SECTION A • WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2015

Columbus Metropolitan Club

Celebrations, logo for CMC's 40th anniversary year announced

Carl Jung once said, "Life really does begin at 40. Up until then, you are just doing research." If that's the case, CMC has accomplished some amazing "research" in the first 40 years and more is expected in the future – thus the theme for the 2016 40th anniversary year is "40 For-

For those CMC members whose memory of turning 40 is long faded or for those members who can't imagine what it will be like to turn 40, CMC will be inviting its members and the Columbus community as a whole to celebrate its anniversary in 2016.

CMC Board, Marketing Committee and a committee of former chairs and the staff have worked for more than a year to plan special forums and entertainment events. The Dispatch Media Group is the first of several key sponsors designated as Honorary Founders supporting the entire year of programming and events.

The theme for CMC's anniversary programming is BEST of ColumbUS: Stories that Define US. Each month, CMC will present a forum illustrating the BEST of the community such as families that have defined us, businesses that have built us, people who will define us and so on.



Special events kick off with a Welcome to Columbus for New Faculty and Professionals on Feb. 9, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., at COSI. CMC members and guests will be invited to help welcome new faculty to the community.

Friday, Feb. 12, 7:30 – 9 a.m., Athletic Club of Columbus Columbus Business First Networking Breakfast hosted by CMC and the ACC.

Tuesday, April 12, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Is this an priceless antique or just old stuff? Featuring Dr. Lori, star antiques appraiser on Discovery Channel's hit TV Show Auction Kings. In Partnership with Goodwill Columbus and Grand View Mercantile.

Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 – 10 p.m., Ohio Theatre

CAPA Broadway musical Dirty Dancing opening night for CMC with special PNC-hosted reception.

Summer Special Founders & Leaders Forum to recognize CMC Founders, past board chairs and trustees, with a national speaker to be announced.

Friday, Oct. 14, 2016: GALA

- finale for the year of celebration

Gala - featuring Capital Steps, a Washington D.C. based political comedy satire group at the Capital Theatre. Cocktail party, performance, followed by a birthday party. With support from CAPA.

Immigration, gender bias topics of upcoming forums

In early 2016 CMC will be presenting two forums to introduce new locally focused research to central Ohio.

The first, Immigration Nation: The Impact of Refugees in Central Ohio, will be on Jan. 13, with speakers yet to be confirmed. Mass media and personal experiences may tell different stories about experiences with immigrants and how well the community is accepting or rejecting its new neighbors. This forum is supported by WOSU Public Media, which is also airing the latest of its

award-winning Neighborhoods documentary series, New Americans, on Jan. 18.

At CMC on March 9, the Women's Fund of Central Ohio will release the findings of a study they commissioned the OSU Kirwan Institute to conduct. While untitled at this point, the research is exploring how implicit bias informs, supports and permeates the perpetuation of rigid and negative gender norms and behaviors in the community. Subconscious or overt, gender bias has ramifications on all aspects of society,

including social, emotional, economic and physical. The study results will offer greater insights into the prevalence of gender bias as well as its cost to the community.

Many of the Columbus Metropolitan Club forums focus on local issues, featuring local speakers that share information and release results of local research specifically about the Columbus community. Research presented confirms long-held opinions and common sense ideas and

CMC enjoying record-breaking membership topping 1,200!

CMC membership is at an all-time high of 1,206 reports Debby Rosenthal, VP of member relations and marketing. CMC members received their new Member Directory and Annual Yearbook in this past week's mail. The cover letter asked members to consider an end-of year, tax deductible gift to help the club match a \$20,000 gift from an anonymous donor.

Columbus Metropolitan Club's Dec. 16 forum featured local distillery and cocktail bars

The Columbus Metropolitan Club's Dec. 16 program, Ĥoliday Spirits and Mixology, featured Brady Konya from Middle West Spirits and Gary White, owner of Denmark on High, Cris Dehlavi, mixologist from M. and the discussion was hosted by Travis Hoewischer, editor of (614) Magazine.

Photos by Lucy Wolfe

Participating in the CMC forum were, from left, speaker and co-owner of Middle West Spirits, Brady Konya, forum moderator and Editor of 614 Magazine Travis Hoewischer, speaker from M restaurant Chris Dehlavi, CMC President and CEO Jane Scott, CMC **Board member Mindy Wright and** speaker from Denmark On High Garry White.





CMC members Carol McGuire and Kari Kauffman reconnect at the



Evan Bean and Clyde Henry taste the sample provided by the mixologists who spoke at the forum.



Attending the forum were Steve Marks, Julie Keckstein and Michael



@Travis_614 leading us to understand how remarkable it is to use fresh ingredients in #spirits.

— Kelly Atkinson

@bradykonya: @MiddleWestSpts was one of the first 50 of the now 900 craft distilleries in the country.

- Kelly Atkinson

Local beer isn't sourced locally. Local spirits are-Brady Konya #cmcforum -Mindy Wright

Calendar of Events –

Happy Holidays

- no forums until 2016

Upcoming

Wednesday, January 6

Annual Blue Chip Economic Forecast Featuring Bill LaFavette, owner Regionomics,

Ben Ayers, senior economist with Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, Mark Williams, business reporter with The Columbus Dispatch

Sponsored by Columbus State Community College, Fifth Third Bank and BDO With support from The Columbus Dispatch In partnership with Leadership Columbus

Wednesday, January 13 Immigration Nation:

Impact of Refugees on Central Ohio Panelists TBA

With Support from WOSU Public Media

Wednesday, January 20 **CMC 40th Best of Columbus:** Companies That Will Define Us.

Rev1 Ventures Revs up With Support from 40th Celebration Honorary

Founder Dispatch Media Group

Wednesday, January 27 To Be Announced

Wednesday, February 3 **Toxic Charity**

Featuring **Bob Lupton**, author of Toxic Charity, Chad Jester, president, Nationwide Insurance Foundation from Nationwide Insurance, moderated by Michelle Heritage, executive director, Community Shelter Board

Presented in partnership with Community Shelter Board

 $Tuesday, February\,23 - SOLD\,OUT$

Members First Event

- Neil deGrasse Tyson

A block of tickets has been reserved for CMC members and their guests at the Palace Theatre to see Neil deGrasse Tyson at the Palace Theatre.

CMC forums are held at the Athletic Club of Columbus, 136 East Broad Street, unless otherwise noted.

Check-in for forums at the Athletic Club is at 11:30 a.m. with lunch served at noon. The program concludes at 1:15 p.m. and guests are encouraged to continue the conversation in the lobby with coffee and cookies.

Pre-paid reservations are required. The price is \$23 for CMC members; \$33 for CMC members' guests; and \$45 for the general public.

Reservations can be made online at www. columbusmetroclub.org or by calling (614) 464-3220. Anyone requesting additional information may contact Jane Scott, President and CEO; Andrew Campbell, Vice President of Programming; Debby Rosenthal, Vice President of Member Relations and Marketing, or Lanie Cuthbert, Event Coordinator.