



Vocal Point

Norwin Chamber of Commerce

June 2007

A Message From the President

Annual Golf Invitational is Here

The Annual Golf Invitational is here with only days left to register! May 31st is the deadline if you want to join us on Friday, June 8th for a wonderful day of skill prizes, camaraderie, good food, and one of the best networking opportunities of the year.

Come enjoy this 18-hole, four-person scramble tournament at Youghiogheny Country Club. The first hole-in-one on a selected par three receives a 2007 automobile, courtesy of C. Harper Auto Group!

Registration is \$125 per person, which includes greens fees, golf cart, box lunch, course refreshments, a dinner buffet, and more. An open bar from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. is sponsored by Dr. Richard Miller. Payment must accompany registration, which is limited to the first 120 golfers. Sign-in is at 9:00 a.m., with a shotgun start set for 10:30 a.m. If you would like to join us just for dinner at 4:00 p.m., the cost is only \$45.

Additional skill prizes awarded for 1st Hole in One, Longest Putt, Men's Longest Drive, Women's Longest Drive, and Closest to the Pin. There's no time to loose. Register today by calling the Chamber at 724-863-0888.

Rosanne Barry Novotnak

A Diamond for our Diamond Anniversary!

The 75th Annual Norwin Community Picnic is set to celebrate its Diamond Anniversary in style! Two Valmax Jewelers locations have joined forces to sponsor our most fabulous prize ever: a 75 point loose diamond! Thanks go to Herky Pollitt of the 304 Main Street, Irwin store and Row Duvall of the 2020 Penny Lane, Jeannette location.

Our lucky winner can stop in at either showroom to have the gem set to their liking. Just a few options include a stunning ring, necklace, or even a single earring stud. We guarantee the winner of this "ROCK" will remember the 75th Community Picnic for many sparkling years. Tickets are on sale now at the Norwin Chamber of Commerce: \$5 for 1 ticket or \$10 for three tickets. The winner will be announced at the end of all picnic prize drawings at Idlewild on August 1st. Winner need not be present to win!

Business to Business Mixers Resume in September

Our popular Business to Business Mixers are taking the summer off. As happens each year, no mixers will be held June, July, or August. We look forward to seeing you again in September, when our first mixer of fall is scheduled at the Irwin Panera Bread.

Please note: all Business to Business Mixer slots have been filled for 2008. It promises to be an exciting year.

Picnic T-Shirts Available for Purchase

With the 75th Annual Norwin Community Picnic only two months away, commemorative t-shirts are now available for purchase at the Chamber for \$10 each. The front features a specially designed 75th Annual Community Picnic logo, while sponsoring company ads grace the back. Don't miss out on a piece of history. Stop by the Chamber Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., to purchase your t-shirt.

June Monthly Membership Luncheon

June's Membership Luncheon takes place on Wednesday, June 13th from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. at the Cheesecake Caffé, 512 Main Street, Irwin. We will be dining alfresco at their brand new outdoor café.

Our luncheon presentation will be by Donn Henderson, the Irwin Main Street Project Manager. Donn plans to bring us up to date on the progress of this important community project and make us aware of developments we can expect to see in 2007.

These networking luncheons allow members get to know one another, exchange business referrals, and become acquainted with the capabilities and concerns of those in attendance. So please join us! Costs are \$15 for members and \$20 for non members. Make your RSVP early, since seating is limited to 24 guests. Please RSVP to the Chamber by noon on June 11th at 724-863-0888. In case of inclement weather, the event will move to the Norwin Chamber office.

Ribbon Cuttings are the "In Thing!"

Looking for a way to promote your new or renovated business or product this summer? The Chamber will provide the ribbon and scissors, and your fellow Chamber members will gather around to help to publicize the event! Contact the Norwin Chamber about hosting a ribbon cutting at 724-863-0888.

Membership Luncheons Change Dates

Please note, the June and July Monthly Membership Luncheons are moving from their traditional spot on the first Wednesday to the second Wednesday of the month. The move is to help prevent conflicts with the Annual Golf Invitational in early June, as well as the July 4th holiday. There will be no Monthly Membership Luncheon in August due to the Community Picnic.

Chamber Scholarship Winner

Jeffrey Steinmetz of Norwin High School has been named this years' Norwin Chamber of Commerce Scholarship winner. Jeff is the recipient of a \$2,000 scholarship award toward his tuition at the University of Pittsburgh, where he will be undertaking a six-year program in pharmacy studies. Jeff and his family were honored by the Chamber at our regular monthly luncheon on May 2nd at K-Vay's Restaurant.

Scholarship applicants must attend Norwin High School, be a graduating senior, and have a minimum QPA of 3.0. Scholarships are awarded to students who exhibit traits of service, leadership, respect, integrity, volunteerism, and compassion.

Program donations are managed by the Community Foundation of Westmoreland County. The Norwin Chamber of Commerce Executive Board volunteers its time to review the applications, select candidates for personal interviews, and choose the scholarship winners.

To lean more or to help sponsor our scholarship, please call the Chamber at 724-863-0888.

Annual Picnic Reminder

Mark your calendars for August 1, 2007. This year is the historic 75th Norwin Community Picnic! Lots of festivities are planned, with a generous assortment of valuable prizes scheduled to be given away during our picnic prize drawing scheduled for 7 p.m.

Tickets go on sale June 1st and represent a significant discount over prices at the gate. Should you be unable to join us on August 1st, they can be used any weekday before or after the picnic.

Now is the time to get involved! We will need everyone's participation to make the 75th Annual Norwin Community Picnic the unforgettable anniversary event it deserves to be. The sponsorship deadline is July 13th, so call the Chamber today at 724-863-0888.

And remember, the traditional Thunder Bucket Classic softball game is moving to Sunday, July 29th at the Norwin High School. This year the event will feature an ice cream social to serve as a fundraiser for the Chamber's Annual Scholarship Program. Come buy an ice cream cone from regionally famous Chamber member Kerber's Dairy. In addition, the Norwin Rotary will offer a 50/50 to benefit the Rotary's scholarship foundation.

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JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1 Last Day of School for Norwin Students
Drive Safely!
- 7 Membership Committee
11:30 a.m.
Norwin Chamber of Commerce
- 8 Annual Golf Invitational
9:00 a.m.
Youghiogheny Country Club
- 11 North Irwin Borough Council Meeting
7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
- 12 Executive Board Meeting
8:00 a.m.
Norwin Chamber of Commerce
- 13 Monthly Chamber Luncheon
11:30 a.m.
Cheesecake Caffé in Irwin
- 13 Irwin Borough Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers
- 17 Father's Day
- 19 Board of Directors Meeting
7:30 a.m.
Norwin Chamber of Commerce
- 20 North Huntingdon Township Commissioners
7:00 p.m.
North Huntingdon Townhouse
- 21 Norwin Community Picnic Committee
12:00 p.m.
Norwin Chamber of Commerce
- 26 Business Growth Series (Sales Rich!)
7 - 9:00 a.m.
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