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

All CMC forums are open to everyone!
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Previews of Upcoming CMC Events

All CMC forums are held at the Athletic Club of Columbus, 136 East Broad Street unless otherwise noted. Registration begins at 11:30, with lunch served promptly at noon and closing at 1:15.

JANUARY 6

Blue Chip Economic Forecast

Bill LaFayette, V.P. economic analysis, Columbus Chamber (winner of the FIRST "People Choice Award" for 2008-09) With panelists: George Mokrzan, Ph.D., vice president, senior economist, Huntington Bancshares, Inc.; and James Newton, Ph.D., chief economic advisor, Commerce National Bank

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JANUARY 12, 5:30 – 7:30 P.M.

Break Free from TV: Real Things to Do in 2010

Artie Isaac, founder of Speakersite and cofounder of advertising agency Young Isaac hosts a discussion with Charles W. Gehring, President and Chief Executive Officer, LifeCare Alliance; Olivera Bratic, WhollyCraft and Ryan Ransom from Sports Monster; John Ross of alive!

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JANUARY 13

Climate Change: An Approaching Storm for National Security

Retired Vice Admiral Dennis McGinn; CEO, Remote Reality

In partnership with: The Ohio Business Council for a Clean Economy and OSU Institute for Energy and the Environment



JANUARY 20

Dealer's Choice: What's in the Cards?

Featuring Penn National Gaming Inc. executives Tim Wilmott, President and CEO and Eric Schippers, V.P. of Public Affairs

You are invited to join the Columbus Metropolitan Club today!

Everyone benefits from membership in CMC through participating in the community conversation, or watching CMC forums at home on the television. Your support through membership or sponsorship, assures you and others in our community that the tough issues will be brought to the stage – discussed, debated and aired for everyone to hear.

CMC forums shape political candidates, attitudes and issues that effect us all. You choose – do you care about our community? Do you want to hear what's happening from those who make it happen, or prevent it from happening?

Join today and be part of the conversation. Go to www.columbusmetroclub.org and join for \$165 today and get your first forum free! Those under 30 years old and over 70 may join for only \$100. What a great gift for a young professional associate or a recently retired friend. Membership in CMC pays great dividends!

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6

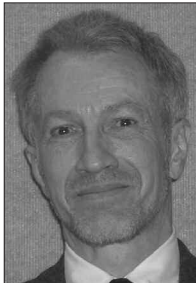
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Perhaps more than ever, we need to hear the latest economic forecast from Columbus Chamber Economist Dr. Bill LaFayette and his panel of fellow economic pundits. Are we out of the recession, coming out of the recession, regaining or still bleeding jobs and what does this all mean for central Ohio now and for the coming months of 2010?

Look into the crystal ball and tell all!

PREVIEW – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

Dealer's Choice: What's in the Cards?

With tremendous backlash from Columbus and central Ohio politicians, citizens and business owners, Tim Wilmott, President and CEO of Penn National and Eric Schippers, his Vice President of Public Affairs have their work cut out for them. It will be no small feat to overcome the adverse public opinion surrounding their constitutionally-approved job of building Columbus' first casino.

Fifty-eight percent of Franklin County voters and 55% of Columbus voters said "NO" to a constitutional amendment to build a casino in the Columbus Arena District; however, the amendment passed statewide by a significant margin.

Wimott is no stranger to casino operations with more than 20 years of experience in managing and developing gaming operations in diverse regulated jurisdictions including Arizona, California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey and North Carolina, as well as internationally.

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Happy New Year from the Staff of the Columbus Metropolitan Club!

Amy Scarfpin, Associate Development and Sponsor Relations; Tracy Shearer, Director of Member Relations; Jane Scott, Executive Director; Andy Campbell, Director of Programming.

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Climate Change: An Approaching Storm for National Security

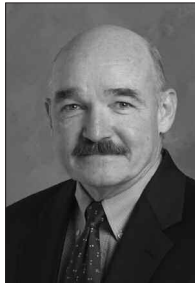
In the last two years, a blue ribbon panel of top-ranking retired admirals and generals, (CNA Military Advisory Board) has released two groundbreaking reports that outline the multifaceted nature of a new and unprecedented national security threat posed by climate change and the United States' energy posture.

This will inevitably create a growing need for U.S. military intervention with missions ranging from humanitarian assistance, to peacekeeping, to the need to deal with dangerous conflicts over resources in regions critical to U.S. national security. After carefully considering the threat of climate change and current energy consumption to U.S. national security, the CNA Military Advisory Board finds the trends and warnings are clear.

Climate change differs from traditional military threats, because it is a threat multiplier that magnifies instability in the most volatile places in the world and increases a variety of threats across the board.

Retired Vice Admiral Dennis McGinn will discuss climate change as an emerging security risk. He took the helm at RemoteReality in January, 2008 after five years with Battelle Memorial Institute, where he was a corporate officer and led the energy, transportation and environment division.

Prior to joining Battelle, Admiral McGinn served 35 years with the U.S. Navy as a naval aviator, test pilot, aircraft carrier commanding officer, and national security strategist. His last assignment was Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Warfare Requirements and Programs at the Pentagon where he led the development of the U.S.



Retired Vice Admiral Dennis McGinn
CEO, RemoteReality

Highlights for 2009:



Above: U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown



Right: Greg Washington
Left: Pat Losinski



Right: Bob Bennett



Right: CMC 2008-09 President Sandy Clary with Volunteer of the year Joey Thomas.

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