

# How To Guide



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## What We Do

The Ravenna Area Chamber of Commerce is all about having a positive perspective in bringing out the best in each of our businesses, social services and individuals that make up our beautiful close-knit community. The Ravenna Area Chamber of Commerce is proud of our community with our local flavor and the small-town charm that makes us unique. The Chamber is absolutely committed to helping businesses grow, by understanding individual needs and goals, and connecting them to resources they need to succeed and flourish. We work to provide a positive environment for businesses to grow by encouraging members to actively participate in community events and through various networking opportunities. Inclusivity is our strength, and we strive to include everyone in the community so all can be involved.



## Core Values

Ravenna Proud!  
Do What You Say!  
We've Got This!  
Positively Opinionated  
I've Got Your Back  
Drama Free Zone

# Directory of Board Members

Ryann Kuchenbecker .....Executive Director ..... Ravenna Chamber of Commerce

Matt Ferrell .....President ..... Buckeye Residential Services

Dustin Basch .....Vice-President..... Don Basch Jewelers

Ina Sayre .....Treasurer ..... Portage Community Bank

Kay Dubinsky .....Secretary ..... City of Ravenna

Shawn Gordon .....Past President..... UH Portage Medical Center

Nelson Burns.....Board Member ..... Coleman Professional Services

Mark Whitmore.....Board Member ..... Lodestone LTD.

Judy Watkins .....Board Member ..... Ravenna Athletic Center

Ben Ribelin .....Board Member ..... Ravenna City Schools

Debbie Mann.....Board Member ..... Allen Aircraft Products

Erica Sadaj .....Board Member ..... Neighborhood Developments Services, Inc.

Kristy Huhn.....Board Member ..... Portage Community Bank

Patti Hicks.....Board Member ..... RC Cook Insurance

Brittany Fowler .....Board Member ..... It's All Fine Consignment

Anne Marie Noble.....Board Member ..... The Haven

# Benefits of Membership

## Sponsorship Levels

Benefits	Chamber Member	Bronze Level	Silver Level	Gold Level	Platinum Level	Ala carte
<b>Package Price</b>	see form	\$500/yr	\$1500/yr	\$3000/yr	\$5000/yr	
Networking Opportunities	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Discounts on Events	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Access to Printed and Online Directory	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Welcome Home bags to New Residents	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Access to Online Event Calendar and Member Listing	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Free Ribbon Cutting / Open House Promotions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Al a Carte Sponsorship Options (call for details)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Business Membership listed in our " Only In Ravenna" 2020 Community Guide must be registered by <b>January 31, 2020</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Life / Health Insurance packages available to all members	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Company logo scrolling on web site		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Raven Awards VIP Reception		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Access to PerQify - Marketing & Promotional Services		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Mentor Workshops - offered quarterly with FREE lunch		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ravenna Athletic Center - discounted membership fees at the Corporate Rate		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Member highlight in chamber office window for 1 month			✓	✓	✓	
Free booth at the Ravenna on Display in October			✓	✓	✓	
Email blast once a month to all chamber members regarding your company's news and or events. (Must be submitted by the last week of each month)			✓	✓	✓	
Sponsorship of 1 major chamber event per year which includes 4 tickets to the event and advertising in the marketing materials for the event			✓	✓	✓	
Sponsorship of 2 major chamber events per year which includes 8 tickets to each event and advertising in the marketing materials for the event				✓	✓	
Sponsorship of 1 quarterly chamber before / after hour event (limitations may apply)				✓	✓	
Business Name displayed on 1 Raven Award and presented by your business				✓	✓	
Sponsorship of 1 Lunch and Learn plus 10 FREE tickets (RSVP required) (a \$1,000 value)					✓	
1 month sponsorship company listing in the "Chamber Highlight" and Calendar of Events emailed to over 1000 people and social media					✓	
Scholarship Sponsorship of a Ravenna High School Senior (\$500 value)					✓	
E-Blasts (1) = \$40.00 (2) = \$60.00						✓

### Member Satisfaction Guarantee

Membership carries a satisfaction guarantee. We are so confident in the value of your Ravenna Area Chamber of Commerce membership; The Chamber Board of Directors is offering new members a money back guarantee on Memberships (less a \$50.00 processing fee). To be eligible for The Member Satisfaction Money Back Guarantee, all we ask is that the member attend at least three Chamber functions during the first 120 days to give us a try.

By attending just three functions, you will get a sample of the benefits that your membership will bring. You will also receive on a monthly basis the Chamber's newsletter and calendar, which will alert you to all the business news and activities taking place during the month. Join us! You'll be glad you did.

Meet with the Executive Director for an orientation session and participate in at least 3 of the following activities:

1. Attend 2 Lunch and Learn
2. Attend 1 Networking Opportunity
3. Volunteer and/or participate in 1 major event hosted by the chamber
4. Actively participate on a chamber committee

## How to create an account on Chamber of Commerce website

1. Access <https://ravennaareachamber.com/>
2. Click on the “Join” button at the upper left corner.
3. Fill in your company info on page.
4. Make sure to check the “I’m not a Robot” box at the bottom of the page.
5. Click “Submit” to complete your application.

### ***How to register your account:***

1. At the Chamber of Commerce website, click on the “Member Login” button at the top left corner.
2. Enter your business email address and click on “Register”.
3. On the Register page, create User Name and enter your email address.
4. Click on “Register”.
5. Look for an email in your inbox from the Chamber and follow the link to create your password.
6. On the “Reset password” page, create a new secure password.
7. Confirm your password in the next box.
8. Click on “Reset Password”.
9. Chamber will receive and approve your password request.

### ***How to access Member Listing:***

1. From the Chamber of Commerce website, click on the “Membership” tab at the top.
2. Select “Active Members List” from the drop-down menu.
3. Click on the dated Members List to download the file.

### ***How to add an event:***

1. From the Chamber of Commerce website, click on the “Events” tab at the top.
2. Select “Add Event for Members Only” from the drop-down menu.
3. Enter Event Title, Event Description, and any other information as necessary.
4. Click on “Submit Event” button at the bottom of the page.
5. Chamber will receive and approve your submission.



## 2020 Community Events Calendar

### ***Raven Awards .....April 28***

Each year, Raven Awards are given to notable individuals and/or companies in the community for their contributions and involvement for the previous year. Awards are given in the following categories: Lifetime Achievement, Citizen of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, New Construction, New Renovation, and Any New Businesses that opened in 2019. For ticket or nomination information please e-mail [RavennaChamber@att.net](mailto:RavennaChamber@att.net) or visit our website at [RavennaAreaChamber.com](http://RavennaAreaChamber.com).

### ***Ravenna Chamber Dance Party ..... June 27***

We will be hosting a dance party on the beautifully landscaped patio at the Big Dog Saloon. Music, Dancing, Food, and More. For ticket information please e-mail [RavennaChamber@att.net](mailto:RavennaChamber@att.net) or visit our website at [RavennaAreaChamber.com](http://RavennaAreaChamber.com)

### ***Only in Ravenna .....July 9***

Join us for a day of experiencing Ravenna! Take advantage of special offers from our local businesses which will be provided throughout the day. Enjoy delectable culinary tastings from local eating establishments. All this will be leading up to our evenings GRAND FINALE with LIVE performances from ... Ravenna's Own "FOG" and the Akron Pops Orchestra. For more details please visit our website at [RavennaAreaChamber.com](http://RavennaAreaChamber.com)

***Annual Golf Outing..... August 28***

The Chamber has organized a “Business Break” Golf Outing at Windmill Lakes Golf Club for years. It is recognized as one of the largest Golf Outings in the area and continues to be the place to be. We always have a great time which includes food, drinks, fun and prizes for select skill levels. For ticket information please e-mail [RavennaChamber@att.net](mailto:RavennaChamber@att.net) or visit our website at [RavennaAreaChamber.com](http://RavennaAreaChamber.com).

***Ravenna on Display ..... October 10***

Ravenna on Display is held at the Ravenna High School Gymnasium. It is a great opportunity to show and educate the community on what your business has to offer. We attract a wide variety of different ages from children for our costume contest and trick-or-treating at the booths, to parents watching their children perform, to adults that are interested in the community support. To reserve your booth or additional information please contact [RavennaChamber@att.net](mailto:RavennaChamber@att.net) or visit our website at [RavennaAreaChamber.com](http://RavennaAreaChamber.com).

***Halloween Walk ..... October 31***

The Halloween Walk is an event where the community can trick-or-treat at the local participating merchants and businesses in downtown Ravenna. We meet at the courthouse lawn and have crafts, games and music for the children to enjoy. Next we come together for a group photo and parade around the square to show off the costumes. It finishes with going through town to the local businesses that are participating in the Halloween Walk to trick-or-treat in a safe and friendly environment.



***Ravenna's Holiday Celebration..... November 27***

Ravenna's Holiday Celebration is an event where the community comes together to celebrate the Holiday Season. Kicking the festivities off is the Balloon A-Fair Light up Parade down Main Street bringing Santa and Mrs. Claus on the back of Ravenna's fire truck, stopping at the Court House lawn to light the Christmas tree, then on to shopping at our businesses and eating and drinking at our restaurants. More festivities are offered throughout the night: Ice Carving demonstration, Elf Workshop, Holiday Raffle, Christmas Caroling with the Ravenna Community Choir, Photos with Santa and Mr. Jingeling and so much more.

***Honorary Way ..... Bi-Annually***

Honorary Way is a means to publicly and temporarily honor distinguished citizens and good Samaritans for their achievements by ceremonially naming the street after them. The Honorary Way bench and street sign can be found at the corner of S. Park Way and W. Main St. – at the entrance to Veterans Memorial Park, across from the Triangle building. The name of the honoree will hang from a decorative post at the center of the flower bed. Bi-Annually the Ravenna Chamber's selection committee will select a new honoree with approval from the Mayor.

***Lunch & Learns..... Quarterly***

Lunch & Learns are scheduled quarterly and are sponsored by local businesses. We meet at a local restaurant or business for lunch and networking opportunities and are also given an interactive presentation by a guest speaker focusing on educating our members on the resources that are available to their success.

***Rise & Shine with Ravenna/Un-Wind with Ravenna.. Quarterly***  
Rise & Shine with Ravenna and Un-Wind with Ravenna are both offered quarterly. Our members have requested the opportunity to come together socially and professionally to build a stronger business relationship and connection with fellow members and businesses. We meet at a local business for either pastries and coffee(Rise & Shine) or appetizers and beverages (Un-Wind) and share information about our businesses and how we can help one another.

***Mentor Workshops ..... Quarterly***  
Mentor Workshops have been added NEW for 2020. The Chamber will be offering these educational workshops on a quarterly basis to give our businesses the additional resources that are needed to enhance their business success. The workshops will focus on specific areas of business, such as Finance, Marketing, Human Resources, Business Coaching and so many more. Members will need to pre-register and their will be limited seating to ensure the learning experience.

***Hour of Power ..... Monthly***  
Hour of Powers are scheduled monthly and are set up as a speed networking opportunity. You are given some time to create your 30 second commercial about your business and then are able to share information with one another while building connections and business relationships.



# Emergency Numbers in Ravenna

## **The Ravenna City Police Department**

If you are reporting an emergency, please dial 9-1-1  
220 Park Way  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
(330) 296-6486 • Fax: (330) 296-4561

## **The Ravenna City Fire Department**

214 Park Way  
Ravenna, Ohio 44266  
Non-Emergency: (330) 297-5738 • Emergency: (330) 296-6422

## **UH Portage Medical Center Emergency Room**

6847 N Chestnut St, Ravenna  
Emergency Room: (330) 297-2850 • General: (330) 297-0811  
Northeast Ambulance

## **Portage County Sewer & Water**

449 S Meridian St, Ravenna, OH 44266  
(330) 297-3672

## **First Energy/Ohio Edison**

To report power outage:  
1-888-544-4877

## **City of Ravenna**

530 N Freedom St  
Ravenna, OH 44266  
(330) 296-5607  
Service Department

## **Ravenna School District**

507 E. Main St  
Ravenna, OH 44266  
(330) 296-9679  
Dennis M Honkala, Superintendent

## **Poison Information Center**

1-800-222-1222

## **Portage County Sheriff**

(330) 296-5100

## **Ohio State Highway Patrol**

Portage County  
(330) 297-1441