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### Wonderland of America's - Rebranding of Crossroads Mall

**SPEAKER: SID WEISS, Weiss Realty Group**

**Tuesday, May 11, 2010**

**11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. Oak Hills Country Club**

Crossroads Mall of San Antonio will be renamed Wonderland of the Americas. Located at Loop 410 and IH-10, the mall originally opened in 1961 as Wonderland Shopping Center and remembered by most as Wonderland Mall, the property later underwent a \$28 million renovation in 1986 and was renamed Crossroads of San Antonio.

Last year, the mall was purchased by a group of investors who plan to reinvigorate the mall. In addition to rebranding the property, adding new lighting and beefing up security, the new owners plan to transform the ailing mall into a vibrant community center with medical facilities and entertainment programs.

Come hear details of the plans and how this will impact commercial real estate in San Antonio.

RSVP: Tracy Ballard at  
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by noon on Friday, May 7th  
Checks payable to "CREW-San Antonio" at the door

Members: \$25.00  
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**Seating is Limited, so RSVP Today!**

All reservations are non-refundable unless cancellations are received within 48 hours

*Presented by: Oppenheimer Blend*

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Our firm and our practice areas have evolved with the times. We began by concentrating on corporate and securities law, business litigation, taxation, and real estate transactions. Today we are also active in arbitration, mediation, health care law and related services, labor and employment law, employee benefits, mergers and acquisitions, estate planning and probate, trust and estate litigation and international law.

When clients and friends think of our firm, they envision a team that has successfully merged its traditional values with innovative thinking while producing solid results in a timely manner. For more information on our firm, please visit [www.obht.com](http://www.obht.com)



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It is an honor to once again serve as your 2010 CREW San Antonio Treasurer. I would like to take this opportunity to extend a big thank you to everyone that volunteered to help put on an exciting and informative program at the Real Estate Forum this past month. I would also like to thank our sponsors and supporters that continue to make this event a success. Believe it or not, planning will start soon for next year's program and I encourage you to sign up for any of the various committees that help make this event possible.

I would also like to remind everyone that we have recently updated the CREW-San Antonio website. Please take a moment to visit [www.crew-sanantoinio.org](http://www.crew-sanantoinio.org) and check out the numerous enhancements we have made including online registration for the monthly luncheons, CREW News, and a calendar of events.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for this month's luncheon on May 11! Sid Weiss, with Weiss Realty Group will give a presentation on the Wonderland of the America's Mall project and its impact on commercial real estate in San Antonio.

**NEW MEMBER**

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## SPEAKER SPOTLIGHT



### SID C. WEISS

Sid founded Weiss Realty Group, Inc. a Real Estate Property Management and Brokerage Company in 1988. From 1986 to 1989, Sid was also Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of The Wurlitzer Company, which at the time was a New York Stock Exchange listed Company. Weiss Realty Management, LLC was formed to manage commercial real estate properties, primarily retail shopping centers and office buildings for third parties and Weiss Residential Realty, Inc. was formed to develop land for Affordable Housing in Texas. Sid founded a Mexican Company, Desarrollos Residenciales, de Mexico to develop worker housing in Reynosa, Mexico.

Sid is the Founder of Safe-Keeping Storage Corporation. Safe Keeping Storage Corporation was Storage USA's largest franchisee.

Sid co-founded Corum Investment Properties, Corum Management Company, and Corum Development Company. The Corum Companies became very active in commercial real estate development, acquisition and management. Corum and its affiliates developed, owned or managed simultaneously over Five (5.0) million square feet of commercial properties primarily in Texas. Twenty (20) new projects including shopping centers with Kroger, Walgreens, K-Mart and WalMart as the major tenants, an eighteen (18) story Medical Office Building in Downtown Houston and a major fourteen (14) story office building in the Galleria area of Houston were developed between 1974 and 1984. In addition to the Company's commercial developments, two residential subdivisions were developed.

Out of College, Sid was employed by Levine Department Store, Division of Zale Corporation, and last served in the capacity of Vice President and General Merchandising Manager of the 150 store retail chain. He was an owner of a chain of seven (7) specialty retail stores.

Sid is a Graduate of the University of Texas receiving a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration with majors in Retailing and Statistics.

Sid has been a participant in numerous civic and charitable activities and is a past President of Westwood Country Club. Additionally, he has served on the Board of Directors of Texas Commerce Bank Tanglewood, Scotia Pacific Lumber Company, KIPP Academy and as a Trustee of Temple Beth Israel.

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no later than May 7th!*

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## CREW Network Scholarship

Application Deadline: May 14, 2010



<http://www.crewcareerzone.org/scholarship.php>

# HERE ARE SOME MORE REMINDERS OF THE APRIL LUNCHEON





# CREW Network<sup>®</sup> LOGO GUIDELINES

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- member's business cards;
- member's personal stationery;
- member's email signature.

In addition, CREW Network chapters are encouraged to use the CREW Network logo on any chapter materials, including:

- chapter Web site;
- chapter newsletters;
- chapter emails;
- or on any material related to the CREW Network chapter.

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Chapters represented here are for demonstration purposes only.

## CREW Network Chapter Logo Design:

Several delegates expressed an interest in having CREW Network create a standard chapter logo to support the need for a recognized brand throughout CREW Network and its chapters. To support this effort, CREW Network has developed a standard chapter logo template that can be adapted for your chapter's use. Please email Karen Watson at CREW Network to request your chapter's personalized logo.



## CREW Network Chapter Leadership Circle Logo:

Those chapters that are members of the CREW Network Chapter Leadership Circle are eligible to place the prestigious Chapter Leadership Circle logo on their chapter's Web site. If your chapter is a member and does not have this logo on its Web site, please contact the CREW Network office.

Contact CREW Network for details on how your chapter can become a member of the CREW Network Chapter Leadership Circle.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

*June 8, 2010*

**Sold! Thru Auctions – Blake Bonner Tranzon**

*July 13, 2010*

**San Antonio Welcomes AllState –  
Denise O'Connor, AllState and Misty Mayo, San Antonio  
Economic Development Foundation**

*August 26, 2010*

**The Great CREW-tini Mix-Off**

*September 14, 2010*

**Texas Update - Joe Straus,  
Texas Speaker of the House of Representatives**

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