



Let's make
2011 the year
of WABA!

April / May 2011

2010 - 2011

Executive Board

Mary Allen, President

Heather Jordan, President
Elect

Rachelle Parsley, Vice
President

Peg Huwer, 2nd Vice President

Greg McCarty, Treasurer

Sherry Minton, Secretary

Michelle Lowe, Past President

Way to go WABA!

The 21st Annual Scholarship Auction Dinner was a HUGE success grossing \$37,299.38! WABA will be presenting The South-Western Education Foundation with \$20,000.00 to use toward the scholarships they award this year! Mary Allen will be presenting the generous check this Friday at the South-Western Educational Foundation Dinner taking place at Pinnacle Gold Club – 1500 Pinnacle Drive, Grove City beginning at 6:00 p.m. The featured speaker is Bill Conley Head Football Coach, Ohio Dominican University. RSVP's were requested by April 15th – but I am sure they could accept a few late arrivals!

Independence Day Parade and Celebration!

Reflect, Renew, Restore. Strengthening our Westland Community! Saturday July 2, 2011. The parade will begin at Westland High School / Westwoods Blvd. and end at Lincoln Village Plaza with the celebration taking place at Westland High School immediately following! There will be a carnival, a car show, concessions, games and much, much more! We are looking forward to a fun community event. Please put it on your calendar and tell everyone you know!

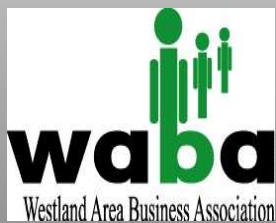
Meetings into the Future!

May – Tuesday, May 10, 2011 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Doctors Hospital Ohio Health – Michael Reichfield, President, Doctors Hospital

June – Tuesday, June 14, 2011 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Darby House at Darby Dan Farms – Ed Leonard, Franklin County Treasurer

These two meetings would be perfect for inviting guests!

Please watch for the invitation e-mail to hit your Inbox! Or contact Emily Wildman by e-mail at saxtonre@msn.com / e.wildman@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 614-883-1436.



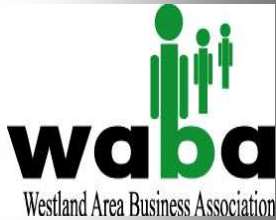
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Supporting local
businesses and
promoting commitment
within the community.

What is going on in WABA?

Independence Day Parade and Celebration AND RAFFLE!

Interested in helping raise money for WABA? Then donate an item to be raffled at the Celebration following the parade. You can also help by selling raffle tickets – they are available at the next luncheon meeting or by contacting Darlene Kern. If you need additional Parade Entry or Celebration Entry forms please go to <http://www.waba-cols.com/>.

W.A.B.A. Membership

Membership in WABA is what keeps WABA going. There is always a need to keep fresh new faces coming to the meetings. Please invite your co-workers, colleagues, neighbors, etc to come experience what WABA is all about. There are so many people interested in this community – invite them and let them decide if WABA is for them. Let's make 2011 the year of WABA!

The Marketing Table

Don't forget about the table that will be set up at each meeting that will allow for anyone wishing to display brochures, business cards, awards, specials, etc to help promote their business. There were several examples laid out at November's meeting to give ideas of what you could bring to promote your business! Please take advantage of this free marketing space!

Your WABA Opportunity Awaits!

WABA members will be electing a new Second Vice President in May, and the search is on for the best candidate. This is an opportunity for involvement like no other. Responsibilities include making all arrangements for meeting venues and speakers, and serving on the Auction, Parade and other committees when available. The Second Vice President position is a springboard for serving on the Executive Board over a period of four years. Term of service begins August 1st and lasts one year at which time the candidate graduates into the position of Vice President for a period of one year and so on. While this may seem like a major commitment the rewards that come with it are priceless. WABA Board members get to know the movers and shakers in this area, and always have their finger on the pulse of the west side community.

We also need to replace the position of Vice President as well because Peg Huwer will no longer be able to serve on the board.

If you have questions about serving on the Board or would like to discuss other opportunities for involvement, please contact Mary Allen at 878-1301, ext 131 or mallen@swpl.org.

We're on the Web!
See us at:
www.waba-cols.com

Member Spotlight Westland Area Library

Happenings at Westland Area Library

Your local public library is always ready and eager to help the good members of this community with their informational needs, but with the passage of our levy last November we've added some amazing new services, and intend make additional changes for the better in the months to come. The library has added more staff to serve the public and now has 2 full time staff specializing in computer and technical help. With that, the library now offers one-on-one computer training classes and more specialized in-house computer assistance. Southwest Public Libraries is also placing more emphasis on digital services to provide assistance with e-readers and expand the e-books collection available from our website (www.swpl.org). Additional staffs were also hired for our Youth Services Department which will help us reach out to even more families with children, as well as teachers, and students throughout the community.

In addition, library administrators recently decided to acquire the adjoining office space in the plaza that was formerly occupied by pediatric dentist, Dr. David Itkoff. The additional 2000 square feet of space will be converted to office and storage space for staff, and a conference/meeting room that will be used for ESL and GED classes among other things and will help free up the library's public meeting room which is always in high demand.

Westland Area Library is now making more effort than ever before to provide job help assistance to those in need. Our patrons have access to local job listings. Staff use local information channels to acquire job postings, but would gladly include postings from local businesses as well. The library is also scheduling regular JobsMobile visits, so members of our community have access to additional job help and comprehensive employment services at least once a month. The JobsMobile is provided by COWIC (www.cowic.org) and their services are provided free of charge. JobsMobile visits are scheduled for the following Thursdays: May 19, June 23, July 21, August 25, and September 15. Anyone interested can register by calling 878-1301, ext 127.

The library will soon be kicking off one of our premier programs--Summer Reading Club. The theme for this summer is: **Be a Hero. Read** (and the heroes being our community heroes). Our big Kick-Off event will take place June 7th at 11:00am at Grove City Library and 2:30pm at Westland Area Library. Matt Jergens, juggler, magician, comedienne, plate spinner extraordinaire will be the featured performer and Lily from the book Lily's Purple Plastic Purse will be making a special appearance, too. Babies, toddlers, preschoolers, children, teens and adults all can participate in the reading club. Prizes rewarded for reading include an art kit for babies and younger children plus coupons, entries to win a bike, and more. Teens can earn a flash drive wrist band, coupons, and enter a drawing to win a movie or Chipotle prize packages. Adults will earn a library lapel pin, coupons, and may enter to win prize packages, too. This summer, the Prairie Township Fire Department, Doctors Hospital OhioHealth, representatives from the U.S. Military and the Westland High School Key Club along with many professional performers will offer programs for all ages at the library. Please stop in starting June 4th and sign-up for Be a Hero. Read!

Oh, and it should also be noted that the library's collection of books, DVDs, magazines, and newspapers is once again growing in a positive direction with more copies to go around and more selection than ever before. All of us at Westland Area Library are proud of to be part of this wonderful community and pleased to provide assistance to our patrons on so many levels. We hope to see you soon at Westland Area Library!

PUBLIC NOTICE

GET INVOLVED IN THE FUTURE OF YOUR COMMUNITY SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2011.

Westland Area Commission elections will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the lobby of Doctor's Hospital West at 5100 West Broad Street. To vote you must be 18 years or older and live within the borders of the Westland Area Commission.

The borders of the Westland Area Commission are from the junction of the centerline of I-270 and the centerline of Big Run South road north along the centerline of I-270 to the

Conrail RR tracks; west to the western fork of Hellbranch Creek; south along the creek to its intersection with the centerline of Grove City Rd; east by northeast along the centerline of Grove City Rd to its intersection with the centerline of I-270.

There are several vacant positions available as well as 3 current commissioners running for re-election. All positions are 3 year terms. Candidates must be 18 years or older and must live, work or own property in the commission area. For more information or to get a copy of the petition, contact Commission Chair, Linda Pitts at WAClpitts@aol.com or phone 878-1301 ext 119. The deadline for filing petitions is Friday, April 29, 2011. Completed petitions should be dropped off at the Westland Area Library, 4740 West Broad Street, Columbus OH 43228 no later than 5 p.m. Friday April 29, 2011.

All funds raised in this year's Golf outing will help support:

The Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce

Grove City Pay to Play program



Thank you for your participation.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Diamond.....\$1500.00 +donations

- One foursome
- Banner at Registration
- Exclusive Hole Sponsor Sign
- Company name in program
- Special announcement at dinner

Platinum.....\$1500.00

- One foursome
- Banner at Registration
- Exclusive Hole Sponsor Sign
- Company name in program
- Special announcement at dinner

Gold.....\$1000.00

- One foursome
- Exclusive Hole Sponsor Sign
- Company name in program

Silver.....\$500.00

- Hole Sponsor Sign
- Company name in program

Hole Sponsor.....\$60.00

- Hole Sponsor Sign

Registration includes:

- 18 holes of golf
- Greens fees
- Cart
- Course contests
- Schmidt's Bahama Mamas

Course Contests

- Longest drive**
-men's and ladies



- Closest to pin**
-men's and ladies



- Longest putt**



- Hole-in-1**

Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Company _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Registration Options (mark one):

Individual Golfer _____ \$100.00

Foursome _____ \$400.00

Golfer's Name

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Sponsorship Options:

____ Yes, I would like to be a sponsor.

Sponsorship Type _____

Sponsorship Amount \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please make checks payable to:
The Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce

Mail to: GCACC
4069 Broadway
Grove City, OH 43123



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GOLF OUTING

When

Monday, June 6, 2011
Noon – shotgun start

Where

Hickory Hills Country Club
3344 Georgesville Wrightsville Rd.
Grove City, OH 43123
(614) 878-0576

Cost

\$100.00/player \$400.00/team
\$20 prepays for 8 mulligans; 2/player

If you are interested in donating any items, become an event sponsor, or just would like more details, please contact Bill Diehl at 614-875-9762.