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SAVE - THE - DATE

15th Annual Mega Mixer Thursday, September 14th

19th Annual Golf Outing Friday, September 15th

Interested in sponsorship,participating, or volunteering? - email info@mechanicsburgchamber.org

CHAMBER EVENTS

Watch for Weekly Updates!!

September

- 4 Labor Day Holiday (Office Closed)
- **12 Business Women's Networking Luncheon** Sponsored by **Penn Harris Hotel**, 1150 Camp Hill Bypass, Camp Hill. 11:30am 12:45pm. FREE member event.
- **14 Cumberland County Mega Mixer** Location **Members 1st Federal Credit Union Headquarters**, 5000 Marketplace Way, Enola, 5:00 7:00 PM.
- **16 18th Annual Golf Outing Rich Valley Golf**, 227 Rich Valley Rd, Mechanicsburg. Lunch at 12:30 PM, Tee time at 1:30 PM
- **26 AM Strategies... for Business Success -** LUNCH EDITION Heather Holloway **5 Step Social Marketing -** Location sponsor **Buhrig's Gathering Place**, **25** E Main St, Mechanicsburg. 11:30am 1:00pm.

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!

Mechanicsburg Mystery Book Shop Taylored For You Bridal Boutique Trout CPA

Business Women's Networking Luncheon

Tuesday, September 12 11:30am - 1:00pm



Penn Harris Hotel, Trademark Collection by Wyndham welcomes the Business Women's Networking Luncheon for September. Under new management with great things in store for the future. See what their plans are for this iconic Central Pennsylvania that is perfect for meetings, dining, and, of course, overnight stays. Katee and her team are looking forward to show off all that the Penn Harris has to offer.

Come network with local business women and enjoy a light lunch. Don't forget to bring your business cards to MIX & MINGLE.

Penn Harris Hotel 1150 Camp Hill Bypass Camp Hill

Reservations required.
RSVP to info@mechanicsburgchamber.org



Friday, September 15, 2023

Rich Valley Golf 227 Rich Valley Rd. Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 Registration - 12:30pm Tee Time - 1:00pm

Register to play! Application *here*! Only \$80 for golf, lunch and dinner. Purchase the Gold Passport for \$20 and receive entry into ALL hole contests, and for a chance to win a raffle prize!

Not a golfer? Join us for dinner for only \$20.

Seeking Sponsors and Donations: This is a great opportunity to promote your business through a sponsorship or prize donation. Several sponsorship levels available! They can also be customized to fit your needs.

Or, simply send a gift card, promotional item, or any type of product for us to give away as a prize or to include in the golfers' gift bags!

Contact the Chamber Office to play, contribute and volunteer! 717-796-0811 or info@mechanicsburgchamber.org

Portion of proceeds will support the GFWC Mechanicsburg's Program for Veterans

Thank you **Freedom Financial Wealth Management** for sponsoring the \$25,000 hole-in-one prize, **Trout CPA**, our dinner sponsor, **Hershey Creamery Company**, our beverage sponsor, and **AmeriChoice FCU**, our lunch sponsor.











Meet the Chamber's 2022 Charity of Choice: GFWC Mechanicsburg Program for Veterans

General Federation of Women's Club Mechanicsburg (GFWC) President Pam Fleck:

"It is so wonderful for the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce to recognize the efforts of GFWC Mechanicsburg members by selecting them as the chamber's "Charity of Choice" this year! The grant from the chamber will be utilized to assist in the club's undertakings to support the tiny home village for homeless veterans!

GFWC Mechanicsburg is currently working with Veterans Outreach to outfit the 15 tiny homes being constructed for homeless veterans in Central PA. The members will be purchasing and pre-washing towels, sheets, etc. to set up the beds and bathrooms with necessities. A fundraiser was held by the club this past March, "Flavors of Mechanicsburg", to help raise money for the project. Over \$3,000 was raised during the event. All money raised by GFWC Mechanicsburg stays locally to support community organizations like the Simpson Library, New Hope Ministries After School program, Cumberland/Perry Counties Domestic Violence Shelter (signature project of GFWC) and others. The Mechanicsburg Museum was founded by this club!

GFWC Mechanicsburg is an active member in the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce as well and really appreciates the support given by the chamber! Jeff Palm and staff were of great help with setting up our event last March and is always available as a resource. Being nominated as the "charity of choice" this year is such an honor and we appreciate the recognition of our work!"

Veterans Outreach of Pennsylvania and the tiny home village:

Veterans Outreach is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to combat homelessness among Veterans by providing support and services needed to promote an empowered life filled with strength and purpose. The Veterans Tiny Home Village is being constructed on a 5-acre parcel along the Susquehanna River that was generously donated by a private family. The village will consist of 15 tiny homes surrounding a Community Center that will provide needed services to assist in the transition to more permanent housing.

GFWC Mechanicsburg's contribution to this project will provide the necessary linens and personal care items needed by the residents during their tenure at the village. This supply will not benefit the veteran just as they live in their home at the village, but will become their personal property as they move on to their permanent home. The GFWC Mechanicsburg is looking to provide an ample supply of products to offer a base for resupply through numerous transitions.

Information on GFWC Mechanicsburg can be found at their website:

https://gfwcmech.tripod.com/

Veterans Outreach of Pennsylvania: https://www.veteransoutreachofpa.org/



Donate a Raffle or Gift Bag Item

The Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce is seeking raffle prizes for the upcoming
19th Annual **Chamber Golf Outing** on Friday, September 15! Portion of the proceeds benefit our
Charity of Choice - GFWC Mechanicsburg's Program for Veterans

Please consider donating a prize or gift bag item to showcase your business. Prizes can be dropped off at the Chamber office Monday - Friday, 9am-4pm, or brought to a chamber event.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023 | 5:00-7:00pm

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5000 Marketplace Way | Enola, PA

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Mark Your Calendar for My Upcoming Events Child Safety Seat Check



Protect the children in your life and have their car seat checked on Aug. 31 at my Child Safety Seat Check! Our experts from PennDOT and local police departments will be available from 4-7 p.m. at Platinum Mitsubishi, 6039 Carlisle Pike in Mechanicsburg to make sure your car seat is secured properly. RSVPs are recommended, but not required for this event.

To let us know you are coming, please call 717-761-4665 or visit repdelozier.com/events.

Document Shredding Event

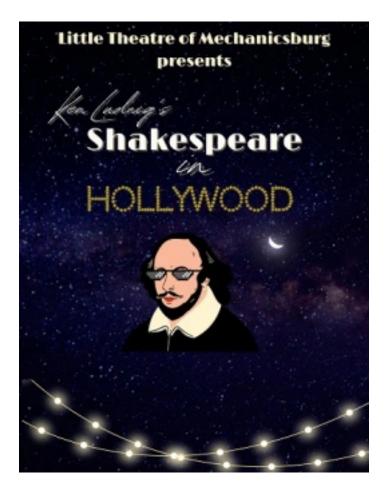


Thursday, Sept. 14, from 5-7 p.m. at the Hampden Township Pool Parking Lot, 5001 Park Dr. in Mechanicsburg.

I will be hosting a Document Shredding Event for constituents of the 88th District. Please keep shredding limited to four boxes or bags; no businesses. It is also requested you remove any paperclips or binder clips prior to the event; staples are permitted.

Please RSVP by calling 717-761-4665 or click here. Please note that RSVPs are taken to provide the shredding company with a headcount. Shredding will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

Little Theatre of Mechanicsburg



We are excited to begin our 73rd Season with **Ken Ludwig's Shakespeare in Hollywood!** Performances begin Friday, September 1, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. and run weekends until Sunday, September 17, 2023. Sunday matinee performances start at 2:30 p.m.

Please visit our Box Office page for information on showtimes and how to purchase tickets! Ticket prices for the 73rd season have changed. Non-Musical Play is now \$20 and a Musical is now \$25. Season Subscription packages are on. The package is \$120 for one ticket to each of the seven shows. This is a \$25.00 discount.



Nomination Deadline Approaching: Friday, September 1

Each year, the Fund for Women & Girls honors local philanthropists through two awards – the **Rising Philanthropists Award** and the **Karen F. Snider Women in Philanthropy Award**. These awards celebrate individuals who are making an impact on our community supporting women and girls.

Karen F. Snider Women In Philanthropy Award

Award Criteria

- Must be a female, and/or identify as a woman in ways that are significant for them, aged 35 or older, who has worked or lived in the South Central PA counties of Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lebanon, Perry, or the Dillsburg Area.
- Must have demonstrated an interest in issues related to women's health, education, and/or economic self-sufficiency.
- Must have provided a financial commitment to the Fund for Women & Girls and/or other women's issues, programs, or projects within our local area.

Judging Criteria

- The nominee gives freely and unselfishly by providing her time, talent, and treasure to philanthropic community activities.
- The nominee inspires others and acts as a role model.
- The nominee has a positive impact on the direction and success of women and children related to community projects, programs, or individuals.
- The nominee improves the lives of others.

Karen F. Snider Women in Philanthropy Award Nomination

Rising Philanthropists Award

Award Criteria

- Must be female, and/or identify as a woman in ways that are significant for them, aged 21 35, who
 has worked or lived in the South Central PA counties of Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lebanon,
 Perry, or the Dillsburg Area.
- Must have provided a commitment to the Fund for Women & Girls and/or other women's issues programs or projects within our local area.

Judging Criteria

 The nominee has impacted local organizations and has distinguished herself as a leader in the South Central PA community

Rising Philanthropist Award Nomination



KIRK WISE UPCOMING SOLO, DUO & BAND PUBLIC DATES

Fri. 9/1 – Totem Pole Wine Tasting Room, Mechanicsburg...Kirk solo 6-8

Sat. 9/2 – Captain Bob's Steamed Crabs, Railroad PA...Kirk solo 6-8

Mon. 9/4 – Masonic Village Picnic, Elizabethtown...Country Wise Band 11-2

Fri. 9/8 – Captain Bob's Steamed Crabs, Railroad PA...Kirk solo 6-8

Sat. 9/9 – Adams County Winery, Orttanna... Kirk Duo 1-4

Sun. 9/10 – Allegro Wine, Stewartstown... Kirk Duo 1-4

> Fri. 9/15 – Hemauer Brewing, Mechanicsburg...Kirk solo 6:30-9

Sat. 9/16* – Adams County Winery, Ortanna...Jazz Me Band 1-4

Sat. 9/16 – Captain Bob's Steamed Crabs, Railroad PA...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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GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) Mechanicsburg

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 6:30 PM at Buhrig's Gathering Place, 25 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg. There will be a pot luck dinner, so bring your place setting and a dish to share.

Would you like to know more about how we serve the community while helping Veterans, libraries and schools? Come for a visit to find out.

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





CAEDC Launches Two Tourism Grants

The Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation (CAEDC) through its destination marketing arm, the Cumberland Valley Visitors Bureau, is announcing the return of tourism-focused grants. The returning Tourism Product Development Grant and a new grant, the Tourism Recovery Grant, will launch on Monday, August 28th.

The Tourism Product Development (TPD) Grant is intended to increase the number or products, experiences and services that draw overnight visitors to the Cumberland Valley. Awarded grant projects will increase the number of visits, length of stays and spending by visitors in the County. Applicants for the TPD Grant can request between \$25,000-250,000 (previous TPD grant capped at \$100,000).

The Tourism Product Development Grant has been on hiatus since mid-2020.

The new Tourism Recovery Grant is designed to help tourism-related industries recover from the Covid-19 Pandemic. Applicants can request between \$2,500-\$10,000 in funding for this program. The grant can be utilized for the purchase of machinery and equipment, marketing to new audiences, development of new experiences and deferred maintenance that increases tourism or enhance the visitor experience.

For both programs, applicants must provide at least \$0.50 match for each dollar awarded. "We're excited to re-launch tourism grant opportunities for many businesses in the Cumberland Valley as they continue to rebuild and find new ways to highlight our area as a tourism destination" said CAEDC Marketing Manager, Ashley Kurtz.

CAEDC began offering tourism grants in 2010 and has awarded over \$1.9 million to 199 projects. Notable grant projects include a large outdoor entertainment area at Midway Bowling Alley, two Escape Rooms at Grand Illusion Hard Cider, portions of the Cumberland Valley Rail Trail, including the Conrail Museum, a new performance space at the Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet, and a tasting room at Winery At The Long Shot Farm.

The Winery at The Long Shot Farm Co-Owner Tina Weyant said "We have been growing grapes and berries in the Cumberland Valley for many years, and we are so thankful for the generous support from CAEDC, allowing us to share our passion for making wine."

Learn more about CAEDC's Tourism Grants here.

Click here to find the Grant Application

Interested applicants should contact Ashley Kurtz, CAEDC's Marketing Manager at AKurtz@VisitCumberlandValley.com.



Pennsylvania Chamber Insurance proudly presents a FREE Supplemental Health Webinar Series

Stability and Support: Critical Illness and Cancer Insurance Wednesday, September 13, 2023, 11:00 AM

REGISTER HERE

PA Chamber Insurance (PCI) has worked with employers for more than two decades and while their missions vary, their needs are relatively universal – to run a profitable business and ensure their employees stay healthy and satisfied in their jobs. PCI's customizable, comprehensive and affordable benefits programs help business owners, executives and HR directors keep healthcare costs down while retaining valuable employees.

As part of that mission, PCI proudly presents a FREE three-part Supplemental Health Webinar Series. Attendees will not only learn valuable insurance but all attendees are eligible to earn 1 SHRM and 1 HRCI professional development credit for each webinar that they attend.



Wednesday, September 20, 2023 11:00 a.m. to Noon Virtual Platform: Zoom Free to Attend

Do you have 20 or more employees participating in your health plan? **Empower your business to take control of rising health care costs!** Join PA Chamber Insurance (PCI) in partnership with Benecon for a FREE, no-commitment informational webinar to learn about money-saving solutions available through the PCI Benefits Consortium.

The PCI Benefits Consortium is an increasingly popular alternative for small and mid-size companies with 20 or more enrolled employees to manage healthcare costs, increase cash flow advantages, provide risk protection, gain financial control and implement optional wellness initiatives.

WEBINAR HIGHLIGHTS

Paula Beleck, Senior Benefit Consultant, PA Chamber Insurance (PCI) joins Jamie Burgess, CSFS, Sales Director, Benecon, to cover the basics and benefits of self-insuring including:

- How self-insuring could be a viable option for your company's healthcare needs
- How the PCI Benefits Consortium can lower your costs now and in future years
- How to realize cost savings through claims review/management and elimination of premium taxes and excessive expense charges
 - How to capitalize on Employee Health and Well-Being

Following the presentation, participants will have an opportunity to engage in Q&A with the speakers.

Register Today

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TFEC RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Local Organization Reaccredited with Rigorous Philanthropic Standards

The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) recently received reaccreditation with The Community Foundations National Standards®, the nation's highest standard for philanthropic excellence. National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations® establish legal, ethical, effective practices for community foundations everywhere.

"Meeting the National Standards benchmarks is a rigorous, comprehensive process," said Randy Royster, board member of the Council on Foundations. "This accreditation is a significant accomplishment that indicates The Foundation for Enhancing Communities demonstrates a commitment to transparency, quality, integrity and accountability as it carries out its mission."

The National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations® program requires community foundations to document their policies for donor services, investments, grantmaking, and administration. The program is designed to provide quality assurance to donors, as well as to their legal and financial advisors.

Paramount to TFEC's mission is the practice of handling donated assets and the creation of permanent funds, investment, and grantmaking for the benefit of local nonprofits and the furtherment of its goals within the community it serves.

"When people come to TFEC with their philanthropic interests, they put their trust in us. They count on us to manage their investment wisely and honor their charitable wishes. The National Standards accreditation says we go above and beyond the requirements to demonstrate accountability and excellence. We are very proud of this reaccreditation," said Black.

In addition to affirming the organization's philanthropic services, the reaccreditation validates TFEC's grantmaking practices for the nonprofit community.

The Community Foundations National Standards Board is a supporting organization of the Council on Foundations and is responsible for the quality, value and integrity of compliance with National Standards. For more information on the National Standards Board, visit its website at www. cfstandards.org.





Penn State Health, Mid Penn Bank commit to partnership that will raise more than \$1 million for Department of Urology

Commitment strengthens No Shave November fundraising efforts

Penn State Health and Mid Penn Bank are strengthening their commitment to supporting life-changing care and increasing cancer research in central Pennsylvania. As an expansion of the organizations' No Shave November partnership, Mid Penn Bank has committed to lead a campaign over the next four years that will bring their fundraising total since 2020 to \$1.1 million.

"We're proud to deepen our long-time partnership with Penn State Health and the College of Medicine and contribute to our shared goal of improving men's health," Mid Penn Bank President and CEO Rory Ritrievi said.

Each November since 2016, participants from both organizations have ditched their razors and grown their facial hair with the goal of raising cancer awareness and starting conversations about prostate health. In 2022, they collectively raised a record-breaking \$241,000 for men's health and cancer research. Today, Mid Penn Bank committed to leading the campaign that will build on the success of previous efforts and raise \$1.1 million by 2026.

Money raised supports the Department of Urology's involvement in the Pennsylvania Urologic Regional Collaborative (PURC), a quality-improvement initiative that connects urology practices in a physician-led, data-sharing and improvement collaborative aimed at advancing the quality of diagnosis and care for patients with prostate cancer. PURC's goal is to improve the care of people in central Pennsylvania who are suspected of having or have been diagnosed with prostate cancer.

"We're so grateful that Mid Penn Bank has joined us as a champion for men's health," said Dr. Jay Raman, interim chair of the Department of Urology at Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and Penn State College of Medicine. "Community partnerships are important in growing awareness, educating our communities and getting men the care they need."

This commitment also supports the research of physician-scientists in the Department of Urology that focuses on cancer care in the aging population, addresses cancer disparities in minority populations and increases genetic testing of cancer patients to better determine risk and personalize therapies. In addition to supporting cancer research, the money helps provide free prostate cancer screenings for the community, supports mission-based work by the department to underserved areas regionally and nationally and makes available educational conferences for patients and health care professionals covering elements of cancer prevention and screening.

"Philanthropy is absolutely vital to medical research. This support helps dedicated researchers uncover groundbreaking, lifesaving treatments for prostate cancer and other diseases affecting men's health," said Dr. Kevin Black, interim dean of the College of Medicine.

In honor of Mid Penn Bank's leadership and financial commitment to this fundraising effort, Penn State will name the second-floor outpatient clinic at Penn State Cancer Institute the Mid Penn Bank Outpatient Clinic.

Gifts from community partners like Mid Penn Bank advance the University's historic land-grant mission to serve and lead. Through philanthropy, alumni and friends are helping students to join the Penn State family and prepare for lifelong success; driving research, outreach and economic development that grow our shared strength and readiness for the future; and increasing the University's impact for families, patients, and communities across the commonwealth and around the world. Learn more by visiting raise.psu.edu.



9th Annual Fall Golf Benefit

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

FREE LUNCH
TEAM AWARDS
REFRESHMENTS
DOOR PRIZES & MORE!

COST: \$100/GOLFER

REGISTER ONLINE AT: THETIDE.ORG/GOLF

Sponsorship opportunities still available!

Residents & Employees in (umberland (ounty:

TAKE OUR ONLINE PUBLIC SURVEY!



We need your feedback!

Cumberland County has proven itself as a preferred destination to live, work, and visit. To maintain that status, we are updating our Comprehensive and Land Partnerships Plans to guide future development and conservation efforts. We need your help to plan for the future by telling us:

- Special places that should be preserved for future generations
- Actions that should be taken to enhance the county's quality of life
- Projects that should be pursued to improve transportation, outdoor recreation, and protect natural resources
- The best ways to communicate and engage our residents in decision-making

TAKE OUR ONLINE SURVEY BY <u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>OCTOBER 31!</u>

Scan the QR code or use the link below: https://arcg.is/1481b50



NEED A PAPER SURVEY OR HELP COMPLETING THE ONLINE SURVEY?

Contact the Cumberland County
Planning Department at 717.240.5362 or
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