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Freshway Foods Announces Plan to Expand Sidney Facility

Freshway Foods is planning an expansion at their current location at 601 N. Stolle Avenue in Sidney. The expansion includes 35,000 sg. ft. of additional production space,



expansion will support the US Foods strategy of improving produce freshness to US Foods customers by expanding the number of produce offerings and increasing the frequency of deliveries.

The company expects to break ground on the expansion in the next few weeks, and the project is expected to conclude in early Q2 2018.

Freshway Foods is a fresh fruit and vegetable processor, repacker, distributor and logistics provider serving every major market in the eastern half of the United States. They are focused on customized product and service solutions for retail and foodservice companies.

Their robust farm-to-fork food safety approach ensures food safety compliance from the grower through consumption. In addition, Freshway Foods operates a fleet of company-owned refrigerated trucks, ensuring a solid cold chain from the field to its customers.

For more information, see http://www.freshwayfoods.com/

Local Officials Observe **Manufacturing Day**

Manufacturing Day is an event when thousands of manufacturers across the U.S. host students, teachers, parents, job seekers and community leaders at open houses, plant tours and educational sessions to showcase modern manufacturing technology and the cool jobs available. It is a chance for students to see the diverse. career options that are innovative, impactful and durable.

As the old idiom goes, "Seeing is believing," and that is the guiding principle behind Manufacturing Day. It was created in response to a dire need in America: The industry today faces a major shortage of skilled workers. An estimated two million manufacturing jobs will go unfilled over the next decade due to companies' inability to find talent with the required skills. Several leading industry organizations determined the best way to combat this problem and

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reverse negative misperceptions people may have about manufacturing jobs and careers is to literally show "up close and personal" the exciting kind of work that takes place in plants across the U.S.

County Commissioners, City of Sidney Officials, the Sidney -Shelby Chamber of Commerce and the Sidney-Shelby Economic Partnership visited local manufacturers to commemorate Manufacturing Day, recognizing their contributions to the community and thanking them for engaging our youth in the many job opportunities in manufacturing. Manufacturing has a huge impact on Shelby County, boasting the highest percentage of manufacturing employment per capita of all counties in Ohio with nearly 40% of the county's employment in manufacturing. These jobs create a net inflow of over 5,000 workers per day coming into the county to work. For every \$1.00 spent in manufacturing, another \$1.81 is added to the economy. That is the highest multiplier effect of any economic sector. In addition, for every one worker in manufacturing, there are another four employees hired elsewhere. Shelby County is the home to two of the top four largest manufacturing companies in the Dayton region.



Left to Right: Commissioner Julie Ehemann with Paul Dentinger at Honda Engine Plant; Commissioners Tony Bornhorst, Julie Ehemann and Bob Guillozet join John Bertsch at Detailed Machining; Mayor Mike Barhorst presents Manufacturing Day Proclamations to Bob Stead, of American Trim; and Kevin Geise, of Electro Controls.

New Facility for Orthopedic Associates of SW Ohio

Orthopedic Associates of SW Ohio is widely recognized as the regional leader in comprehensive orthopedic care, including the treatment of diseases, injuries and conditions of the bones and joints. Since 1985, patients have placed their trust in their specialized care of the hand and upper extremities, spine (back and neck), shoulder, elbow, hip, knee, and foot & ankle. Their expert care also includes sports medicine and reconstructive surgery. Orthopedic Associates of SW Ohio is currently located at Wilson Health, 915 W. Michigan St. Building in Sidney.

OASWO is pleased to announce they have hired several new skilled clinicians able to treat patients from head-to -toe, one of which is, Dr. Neil Schwimley, D.O., an expert in General Orthopedics & Sports Medicine who will be focused on OASWO's Sidney Practice. Being a highly decorated Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Air Force, he has over 17 years of active duty military orthopedic surgery experience and has served on deployments to Tarin Kowt, Afghanistan and Kirkuk, Iraq. Today he continues to serve as an Air Force reservist. Dr. Schwimley has special interest in treating complex rotator cuff tears, shoulder instability, ligament tears of the knee, and treatment plans that help his patients to achieve the best possible outcomes. In their seven years of service to the Sidney Community, Dr. Heckler, Dr. Bamberger, Dr. Rogers, Dr. Harman, and Dr. Jackson have been and will continue to be



instrumental in serving the Sidney Community.

In order to serve the Sidney area more fully, the Orthopedic Associates of SW Ohio

is constructing a new, approximately 11,000 square foot, facility located at the corner of Third and Michigan Street. Construction will be completed soon and the expected opening date is March 1, 2018.



Orthopedic Associates has nine locations in the Miami Valley region including Centerville, Dayton, Sidney, Greenville, West Chester, Lebanon, Beavercreek and Eaton. For more information, please visit their website at <u>http://oaswo.com</u> or call 1-800-824-9861.

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Successful Career Exploration Academy 2017

Workforce Partnership of Shelby County hosted the Career Exploration Academy at the Shelby County Fairgrounds on September 21st and 22nd. This event was made possible through a Special Projects Grant from the Shelby County United Way.



Shelby County United Way

Twenty-four employers shared 32 different careers in the manufacturing, skilled trades, healthcare, logistics, food and agriculture, banking, public service, and telecommunications fields.

Nine of the ten schools in Shelby County participated in the activities: Anna, Botkins, Christian Academy, Fairlawn, Fort Loramie, Houston, Jackson Center, Lehman Catholic, and Sidney City Schools, with a total attendance of approximately 950 students from grades 8 through 12.

This annual event provides local students the opportunity to experience local careers in a hands-on atmosphere (see photos at left).

The Workforce Partnership would like to say **THANK YOU** to Shelby County United Way and to our Partners who participated in the event. The time and resources they contributed to prepare each career booth was phenomenal!







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Dramatic Changes Coming to Fair Haven

Fair Haven, the Shelby County-owned nursing facility, is moving forward with phase one of a major renovation and building project. This comes after considerable planning time involving the Shelby County Commissioners, Freytag & Associates, and Fair Haven management.



Phase One of the plan will demolish the wing known as Cedar Hall (recently uninhabited) and build a contemporary addition having a modern farmhouse motif with 74 beds (66 of which are private rooms), bariatric accommodations, and private bathrooms. A courtyard in the center will allow some rooms to have access to private patios. The overall design is more residential and incorporates natural lighting wherever possible. Arbor Hall will be renovated for use as the PRST STD US POSTAGE PAID Sidney, OH Permit #423

new memory care wing, with 20 private rooms and four "companion suites."

Not only will these new-and-improved spaces improve residential quality of life, but they have also been designed to improve staff workflow all while maintaining current staffing levels. The total size of the addition, once complete, will be 67,424 square feet. The project is anticipated to cost \$11.5 million with a projected completion date in spring of 2019.

The new addition will allow Fair Haven to remain competitive for short-term rehabilitation with rooms dedicated to rehab patients, continue to provide excellent services to its long-term residents, and serve our whole community. Fair Haven currently provides the County's home-delivered meal program, houses the adult day service program DayBreak, and hosts various benefits and events throughout the year.

At a time when county homes across the state are struggling, Shelby County is fortunate to have a thriving facility dedicated to meeting the needs of their residents and the community.