

October 16, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Mantua-Shalersville Area Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 111 • Mantua, OH 44255

2013 - 2014 Officers
Christine Pitsinger, President
Becky Tipton, Vice President
Paulette Nichols, Treasurer

In Attendance:

Eddie Benner, Advanced Rehab, DMRC
Maria Schmidt, UH Geauga Medical Center
Christine Pitsinger, Community Journal
Marie Stehli, CPA, Mantua Township
Luke Darrah, Darrah's Car Care Center
Larry Solak, Shalersville Township Trustee
Tom Kennedy, Marshall's Carpet Cleaning
Terrie Nielsen, MHRB
Paulette Nichols, Portage Community Bank
Frank Ruehr, Shalersville Township
Linda Clark, Mantua Village Mayor

David Toth, Crestwood Schools
Dorothy Caldwell, Shalersville Resident
Dayton Hickerson, Grand Promotional Products
Dennis Bujak, Shalersville Township
Todd Monroe, Crestwood School Board Candidate
Wayne Omaitis, WJ Glass
Norm Erickson, Crestwood School Board Candidate
Jodie Fiala, Jake's
Nancy Vines, Shalersville Twp Trustee Candidate
Sue Skrovan, Mantua Township
David Becker, Crestwood School Board Candidate

Becky Tipton, Ameriprise Financial
Michelle Barnauskas, DMRC
Jim Oster, Oster Rentals, DMRC
Victor Grimm, Mantua Twp. Trustee Candidate
Dayton Hickerson, Grand Promotional Products
Frank Ruehr Jr., Shalersville Twp. Trustee Candidate
Joel Mowrey, MHRB (Issue3)
Carole Pollard, Mantua Twp. Trustee Candidate
Jackie Rinearson, Curtains Up Theatre
Ellis Stamm, Stamm Contracting

Meeting was called to order at 7:37 a.m. Introductions were made.

INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES AND ISSUE REPRESENTATIVES

Welcome Candidates: The Chamber of Commerce welcomed the following candidates and issue representatives at the October meeting: Victor Grimm, Mantua Township Trustee Candidate; Carole A. Pollard, Mantua Township Trustee Candidate; Norman Erickson, Crestwood School Board Candidate; David Becker, Crestwood School Board Candidate; Todd Monroe, Crestwood School Board Candidate; Frank R. Ruehr, Jr., Shalersville Township Trustee Candidate; Nancy Vines, Shalersville Township Trustee Candidate; Larry Solak, Shalersville Township Trustee Candidate; Joel Mowrey, and Mental Health & Recovery Board Issue Representative. Each spoke briefly about their candidacy or the issue they represent.

VILLAGE & TOWNSHIP UPDATES

Mantua Township: Marie Stehli mentioned that they received an offer from a company to paint the town hall at no charge. Trick-or-Treat is the 31st from 5-7PM.

Mantua Village: Mayor Linda Clark mentioned that the DMRC is actively working on a sidewalk project on the south side of town. Tick-or-Treat is the 31st from 6-8PM.

Shalersville Township: The middle section of the Shalersville school building roof has been replaced. The other section will be done in 2014. Additional cemetery stones have been refurbished. Trick-or-Treat will be on the 27th from 2-4PM.

Crestwood Schools: Superintendent Dave Toth said they have enhanced the wireless network which will enhance the instruction to the students. The school will host a Trick-or-Treat on the 26th from 1-3. There will be a program regarding substance abuse at the school on December 10th, watch for info as it becomes available.

DMRC: The flagpole project is well underway. The DMRC expects to flag to fly again before the end of this year. The DMRC meets every third Friday at 7:30AM at Jake's. All are welcome.

Mantua-Shalersville Fire Board: Nancy Vines announced that the Shalersville Town Hall is a shelter for when there are disasters in the area and that no one local knew it.

NEW BUSINESS AND MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Curtains Up Theatre: Jackie Rinearson announced that the benefit featuring Daris Peters Pike is fast approaching. The theatre will also perform at a Murder Mystery event to benefit Friends of Melana's efforts to raise money for childhood cancer research. The event will be November 2nd. Auditions for 'Noises Off' are underway. They will host a Comedy Night at Slim N Jumbo's on Nov. 16th.

Donation Request Application: Chamber received a donation request from Art on the Hill for \$1,000. The application will be reviewed and voted on at the next meeting.

Santa's Visit: Paulette Nichols announced that Santa's Visit at the Mini Park will be held on December 6th.

MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT, MEMBERSHIP

Treasurer's Report: Paulette Nichols reported that there is \$10,504.23 in the checking account; \$1,145.01 in the toy drive account; and \$8,825.23 in the scholarship account.

DOOR PRIZE

Congratulations to Paulette Nichols who won the door prize, a pumpkin and tickets to the production of 'Noises Off' performed and donated by The Garrettsville Curtains Up Theatre.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 a.m.