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The mission of the Columbus Metropolitan Club is to connect people and ideas through community conversation.

THIS WEEK AT CMC

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

7:30 – 9:00 A.M., ATHLETIC CLUB OF COLUMBUS
Ohio in the Global Economy

Featuring Matt Miller,
Host of Bloomberg Television

Presented in Partnership with



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

Modern Reasons for Old-Fashioned Food: Renewed Popularity of Locally-Grown Food

Featuring Michael Jones, Executive Director, Local Matters; Elizabeth Lessner, Restaurateur and President, Central Ohio Restaurant Association; Amalie Lipstreu, Senior Program Manager, Sustainable Agriculture, Ohio Department of Agriculture; and Catherine Girves, University Area Enrichment Association.

Previews of Upcoming CMC Events

TUESDAY, MAY 12

CMCp.m. AT COSI, 5:15 – 7:00

Presented in partnership with the Young Professionals of Ohio

From the Front-lines to Home: Reentry, Resources, and Risks for Returning Veterans



Major General Gregory Wayt, Adjutant General, Ohio National Guard

Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts are returning men and women veterans to mainstream society with severe disabilities, who would likely have died in previous wars. Add to this, the increase of post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), a job-starved recessionary economy and reports of National Guard and military reserve members facing job discrimination due to multiple deployments overseas. These and many more reentry challenges face returning veterans after proudly serving our country.

General Wayt leads an important, thoughtful conversation about the needs of our brave service men and women.

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MAY 13

You're Going to do What with City Center?

Bold Plans Emerge for City Center



Guy Worley, CEO, Columbus Downtown Development Corporation

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Poor City Center. We've all watched in amazement and disbelief as a disappointing story has unfolded for a not-so-long-ago darling of our downtown stage. Try as they might, (and they have tried!) the city leaders have not been able to pull this one out of the ashes, and they have announced that the only ball this Grande dam will be seeing soon, will be the wrecking ball.

You're going to do what with City Center?

The promise of downtown parks eases some of the pain, but will this new plan for prime center city real estate really capture the elusive downtown rebirth and resurrection that we all hope?

MONDAY, MAY 18

View from Washington

With Support from Columbus State Community College, American Electric Power, and Outlook Media

If there was ever a time when we want to hear from our leaders in Washington, it's now, and Senator Sherrod Brown has accepted our CMC invitation to talk to us.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

Dispatch Chats with Columbus Dispatch Writer Ann Fisher

Women on Fire: Local Women Featured in New Book



"Debbie Phillips has the amazing ability to put together women of passion who can inspire each other. She is a Woman on Fire!"
— Ellen Pearlman, former magazine editor, New York City



Ann Fisher, Columbus Dispatch



Debbie Phillips, Author and Founder Women on Fire



Ginny Barney, City Manager, Upper Arlington



Patricia Wynn Brown, Founder of Hair Theatre

Presented in partnership with:

The Women's Fund of Central Ohio investing in the potential of women and girls



Debbie Phillips started Women on Fire Events and Tea Parties six years ago to create safe and uplifting communities of wonderful women who support each other's growth, dreams and success. Since then, from these gatherings of fabulous women businesses have been born, careers have grown, dreams have been fulfilled, friendships have been created, collaborations have abounded.

While it began as a simple tea party, the idea spiraled into a national movement and now a book to be released May 2009. The book is filled with inspiring stories of women on fire who share their own success strategies after working through a particular struggle.

Phillips says, "I've always been inspired by the energy of

brilliant, dynamic, caring women coming together to create something more vibrant than what they could on their own. As a coach, I also saw women struggling — in isolation — with challenges many of us face at one point or another moving through life. It seemed a shame to me that any woman should ever have to 'go it alone' when there is so much richness in sharing our inspiration, strategies and support with each other.

"That's when the idea of the Women on Fire book emerged: real women telling their real-life stories and struggles and how they made it through their obstacles and challenges.

"I selected a group of women, many of whom I knew well or personally coached, who had struggled mightily and crossed barriers and boundaries to find relief, discover success and achieve a level of peace of mind."

Included in the book are local favorites Ginny Barney and Patricia Wynn Brown. Columbus Dispatch Writer Ann Fisher interviews these women for our Dispatch Chats.

THURSDAY, MAY 21

CMC ON SITE, 5:15-7:00 P.M.

Exclusive Preview Tour of the New Statehouse Museum



Richard H. Finan

Special host Former Senate President Richard H. Finan
With support from *Schooley Caldwell Associates*

The Ohio Statehouse Museum is scheduled to open to the Public on June 10. Our Ohio Capitol building is more than a legislative hub — it's also one of the top visitor and school tour attractions in Ohio, with more than 400,000 guests last year.

This CMC On Site will offer CMC guests a preview program of the renovated museum and provide the background and development of this fascinating public/private project and its critical link to "the people's house."



All CMC forums are open to everyone!

Forums are held at the Athletic Club of Columbus, 136 E. Broad St., unless otherwise noted. Please make reservations online at columbusmetroclub.org or via email to staff@columbusmetroclub.org or by calling 464-3220

APRIL 21

Take me out to the NEW Ballgame

Presented in partnership with YPC, Columbus Historical Society, Diversity Matters and the Columbus Sports Commission

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Nearly 100 people joined in the fun for CMCp.m. at Huntington Park.

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Time Warner Digital: Ch 96
Insight Digital: Ch 765
WOW Digital: Ch 150

Fridays @ 4 pm & Midnight
Sundays @ 4 pm & Midnight
Mondays @ 11 am & 7pm



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RECAP

7,300 Wishes: Make a Wish Celebrates 25 Years



CMC Treasurer Sue Hoelscher, speakers Susan McConnell and Chase Meacham.

Guest Brenda Dean caught up in Chase's inspiring story.



Sharing stories.

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