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CHAMBER EVENTS

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20 - Presidents Day

23 - Business Leaders Discussion Group at South Mountain Entertainment, 18 S Market St, Mechanicsburg. 7:45 - 9:00am. Members only event.

28 - AM Strategies... for Business Success - Steve Goble, of The Goble Group. Location sponsor - Buhrig's Gathering Place, 25 E Main Street, Mechanicsburg. 8:30am - 10:00am. Sponsored by UPMC

March

14 - Business Women's Networking Luncheon - 11:30am - 12:45pm. FREE member event. Seeking Host

RSVP to info@mechanicsburgchamber.org

For a full calendar of chamber and member events, visit www.mechanicsburgchamber.org/events



Thank You For Renewing Your Membership!

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Gunn-Mowery, LLC
Home2 Suites by Hilton Mechanicsburg
Chris Moulton

Range End Golf Club
Equipment Co. Inc.
RM Kitchens
Safe Harbour
Synergy HomeCare of Mid Penn
The Mechanicsburg Club
Beth Williamson - Coldwell Banker Realty



VIRTUAL EVENT

Tuesday, February 14
11:30am - 12:45pm

Join in for....

Business Women's Networking Luncheon

Hear from Heather Dino-Laughman, owner, of the award winning all female entertainment DJ team and enjoy a fun music themed event.

"Join to receive a free gift from HD Entertainment!"

RSVP to info@mechanicsburgchamber.org
Upon registering, Zoom login credentials will be provided.

Seeking HOSTS for 2023 EVENTS

- After-Hours Chamber Mixer
- Business Women's Networking Luncheon
- Business Leaders Discussion Group

BE A HOST and showcase your business, service and more...

For more information - on HOSTING AN EVENT
contact the Chamber office at 717-796-0811 or
email - info@mechanicsburgchamber.org.

AM Strategies... for Business Success

**Tuesday, February 28
8:30am - 10:00am**



**Just two months into 2023 –
are you already feeling burnt out by stress or other factors?**

Join Steve Goble at the February 'Am Strategies...for Business Success' as he shares a few strategies to help you attack your stress and feel more in control through his presentation 'Addressing the Burnout in Your Life'.

Steve Goble is the Owner/Chief People Builder of the Goble Group, a talent and leadership development organization serving businesses, non-profits, and teams in Central PA and surrounding areas. He is passionate about growing organizations by helping them solve their people problems.

Steve is an Author, a Founding Partner of the Maxwell Leadership Certified Team, an Executive Coach, a Convene Advisory Board Chairman, a Certified Human Behavior Consultant, and was a '40 Under 40' recipient from the Central Penn Business Journal in 2017.

Location Sponsor:



Buhrig's Gathering Place -
25 E Main Street, Mechanicsburg -
Parking Available (any Buhrig lot) -
off Strawberry Avenue
Complimentary light breakfast included.

RSVP to info@mechanicsburgchamber.org
or call 717-796-0811

Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce presents:

Business Leaders Discussion Group

Thursday, February 23

7:45 - 9:00 am



**Host Location:
South Mountain Entertainment
18 S. Market Street
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055**

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

RSVP to info@mechanicsburgchamber.org or call 717-796-0811.

This **members-only event** is **free** to attend!
Parking available along Main and Market streets

**Mark your calendars and plan to attend
Saturday, February 11th, from
11am-4pm**

Cha Cha Chocolate



Tickets \$15

**Available through Eventbrite now or
Ritter's Hardware Store on the 11th.**



Mechanicsburg's Cha Cha Chocolate Extravaganza

After a two-year COVID hiatus, Mechanicsburg's iconic downtown event "CHA CHA CHOCOLATE EXTRAVAGANZA" is back and just in time for Valentine's Day!

Love is in the air in Mechanicsburg businesses as they prepare homemade chocolate goodies and treats for both you and those special loved ones in your life.

TICKETS: \$15 available now on-line at [Bit.ly/ChaChaChocolate](https://bit.ly/ChaChaChocolate) and Day-of REGISTRATION starting at 10:30 at Ritter's Hardware Store, 25 W. Main Street

FREE PARKING in the PNC lot, the municipal lot in Strawberry Alley, and at Buhrig's Funeral Home and Crematory and Buhrig's Gathering Place.



Wednesday, February 15, 2023

11:00 a.m. to Noon

Virtual Platform: Zoom

Attracting Talent in 2023 and Beyond: Bank of America to Share Financial, Holistic and Overall Wellness Strategies in Member-Sponsored Webinar

It's the great migration or perhaps even the great realignment –talent is the great opportunity in the 21st Century. Financial Wellbeing has become the guiding light for employees and provides a chance for businesses to reimagine talent strategy. Moreover, as a society we are engaging with an increasingly diverse workforce. Employers need to understand the impact that this diversity has on talent attraction, retention and workplace benefit programs. The emphasis is increasingly on “holistic wellness,” – which includes mental health, physical health and financial security considerations. In this session, we will share new research from Bank of America, unpack key trends impacting the future of talent, including a special focus on the topic of Women and Financial Wellness.

Talent in the Balance

In today's heated talent competition, how important is leveraging employee feedback in crafting your talent strategy?

Bank of America will share its latest independent nationwide annual research report; and will teach you how to:

- Define financial wellness from the employee voice
- Identify unique approaches to recruit and retain critical talent
- Extend support that contributes to your employees' overall wellbeing

REGISTER HERE



GFWC

(General Federation of Women's Clubs)

Mechanicsburg

The next meeting will be on
Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM

at Buhrigs' Gathering Place, 25 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg.

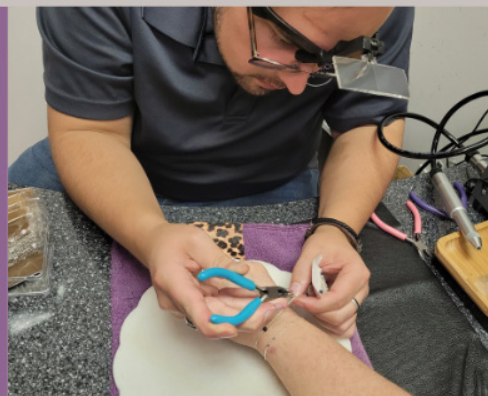
We will be having an Arts Festival. The member crafts for this year are a sun catcher, a macrame plant hanger, a wooden door sign, a patriotic wreath, a grocery shopping bag (construct or decorate a reusable bag) and a fleece or cotton lap robe. Also, there is a quick bread competition.

Members entries will be our refreshments for the evening. Join us for a fun evening.

For more information, contact Sue at 717.243.9872
visit our website at <http://gfwcmec.tripod.com/>

PERMANENT
JEWELRY
POP-UP EVENT

Saturday Feb 11 10~2



Revelations Day Spa

17 N Railroad Ave, Mechanicsburg
717-790-9717

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Central PA Wedding Shows

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HISTORIC ROUND BARN BALLROOM ON BROADWAY

OVER \$50K IN CASH AND PRIZES!

2/19/23 BALLROOM ON BROADWAY
2/26/23 CARLISLE RIBBON MILL
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What Every Caregiver Needs to Know About Money

Presented by *Tyler D. Quinn, RICP®, Director of Financial Planning for Langan Financial Group*

Join this interactive financial planning workshop sponsored by Artis of West Shore and hosted by Langan Financial Group.

Do you ever wonder about the financial implications of caring for an aging parent or loved one? Engage with Tyler Quinn, as he helps guide you through:

- Caregiving Financial Do's and Don'ts
- Reducing the Financial Burden of Caregiving
- The Importance of Planning
- Additional Resources

Save your spot now! For more information about Langan Financial Group, please visit our website at www.langanfinancialgroup.com.

RSVP by Friday, February 17th

Join us for this FREE Educational Event

Wednesday, February 22nd
12:00 p.m.

Being Held at:
Langan Financial Group
 1863 Center Street
 Camp Hill, PA 17011

To RSVP
717-216-4535
TheArtisWay.com/WestShoreEvents

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Care™



“Guardianships”

**February 22nd
3pm to 5pm**

Hosted by Joseph T. Simpson Public Library

Presented by Attorney Megan Strait

Discussing what the definition of a “Guardianship” is and why someone might need one. We will talk about the responsibilities of a Guardian and how to navigate the process in Pennsylvania.

Admission to the webinar is free, though registration is required.

[Register Here](#)



GFWC Mechanicsburg March 26th Event

A few spaces remain for food related businesses to attend and share their **"Flavors of Mechanicsburg"**! This event is featuring small businesses within the borough and will benefit the Veterans' Village tiny homes for homeless veterans in central PA. For businesses participating this is a free event.

Please contact: Pam Fleck at (717)254-6136 or
Shirl Barnes (717)554-9619 to showcase your tasty specialty and take
part in this charitable event.

The Tide[®]



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Kicks off
March 12th



thetide.org/events

Contact us today to find or become
a drop off location in your area.

erlinda@thetide.org 717-264-7288

GFWC Mechanicsburg

invites you to a benefit for the "Veterans' Village"
for homeless veterans in Central PA

"Flavors of Mechanicsburg"

Sunday March 26th, noon-1 & 1-2pm

Tickets \$20 each – 100% to Village

For tickets contact

Melissa Hiler @ 717-919-5460 or Pam Fleck @ 717-697-5015

At - Buhrig's Gathering Place, co-hosts

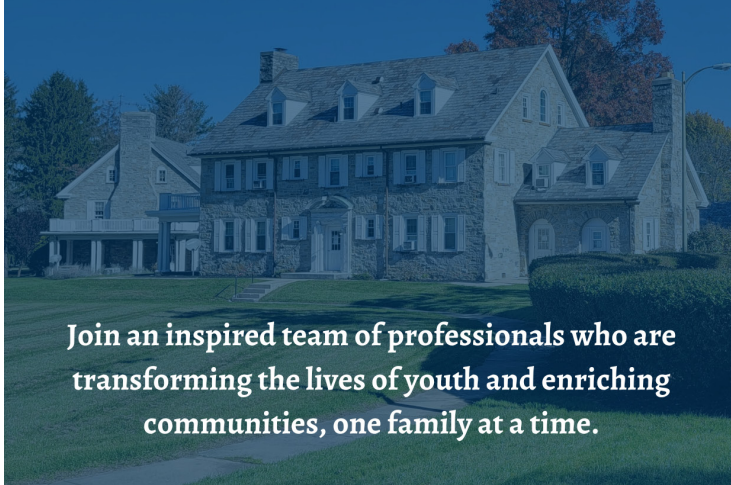
Sample some of Mechanicsburg's incredible
restaurants' food while supporting Veterans'
Village tiny homes!



BOARD OF CHILD CARE

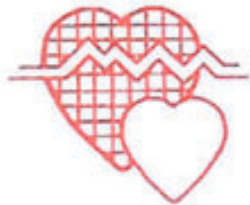
Take Action! PA Kids Need Your Help

Board of Child Care's Mechanicsburg Programs - formerly the United Methodist Home for Children - have an urgent need for **Summer Youth Care Professionals!**



Join an inspired team of professionals who are transforming the lives of youth and enriching communities, one family at a time.

BOARDOFCHILDCARE.ORG/PACAREERS



HealthQuest Training

Don't Run Out of Time...
Renew Your CPR Certification Today!

- Serving Southern Pennsylvania and Central Maryland
- American Heart Association Training Center
BLS for Providers
- CPR, AED, First Aid, Friends and Family Classes
 - Skills Checks and Classes

JAZZ ME BAND

KIRK WISE UPCOMING
SOLO, DUO & BAND
PUBLIC DATES

Fri. 2/10 – Hemauer Brewing, Mechanicsburg...
Kirk solo 6:30-9

Sat. 2/11 - Capt. Bob's Crabs , Railroad PA...
Kirk solo 5:30-8

Mon. 2/13 – Greystone Brew House, Dillsburg...
Kirk solo 6-8+

Fri. 2/17 - Hook and Flask Stillworks, Carlisle...
Kirk & Mac 7-10

Mon. 2/20 – Greystone Brew House, Dillsburg...
Kirk solo 6-8+

Fri. 2/24 - Reids Cider House, Gettysburg...
Kirk Duo 7-10

Sat. 2/25 Safe Harbour Event, Carlisle...
Jazz Me Band 6-10

Mon. 2/27 – Greystone Brew House @ Range
End, Dillsburg...Kirk solo 6-8+

For complete up-to-date
schedule, information,
and photos go to
www.jazzmeband.com

Bookings: call Kirk at 717-979-0341 or
E-mail wisemotors@aol.com

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Lions Club of Mechanicsburg PA 2023 -"We Serve" Golf Tournament

Calling all men and women who enjoy golf, good food, and fellowship. It's never too early to be thinking about warm weather and golf. This is a save the date announcement to let you know that our 3rd annual **"We Serve" Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, July 14, 2023.** Mayapple Golf Club will be hosting our tournament. We will have an 8am shot gun start with lunch to follow at Fiddler's Bar & Grill at the golf course. So mark your calendars now and plan to join us for a fun-filled day of golf and dining with your friends. Registration forms and more details will be made available in early April.

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Have upcoming travel? Employee shuttle needs?

A driver for personal appointments?

You're invited to attend....

an upcoming

***Free Lunch and Learn**

all events begin at Noon

location - The Carlisle Chamber of Commerce

join us for a 30 minute informative session about RELAX & RIDE.

Learn about our local/airport shuttle and the community services we offer.

Our monthly events provide additional details on our local business, our existing partnerships, and how we operate to serve the needs of our clients.

Sign up at www.relaxandridecarlisle.com - Lunch and Learn

EVENT DATES:

***February 16th**

***March 23rd**

***April 20th**

***May 18th**

Identity theft and fraud are on the rise; F&M Trust offers resources to public, customers



CHAMBERSBURG, Pa. – Since 2019, the number of incidents of fraud and identity theft reported in the United States has increased from 3.4 million to 5.9 million – nearly 74 percent. With statistics like this, chances are very good that you or someone you know has been the target of identity theft or fraud.

Pennsylvania and Maryland have some of the highest rates of these crimes in the country. Pennsylvania (14th) and Maryland (12th) rank in the top 20 for identity theft reports per 100,000 people and in the top 10 (Pennsylvania, No. 7; Maryland, No. 2) for other fraud and scams.*

It takes an average of 18 months for a victim to recover from the damage done to their credit or their reputation. F&M Trust knows how troubling this can be and provides a variety of resources for people to protect themselves from identity theft and fraud on the Money Moves section of its website.

There one can find such articles as:

- [How to Protect Yourself After a Data Breach](#)
- [How Scammers Posing as Grandkids are Stealing Thousands of Dollars](#)
- [How to Avoid a Student Loan Debt Relief Scam](#)
- [How to Spot a Charity Scammer](#)
- [Everything You Need to Know About Gift Card Scams](#)

The bank also offers identity theft aid through its YourBux benefits program as part of its YourWay Plus and YourWay Premier checking accounts. Here are some other helpful tips to protect against identity theft and fraud, provided by F&M Trust Security Officer Ray Wills:

- Review your credit report at least annually. Get a free credit report at www.annualcreditreport.com or contact any of the three credit reporting agencies (Experian, Equifax, TransUnion).
- Consider placing a free credit freeze on your report. This makes it difficult for identity thieves to open new accounts in your name because most creditors need to see your credit report before they approve a new account.
- You may want to place a fraud alert on your file if your personal identifying information has been exposed but you haven't been the victim of identity theft.
- If a company responsible for exposing your information offers you free credit monitoring, take advantage of it.
- File your income taxes as early as you can. Scammers will use your Social Security number to get a tax refund or even apply for a job. Respond to letters (not calls, emails or text messages) from the IRS immediately. Victims of identity theft or fraud should file a report with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at <https://report-fraud.ftc.gov>. Each report helps the FTC and its partners in law enforcement to take action to stop scams and impersonators.

If you would like to speak to F&M Trust Security Officer Ray Wills for more information about identity theft or fraud, please contact F&M Trust Corporate Communications Joel Huffer at 717-262-7565 or joel.huffer@f-mtrust.com.

*These statistics were compiled by the Federal Trade Commission with Officer data from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Social Security Administration, Internet Crime Complaint Center, and various state law enforcement agencies.

FREE TAX PREPARATION!

Families (2 or more people) who made \$60,000 or less and individuals who made \$45,000 or less in 2022 may be eligible to receive FREE tax preparation through the Money in Your Pocket (MIYP) program! Review the following information BEFORE arriving at a site.

You MUST bring the following documents to have your taxes prepared:

- Valid photo ID (driver's license, military ID, etc.) for taxpayer and spouse.
- Original Social Security card or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for you, your spouse, your children and other dependents included in your tax return.
- Your current Identity Protection PIN number issued by the IRS (if you have one) for each year's taxes that you need prepared.
- Printed copies of all year-end tax forms you have received in the mail. (We cannot use electronic files from phones.)
- If you received health care from the marketplace, bring your form 1095-A. (We cannot prepare your return without it.)

Also bring the following information if it is available:

- Previous year's federal and state tax returns. (We can only access prior year returns for clients who used MIYP last year.)
- If you wish to have your refund deposited directly into your checking or savings account, bring a blank check or other documentation from your bank/credit union that shows your account number and the routing transit number.
- If you expect to claim a credit for child or dependent care, bring the child care provider's address and Employer Identification Number (EIN) or their Social Security number.

****MASKS MAY BE REQUIRED AT SITES****

For more information on tax prep sites, contact United Way of the Capital Region at 717.724.4077, or e-mail miyp@uwcr.org.

Please do not call sites directly unless a number is listed.

TAX PREPARATION WILL BEGIN ON JANUARY 30, 2023 AT THE FOLLOWING SITES:

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Bosler Memorial Library ♿

158 W. High St., Carlisle
Appointment only. Call 717.724.4077 to schedule.
Fridays: 1-4 p.m.

Employment Skills Center ♿

29 S. Hanover St., Carlisle
Tuesdays, Thursdays: 5:30-7 p.m.

First Christian Church of Lemoyne ♿

442 Hummel Ave., Lemoyne
Appointment only. Call 717.724.4077 to schedule.
Thursdays: 6-8 p.m.
Saturdays: 9 a.m. - noon (*Select dates.*)

Messiah University ♿

Frey Hall, Rm. 150
One University Ave., Mechanicsburg
717.796.1800, ext. 7300
Mondays: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
(*Opens 2/27. Closed 4/10.*)

New Hope Ministries, Inc. ♿

5228 Trindle Rd., Mechanicsburg
Wednesdays: 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Penn State Dickinson Law ♿

150 S. College St., Rm. 104, Carlisle
No appointment needed.
Wednesdays: 5-8 p.m. (*Closed 3/8.*)

The Professional & Educational Empowerment Center (PEEC)

219 N. Pitt St., Carlisle
Mondays: 3:30-7:30 p.m.
Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. (*2/25 & 4/1 only.*)

Shippensburg University ♿

Diller Center, 29 E. King St., Shippensburg
Wednesdays: 5-9 p.m.
(*Opens 2/1. Closed 3/8.*)

Tri County Community Action

123 N. Enola Dr., Enola
Appointment only. Call 717.724.4077 to schedule.
Wednesdays: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Tri County Community Action

20 Clearfield St., Elizabethville
Appointment only. Call 717.724.4077 to schedule.
Tuesdays: 9 a.m. - noon

Tri County Community Action ♿

1514 Derry St., Harrisburg
Tuesdays: 6-8:30 p.m.

Widener Law Commonwealth & Central PA Law Clinic ♿

3605 Vartan Way, Harrisburg
Appointment only. Call 717.724.4077 to schedule.
Saturdays: 9 a.m. - noon

DAUPHIN COUNTY

Belco Community Credit Union ♿

449 Eisenhower Blvd., Harrisburg
Appointment only. Call 717.724.4077 to schedule.
Wednesdays: 5:30-8 p.m.

Market Square Presbyterian Church ♿

20 S. Second St., Harrisburg
Tuesdays, Thursdays: 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
(*Site will also be open on 1/26.*)

Middletown Public Library ♿

20 North Catherine St., Middletown
Mondays: 5-8 p.m.

PERRY COUNTY

Perry County Literacy Council ♿

133 South 5th St., Newport
Appointment only. Call 717.567.7323 to schedule.
Mondays: 5-8 p.m. with other evenings and some Saturdays.

Tri County Community Action

8407 Spring Rd., New Bloomfield
Appointment only. Call 717.724.4077 to schedule.
Thursdays: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



**United Way of
the Capital Region**



LEGAL ASSISTANT Walters & Galloway, PLLC

Law firm in downtown Mechanicsburg is seeking a full-time assistant to support various legal practice areas including Litigation and Estate Administration.

Responsibilities and qualifications include:

- Ability to maintain the highest level of confidentiality.
- Proficient personal computer skills, including Microsoft Office and Excel.
- Excellent interpersonal, written, and oral communication skills.
- Ability to prioritize, remain organized and multi-task in a fast-paced environment.
- Follow up in a timely manner to ensure client satisfaction.
- Ability to work in a team fostered environment.
- Be accountable for all decisions, actions, and directives with respect to job responsibilities.
- Perform other administrative duties as assigned by management.

Salary commensurate with experience. Interested candidates should e-mail their resume to nora@waltersgalloway.com.

Receptionist

Walters & Galloway is looking to hire a receptionist to be the face of the office; fostering relationships with our clients and executing clerical duties to keep the office running efficiently.

The ideal candidate will be client oriented, friendly and have the ability to multi-task.

Responsibilities and qualifications include, but are not limited to:

- Ability to maintain the highest level of confidentiality.
- General office work including but not limited to answering telephones and greeting clients as they enter the office.
- Proficient personal computer & secretary skills, including Microsoft Office and Excel.
- Excellent interpersonal, written, and oral communication skills.
- Ability to prioritize, remain organized and multi-task in a fast-paced environment.
- Follow up in a timely manner to ensure customer satisfaction.
- Ability to work in a team fostered environment.

Salary commensurate with experience.