

# Chamber CHATTER



**MECHANICSBURG**  
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!!*

### *December*

25 - Merry Christmas - Office Closed

### *January*

1- Happy New Year - Office Closed

17 - Annual Dinner & General Membership Meeting -  
Penn Harris Hotel, Camp Hill. 6:00 - 9:00pm

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!**

Appalachian Harley-Davidson  
Classic Rock Design Center  
Moffitt-Smith, Inc.

# 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

Due to numerous requests, we are moving away from  
a buffet meal to a table served meal.

Our dinner and presentation will take place at the  
Penn Harris Hotel and Convention Center Harrisburg  
Trademark Collection by Wyndham.

We are also pleased to announce that George Shea of  
Shea Communications, New York City will be our  
keynote speaker.

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

# Open House

December 7, 2023  
3pm-6pm

Join Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation and RLS Construction Group for our Holiday Open House! Get the first chance to see our new office, participate in the ribbon cutting, and enjoy an evening of festive networking, food and beverages.

230 S Sporting Hill Rd  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Register Here

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT VISITORS BUREAU  
CORPORATION



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## American Red Cross Blood Drive Friday, December 22, 12:15 to 4:45 pm



Holding blood drives at Simpson has been a great convenience for members of the community. Let's continue to make an impact, and add saving lives to our list of great accomplishments.

The Red Cross has been making a humanitarian impact for more than 130 years, and has been collecting blood for over 70 of those years. We can all be part of something important when we work with the Red Cross to strengthen the blood supply and give back to our community.

If you are a regular blood donor and want to make an appointment, go to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive> and our Location Code is SimpsonLibrary. This will bring up the available appointments.

The event will be held in the lower level meeting rooms of Simpson Library. If this is your first time, go to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/> and click on "Am I Eligible to Donate Blood?" before you try to make an appointment.

Please contact Joeline at [jdiana@cumberlandcountylibraries.org](mailto:jdiana@cumberlandcountylibraries.org) for any questions.

# GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) Mechanicsburg

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Dalicia Restorante & Bakery, 105 South Market Street, Mechanicsburg. Please join us for our holiday dinner out. 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/>



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**More information or questions call 717-796-0811**



# St. Paul's Brass Annual Christmas Concert December 19, 2023 7 p.m.

28 Years of Rich Musical History  
St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church  
201 West Louthier Street, Carlisle, PA 17013



Byron Mikesell (Trumpet), Vanessa Shenk (Trumpet),  
Mary Grace Friedell (French Horn), Don Wagner (Tuba),  
Bob Yinger (Trombone)



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HOMELESS SERVICES







The **Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce** joined the **Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce** and **West Shore Chamber of Commerce** to celebrate the ribbon cutting and opening of the newest **Sadler Health Center** location. The expanded **Sadler Health Center** will provide a full range of health services all under one roof, promising a state-of-the-art health care experience. **Sadler Health Center West Shore** will not only have medical, dental, vision and behavioral health services but also the convenience of a pharmacy to fill and pick up prescriptions on the spot, an on-site lab for lab tests, and an Express Care Center for urgent care services. You can visit **Sadler Health Center West Shore** at 5210 East Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg.

Jeff Palm, **Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce** Executive Director, presents a welcoming certificate to **Sadler Health Center** CEO Manal El Harrak and Board of Directors Chair Michael Wolf.





The **Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce** assisted in cutting the ribbon and celebrating the opening of **Valhallan Esports Training**. Located at 101 North St. Johns Church Road Space A, Camp Hill, **Andrew Aultman** and his family have taken their love of video games and joined the Valhallan Esports Training franchise to open the newest esports training arena. Working with the Valhallan system and collaborating with area educational institutions, including Harrisburg University, Aultman is developing the location into an “education-first facility” to assist in teaching life lessons including teamwork, sportsmanship, and communication skills.

## Seeking HOSTS for 2024 EVENTS

- Business Women’s Networking Luncheon
  - After Hours Mixer
- 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](mailto:info@mechanicsburgchamber.org).





Representative Sheryl DeLozier reminds those planning to participate in this years hunting season of a number of steps to keep everyone safe.

### **Safety Tips for this Hunting Season**

Firearms deer season opens Saturday, Nov. 25. As you prepare to head out to our fields and forests, be sure to keep safety in mind. The Pennsylvania Game Commission offers these important tips:

#### **Basic Safety**

- Positively identify the target – Be sure you are shooting at legal game and not another hunter. And never shoot at sounds or movement.
- Stay in the zone! Hunters should be spaced 25 to 40 yards apart, and always in sight of one another. Each hunter's zone of fire spans about 45 degrees directly in front of the hunter. Never shoot at game moving between you and someone else.
- Plan your hunt! Let someone know where you're hunting and when you'll return.
- Buckle up! If you hunt from an elevated stand, always wear a full-body, fall-restraint device as soon as your feet leave the ground until they return.
- Keep fit! Hunting is hard work. Don't become a statistic. Keep physically fit. Start with a check-up and follow your doctor's advice.
- Stay found! Become familiar with your hunting area. Learn how to use a map and compass or GPS unit. Be prepared for emergencies. Carry a basic survival kit and know how to use it.
- Be seen! Wear or display the required amount of fluorescent orange clothing.

#### **Firearms Safety**

- Handle all firearms as if they're loaded. Never assume they are unloaded and double check to be sure.
- Always point the muzzle in a safe direction and don't put your finger on the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
- Unload and place your firearm on the ground before crossing a fence, log or other obstacle, or climbing a tree.
- Shoot only when a safe and adequate backstop exists. Don't shoot at hard, flat surfaces, water or a target on the horizon.

For more information, visit the Pennsylvania Game Commission website at [pgc.pa.gov](http://pgc.pa.gov).

# 2023 Small Business Advantage Grant Application Period Now Open!

The 2023-2024 Small Business Advantage Grant Program are open for applications on. Project work completed on or after July 1, 2023 will be considered for funding. The application period will close when funding is exhausted or March 22, 2024, whichever occurs first.

## Small Business Advantage Grant

The Small Business Advantage Grant provides reimbursement grants ranging from 50% to 80% of eligible project costs to Pennsylvania small businesses to improve energy efficiency or reduce pollution or waste by: upgrading or replacing equipment or supplies; improving processes; or reducing runoff into affected waterways. Maximum grant award amounts will vary from up to \$5,000 to up to \$8,000, based on the environmental impact of the project and whether the project location is in an Environmental Justice Area in Pennsylvania.

Click [here](#) to visit the website for more information.

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



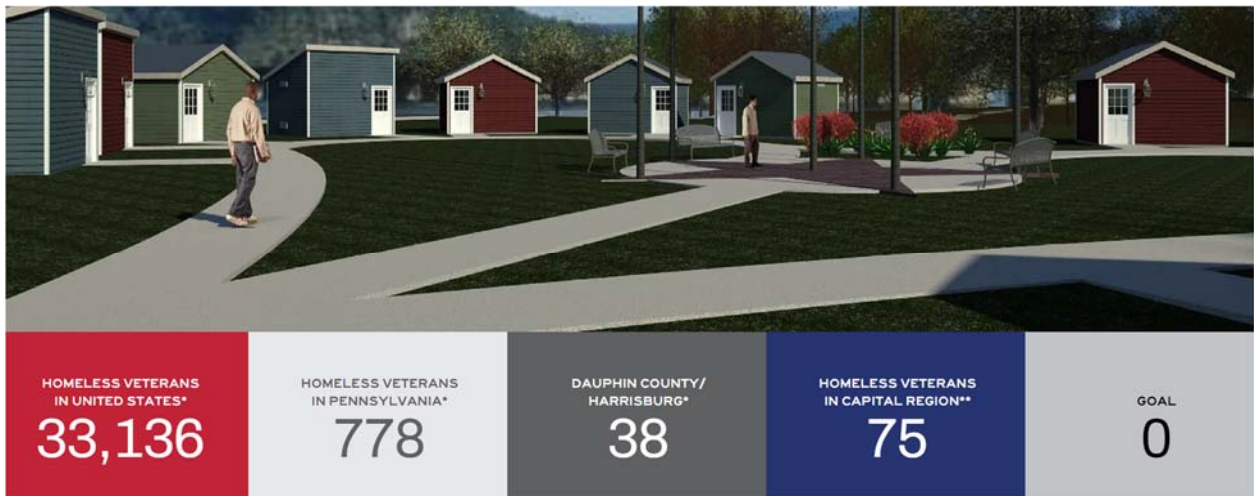


## THE FOUNDATION FOR ENHANCING COMMUNITIES

The Emerging Philanthropists Program (EPP) seeks to engage Central PA's emerging business and community leaders with the great possibilities that lie within philanthropic endeavors in our region. EPP provides resources and educational opportunities for those who wish to be actively engaged in philanthropic endeavors.

In the culminating experience, the class applies their newly learned community and grantmaking skills by awarding a grant to a nonprofit organization in a funding priority chosen by the class after assessing community needs. Since 2014, the Emerging Philanthropists Program has granted more than \$40,000 to nonprofit organizations serving Central PA.

Apply for EPP: <https://www.tfec.org/our-community/initiatives/emerging-philanthropist-program-over-view/>



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](mailto:mahiler@comcast.net). Contributions in any amounts are welcome via cash, check, PayPal or VENMO.

# Help Refill Our Pantry!

The YWCA of Carlisle & Cumberland County is looking for donations of essential items to help refill our pantry!

The essentials we need are shampoo, conditioner, body soap, pads, tampons, deodorant, toothbrushes, and toothpaste!

All donations are given out to community members in need, at zero cost.

But we need YOUR help to restock so we can continue providing this vital resource to the community!

Visit our Amazon Wish List at <https://a.co/22IWzRG>, or use the link in our Instagram bio to see what products we're looking for!

eliminating racism  
empowering women

**ywca**

carlisle & cumberland county

Pad  
Pantry

# JAZZ ME BAND

KIRK WISE UPCOMING  
SOLO, DUO & BAND  
PUBLIC DATES

Sat. 12/9 – Totem Pole Wine Tasting Room,  
Mechanicsburg...Kirk solo 6:30-9

Tue. 12/12 – Greystone Brew House@  
Range End , Dillsburg...Kirk solo 6-9

Thur. 12-14 – Christmas Food Truck Rally,  
New Cumberland ...Kirk solo 5-8

Fri. 12/15 – West Shore Farmers Market...  
Kirk solo 11-1

Fri. 12/15 – Tangled Vines Wine,  
New Bloomfield ...Kirk solo 2-5

Sat. 12/16 – Hemauer Brewing,  
Mechanicsburg...Kirk & Dave 6:30-9

Tue. 12/19 – Greystone Brew House@  
Range End , Dillsburg...Kirk solo 6-9

Fri. 12/22 – Hook & Flask, Carlisle...7-10  
Kirk & Beth Duo

Sat. 12/23 – Grandpa's Love Shack,  
Shermansdale...Kirk & Patrick Duo 5-8

For complete up-to-date  
schedule, information,  
and photos go to  
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## 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!*



Drop off locations include:

Mechanicsburg Chamber office  
A&B Automotive  
AAA  
American Legion Post 109  
Benecard PBF  
Best Line Equipment  
Callery Dental Care  
Drs. Warren and Reese Family Dentistry  
GEICO local office - Frank Rossi  
Hot Frog Print Media  
Lower Allen Township office  
Mechanicsburg Kung Fu Center  
Mechanicsburg Mystery Bookshop  
Orrstown Bank - Camp Hill  
Orrstown Bank - Mechanicsburg  
Pivot Physical Therapy  
Ritters True Value Hardware  
Schneider Electric  
State Farm Insurance - Denise Dombach  
Trindle Bowl  
University of Pittsburgh -  
School of Social Work  
West Shore Chamber of Commerce office  
Zimmerman's Automotive Tire Pros





## Starlink SD-WAN by ZeroOutages™

### Starlink is a Global Telecom Network

ZeroOutages provides comprehensive SD-WAN services utilizing the Starlink low earth orbit satellite network, which is owned and operated by SpaceX. ZeroOutages SD-WAN services incorporate connectivity via Starlink, along with enhanced Quality of Service, Meshed Networking, and Integrated Network Security.

#### Easy Deployment

Being the first Starlink SD-WAN vendor, ZeroOutages has the experience and skillset to ensure a smooth installation for each new customer. ZeroOutages Starlink-enabled SD-WAN services come with onsite technical assistance services in order to simplify deployments.

#### Starlink Connectivity by SpaceX

The Starlink connectivity incorporated within ZeroOutages' SD-WAN service ensures low latency and high bandwidth speeds for customers, and achieves this due to its low earth orbit (or LEO) configuration. Starlink service can be deployed globally, so any location around the world can be incorporated within the same telecom network (great for multi-site organizations).

#### 24/7/365 Support

ZeroOutages Starlink SD-WAN solutions provide 24/7/365 network monitoring and customer service. Upon initial purchase, the ZeroOutages support team initially provisions the service and ships the onsite equipment, configures the SD-WAN settings, and enables the customers public virtual IP address.

#### SD-WAN Solutions

ZeroOutages Starlink SD-WAN services incorporate detailed network reporting, 24/7 monitoring, enhanced Quality of Service, and layered security services, all designed to maximize our customers network connectivity. With built-in QoS, customers can prioritize applications and direct traffic across up to three VSAT links.

#### Virtual IP Addressing

ZeroOutages provides Starlink SD-WAN customers with Virtual IP Address (VIP) services from any of our 50+ data centers around the world. Customers can request a dedicated Virtual IP Address from any country or geographic region. ZeroOutages can even provide a dedicated subnet for customers that wish to have routed IP addresses from their endpoint devices.

Visit [zerooutages.net](https://zerooutages.net)  
for more information,  
pricing options and  
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