

# Council News

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## **OHIO SENATE BILL 7—WORKERS' COMPENSATION REFORMS: A LEGAL AND MEDICAL PERSPECTIVE**

### **The Regular Friday, March 30 Lake County Safety Council Program Presents:**

Michael Bertsch, Mocsarino & Treu, and Dr. Patrick Bray, St. Vincent Charity Hospital, to discuss workers' compensation legislation and Ohio Senate Bill 7.

#### **Their Presentation Includes Information On:**

- ⇒ The definition of "aggravation injury" moving from the old "minimal/slight" to the new "substantial" .....and baseline applications
- ⇒ Drug free workplace and drug testing policies

**TIME:** Registration begins @ 11:15 a.m.

Lunch and meeting begin @ 11:30 a.m.

**SITE:** **Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites -  
LaMalfa** @ Route 2 and Heisley Road

**RSVP:** Call 440-255-0877 by Friday, March 23  
To make your reservation

**COST:** \$18 reporting members, \$20 non-members

### **March Meeting Sponsor**

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### **2007 LCSC Dates/Topics**

Friday, March 30th	Workers' Compensation Legislation/Reform-Senate Bill 7
Friday, April 20th	Annual Awards Banquet @ LaMalfa— <b>luncheon</b>
Friday, May 18th	CEO Event- <b>breakfast</b> @ LaMalfa Cynthia Moore-Hardy, LHS
Friday, May 18th	Mold & Asbestos Safety and Awareness

### **Ohio's Workers' Compensation Budget Scheduled to be Heard This Week**

The budgets for the bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) and the Industrial Commission were scheduled to be heard this week. The budgets are given a bill number, introduced and assigned to the House Finance & Appropriations Committee. The committee was scheduled to hear sponsor testimony during its meeting on Monday and all other testimony during its meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday.

See BWC Board, Page 4.

### **BWC Safety Congress Begins in Less Than Two Weeks at Cleveland IX Center**

The Ohio Safety Congress and Expo is scheduled at the IX center on March 20 to 22. The theme is "extreme safety." The **FREE** event provides flexible, customized and industry-focused classes. For more information visit the Ohio BWC on line at [www.ohiobwc.com](http://www.ohiobwc.com) or call (1-800-OHIOBWC).

## Would your company like to be a Lake County Safety Council Sponsor?

One of the many ways you can advertise with the Lake County Safety Council is to become a meeting sponsor. There currently are 2007 sponsor opportunities available:

- ⇒ Awards Banquet Sponsor \$395 limited to five companies
- ⇒ Monthly Meeting Sponsor \$195 limited to one company per meeting

### The benefits of being a sponsor are:

- ⇒ Sponsor will be provided with an exhibit table located at the registration area or inside the door of the meeting facility.
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- ⇒ Sponsor may place one item of literature or business card at each place setting
- ⇒ Sponsor may collect business cards for a door prize drawing (prize to be provided by the sponsor)
- ⇒ Sponsor will be thanked on signage at the registration table
- ⇒ Sponsor will be recognized at the podium and introduced by the steering committee director
- ⇒ Sponsor may deliver a “three-minute commercial” to the meeting attendees from the podium.
- ⇒ Sponsor will be featured in the *Council News* the month they are sponsoring

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## Friday, February 16, 2007 LCSC

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## Meeting Attendees Continued

Lake County Dept. of Utilities  
Lake Co. Plating  
Lake Hospital System  
Lake Humane Society  
Lake Metroparks  
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Leroy Township  
Libra Industries  
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Painesville Township  
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Perry Township  
Polychem Corporation  
Preformed Line Products  
Quality Assurance Supported Living  
Radix Wire Company  
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Red Wing Shoes  
Roberts Roofing  
Roll-Kraft  
Royal Plastics  
R T & T Machining  
Sawyer Technical Materials  
SFInc., Electrical Contractor  
South Shore Controls  
Stamco Industries  
Stanley Steemer  
Stewart Lodge Healthcare  
Sticker Corporation  
Summerville at Mentor  
The News-Herald  
Trailer Component Manufacturing  
Transfer Express  
Trust Technologies  
Universal Screw Machine  
V.L. Chapman Electric  
Village of Fairport Harbor  
Village of Waite Hill  
Visiting Angels  
Volk Optical  
West Geauga Local Schools  
Wickliffe Country Place  
Willo Security  
Willoughby Eastlake City Schools  
Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library  
Willow Hill Industries  
Wilson Mill Foods, Inc.  
Wiseco Piston  
Yours Truly Restaurants

## **Independent Board Responsible for Fund Assets to Replace BWC Oversight Commission**

From Ohio Workers' Compensation, Page 1

Ohio Gov. Ted Strickland announced his two-year \$657 million budget for the BWC will eliminate the BWC's Oversight Commission and create an independent, 15-member board responsible for the fund's assets. The BWC administrator will continue to report to the governor. The board will include 11 members appointed by the governor. They will represent business, labor and finance. There will be four non-voting seats filled by members of the Ohio General Assembly.

This information courtesy of the Ohio Chamber Legislative Update, for more information visit [www.ohiochamber.com](http://www.ohiochamber.com)

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**Program Topic: Workers' Compensation-Ohio Senate Bill 7**

**Speakers: Michael Bertsch-Moscarino & Treu & Dr. Patrick Bray-St. Vincent Charity Hospital**

**Location: Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites—LaMalfa**

**Cost: \$18 for Members, \$20 for Non-Members**

**Time: Registration 11:15 a.m.- Meeting & Lunch Begin @ 11:30 a.m.**

**Sponsor: NOVA CHEMICALS**

Meeting Reminder: Friday, April 20, 2007

**Program Topic: Annual Awards Banquet Luncheon.....Recognition for Companies/Organizations with Outstanding Accomplishments in Worker Safety**

**Speaker: Key Note Speaker: Kay Frances, MBA, Motivational Humorist ([www.Kay Frances.com](http://www.KayFrances.com))**

**Location: Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites-LaMalfa**

**Cost/Reservations: \$20 for Members, \$25 for Non-Members.....Reservation Forms to be Mailed & Included in April Newsletter**

**Sponsors: NORTHCOAST SHREDDING SERVICES, STERIS CORPORATION, AMERICAN RED CROSS, HZW ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, WISECO PISTON & KAY FRANCES, MBA, OHIO FUNNY LADY**



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Please remember to make a reservation. We appreciate it. The caterer does too. Thanks!