

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**The Milford Miami Township Chamber of Commerce**, established in 1947 and celebrating 60+ years of service to the community, has been recognizing businesses in the community for over 40 years. This slowly evolved into an annual recognition, and in 2004 the C.O.V.E.R. (Corporations, Organizations & Volunteers of Excellence Recognized) Awards Dinner was born. Each year the Chamber recognizes a Large Business of the Year, a Small Business of the Year, a Volunteer/Service Person of the Year, a Chamber Board selected Humanitarian Award, Investing in Our Future Miami Township and Investing in Our Future City of Milford award.

Large Business of the Year nominees: **Park National Bank** and **Putter's Tavern & Grill**.

This year the Milford Miami Township Chamber Board of Directors has renamed the Small Business of the Year Award ***The J. Patrick Toomey Small Business Award***. The Board of Directors wanted to honor Pat for all his years of service to the Chamber and the Community. Pat exemplified what this nomination is all about; he served on many committees and believed in giving back to the community. This year nominee's are **Evans Funeral Home** and **Cincinnati Computer Concepts**.

Volunteer Service Person of the Year nominees are **Michele Hanna**, Cincinnati Therapeutic Riding and Horsemanship and **Kris Baumann**, Sem Retirement Communities.

Investing in Our Future - Miami Township, **Penn Station Corporate Offices**, Investing in Our Future - City of Milford, **Mike Castrucci Chevrolet**.

Humanitarian of the Year, selected by the Board of Directors will be announced the night of the Awards.

This year's C.O.V.E.R. Awards Dinner will be held at R.S.V.P. on Ward's Corner, Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> with a social hour at 5:30pm and dinner at 6:30pm. The cost is \$35.00 for members and \$45.00 non-members. A table for 8 is \$350. Please call 831-2411 for reservation information.

Sponsors for this year's event: **Donohoo, Cupp, & Beck CPA & Assoc.**, **National City Bank**, **Lykins Companies**, **Kroger**, **Miami Township**, **National Bank & Trust**, **the City of Milford**, and **Duke Energy**.