

columbus metropolitan club

the community's conversation



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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!
Reservations at www.columbusmetroclub.org or 464-3220.

THIS WEEK AT CMC

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

At The Columbus Foundation - CCWA Partner Event

Arab Voices; What They are Saying to Us and Why It Matters

Featuring **Dr. James Zogby**, Author and President, Arab American Institute. Event will be at The Columbus Foundation, 1234 E. Broad St, Columbus Ohio 43205.

Sponsored by the *Middle East Studies Center at The Ohio State University*.

A partnership event from *Columbus Council on World Affairs*

DECEMBER 15

Ted Strickland's Final Address as Governor

Sponsored by **STATE AUTO** Insurance Companies

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 11:30AM, with lunch served promptly at noon and closing at 1:15PM.

Holiday recess - No forums Wednesdays, December 22 or 29
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

JANUARY 5

Annual Blue Chip Economic Forecast

Featuring **Dr. Bill LaFayette** and his cast of economist stars: **Joseph Mandeville**, vice president, Red Capital Group; **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

Creating Life Long Communities

Kathryn Lawler is a public policy expert focusing on issues related to aging and the built environment; details to be announced.

JANUARY 19

CMC and Bricker & Eckler present Leadership Legacies Series

Sue Doody on Lindey's

Interviewed by **Colleen Marshall**, Anchor, WCMH, NBC4

With support from *Bricker & Eckler, Sequent and Huntington*



Sue Doody



Colleen Marshall

JANUARY 26

Tech Columbus Rising Stars

Hosted by **Ted Ford**; details to be announced.

Sponsorship available, please call!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR APRIL 6

Special Guest

Paul Redman returns from Long Wood Gardens

Former Executive Director of Franklin Park Conservatory, Paul Redman promised to return to Columbus to share his experiences at Long Wood Gardens.



Paul Redman



CMC Founders ask you -

IF you have ever unexpectedly reconnected with a close friend at a CMC forum; or had an "ah-ha" moment because of something a CMC speaker said; or have changed your point of view about a critical issue because of CMC discussion.

IF you have ever left a CMC lunch smarter, inspired, excited, enriched.

IF CMC has added to the quality of your life and the lives of others in our community, please make a generous contribution to the CMC Founder Fund. You can do so on line at www.columbusmetroclub.org or by responding to our direct mail appeal.

Thank you!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

Annual Blue Chip Economic Forecast

Just when you think the economy is getting better, you read a scathing article about why it's not. And, just when you think the economy is in the toilet, you read a glowing report about how markets, unemployment and business are improving.

HUH?

What's really going on in the economy? What should we in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio and the U.S. expect for the next year? What impact will a new governor have on us? The budget deficit for Ohio looms over each of us, but the new Gov. swears by no new taxes, in fact, he proposes doing away with the state income tax completely. How does that

work? So many questions about the economy with so many confusing and conflicting answers.

One of CMC's favorite speakers, Bill LaFayette provides an entertaining, insightful, comical and practical look at the economic horizon for the coming year.

As the Chamber's chief economist, LaFayette 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 policy formation within the Chamber and in the broader community.



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

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RECAP - DECEMBER 7

Creating a Win-Win Situation in China-US Trade and Economic Relations

In partnership with the *Columbus Council on World Affairs* and *Columbus Sister Cities International*

With special guest speaker **Wang Jiarui**, Minister, International Department of the Communist Party of China. IDCPC.com

With support from our special table hosts: *AEP, Squires Sanders Dempsy, Columbus State Community College Foundation, MORPC, Porter Wright Morris & Arthur, Chinese Flagship Program at OSU*

Special thanks to guest photographer Larry Hamill. www.larryhamill.com



Speaker Minister Wang Jiarui, from partner Columbus Sister Cities International Barbara Pratzner, CMC President Teresa McWain and interpreter Ba Lin.



Speaker Minister Wang Jiarui.

Jingle Mingle and the not-so-silent Silent Auction – holiday party

At Franklin Park Conservatory



Happy faces from Jingle Mingle!



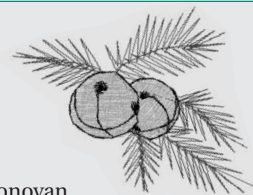
Very special Thanks for support for the Jingle Mingle:

For their hospitality and the evening's food and beverages:

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