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Special Thanks to Board Member Carolyn Snedeker

Due to a recent promotion, long time Chamber Board Member Carolyn Snedeker has resigned from the Board. "The Beacon" would like to take a moment to thank Carolyn for her years of service to the Henry County business community. Her experienced insight and leadership will be missed on the Board. We thank you for all you have provided over the years and wish you well with your new promotion within **Golden Living Center**.

Carolyn has been on the Board since 2000.

2008 Napoleon – Henry County Tourism Brochure Complete!

The Tourism Committee of the Chamber is proud to announce that the 2008 edition of the Tourism brochure is ready for distribution.

The Committee has worked over the last 6 months compiling information, events and other items of interest that will catch the eye of a traveler or inform those who are looking to spend time here.

One strong goal was to focus on our natural resources and events as a draw to the County. Studies show more and more travelers are looking for an authentic, nature based experience. Our access to the Maumee River, wooded areas and trails are poised to welcome those tourists. New pursuits, such as geocaching are also catching on in our area.

The brochures were designed locally at **The Northwest Signal** and embrace the natural beauty of our home. The Committee feels very

strongly that the brochure puts our best foot forward.

Distribution of the brochure will take them all across the State of Ohio. They will be distributed at each of the 12 Travel Information Centers along major highways in Ashtabula, Belmont, Butler, Preble, Scioto, Trumbull, Warren and Wood Counties, along with a location in the Ohio Statehouse. They will also be sent to numerous other Convention and Visitors Bureau sites throughout the State.

The Committee also will be working to distribute them locally for those individuals who are already here. We are working to solidify the distribution sites. If you would like a quantity to pass out at your business – let us know at hcncoc@ohiohenrycounty.com. We'd be honored to have you as a distribution site!

The Last Word

Here's a reminder for you – if you haven't taken action on your Workers Compensation Pool coverage (if your business is eligible), now is the time. In fact, this is your last chance for next year. Send in your AC3 immediately to ensure you will have it in by the end of February. The more time you give to the Third Party Administrators (in the Chamber's case – CompManagement or V&A Risk) the better. Don't wait until the week before the deadline. It could cost your business a good chunk of change. If you have misplaced your AC3, just let us know – we'll get you one right away.

I mentioned it on the Chamber's Radio program (Thursday mornings at 940AM on **WNDH**) a couple of weeks ago that we would love to help your business with a walkthrough of your facility. We may be able to spot things you may not that could help take care of your customer's needs. This service will mainly benefit retail, but there may be things we can help with in other sectors. Call for more details – (419) 592-1786. There is no charge to Chamber Members for this service.

- Executive Director Joel Miller