-Schmitz, President, Greater Medina Chamber of Commerce.

## Medina Chamber Minds Its Businesses

**T**he Greater Medina Chamber of Commerce works on behalf of the businesses in and around central Medina County. The Chamber is the voice of business to government, education, and other organizations and recognizes that it takes all segments of a community to create the success Medina is today.

The Chamber believes that jobs are the key to the success of the community. In order to create jobs, the Chamber must work to retain and attract new business and industry. With our Economic Development partners in education and government we work tirelessly to build and maintain a climate that is business-friendly.

Through our investor services and benefits the Chamber offers education, training, discounts and bottom-line services to assist members so you can focus on operating your business with timely, relevant and critical information and skills.

The Greater Medina area is the best place to live, work and invest in your future. The Chamber can help. Contact us at 330-723-8773 or visit [www.MedinaOhChamber.com](http://www.MedinaOhChamber.com).



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330-723-3224

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330-723-2800

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330-769-2790

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5301 Chippewa Rd.  
330-769-4262

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330-723-5200

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378 W. Lafayette Rd.  
330-722-7683

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330-723-3334

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901 Liberty  
330-725-5571

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4797 Sharon-Copley Rd.  
330-723-7021

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330-239-2396

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330-723-0770

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3100 S. Weymouth Rd.  
330-722-6633

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6201 Lafayette Rd.  
330-725-6176

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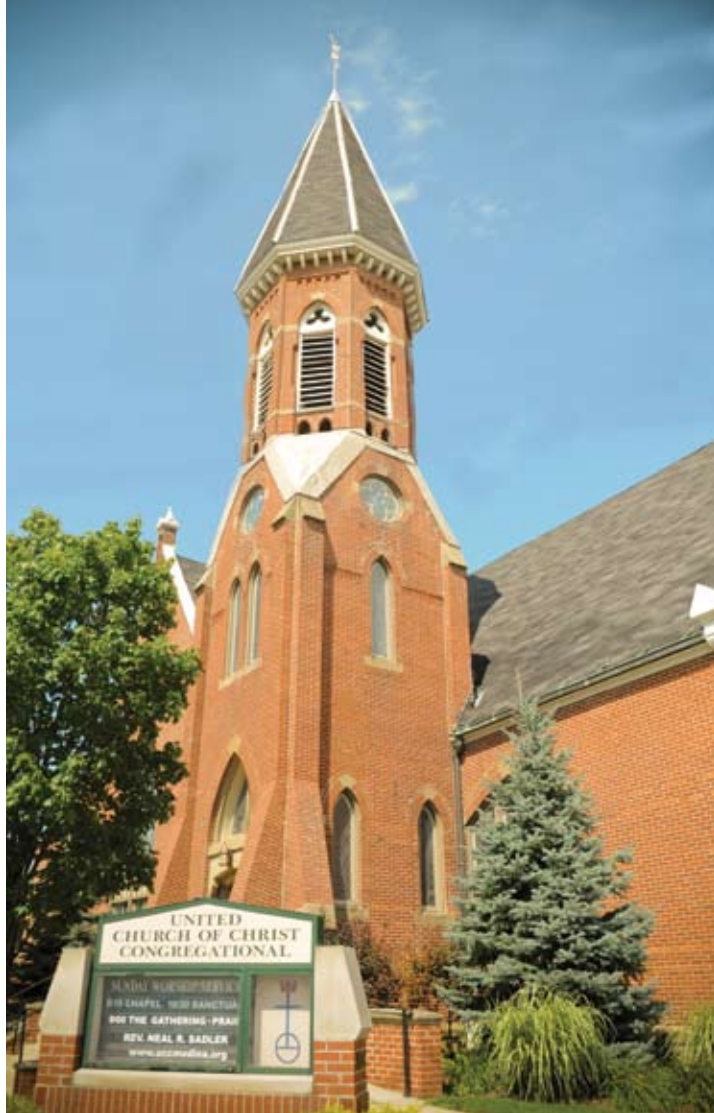
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330-725-4968

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330-725-4131

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