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Dr. Bill LaFayette, Vice President of Economic Analysis, The Columbus Chamber.

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It's the economy, it's always the economy. Dr. Bill LaFayette entertains and informs with his witty and insightful look at the Columbus, regional and state economic forecast. Great way to start the new year.

LaFayette is vice president of economic analysis for the Columbus Chamber. As the Chamber's chief economist, he analyzes and interprets economic and demographic trends for Chamber staff, civic leaders, and the Greater Columbus community, and helps determine the implications of those trends for the Chamber's business advocacy and workforce development efforts.

Prior to joining the Chamber, Dr. LaFayette worked for Rickenbacker Port Authority, and served on the finance and real estate faculties of Ashland University and the University of North Texas. His articles have appeared in The Appraisal Journal and The Journal of Urban Economics.

He is a member of the Columbus Metropolitan Club, where he serves on the Program Committee, and is on the Board of Directors of Kaleidoscope Youth Center. He is a 2004 graduate of Leadership Columbus.

Dr. LaFayette earned a Ph.D. in real estate economics from The Ohio State University in 1994. He also holds an M.B.A. in investment management and a B.S., Summa cum Laude, in finance and accounting, both from Wright State University.

PREVIEW - Wednesday, March 21

Get Urban

Living (Capital Books, 2004).

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Kyle Ezell is the founder of Get Urban America, a

Columbus, Ohio-based urban planning firm dedicated

to teaching the urban lifestyle to Americans, a pre-

dominately suburban culture. Kyle is a trained cultural

geographer and a nationally known certified city plan-

ner and teaches Downtown Housing courses for The

Ohio State University's City and Regional Planning

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