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# CMC's mission is to connect people and ideas through community conversation.

THIS WEEK AT CMC Wednesday, November 30

### **Report: Benchmarking Columbus**

Roberta Garber, Columbus Research Partners; Alex Fischer, Columbus Partnership; Teresa Long, Columbus Health Commissioner; Michael Wilkos, The Columbus Foundation

With support from The Columbus Foundation, McGladrey, The Columbus Dispatch

### **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.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

### Special Holiday Restaurant Review

We will revisit an old Metropolitan Club favorite; The Restaurant Review with culinary aficionados Rich Terapak and Steve Stover who were "foodies" way before the word was invented. Also on the panel are Jon Christensen, Shelley Mann and serving as moderator, Brian Lindamood.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

### The Harrison Smith Legacy in Civic Engagement Forum

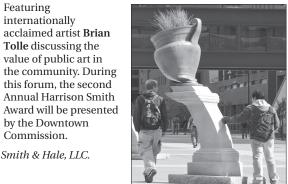
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## **Special Holiday Restaurant Review**

Ohio Valley foie gras terrine with pumpkin bread, cranberry and walnuts - really? Tasty or pretentious, local or exotic, Columbus' restaurant scene runs the gamut. Columbus has become a great restaurant town thanks to many dedicated chefs and entrepreneurs who have treated us to fabulous meals.

With so many choices, what are the best options for a night on the town? Of course, it depends on what you want to eat, and perhaps, how much you want to spend. Our panelists will give their opinions on the best of the best of what the Columbus restaurant scene has to offer.

It may be fair to say that two of the panelist, Rich Terapak and Steve Stover are as well known for their talents in the kitchen as they are for their legal expertise. They have both written for Zagat guides and have taught cooking classes in the area.

The other panelists practically eat for a living. Probably less glamorous than it sounds, these food experts will also

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

### The Harrison Smith Legacy in Civic Engagement Forum

Featuring internationally acclaimed artist Brian Tolle discussing the value of public art in public spaces. Plus the 2nd Annual Harrison Smith Award presented by the Downtown Commission.

We're proud to honor civic leader Harrison Smith's Legacy in Civic Engagement.

In 2010 CMC created the Legacy in Civic Engagement recognition by establishing Legacy forums, which will be presented annually in perpetuity to recognize the generosity of individuals, families, and/or corporations who have made contributions or a bequest from their estate of \$35,000 or more to establish CMC Legacy in Civic Engagement funds to be housed at The Columbus Foundation.

For example, once a fund is in place, each year CMC will produce a forum "Presented in recognition of the contributions of Person, Family or Company," with a brief explanation in the promotional materials about the contributions of this Person, Family, or Company.

We're pleased to honor the memory of Harrison Smith again this year.

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The Restaurant Review with culinary aficionados:

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Terapak

Jon Christensen

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Shelley Mann

Brian Lindamood. moderator

provide top picks for top dishes. Jon Christensen is the food and wine critic at the Columbus Dispatch.

Brian Lindamood, self-proclaimed as one of the top food lovers in Columbus. has been eating his way across the city for many years. He is director of niche publications for the Dispatch Printing

Company. He recently launched a new website, ColumbusDiningGuide.com, to cover all the great cuisines being created in Columbus kitchens.

Shelley Mann is editor of Columbus Crave, a Columbus Dispatch publication. Shelley's articles also appear in the Dispatch periodically.

SPECIAL - JUST BOOKED! TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, NOON - 1:15 P.M., ACC

### Michael Moritz, The Midas Touch

Michael Moritz is a highly regarded billionaire startup investor affiliated with most of the name brand internet and tech phenomenon including Google, Yahoo!, PayPal, Cisco, Apple, etc. His investment in Google helped



him achieve the number one listing in Forbes' "Midas List" of the top dealmakers in the technology industry (2006 and 2007). It's worth a visit to Wikipedia to check out his bio!

This is a rare opportunity to hear from one of the nation's leading venture capitalists.

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