

Ohio Valley NARI baseball party is almost sold out!

After June 12 remaining tickets are likely to disappear fast!

Here's the story on the baseball game. Just about 40 tickets have been sold—and several of those who bought them want more. We have 51 tickets. That means only about five more members will be able to participate in what everyone who came last year agreed was one of the best events Ohio Valley NARI has ever held.

As everyone undoubtedly knows by now OVNARI has engaged the Redlegs Landing Party Zone for the evening of June 30 when the Cleveland Indians will come to town to be thoroughly pummeled by the Reds. Redlegs Landing is at the right field end of the upper deck at Great American Ball Park.

The south and east sides of the landing have great views of the river. The theater-style seats with a view of the field are on the north side. In between is an expansive picnic



Getting into Redlegs Landing is rather like getting into a trendy New York night club. You have to get past the doorman and the bouncer before you can join the fun. Greg Fischer, CR, and family past muster last year.

Get your tickets NOW!

What: OVNARI Baseball Outing
Program: Reds vs Cleveland Indians
& a ball park buffet dinner
When: Friday, June 30
Where: Redlegs Landing Party Zone
Great American Ball Park
Time: 6:30 p.m. (buffet opens; game at 7:10 p.m.)
Cost: \$65 for NARI members
RSVP: Fill out & return the form to NARI

and party area with tables and benches.

Redlegs Landing comes equipped with its own private concession stand where an all-you-can-eat-and-drink buffet is served starting at 6:30 p.m. There's a good variety of food available, there's plenty of it served throughout the game, and it's pretty good food. (Of course, brats, dogs, burgers, and beer always taste better at the ball park.) If you have ever cooled your heels in a food or beer line at the ball park this alone is worth the modest price of admission.

And modest it is. The cost is only \$65 per person. When you consider that this is a "premium" game with elevated ticket prices, and that you can easily spend \$25 or \$30 (or more) on brats, beer, and snacks—without

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Insurance, law, and accounting professionals give presentations at May meeting

By the time the May 11 Ohio Valley NARI dinner meeting was wrapping up everyone who attended agreed that it was one of the best NARI meetings held recently. Fortunately, it was well attended, so a good crowd of more than 20 representatives from NARI member companies were able to benefit from the outstanding program.

The evening featured not one but three guest speakers, each representing a specific non-construction profession used by remodeling contractors. Sharing their expertise with NARI members were Patrick M. O'Neill, an attorney with Aronoff, Rosen & Hunt; Jeffrey L. Bauer, CPA, an accountant with the firm of Sheldon-Reder; and Tim Tepe, a former attorney now an insurance professional with the Schiff-Kreidler-Shell agency.

Among the subjects covered by Mr. O'Neill was the protections offered by Ohio's mechanics lien law. Mr. Bauer discussed the relative merits of various types of business entities. Mr. Tepe offered advice on insurance products that are essential for contractors.

After the brief opening presentations the guest professionals retired to separate tables where they answered questions, offered advice, and engaged in interactive discussion with NARI members, who moved from table to table and kept the interaction going for an hour or more after the formal presentations.

The evening began with an informal be-



Patrick M. O'Neill, an attorney with Aronoff, Rosen & Hunt, was one of three guest speakers at the May Ohio Valley NARI meeting. Other presenters were Jeffrey L. Bauer, CPA, and Tim Tepe, representing the insurance industry.

fore-dinner presentation by chapter member Neil Hendy, Jr., CR, on the value of the Contractor of the Year program and the keys to preparing winning CotY entries.

Also joining Ohio Valley NARI members at the May meeting was Anna Mavrakis, NARI Region IV vice president, who met with the chapter board to report on national matters before the dinner meeting.

Remodeling market continues to grow in 1st quarter of 2006 but at a slower pace according to NAHB

Remodelers reported moderate growth in the first quarter of 2006, according to the National Association of Home Builders Remodeling Market Index (RMI), which saw market conditions move up slightly from 46.6 for the closing quarter of 2005 to 48.1 and future expectations advance from 47.5 to 48.9

Current market conditions on the remodeling index for owner-occupied units rose from 48.9 to 53.8, while renter-occupied units fell from 40.4 to 36.7.

Future expectations for owner-occupied units moved up from 50.4 to 53.2, while the renter-occupied component declined from

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Ohio law has special restrictions on hours and jobs of school-age summer employees

Summer is coming and many young people will be looking for summer jobs just at the time when contractors may be looking for more workers. It's a good match, but Dayton attorney Bob Dunlevey, who once managed his family's construction company, advises potential employers of young workers to know the basics of youth employment law.

In general, the type of work a minor may perform is related to the youth's age, the nature of the work, and schooling status. People ages 14 and 15 can work, but with several restrictions:

- They can work a maximum of three hours a day on a school day and a total of 18 hours during a school week. They cannot work during school hours.

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access to a private party area—it begins to look like the best bargain in town that evening.

If you attend only one game at Great American Ball Park this year this is the game it should be. But you have to act fast. On



There's plenty of food on the ball park buffet.

June 12 the four-tickets-per-member limit will be lifted, and it's likely that the remaining tickets will quickly be snatched up by the members who already have their limit.

Don't be left out of one of the most enjoyable events on the NARI calendar for 2006. Fill out the ticket order form and get it to the NARI office right

away. If you do, by about 7:30 p.m. on June 30 you'll be glad you did! There must be a reason why practically everyone who came to Redlegs Landing with NARI last year is coming back this year.

- They can work a maximum of eight hours a day and 40 hours a week when school is not in session.
- They cannot work before 7:00 a.m. or after 7:00 p.m., except June 1 through Labor Day when they can work until 9:00 p.m.
- They cannot work in construction, so in the remodeling business they would be restricted to office work or similar activities.

There are fewer restrictions on 16 and 17-year-olds, but there are still limitations. They cannot work in any of 17 specifically-designated hazardous occupations, including using power-driven woodworking (including saws), metal forming, or hoisting machinery; demolition; excavation; and roofing. Obviously this limits what people under 18-years-old can do on a remodeling site.

There are fewer restrictions on children who work directly for their parents. A parent may employ his own child under the age of 16 in any occupation other than manufactur-

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The mission of Ohio Valley NARI is:

- ✓ To establish and maintain the association's firm commitment to developing and sustaining programs that expand and unite the remodeling industry as well as to ensure the industry's growth and security.
- ✓ To encourage ethical conduct, sound business practices, and professionalism in the remodeling industry.
- ✓ To present NARI as the recognized authority in the remodeling industry.

These missions are carried out by:

- ✓ Promoting the common business interests of those engaged in the industry.
- ✓ Sponsoring educational programs and activities for members.
- ✓ Enlightening consumers to the needs and advantages of home remodeling and maintenance, thereby improving the nation's housing inventory.
- ✓ Recommending legislative and regulatory action that safeguards and preserves the remodeling industry, and stimulates the marketplace.

Goals of chapter to accomplish mission:

- ✓ To provide education to enhance professional and personal competencies.
- ✓ To create and encourage networking.
- ✓ To develop and promote the profession.
- ✓ To serve as a resource center.
- ✓ To provide quality publications to members.
- ✓ To improve membership and membership participation.
- ✓ To improve consumer awareness.
- ✓ To remain proactive on current and pending legislation.



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ing, mining or in any of the 17 Hazardous Occupations.

Under Ohio law, employees under eighteen must receive a 30 minute rest period (unpaid, if desired) after the first five hours of work.

A list of minors employed and a written record of the hours worked and rest breaks taken must be maintained for two (2) years. Ohio requires a written agreement related to the compensation to be received. The display of a poster is also required.



Coming Events

Baseball Outing

Reds vs Cleveland Indians

7:10 p.m., June 30

Great American Ball Park - Redlegs Landing

Golf Tournament

Thursday, August 10

Sharon Woods Golf Course

Swing Road (off Cornell Road), Sharonville

Remodeling grows *(Continued from page 2)*

37.8 to 30.4. Any number over 50 indicates that market conditions are expanding in the view of the majority of remodelers who are surveyed for the index.

Remodeling accounts for 40% of all residential construction and improvement spending and represents almost 2% of the total U.S. economy.

Regionally, the index found strong growth across the country, with the exception of the West, which nevertheless remained within the positive range. Current conditions in the Northeast climbed nearly 10 points from 41.6 to 51.1, and the region's future conditions rose from 41.0 to 47.3. Current conditions increased from 41.1 to 44.3 in the Midwest, but the outlook is for a stagnant market in the Midwest where future expectations were up a scant 0.4 point, to 46.6.

A special question included in the first-quarter survey asked participants about the age of their customers. Of the remodelers who were surveyed, 91% said that they had done work for baby boomer home owners aged 46-64; 26% had lined up jobs with 36-45-year-old GenXers; 13% had senior clients 65 and older; and 2% had worked with Gen Y households who are 35 and under.