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THIS WEEK AT CMC

MARCH 25

PREMIERE RELEASE AT CMC

Benchmarking Central Ohio 2009: A Tale of Sixteen Cities

Roberta Garber, CEO of Community Research Partners; Bob Milbourne, CEO of the Columbus Partnership and Betsy Ziegler, McKinsey Company.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

Financing Columbus, A Tale of Two Cities... Choose One

Bob Howarth, the economic advisory panel chair and Joel Taylor, the City's Finance Director; moderator, Allen Proctor, Allen Proctor LLC.

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APRIL 15

Battelle's New CEO: Reaching the World from King Avenue



Jeff Wadsworth, CEO Battelle

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THURSDAY, APRIL 16 CMC ON-SITE 5:00 - 7:00 P.M

Exclusive Preview of the Historic **Lincoln Theatre**



SPECIAL EVENT FOR ALL

TUESDAY, APRIL 21 CMCрм @ 5:00 AT HUNTINGTON PARK

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MAY 6



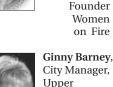
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Women on Fire: **Local Women in National Book**



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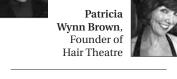
Debbie Phillips, Author and





Patricia Wynn Brown,

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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**

MONDAY, MAY 18

Senator Sherrod Brown

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2009

Parks at the Polls: **Metro Parks Levy**

Six million people enjoy the Columbus Metro Parks' 15 venues each year. But the future of those parks is on a bubble with the current 0.65-mill 10-year levy expiring at the end of 2009.

Passage of this levy on May 5 special election will allow Metro Parks to continue to operate clean, well-maintained, safe parks that are open daily throughout the year and are free to the public while continuing to acquire and manage natural areas to protect wildlife and water resources.

Admittedly passing any levy will be a challenge in the current economic climate, but Metro Parks has a good track record. During the current levy period, Metro Parks added five new parks, acquired more than 7,500 acres of land, built 80 miles of trails, provided educational programming for more than 50,000 school children and thousands of visitors each year, developed programs for senior citizens and urban youth, enhanced protection of wildlife habitat especially in the Darby Watershed, and increased yearly visitation by more than a million people.

Metro Parks' Executive Director John O'Meara will present the story at CMC on April 1, no foolin'!



Executive Director, Metro Parks



Greg Lashutka. Board of Directors, Metro Parks



Board of Directors, Metro Parks With Support

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SAVE THE DATE MONDAY, May 18, 2009 **United State Senator**





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RECAP MARCH 18 _

At Ground Zero of the Wall Street Meltdown: AIG Executive Tells the Story

Nick Ashooh, Senior Vice President Communications, American International Group



CMC's forum with AIG's Nick Ashooh garnered local and national media coverage.

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MARCH 19

Special Tour of the Ohio Judicial Center hosted by **Supreme Court of Ohio**



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