



E-NEWS

#FindlayChamber

Driving growth and prosperity in the Findlay and Hancock County region.

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COVID Quick Links

Local Hancock County Resources:

- [ReStart Resources](#)
- [Hancock Helps](#)
- [Hancock Public Health](#)
- [Mental Health & Recovery Resources](#)

State & National Resources:

- [Ohio Department of Health](#)
- [Ohio Chamber Business Resources](#)
- [Office of Small Business Relief](#)
- [CDC](#)

Business Hasn't Stopped; Your Chamber Hasn't Either

The Alliance offices are currently by appointment only as our space continues to be renovated.

Our team is working remotely and we are here to help. Please utilize the [staff directory](#) on our website.

Welcome to our newest Chamber members!

[Bryan Courtney – Shelter Insurance](#)

[Fort Findlay Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #20](#)

[Kieffer & Associates Ltd.](#)

View and search all of our Chamber members using our [online directory](#)!

Chamber Advisory Board 2021-2022

Introducing our [Board of Directors](#) for 2021–2022! We are grateful for their guidance and expertise as we move through this year!



Susan Ross Wells
Gilmore Jason Mahler

Nita Crawford
RCM Architects

Marcia Walton
Huntington Bank

Cathi Kisseberth
Hancock Federal Credit Union

Liz Ditto
University of Findlay
(Chair and Alliance Board Liaison)

Brian Whitta
Flag City Realtors
(Past-Chair & Alliance Board
Liaison)

Brian Young
Spectrum

Zach Thomas
Hancock County ADAMHS Board

Neal Boes
Legacy Farmers Cooperative

& Findlay Young Professionals

Glenda Renz
Blanchard Valley Health System

Ashley Scoles
GSW Manufacturing

Josh Robb
Hixon Zuercher Capital
Management

Ben Stevens
Journey Salon & Day Spa

Mike Pepple
Hancock County Commissioner

Upcoming Chamber Events

View the [Chamber of Commerce Event Calendar](#) to register for events.
Looking for more to do in the area? Check out the [Visit Findlay calendar!](#)

**Safety Council: Controlling Hazardous
Energy and Your Company Program**
February 4, 12 pm
Webinar

**Legislative Roundtable: Ohio Secretary of
State Frank LaRose**
February 8, 12 pm
Virtual Roundtable

**Small Business Workshop: Hosting Events in
2021**
February 10, 8:30 am
Webinar

**Women's Leadership Forum: 2021 Balancing
Act – Personal, Professional, Pandemic**
February 16, 12 pm
Webinar

Travel Preview: Canyon Country 2021
February 16, 3:30 pm
Virtual Information Session

Business 2 Business Networking – Virtual
February 17, 2 pm
Virtual Networking

**Legislative Roundtable: Ohio State Senator
Rob McColley**
February 18, 10 am
Virtual Roundtable

10 @ 10
February 24, 10 am
Virtual Networking

**Lunch & Learn: Working From Home – How
has it changed?**
February 26, 12 pm
Webinar

**Fresh Brewed Business: City & County
Outlook**
March 2, 8 am
Hybrid Event – Limited in-person seats
available at MCPA



Findlay•Hancock County Chamber of Commerce

Member Job Board

- Grant Administrator, Hancock County ADAMHS
- Executive Director, Center for Civic Engagement, University of Findlay
- Human Resource Manager, City Uniforms & Linen
- Moving Specialists & Crew Leaders, Firestorm Movers & Cleanout

Chamber Red Coat Sightings



▲ [Medal Technologies](#)

Want to schedule a **Ribbon Cutting**? Contact the Chamber at 419.422.3313



Restaurant Week February 22-28

Try out something new or support your favorites during dinner hours. Participating restaurants will be offering three-course meals at a set price throughout the week. This year you can choose to dine in-house or at home!

[View all of the details about Restaurant Week!](#)



Ohio Executive Budget for 2022-2023

Governor Mike DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted unveiled their Executive Budget for Fiscal Years 2022 to 2023, which includes an aggressive plan to spur Ohio's continued recovery by investing in communities, people, and businesses. Through the Investing In Ohio Initiative, the Executive Budget launches a strategic effort to invest more than \$1 billion toward accelerating economic growth and ensuring economic vitality.

[Read more about the proposed executive budget.](#)

Canyon Country September 2021

Always wanted to cross the Grand Canyon off



of your bucket list? Join us on February 16th for a free, no-obligation webinar to learn more about our next travel offering: Canyon Country in September 2021! This informational session will go over details of the trip and itinerary, as well as safety precautions.

[Sign up for the information session now!](#)

Chamber Member Discounts & Services



Constant Contact, the leading email marketing service for small businesses, brings you a new and exciting way to stay in touch with your customers. Constant Contact makes marketing affordable, and effective. Members receive up to a 25% discount! Start your free trial today at ConstantContact.com or by emailing partnersupport@constantcontact.com.

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Member Press Releases

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Upcoming Findlay Library Programming

You can watch the programming live at the scheduled time, or any time after the presentation on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/fhcp or on our YouTube channel, Findlay Library. **February 5:** At 10:00 am, join us for Book Talk. **February 6:** At 10:00 am, our Teens takeover Facebook during Teen Book Recommendations and share their recommendations on what they and all their friends are reading. WinterREAD began last week and continues through **February 26**. [More information.](#)

Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

The Findlay-Hancock County Public Library will hold a regular session of the Board of Trustees Meeting on **February 9, 2021**, at 4:30 pm at the Findlay Hancock County Public Library. For further information, visit www.findlaylibrary.org or call the library at 419-422-1712.

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Upcoming Webinars

February 11: [Preparing a Storm Water Pollutions Prevention Plan](#)

February 23: [Deeper Dive into the Universal Waste Rules](#)

March 12: [Free Environmental Sessions from Ohio EPA – Ohio safety Congress & Expo Extension](#)

New Perspectives Book Discussion

The Findlay-Hancock County Public Library returns on Tuesday, **February 23** at 6:30pm with another New Perspectives monthly book discussion. We will be discussing *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates with Mr. Seth Butler, Director of Intercultural Student Services at the University of Findlay. Please bring your questions for this interactive discussion! Copies of the book will be available at the library reference desk and digitally on Libby.

Eastman & Smith Employment Law Webinar

The Labor & Employment Practice Group of Eastman & Smith Ltd. invites you to attend Employment Law Webinar: A New Year and a New Administration –Essential Updates for Employers on **February 24th**. As we say farewell to 2020, employers still face many challenges in 2021 and should expect changes in the law and enforcement initiatives as we transition to a Biden Administration. Understanding the latest legal trends is key to successfully tackling these challenges, preparing for changes in the law, and maintaining a safe and productive workforce. [Click Here to Register.](#)

Fridays at Findlay to Cover Brand Growth with Foot Locker CEO

February 26: This first [Virtual Fridays at Findlay](#) of 2021 will cover the differences between “need” and “want” based retail as it relates to brand growth in an omni-channel environment. “Growing Your Brand Through Digital Experiences” will be presented completely virtually from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and is free to the public. To register and for more information, visit the [Fridays at Findlay webpage](#), or contact the University of Findlay Division of Advancement at 419-434-5334 or erin.thompson@findlay.edu.

Safety Congress Registration Open

Registration is now open for the 2021 Ohio Safety Congress & Expo (OSC21)! Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, OSC21 will be a completely online event, including our first-ever digital expo.

Visit the [OSC21 website](#) for more information and to register for the event, which will stream live **March 10-11, 2021**. Ohio Safety Congress & Expo is the largest and longest-running regional occupational safety, health and workers’ compensation conference in the U.S.

Date set for Premier Financial Corp. and Premier Bank CEO Transition

The Premier Financial Corp. Board of Directors and Donald P. Hileman set the date for his transition from CEO of Premier Financial Corp. and Premier Bank to Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors at **March 31, 2021**, consistent with plans outlined in the September 2019 merger agreement. At that time, Gary M. Small will become CEO and President of Premier Financial Corp. and Premier Bank and remain a member of the board of directors.

Registration for 2021 Virtual Spelling Bee Escape is Open

Hancock Literacy’s annual Spelling Bee has morphed into a Virtual Spelling Bee Escape Room. The 2021 Virtual Spelling Bee Escape Room will be held on **Wednesday, May 5, 2021**, between 11:00a-2:00p. Teams of 3 can meet anywhere they would like to complete the Bee Escape Room. [Learn more about the Bee.](#)

New Foundation President Launches Listening Tour

Dr. Brian Treece, Community Foundation President & CEO, will embark on a virtual listening tour to hear about the needs of the community firsthand. The tour will begin in February and end in early May. Community meetings open to the public will be announced in February. Follow the Foundation on Facebook and subscribe to the e-newsletter for updates and dates for meetings as soon as they are available.

Knestrick Name VP of Business Affairs, Peterman Associates

Greg Knestrick has been named Vice-President of Business Affairs for Peterman Associates, Inc., located in Findlay, Ohio. Knestrick has over thirty years of experience in various business capacities and has been with Peterman Associates since 2004 as Marketing Director. In his new role, he will continue marketing efforts as well as working with the Chief Operating Officer in all business operations for the firm.

Gilmore Jason Mahler Names New Partners, Senior Manager

Gilmore Jason Mahler (GJM) Managing Partner Kevin Gilmore recently announced some exciting changes in the firm's leadership team. Jamie Dixon, CPA and Matt Hoverman, CISA have been promoted to partner and Jessica Nunn, CPA has been promoted to senior manager.

Red Cross Responds to Multiple Home Fires

The American Red Cross of North Central Ohio responded to multiple home fires in the Chapter on Wednesday, January 20th. Red Cross volunteers answered calls for help in Findlay, Fostoria, Green Springs and Nevada.

Welcome to a New Life Welcomes New Board Member

Welcome to New Life, a nonprofit organization mentoring adults involved in the Hancock County criminal-justice system has approved Joyce Zeigler as their newest board member. Her term began on January 12.

West Ohio Food Bank donates 2 truckloads of dog food to Humane Society

The West Ohio Food Bank was recently able to obtain a large amount of pet food. Two semi-loads of dog food will be transported from the West Ohio Food Bank warehouse in Lima courtesy of Ohio Logistics to the Humane Society and SPCA of Hancock County.

PAST NEWS

Downtown Apartment & Office/Retail Space Available

Luxury apartment available in Downtown Findlay with excellent storage and off-street parking. Also available is downtown Findlay office/retail space. Call 419-230-8020 for more information.

Hancock Public Health in Need of Volunteers

Hancock Public Health is in need of volunteers who can help with the high volume of calls coming in to register for and ask questions about the vaccine for COVID19. Those who can help will receive training and their own safe area to receive calls. HPH is located at 2225 Keith Pkwy., volunteer anytime you are available between 8am-5pm. If you can help, please email sarah.mayle@uwhancock.org with the date and times you are available.

Public Library Long Range Planning Committee Meeting

The Long Range Planning Committee of the Findlay-Hancock County Board of Trustees will meet January 21 at 12:30 at the library. The Board voted on January 12, 2021 to approve the following list of future Board meeting dates for 2021: February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14 and January 11, 2022.

NOTICE OF EXAMINATION: WATERLINE MAINTENANCE WORKER I

An open competitive examination for Waterline Maintenance Worker I for the City of Findlay is announced by the Civil Service Commission to be held on Thursday, **February 11, 2021**, at 2:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the large conference room located on the third floor of the Municipal Building, 318 Dorney Plaza, Findlay, Ohio 45840. Applicants are required to return a completed Civil Service Application to the Civil Service Office and contact the Civil Service Commission at 419-424-7112 to schedule an exam time (either 2:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.).

Garner Trucking named Best Fleets to Drive For: Five consecutive years

Garner Trucking has been recognized as a Best Fleet to Drive For in 2021. This marks the fifth consecutive year that Garner has been recognized. The Truckload Carriers Association (TCA) and CarriersEdge announced the 20 for-hire trucking companies from across North America that are recognized for providing exemplary work environments for their professional truck drivers and employees.

Shroll Joins Foundation Board

The Findlay-Hancock County Community Foundation is pleased to welcome a new member to the Board of Trustees. Kelly Shroll will begin her term of service in February 2021.

VOLUNTEERS SHOW UP FOR WREATHS CLEAN-UP

To cap off this year's Wreaths Across America events, approximately 50 volunteers supported by Garlock Bros Construction and Garner Trucking, assisted with the final wreath clean-up at Findlay's Maple Grove cemetery. In December 1,200 wreaths were laid on veterans' graves at Findlay's Maple Grove cemetery. The wreath laying event was supported by Hancock County's Youth Leadership Class as well as funded by several community donors.

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