

Chamber CHATTER



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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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Mechanicsburg Chamber Will Hold Election for Board of Directors at January Meeting



If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors for the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce, [click here](#) to review job description, nomination policies, procedures and application.

We are accepting applications!

CHAMBER EVENTS

Watch for Weekly Updates!!

November

14 - Business Women's Networking Luncheon - Sponsored by **SYNERGY HomeCare** and **Artis Senior Living**. Location: JoJo's Pizza & Pasta, 107 W Main St, Mechanicsburg. 11:30am - 1:00pm. FREE member event.

16 - After Hours Mixer - Sponsored by **Mechanicsburg Area Community Foundation**. Location: Spice Restaurant and Bar, 125 W Main St, Mechanicsburg. 5:00 - 7:00pm.

24 - Annual Community Tree Lighting - corner of Market and Main Streets, on the square, in Downtown Mechanicsburg. 5:15 - 6:30pm

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!

BeBalanced
doTERRA Essential Oils - Esther Crawford
Haller Enterprises
Mission Autism Clinics
OSS Health

Business Women's Networking Luncheon

Tuesday, November 14
11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Join us....

as **SYNERGY HomeCare** and **Artis Senior Living** are teaming up for this month's event. Learn what they can do for you to help care for loved ones that may need a few extra hands.



EVENT LOCATION:
JoJo's Pizza & Pasta
107 West Main Street
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

This event is free to Mechanicsburg
Chamber of Commerce members and only \$10 for non-members.

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

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.

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

After-Hours Mixer

Thursday, November 16th
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

SPONSORED BY:



**MECHANICSBURG
AREA COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**

Join us and the **Mechanicsburg Area Community Foundation**
and enjoy an evening of networking, refreshments
and a chance to win a prize!

Learn how the Foundation is supporting the Mechanicsburg community
and how you may help, too.

Also, check out one of downtown's newest restaurants.
It's their 1 year anniversary



EVENT LOCATION:

Spice Restaurant and Bar
125 West Main Street
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

RSVP is easy, simply email
info@mechanicsburgchamber.org
or call 717-796-0811

Mechanicsburg's Annual Community



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TREE LIGHTING

Friday, November 24 | 5:15 PM



DOWNTOWN – CORNER OF MARKET & MAIN STREETS

Music | Caroling | Hot Cocoa

Music provided by South Mountain Entertainment - Caroling around the tree (led by Kirk Wise) starts at 5:15 PM - with the lighting of the tree at 5:30 PM.

Post-Ceremony Festivities

- Top Nozzle Balloon Twisters
- Visit with Santa @ Buhrig's Gathering Place

Visit our downtown merchants for Black Friday shopping.



**FREE PUBLIC &
ON STREET PARKING:**

Event Sponsors

PNC Bank - Borough of Mechanicsburg
South Mountain Entertainment
Buhrig's Gathering Place
Boy Scout Troop 195
Mechanicsburg First Church of God
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Business Men's League
Caring Transitions of Mechanicsburg
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SAVE THE DATE



Chamber Annual Meeting

**January 17, 2024
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

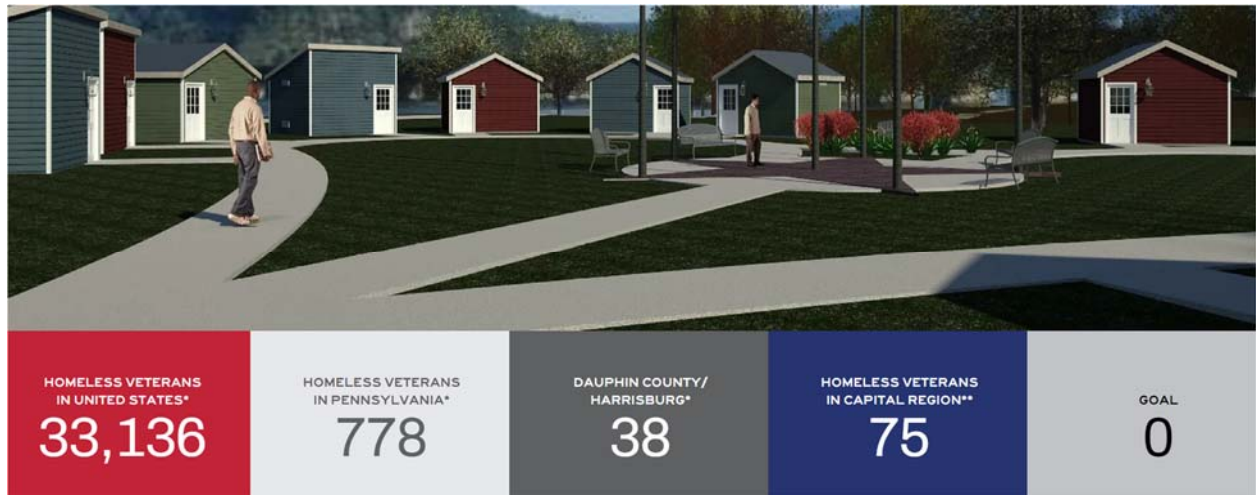
Mark your calendar to attend the
Annual Dinner & General Membership Meeting

*Watch for more information and
details on registration... coming soon...*

MECHANICSBURG CHAMBER COLLECTING TOYS

New, unwrapped toys, as well as batteries and gift wrap, along with contractor grade trash bags will be accepted through **December 15th** at the Chamber office. Donations may also be brought to any Chamber function through December 14th. If pick-up is preferred, please contact the office at (717) 796-0811.

The Mechanicsburg Chamber is committed to helping the Marines deliver a message of hope to those less fortunate!



As many of you know, Veterans Outreach of PA is working on a tiny homes project to help homeless veterans with short-term housing needs. Earlier this year, General Federation of Women's Club-Mechanicsburg (GFWC) held a fundraiser to help fund the project with linens for each home. As a member of that club, I am putting together an AVON fundraiser to help supply Veterans with basic items such as hand lotion, lip balms, foot cream, socks and other small hygiene items offered by AVON. A basic hygiene pack starts at just \$12, and a full back can be sponsored for \$18. If you would like to contribute to these products, please contact me at (717) 919-5460 or email mahiler@comcast.net. Contributions in any amounts are welcome via cash, check, PayPal or VENMO.



GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) Mechanicsburg

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM at Buhrigs' Gathering Place, 25 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg.

There will be a speaker from Bethany House of Cumberland County, Inc. Bethany House provides transitional housing and supportive services to young ladies between the ages of 18-24 who are aging out of foster care or are at risk of experiencing homelessness.

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/>



On the Move

C2 Tax & Payroll Associates has moved its office within the Frankeberger Office Complex. You may now find them at 219 E Main St, Suite 203, Mechanicsburg 17055. They continue to provide all your tax preparation, payroll processing, and Quickbook needs.

Fusion Financial Group of Thrivent has relocated and expanded its office to 4660 E Trindle Rd, Suite 102, Camp Hill 17011. They still offer all the financial products and services to best guide you toward your financial solutions.

Leading Along the Edge is now **2nd Ascent Coacing**. Gary Lougher has transitioned the business to better focus on Deep Health Coaching and personal growth. His new website is www.2ndascent.com.

Have you received an e-mail that looks similar to this?

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AD Allen Distribution encrypts email messages to protect the privacy and confidentiality of sensitive information sent over the internet.

- If this is the first time you've received a secure message from AD Allen Distribution download or click the **securedoc.html** attachment. For best results, save the file first and then open it in a Web browser. Follow the on-screen instruction prompts to complete the one-time only registration process. The registration process requires that you create a password and activate your account. Once you have registered, you will be able to view the encrypted message.
- to login click the link below and download **securedoc.html** attachment. Type your email and password to view the secure message.
- to view the message or need additional assistance, please use the [Help](#) links below before contacting the sender.
- to view the secure message, please use the [AD Allen Distribution Message](#) link. Thank you.

Help - <https://allen/websafe/help>

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It is suggested that you do not click on any of the links associated with it. This seems to be the common phishing scam that is hitting many e-mail Inboxes as of late. It's intent is to get personal information. Always, when in doubt, contact the sender directly to confirm that it is something that was intentionally sent by them for you. We have received numerous renditions of this ourselves. If you have further information on this, you are welcome to share it with us.



Delivering The Future. Now.

What is Proactive IT and Why Should You Care?

In today's environment it's more important than ever to have confidence that your IT infrastructure remains secure and reliable. If you've ever experienced a critical IT system issue, you understand how devastating it can be for an organization. While many companies relied on reactive IT solutions in the past, incorporating a proactive IT approach can ultimately save time, money and prevent major security breaches and loss of data.

What is Proactive IT?

Proactive IT services typically involve getting ahead of a potential problem before it becomes an issue. In a traditional scenario, many businesses implement a reactive IT approach—traditionally addressing and trouble-shooting an issue after it occurs. However, this can cause major delays, security vulnerabilities, and a waste of precious time, resulting in a loss of sales and ultimately, revenue.

Consulting, pinpointing problem areas, developing IT roadmaps and making informed decisions regarding IT infrastructure, hardware, software, and networking requirements, along with ongoing monitoring are all part of a proactive IT approach. With proper knowledge of IT security risks, it is possible to execute appropriate measures to protect your organization's data, networks, and systems.

What is Reactive IT?

Reactive IT solutions are a common approach to IT for businesses today. Typically, reactive IT involves identifying an issue after it has occurred and then determining the appropriate solution or resolution, based on the issue at hand. While it is still possible to solve hacking attempts and security breaches with a reactive IT strategy in place, this will likely cause delays and may lead to more security vulnerabilities before the job is complete.

Often referred to as the break/fix approach, reactive IT can result in downtime, expensive maintenance costs, frustrated team members and customers, not to mention negative public relations.

Advantages of Proactive IT

Investing in a robust proactive IT support solution is beneficial for many reasons.

- **Early detection of problems:** A reputable proactive IT solutions provider will have a team of experts who take time to understand your system. Assessing your infrastructure and tackling vulnerabilities upfront can prevent major headaches later, versus waiting for your systems to break down entirely.

- **24/7 monitoring:** An experienced IT provider will monitor your systems and infrastructure 24/7 with dedicated data center resources, optimize your storage, automate your backups, and provide access to resources regardless of where your team members are working.
- **Reduced downtime:** When systems fail or devices go down, it can be devastating for a business. A proactive IT Managed Service provider will handle updates and proactive IT maintenance for you, addressing and eliminating problems BEFORE they occur.
- **Improved system performance:** In addition to tackling problems before they impact your business, a proactive IT solutions partner can make recommendations to help your organization leverage technology to innovate, drive efficiency and support growth/scalability while aligning with the overall company objectives.
- **Increased security:** Working with a Proactive Managed IT provider, you get robust security that is centrally managed. Your provider can secure your internal and cloud-based infrastructure to provide an additional layer of protection from cyber threats and disruption to your business.
- **Cost Savings:** One of the most appealing aspects of proactive IT is the ability to save on costs over time. Rather than paying to problem-solve when there's a security breach or systems fail, you can pay a predictable amount
- **Peace of Mind:** When you can rely on a team of professionals that know how to leverage today's technology, you can rest assured knowing that your IT will be secure, optimized, and reliable.

Considering a shift to a more proactive approach to your IT? The pros at HIG can work with you to pinpoint inefficiencies, decrease costs, reduce risk, increase security, and set you up for future growth. Schedule an assessment today with our managed IT services team.

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Seeking HOSTS for 2024 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.

JAZZ ME BAND

KIRK WISE UPCOMING
SOLO, DUO & BAND
PUBLIC DATES

Thur. 11/9 – Food Truck Rally,
New Cumberland ...Kirk solo 5-8

Fri. 11/10 – Captain Bob's Steamed Crabs,
Railroad PA...Kirk solo 6-8

Sat. 11/11 – Rotunda Brewing & Restaurant,
Annville...Kirk Duo 7-10

Sun. 11/12 – Hauser Estate, Biglerville...
Kirk solo 1-4

Tue. 11/14 – Greystone Brew House@
Range End , Dillsburg...Kirk solo 6-9

Fri. 11/17- Grandpa's Love Shack,
Shermansdale...Kirk & Dave Duo 5-8

Sat. 11/18 – Sage Lane Cottage Pop Up Sale,
Dillsburg... Kirk solo 10-1

Sat. 11/18 – Hemauer Brewing,
Mechanicsburg...Kirk & Beth 6:30-9

Tue. 11/21 – Greystone Brew House@
Range End , Dillsburg...Kirk solo 6-9

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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Join us for
coffee and
pastries!

GLOBAL UPDATE COFFEE BREAK

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH
9:30 AM**

ENRICHMENT CENTER
MESSIAH LIFEWAYS - MECHANICSBURG

Join us for an exciting ministry update and
Q&A time with The Tide director, Don Shenk!



Scan the QR code for more
information and to RSVP
or contact the office at:
events@thetide.org
717-264-7288



The Tide®  Your Soles ~ Their Souls
Shoe Drive Fundraiser

**3RD ANNUAL SHOE DRIVE
Kicks off January 1st!**



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- BECOME A COMMUNITY DROPOFF LOCATION
- PROMOTE SHOE DRIVE AND COLLECT SHOES
- DONATE YOUR NEW/GENTLY USED SHOES



"Death cafes breathe life into conversations about dying."

Join us for Coffee, Tea,
Cake and Conversation

**Tuesday, November 14
5pm-7pm**

**Keystone Elder Law Conference Room
555 Gettysburg Pike, Suite B-300
Mechanicsburg, PA**



All are welcome, but space is limited

Register Online:

<https://rb.gy/odd6s>

Questions: events@teambrandt.net

This event is free and open to the public, however an RSVP is appreciated.

What is a Death Cafe?

A Death Cafe is a safe and relaxed gathering where people, often strangers, discuss topics related to death and dying. The objective is to engage in interesting, thought-provoking, and life-affirming conversations. This is a discussion group rather than a grief support or counseling session, with no intention of leading participants to any conclusion, product, or course of action.

Support and Complimentary Refreshments provided by:

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Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc.
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Regional Leaders Breakfast

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 • 7:30-9:00 AM

Shippensburg University

Reisner Dining Hall, Tuscarora Room

Please join us for a complimentary breakfast and hear from President Charles E. Patterson to learn more about the diverse assets Shippensburg University has to offer for collaboration and partnership with our leaders in the region.

What to expect:

Unique networking opportunities • Meaningful dialogue
Knowledge sharing • Discover new opportunities for your organization

Please register online by November 3, 2023.

Questions? Please contact Lorelee Isbell at (717) 477-1502, ext. 3275 or
lisbell@ship.edu



REGISTER HERE



KALI ALOISI

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CAEDC ECONOMIC & WORKFORCE UPDATE

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PENNSYLVANIA
CUMBERLAND AREA
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT VISITORS BUREAU
CORPORATION

**Nov
16
2023**

**2:00pm-
4:00pm**

Join CAEDC for an update from the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia on the current economic climate and its impact of Cumberland County.


**WEST SHORE THEATRE
317 BRIDGE STREET,
NEW CUMBERLAND, PA, 17070**

Register at the lower Chamber member rate.



Check off Your Holiday “To Do” List While Supporting a Great Cause

Order beautiful poinsettias and help support United Way of the Capital Region’s internal campaign!

These make great office decorations or gifts for family, friends or coworkers!

Poinsettias will be delivered the first week of December. Order 5 or more and receive FREE delivery!

- Poinsettias are 6” pots
- **COLORS:** red, white, pink or burgundy
- **COST:** **\$12 each**
- **Orders are due by November 16** and can be placed using the link below or visit our website at uwcr.org.

For more information, contact Heidi Neuhaus at 717.724.4055, or by e-mail at hneuhaus@uwcr.org.



What is United Way of the Capital Region’s Internal Campaign?

Just like other organizations, United Way of the Capital Region runs a fundraising campaign among its staff members. Funds are generated through donations and special event sales such as this one. All proceeds from this sale will go directly to United Way’s 2023 campaign.

Thank you for supporting United Way!

PLACE YOUR ORDER TODAY AT:
www.uwcr.org/uw-poinsettia-sale

United Way of
the Capital Region

