

# Chamber CHATTER



**MECHANICSBURG**  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
*The Strength of One. The Power of Many.™*

**1.20.22**

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## Ribbon Cuttings

### Negley's Water & Well Drilling

7 Keener Drive, Ste B,  
Mechanicsburg 17050

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH**

**RIBBON CUTTING - 10:00AM**

**You're invited to Join us!!**

## CHAMBER EVENTS

*Watch for Weekly Updates!!*

### January

**25 - EVENT POSTPONED - AM Strategies for Business Success** at Buhrig's Gathering Place, 25 E Main St, Mechanicsburg.

**27 - Business Leaders Discussion Group - Location - Hot Frog Print Media, 118 W. Allen Street, Mechanicsburg.** Parking available off York Street. **Bring your questions & business topics to share.** 7:45am-9:00am.

### February

**8 - Business Women's Networking Luncheon - Virtual Edition.** Sponsored by **Dogtopia Mechanicsburg** (Lunch not provided). RSVP to [info@mechanicsburgchamber.org](mailto:info@mechanicsburgchamber.org). Upon registering, Zoom login credentials will be provided. 11:30am-12:30pm.

**22 - AM Strategies for Business Success** at Buhrig's Gathering Place, 25 E Main Street, Mechanicsburg. More information to come. 8:30am-10:00am.

RSVP to [info@mechanicsburgchamber.org](mailto:info@mechanicsburgchamber.org).

For a full calendar of chamber and member events, visit [www.mechanicsburgchamber.org/events](http://www.mechanicsburgchamber.org/events)

**Thank You For Renewing Your Membership!**

GEICO Central PA  
Roger That Photography  
Ray Hunt

# EVENT POSTPONED

## AM STRATEGIES... FOR BUSINESS SUCCESS

**Tuesday, January 25  
8:30 - 10:00 am**

*What to know to Retire in the 21st Century &  
What's next for 2022, a Market Update & Forecast*

*Speakers:*



Thomas Kimmett, of Wells Fargo  
Advisors (Former Attorney & CPA)

and Michael Guman, of Invesco US  
(Former Penn State Running Back & Los Angeles Ram)

The Invesco logo, consisting of the word "Invesco" in white sans-serif font on a solid blue square background.



**Event Location:**

**Buhrig's Gathering Place** - 25 E Main St, Mechanicsburg  
Parking available (any Buhrig lot) - off Strawberry Alley.  
Complimentary breakfast fare included

**Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce**

Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce presents:

# Business Leaders Discussion Group



**Thursday, January 27**  
**7:45 - 9:00 am**

Perfect  
for:  
-business owners  
-decision-makers  
-management staff

**Host Location: Hot Frog Print Media**  
**118 W Allen Street, Mechanicsburg, PA**  
**17055 - Parking & building entrance**  
**located off York Street**

**Bring your questions and business topics and hear what others have to say!**

RSVP to [info@mechanicsburgchamber.org](mailto:info@mechanicsburgchamber.org) or call  
717-796-0811.

This members-only event is **free** to attend!



Pennsylvania's Shared-Work program is a great tool that allows an employer to temporarily reduce the work hours of a group of employees while supplementing their lost wages with partial unemployment benefits rather than laying off any employees.

Employees covered by the Shared-Work plan receive a percentage of their unemployment compensation (UC) weekly benefit amount while they work the reduced schedule, if they are otherwise eligible for UC.

Shared-Work plans empower employers to retain a trained and qualified workforce during periods of slowdown, and quickly ramp up operations without the expense of recruiting, hiring, and training new employees.

## **What qualifications are required for participation?**

To participate in Pennsylvania's Shared-Work program, the employer must have filed all UC tax reports and paid all amounts due under PA UC Law, have a positive reserve account balance (for contributory employers) and have paid wages for the last 12 consecutive quarters, according to the department's Office of UC Tax Services.

**For more information and to view FAQs, forms and the brochure, please visit [www.uc.pa.gov/sharedwork](http://www.uc.pa.gov/sharedwork).**

# Business Women's Networking Luncheon

Tuesday, February 8th  
11:30 am - 12:00 pm

Join in - Virtual Event



Free Event for Members - \$10 for Non-Members  
RSVP to [info@mechanicsburgchamber.org](mailto:info@mechanicsburgchamber.org)  
Upon registering, Zoom login credentials will be provided.



## Elder Law Update 2022

*Presented by Jessica Fisher Greene, CELA\*, LLM in Elder Law Walters & Galloway, PLLC*



The new year is a great time to get your important documents in order!

Does your family need a legal check-up?

Jessica Fisher Greene, certified elder law attorney, will discuss pitfalls when a power of attorney isn't named, documents are outdated, and other common situations.

We'll explore what's important in 2022. Join us online!

*Please Register by Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>*

**Join us for this FREE Educational Webinar**

**Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**  
12:00 p.m.

**To Register**

**717-216-4535**

**[TheArtisWay.com/WestShoreEvents](https://TheArtisWay.com/WestShoreEvents)**

\* Certified as an Elder Law Attorney by the National Elder Law Foundation, as authorized by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court



# Collection for Women



**We are collecting the following for  
local Afghan Refugee Women:**

**Shampoo**

**Conditioner**

**Body Wash/Soap**

**Feminine Products (maxi pads,  
panty shields, etc.)**

**Through January 30**

**Sponsored by First United Methodist Church UMW**

**135 W. Simpson Street, Mechanicsburg, [fumchurch.com](http://fumchurch.com)**

**Items can be delivered to the church office Monday through  
Friday or drop off on Sunday mornings.**

**Questions, contact Lori Hoffnagle at [outreach@fumchurch.com](mailto:outreach@fumchurch.com).**





# Mark your calendars



Join us the second Wednesday of every month at Buhrig's Gathering Place from 8am to 9:15am for a light breakfast and conversation with our attorneys.

Next meeting: Wednesday,  
February 9  
from 8:00AM to 9:15AM

**Conversation Topic:** To marry or not to marry: the legal pros and cons of the marital relationship. Discussing the impacts that marriage has on property rights, taxes, family law and estate planning. Presented by Attorneys David Galloway & Anna Knych.

Can't attend in person - Zoom information available  
**RSVP to [nora@waltersgalloway.com](mailto:nora@waltersgalloway.com) to confirm in person or Zoom**

Also...Mark your calendar for March's meeting on 3/9/22...  
[Click here for more information](#)



## Your Soles ~ Their Souls

[www.thetide.org](http://www.thetide.org)



Help us reach  
our goal of 100  
bags by donating  
your new or  
gently worn used  
shoes!

Funds raised benefit Gospel Outreach  
through Literacy Classes in India.

## Collection begins 01.03.2022

# Joseph T Simpson Public Library - February Book Sale

## February 11 to 13



*Members Preview:* Friday, February 11,  
6:00 to 8:00 pm

*Book Sale:* Saturday, February 12,  
9:00 am to 2:00 pm

*Bag Sale:* Sunday, February 13, 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Book Sales are held at our Book Sale Center, 114 North York St., Mechanicsburg. The entrance to the Book Sale Center is off of North York Street.

Invitations to the Members Preview are mailed one month before the sale to current Friends' members, and a list of members will be at the door.

Memberships may be purchased at Preview Night.

**Bag Sale:** All the books you can fit in a level bag for only \$10.00!  
Some restrictions apply. Paper bags supplied by the Friends of the Library.

For more information call - 717-766-0171

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Coffee and Connections

**Jan 26, 7:30 AM- 9:00 AM**

Brew Cumberland's Best – 1903 Bridge St, New Cumberland, PA 17070

Drink your morning coffee and make connections all in one place! We are following all our State's guidelines. Check out [www.wsyp.org](http://www.wsyp.org) for more details.

# Central PA Wedding Shows to Begin February 20



## Five in-person wedding shows from 2/20/22 thru 3/27/22

HD Entertainment, the area's only all-female, award-winning DJ company is excited to announce their 2022 circuit of wedding shows for couples looking to plan their weddings.

"Wedding venues and vendors are in the highest demand ever right now due to reschedules and newly engaged couples, so it is never too early to plan your dream wedding. says Heather Dino-Laughman, owner of HD Entertainment and Executive Producer of Central PA Wedding Shows.

Central PA Wedding Shows are not your typical convention center ballrooms packed with over 100 vendors. Each show hosts only 20-30 vendors in total. A smaller show may mean less vendors, but the vendors are of high quality, so securing any of them is guaranteed to be a win for your wedding day.

Over \$20K in fantastic prizes available to couples in attendance. AND.... the first 50 couples to register for each show will receive a complimentary set of wedding bands.

PLUS....Each show will have not only feature individual vendor prizes from each booth but also a \$500 cash prize. At the conclusion of the Gettysburg, PA show on 3/27/22, one lucky couple will also gain \$1000 to use towards their wedding day.

## Show Locations:

- 2/20 - HARRISBURG - The Conference Center at Central Penn
- 2/27 - HANOVER - Ballroom on Broadway
- 3/13 - MECHANICSBURG -The Catering Barn at Strock Enterprises
- 3/20 - GREENCASTLE - Green Grove Gardens
- 3/27 - BIGLERVILLE/GETTYSBURG - The Historic Round Barn

All shows run Noon- 3 p.m. with two or three time slots available for tickets.

Questions? Contact Central PA Wedding Shows at 717.850.0460, more information on Facebook and Instagram (will also find list of vendors for all shows), or emailing [ido@centralpaweddingshows.com](mailto:ido@centralpaweddingshows.com).



# Winter Storm Safety Tips

## From - **Patient First**<sup>®</sup>

**Winter is upon us and our region has once again experienced snow and ice conditions. As we continue through the season, it is important to keep some basic winter safety tips in mind during and after every storm:**

**Shoveling Snow:** A necessary evil after a snow storm, shoveling snow can pose a health risk for many people. Snow shoveling is a strenuous activity. It can increase blood pressure and heart rate. Individuals with a history of heart disease, high blood pressure or strokes should not shovel snow. If you must shovel snow, shovel as early as possible. Snow is heavier after it has been on the ground for a few days - often melting and re-freezing, creating a solid chunk of snow rather than powdery, just-fallen snow.

Also, make sure that you are properly hydrated and prepare your body for shoveling by warming up. Jog in place or do ten jumping jacks before you begin to shovel, as this will get your blood flowing before you begin. Also, be sure to take your time and move slowly when shoveling snow. Shoveling too fast can increase your blood pressure and put you at greater risk for spraining or pulling a muscle.

**Walking on Ice:** Icy patches can be difficult to see. The slips and falls caused by ice can be serious. If you come across an area that you believe may be icy, tap the edge of the area with your foot to be sure. Wear shoes with gripping soles to provide traction. Also, keep your hands out of your pockets when walking in order to keep your balance on a slippery surface. Don't carry heavy items like shopping bags with you when walking on slippery surfaces. This can change your center of balance, making you more likely to slip and fall.

When getting out of your vehicle, check to make sure there are no icy spots near your vehicle. If you are parked on a slick spot, move the vehicle to a different area if you can. Also, when entering and exiting your car while on ice, use the vehicle for balance and support.

**Frostbite:** Frostbite occurs when skin and its underlying tissue are exposed to very cold temperatures and freezing conditions. Skin that appears waxy or hard and has a gray tone may have frostbite. The damaged skin may also itch or burn and may turn red in color as the affected area thaws. The first step to treating frostbite is to get out of the cold. Get inside to a warm place as soon as possible. Once inside, remove any wet clothing. If you cannot get out of the cold, place your hands under your arms to warm them.

Also, cover areas that can be most affected by frostbite (nose and ears) with a scarf and try not to walk if your feet may have frostbite, as this will make the condition worse. Frostbite is generally treated by gradually warming the skin. Remember to seek the treatment of a medical professional as soon as possible if you think you may have frostbite.

***Chamber Chatter*** is published on-line every Thursday.

We encourage member businesses to send us information on sales, promotions, news and events. It is a great way to promote your business or organization.

*Chamber Chatter* advertisements will remain for up to 4 weeks, or as space permits.

If you have something to share, please submit it by Wednesday at noon to [info@mechanicsburgchamber.org](mailto:info@mechanicsburgchamber.org).

**\*\*Chamber Chatter advertising is a FREE member benefit.\*\***

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## The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

has prepared a readiness guide to help employers with 100 or more employees be prepared to implement the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS) for COVID-19 vaccination or testing.



On December 18, 2021, OSHA released guidance that it will resume implementation of the ETS.

Per OSHA: "OSHA will not issue citations for noncompliance with any requirements of the ETS before January 10 and will not issue citations for noncompliance with the standard's testing requirements before February 9, so long as an employer is exercising reasonable, good faith efforts to come into compliance with the standard." Litigation may be ongoing. Employers should refer to the OSHA website for updated guidance.

Employers must choose how to ensure compliance. Federal guidance states that employers can mandate vaccinations for staff. To support vaccinations, the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA-DOH) will continue to oversee a Commonwealth-wide vaccination program, and employers are invited to refer any staff seeking vaccination to one of hundreds of clinics in the Commonwealth providing vaccines. To find the closest vaccine provider, please follow this link. PADOH will not provide any customized support to private employers seeking to operationalize a testing program.

You can access the complete "Readiness Guide for Pennsylvania Employers" for information about:

- Vaccinating employees / Testing employees
- Support from the Pennsylvania Department of Health
- List of U.S. employers with vaccine mandates (non-exhaustive)
- NAAT and Antigen Test Differences to Consider When Planning for Diagnostic or Screening Use

**Ready For  
SCHOOL  
Ready to SUCCEED**


**FREE Workshops for ALL Parents & Pre-K Children  
(ages 3-5) in the Cumberland Valley School District**

- Have fun and learn with your child
- Prepare your child to succeed in school
- Available to ALL families with children ages 3-5
- Connections to preschools/additional resources if needed

Middlesex Elementary School (Cafeteria)	Sporting Hill Elementary School (Library)
Tuesday, January 11, 9:30-10:30 AM	Friday, January 7, 1-2 PM
Tuesday, January 18, 2-3 PM	Friday, January 21, 1-2 PM
Tuesday, January 25, 9:30-10:30 AM	Aldersgate United Methodist Church (Gym)
<b>FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL WORKSHOPS</b>	Friday, January 14, 11 AM-12 PM
	Friday, January 28, 11 AM-12 PM

**Questions?**

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*Ready for School, Ready to Succeed is a community  
initiative in partnership with Cumberland Valley School  
District, United Way of the Capital Region and the  
Capital Area Intermediate Unit.*


# January

## 2022

**Mechanicsburg Area School District Workshop Schedule**

**Prepare your child for Kindergarten!**  
Families in Mechanicsburg School District with children ages 3-5 are invited to participate in FREE workshops at the Trails and Trees Environmental Center, Kindergarten Academy, or Virtually.

*\*All in-person workshops include a story and an activity.*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
♥	3	4	5	6	7	
		In-person workshop at the KA at 11:00	Circle Time @ 9:00 AM on Zoom (email me for link)			
	10	11	12	13	14	
		In-person workshop at the KA at 11:00	Circle Time @ 9:00 AM on Zoom (email me for link)			
	17	18	19	20	21	
		In-person workshop at the KA at 11:00	Circle Time @ 9:00 AM on Zoom (email me for link)			
	24	25	26	27	28	
		In-person workshop at the KA at 11:00	Circle Time @ 9:00 AM on Zoom (email me for link)			
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Registration is required for ALL workshops. In-person workshops are at the Kindergarten Academy (KA), 600 S. Norway Street. For virtual workshops (circle time), a link will be sent to families who are interested. My contact information is below. Please join the program's Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/readyforschoolmech>

**Contact me with Questions.**  
Tiffany Leidy at [tleidy@mbgsd.org](mailto:tleidy@mbgsd.org) or (717)766-8260.

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

is looking for VOLUNTEERS on behalf of

**MECHANICSBURG AREA MEALS ON WHEELS, INC.**

Volunteers are needed for cooking, packing & delivering an average of 170 meals every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. No deliveries on Christmas.

### Three major areas volunteers are needed:

- Kitchen help - Cooks, and hot meal assembly. Arrival times vary according to job assigned. Details – Contact Karen Stine – 717-697-5011
- Packers – Assembling cold meals and packing for delivery. Details – Contact Barb Mentzer – 717-697-6272
- Delivery – We use two people per delivery route. A driver and navigator. Arrival time approx. 10:30 AM, Departure time approx. 11:00 AM. Most routes take between 1 hour and 1-1/2 hours with an average of 12 stops.



More Information - email: [MAMOW17055@LIVE.COM](mailto:MAMOW17055@LIVE.COM)



The Arc of Cumberland & Perry Counties (CPARC) is seeking a full time Director of Development to work out of our administrative office located in Carlisle.

The Arc of Cumberland & Perry Counties (CPARC) is a non-profit agency serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. CPARC provides Advocacy Services, Residential Services, Vocational Training and Rehabilitation, Adult Day Care and Child Care Services.

the Director of Development leads all fundraising and development for CPARC and the CPARC Foundation

Responsibilities Include:

- \*Working with the divisions at CPARC in planning of special events to present a consistent and unified approach to development within CPARC
- \*Collaborates with agency staff on grants to fund equipment, services or programs.
- \*Works with the divisions at CPARC in planning of special events to present a consistent and unified approach to development within CPARC.
- \*Coordinates the meetings of PR/Development Committee with Board Members and volunteers
- \*Cultivates corporate relationships and community support for fundraising, in kind donations and potential volunteers

Bachelor's Degree and/or three years of progressive experience in development, fundraising and public relations work required. The ideal candidate will be engaging with a dynamic personality and excellent communication skills. Knowledge of non-profit businesses and the tri-county area is helpful. Must have excellent writing skills, be proficient with computers and the use of software including Microsoft Office and desktop publishing.

**For more information and benefit details please email -  
[www.cparc.org/careers](http://www.cparc.org/careers) or contact Anne Couldridge at 717-249-2611**