

# Walter Bros. Inc.

**901 N. Main Street • Findlay**

Walter Bros. Inc., Auctioneers and Real Estate has been serving Wyandot County and the surrounding area since 1936.

Walter Bros. Auctioneers began when David E. Walter sold his first auction in 1936. A few years later his brother Austin R. Walter joined him and thus Walter Bros. Auctioneers was born. Dave and Austin sold many auctions during the time the small farmer was leaving the farm. They also auctioned livestock at stockyards throughout Ohio.

Austin passed away in 1963, and the same year Ben joined his father in the real estate and auction business. Tom joined Dave and Ben a few years later. After David died in 1971, Ben and Tom continued in the auction business as Walter Bros. and soon became incorporated. Walter Real Estate continued with Ben Walter as broker. Ben and Tom

have been in the business for more than 50 years and are still very much active in all the business activities as well as being life-long farmers in western Wyandot County.

Ben Walter, broker/auctioneer, and his wife, Gloria, have three daughters, Deb Gosche, Patty Lucas and Cindy Sparks; a son, Matt, and multiple grandchildren and great-grand children. Ben's children have assisted with the business.

Tom Walter, realtor/auctioneer, and his wife, Donna, have two daughters, Leah and Lana; two sons, Craig and Kurt, and several grandchildren.

Matt Walter, realtor/auctioneer and Ben's son, graduated from Repperts School of Auctioneering in 1990 and later received his real estate sales and broker's license. He is a business graduate of the University of Findlay and has a

daughter, Katelyn. He has been added to the 9th District Bankruptcy Court approved auctioneer list. Matt lives and farms in western Wyandot County.

Kris Gosche, realtor/auctioneer and Ben's grandson, is a 2006 graduate of Repperts School of Auctioneering. He is a 2006 business graduate from The Ohio State University. He and his wife, Samantha, have two children.

Walter Bros. Auctioneers and Real Estate offers complete auction services, from preparation to sale, including multi-par options for farmland and real estate. Auctioneering services cover farmland and farm equipment, antiques and collectibles, estates, real estate and business liquidations. We use a modern cashier trailer and give nationwide exposure for your auc-

tions.

We are also a full service real estate company, selling agricultural, commercial and residential properties, as private treaty listings or at public auction.

Walter Bros. can be reached at 419-424-0944 or 1-800-215-7974 or by e-mail at walterbrosauct@aol.com. Our website is walterbrosinc.com.



# Gary Ward, CPA & Associates, LLP

**Certified Public Accountants • 250 Highland Parkway Suite A • Upper Sandusky**

Gary C. Ward, CPA & Associates offer a wide range of services, from tax returns to reviewed financial statements.

The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Hours are extended during tax season and other times are available by appointment.

Gary, a graduate of Findlay College, has been in business for over 35 years in Upper Sandusky. He joined his family's building business after his military service as a career Army officer but then decided he wanted to be a CPA.

Sara Pahl received her CPA license in 2007. She is a Carey High School alum and a college graduate from Hillsdale College and the University of Findlay.

Gary and Sara have worked

together for over 10 years and officially became a partnership on January 1, 2015.

To earn a CPA license, one must complete 150 hours of college credit, pass a rigorous examination, and complete continuing education requirements. CPAs are required to follow a strict code of ethics and perform within the high standards of the profession. CPAs can also offer representation before the IRS concerning audits or tax notices.

The firm's staff consists of office manager Susan Stombaugh and part-time accountant/bookkeeper Karen Wilch.

Services the firm offers include preparation of personal and business tax returns, nonprofit returns, payroll tax reports, sales and use tax

returns, gift and estate tax returns, and business and personal tax and financial planning.

Other services offered are review of financial statements, compilation of financial statements, reports and bookkeeping services.

The firm can also help people form a plan for starting their own business.

They offer a complete small business payroll service including payroll checks,

direct deposit, tax deposits, quarterly and annual payroll reports, W-2s and 1099s.

Gary and Sara are certified professional advisors for

QuickBooks, and offer training and setup of the program for new and existing businesses.

Gary notes that his staff is very down to earth and enjoys working with small business owners.

The office is currently accepting new clients. For more information call 419-209-0600.



Gary Ward, front, is pictured with, from left, Sara Pahl, Karen Wilch and Susan Stombaugh.