

# Morth Royalton Chamber of Commerce

# **November Chamber Newsletter**

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# Mary Kay Manning chosen as Chamber's 2012 Bright Star

Mary Kay Manning, owner of Mary Kay Manning Dance Studio, and director of Mary Kay Cosmetics, has been chosen as the North Royalton Chamber Bright Star for 2012. The Bright Star event was hosted by NOACC on October 25 at the Great Lakes Science Center. Chambers submit the person in their chamber who volunteers to the organization's activities, participates in events and goes beyond the call of duty.

Mary Kay is very active in the Festival Pageant, spending many hours in preparation for the event, attending rehearsals, and acting as emcee during the program. She also helps with the entertainment lineup for the community festival.

Mary Kay has been a Chamber member for many years, and serves as Secretary on the Board of Directors.



Mary Kay Manning accepts the Chamber's Bright Star award at the 2012 NOACC Bright Star event held at the Great Lakes Science Center

# **Economic Development Director updates Chamber on development projects and programs**

The North Royalton Chamber of Commerce hosted its October meeting with guest speaker Tom Jordan, Economic Development Director for the City of North Royalton. The meeting was held at Carrie Cerino's Ristorante on Wednesday, October 17.

Jordan's overview spoke to where the city was and where it was going. He started by talking about the recent unemployment figures and how North Royalton stacks. As of August, 2012, North Royalton has a 5.6% unemployment rate. Compared to 2009 figures, it has fallen from 7.8%. It compares to Cuyahoga County figures, which are now at 7.3%, down from 9.3%; Ohio rate down to 7.2% from 10.6% and the United States down to 8.1% down from 9.6%. Jordan notes that the North Royalton figures are based on residents, not businesses and that most residents work outside the city.

According to figures of the 2010 census, North Royalton is the third largest city in Cuyahoga County in area. At 30,444, we are 9th largest in population, up from 11th in the county in 2000. We are the second in growth, topped only by Olmsted Township. The average median age here is 42, married, with children.

With the continued growth, the city, Jordan said, is continually faced with problems on how to deal with infrastructure and offer services and amenities to the community. He noted that recently, some of the things that have been happening to help address the situation is the opening of the YMCA, and the beginning of construction of the new county library.

Jordan noted that the widening of Rt. 82 is on the forefront, with the section between West 130 Street and York Road being first to

go. A public meeting will take place on the preliminary design offerings of that section on November 8 at Royal Redeemer Church at 4 p.m. He also stated that a portion of Sprague Road is on the schedule to be widened in 2015.

Jordan talked about the updating of Memorial Park, pointing out that the houses directly to the north of the library were in the process of being burned down, with that See DEVELOPMENT, page 2

### Welcome Chamber New Members

We are pleased to introduce these new members. When you meet them, welcome them and remember them when you have a need for the products or services that they provide.

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# Learn about the Ohio Turnpike Commission at November 14th Chamber Breakfast

If you've traveled across state lines via the Ohio Turnpike, you may have noticed road construction, additions to the service plazas, differences in how you pay the tolls, etc. Our November 14th speaker, Chad Armstrong, is Communication Information Officer for the Ohio Turnpike Commission. He started with the Commission since 2009 and worked as Public Affairs and Marketing Coordinator, just a few months before the implementation of an entirely new toll collection system, which included E-ZPass. He was instrumental in educating the public about this new electronic tolling feature on the Turnpike.

Mr. Armstrong will go over the history

## Development

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land being added to the Memorial Park footprint.

Jordan discussed the beginning of the new Master Plan for the city. Input from residents will be gathered during this process. He spoke of trends that will play into decisions, including the shift from large homes on large lots to smaller, upscale homes and town homes. "We're likely to see more senior living-type homes."

He talked about recent changes in the city structure that were made in order to be more business friendly. Under the new structure, Jordan not only can offer incentives to businesses looking to move to North Royalton, but to walk them through the building/renovating process. He said that the city is making investments in technology and training to make it more efficient.

Jordan talked about the Heritage Home Program, which offers a variety of benefits to the owners of homes, 25 years or older.

of the Ohio Turnpike, talk about Revenue and Construction, E-ZPass and the Turnpike Study.

The Chamber Breakfast will be held at 8 a.m. at Michael's Place Restaurant, 12841 State Road, North Royalton. The cost is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. To RSVP, please call 440-237-6180 or email NRoyChamber@aol.com.

#### At Thanksgiving, Remember those who are less fortunate

The Chamber of Commerce/
Royalton Recorder office is a
drop-off site for the
North Royalton Food Bank.
Non-perishable items may be dropped
off Monday-Friday from 9 - 3
13737 State Road, North Royalton



## Upcoming Events

November 1 - Directors Meeting November 14 - General Membership Meeting December 5 - Holiday Luncheon \* Subject to Change

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#### www.nroyaltonchamber.com

Visit our website address at www.nroyaltonchamber.com. We invite you to log on to see all the information we have to offer our members and anyone who is looking for information about North Royalton or services our members offer. Check out your listing, and notify us immediately if there is a change or correction. Sincere thanks to our corporate sponsors:

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#### Something to ponder...

The hopeful man sees success where others see failure, sunshine where others see shadows and storm.

~ Orison S. Marden

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### **Royalton Recorder Business Card Directory Order Form**

The Royalton Recorder is in the process of compiling the 2013 Business Card Directory that will be mailed later this fall to EVERY residence and business in North Royalton PLUS a portion of Broadview Hts. (Circulation is 16,000). It will also be on our website for one full year, giving your card great visibility. In these hard economic times, it is important to keep our businesses in the public eye.

The Business Cards will be placed according to category of business. It will be in similar order as a Yellow Pages directory, but will include only business cards. Residents use the directory often when searching for services and want to hire a local company. The directory also includes some very useful information and a 2013 calendar. The directory fills up quickly so positions will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you would like to be included in our Annual Business Card Directory, please fill in this form and return it to the Royalton Recorder by November 15, 2012. For only \$55 per listing, as a Chamber Members your name will be close at hand when a resident needs the service you provide. Non-member rate is \$65 per card.

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