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

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

CHAMBER EVENTS

Watch for Weekly Updates!!

April

18 - Chamber Office will be closed for Good Friday.

24- Business Leaders Discussion Group -
Sponsored by PaySmart Payroll Services, 650 Wilson Ln, Ste. 100, Mechanicsburg. 7:45 - 9:00 am.
Members only event.

May

1 - 15th Annual Cinco de Mayo Regional Fiesta Mixer - Location - Volvo CE, 200 Rowe Rd., Shippensburg, 4:30 - 6:30pm. RSVP requested.

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!

Law Office of Debra R. Mehaffie, LLC
PCI Insurance, Inc.
Schnader's Concessions LLC

Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce presents:

Business Leaders Discussion Group

Thursday, April 24

7:45 - 9:00 am

**Sponsored by
PaySmart Payroll Services
650 Wilson Ln, Suite 100
Mechanicsburg**



RSVP to info@mechanicsburgchamber.org or call 717-796-0811.
This members-only event is **free** to attend!

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

**Do you know a great way to show off
what, where, and how you do the things you do?
Host a Business Women's Networking Luncheon or
After Hours Mixer. There is no fee to host an event,
contact the Chamber office for more details.**

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15th Annual



REGIONAL
FIESTA MIXER

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025
4:30 - 6:30 PM

V O L V O

Volvo Construction Equipment
Customer Center
200 Rowe Road, Shippensburg

RSVP:

<https://bit.ly/3EUGaDD>





15th Annual Regional Fiesta Mixer

Thursday, May 1, 2025

4:30 - 6:30 pm

Volvo Construction Equipment
Customer Center
200 Rowe Road, Shippensburg

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Take advantage of this opportunity to connect with 350+ business professionals!

Exclusive Event Sponsor (SOLD)



Food Sponsors (1 additional available \$1,000)

- Logo promoted in all event advertising
- Booth Space
- Display Business Banner (provided by Sponsor)



Venue Sponsor

V O L V O

Beverage Sponsors (\$500)

- Logo promoted in all event advertising
- Signage at bar
- Recognized in print and on social media

Event Partner (\$500)

- Logo promoted in all event advertising
- Booth space
- Recognized in print and on social media

Table Sponsor (\$250)

- Booth space
- Recognized in print and on social media



Sponsorship Information: chamber@shippensburg.org



Save the Date

On June 19, Jubilee Day returns to the streets of downtown Mechanicsburg. This year marks the 95th Annual edition! Don't miss your chance to be exposed to nearly 70,000 attendees from across the midstate.

Booth space is available at a discounted rate for Chamber members. Contact the chamber for an application. 717-796-0811 or info@mechanicsburgchamber.org



Voter Registration Deadline May 5

Pennsylvanians who are not already registered to vote but wish to participate in the May 20 municipal primary election should be sure to register no later than Monday, May 5.

To be eligible to vote in the primary, you must be a citizen of the United States for at least one month before the election; a resident of the election district in which you register to vote for at least 30 days before the primary; and at least 18 years of age on or before the date of the primary.

Under state law, only voters registered as Republicans or Democrats may vote for candidates in the primary election.

Citizens may [register to vote online here](#) or visit your [county voter registration office](#). Not sure of your registration status? [Check it here](#).

Voters who prefer to vote by mail-in or absentee ballot have until May 13 to apply for the ballot and until 8 p.m. on May 20 to return it. [For more information, click here](#).



13th Annual

TRIBUTE *to* VETERANS Breakfast

TO RSVP, visit RepDeLozier.com/events or call 717-761-4665.




Hosted by State Representative
Sheryl M. DeLozier

at the
**First Church of God
Community Center**
201 E. Green St.,
Mechanicsburg

THURSDAY,
**MAY
15**

at 8 AM
Doors open at 7:30 AM

The 88th District's veterans, active-duty military personnel and their families are invited to my 13th annual Tribute to Veterans Breakfast on Thursday, May 15, at 8 a.m. at the Mechanicsburg First Church of God Community Center, located at 201 E. Green St. in Mechanicsburg. At this free program and breakfast, we will pay tribute to the service of local veterans.

This year, our theme is "Celebrating Our National Guard." Rep. Joe Kerwin (R-125), a Pennsylvania

JAZZ ME BAND

KIRK WISE UPCOMING
SOLO, DUO & BAND
PUBLIC DATES

Thurs. 4/10 – Downtowne Food Truck Rally,
New Cumberland...Kirk solo 5-8

Fri. 4/11 – Totem Pole Wine Farm/Ranch
Carlisle...Kirk solo 6:30-8:30

Sat. 4/12 – Pennsylvania Bakery, Camp Hill
...Kirk solo 10-Noon

Sat. 4/12 – Sage Lane Craft Event, Dillsburg
...Kirk solo 12:30-3:30

Sat. 4/12 – Captain Bob's Steamed Crabs,
Railroad/ Shrewsbury...Kirk solo 6-8

Thur 4/17 – Big Bottom Brewery @
Al's Pizza, Dillsburg...Kirk solo 7-9

Thurs. 4/17 – VibraLife, Mechanicsburg...
Kirk solo 2-3

Fri. 4/18 – Wolf Brewing, Mechanicsburg...
Kirk solo/duo/trio 6-9

Sat. 4/19 – Rotunda Brewing Restaurant,
Annville ...Kirk solo/duo 7-10

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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Army National Guard captain who deployed for 11 months as commander of Task Force Paxton, 2nd Battalion, 112th Infantry in support of Operation Enduring Freedom-Horn of Africa, will be our guest speaker.

I am looking forward to expressing our gratitude and reflecting on the extraordinary service, sacrifice and dedication that defines our Guard soldiers and airmen. Whether it's responding to natural disasters, protecting our communities at home or supporting our armed forces abroad, National Guardsmen embody the essence of service.

Please RSVP to 717-761-4665 or visit
RepDeLozier.com/Events.



Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation is kicking-off a new Funding Seminar series in 2025 highlighting funding opportunities for Outdoor Recreation projects and Agriculture/ Agritourism. As we build these programs, we'd love to better understand our partners' needs.

Please take a few minutes to fill out this seven-question survey.

TAKE SURVEY HERE



**THE FOUNDATION
FOR ENHANCING
COMMUNITIES**

Emergent Needs Grant

In response to the recent federal funding freezes and disruptions, TFEC has seen and heard the needs of local nonprofits and is releasing an RFP for general operating expenses to ensure the continuation of essential community programming.

- Up to \$15,000 in grant support to help nonprofits sustain vital community programs.
- Rolling application process for flexible, timely funding
- Trust-based philanthropy ensures a streamlined process and empowers nonprofits to use grants where they are needed most.
- Focus on south central Pennsylvania, serving Cumberland, Lebanon, Perry and York Counties.
- Up to \$250,000 in total available grant funds.

Visit tfec.org to learn more

Nonprofits in south central Pennsylvania work tirelessly to address urgent community needs—from food insecurity to healthcare. When these organizations face sudden federal funding disruptions and uncertainty, vital services can suffer.

To help continue their essential work, The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) announces its Emergent Needs grant, offering eligible nonprofits up to \$15,000 in support for programs that serve residents across the region.

“When unpredictable shifts in the funding occur, nonprofits often struggle to meet rising community needs,” said Caitlin Cluck, director of community investment at TFEC. “This grant program assists in bridging those gaps by providing critical financial support so organizations can maintain vital services for individuals and families who rely on them—even when funding support is uncertain.”

By embracing a trust-based philanthropic approach, TFEC aims to bolster nonprofits’ ability to address urgent community needs without the constraints of burdensome processes. By providing flexible, timely support, TFEC ensures that funds—dispersed on a rolling basis over the next three

months—can be used where they are needed most. This targeted effort helps safeguard social services and improve quality of life in Cumberland, Dauphin, Lebanon, Perry and York Counties.

“The Emergent Needs Grant is a reflection of our mission to protect and uplift the nonprofits that strengthen our communities,” said Jennifer Doyle, president and CEO at TFEC. “We want local organizations to know that when circumstances become uncertain, TFEC is here to help them stay resilient and impactful.”

Eligible nonprofits can find details on how to apply at www.tfec.org, where information on deadlines, application guidelines, and FAQs is readily available. Community members or potential partners seeking more information are encouraged to email TFEC’s Community Investment Team at ccluck@tfec.org.



1) Choose a Date.

- **Saturday, March 22**
1:00pm & 3:30pm. ABC West, Mechanicsburg.
- **Sunday, March 23**
2:30pm. ABC West, Mechanicsburg.
- **Saturday, April 5**
1:00pm. 222 Dutch Lanes, Ephrata.
- **Friday, April 11**
5:00pm. Suburban Bowlerama, York.
- **Saturday, April 12**
2:00pm. Suburban Bowlerama, York.
- **Thursday, April 17**
6:00pm. Palmyra Bowling, Palmyra.
- **Thursday, April 24**
6:00pm. Midway Bowl, Carlisle.
- **Saturday, April 26**
2:00pm. South Hanover Lanes, Hanover.
- **Sunday, April 27**
2:00pm. Edgewood Lanes, Gettysburg.

2) Register Today.

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3) Build your team.

Invite friends, family & coworkers.

4) Raise funds.

Support a Little, a Big & a family.

5) Party!

Bowling. Pizza. Drinks. Raffle prizes.
Inspire children to dream BIG!

Food Sponsors



King Pin Sponsor & Candy Sponsor



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(717) 236-0199 • events@capbig.org



The 2025 Public Comment Period for the 12-Year Program Update is Open!



Join the State Transportation Commission (STC) and PennDOT on Thursday, April 10, 2025, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for the 2025 Online Public Forum. The event will be conducted virtually and will feature a presentation from PennDOT Secretary of Transportation Michael Carroll as well as a live Q&A session with PennDOT Personnel and State Transportation Commission members.

We invite you to attend and assist us with encouraging Pennsylvanians to register for the event. To register or share event information, please use the following link: <https://talkpatransportation.com/opf-registration>.



*Healthcare Worker
Appreciation
Happy Hour!*



April 15th, 2025
4:00PM - 6:00PM

2040 Technology Parkway
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

(717) 732-2500
www.marriott.com/HARHM

*Come Eat, Drink, Mingle and Tour the New All-Suite Residence Inn
Mechanicsburg!*

All Healthcare Workers Receive a Complimentary Drink Ticket!

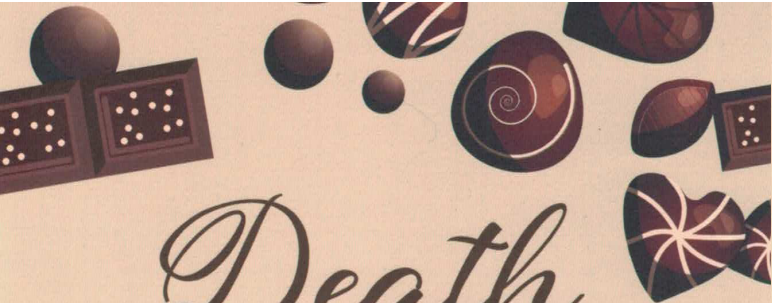
RSVP by April 7th to eteatum@titanhotelgroup.com

USE YOUR PROFESSIONAL SKILLS TO HELP STUDENTS

The Mechanicsburg School District could use your assistance.



Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School Career Services Office is seeking adult professionals from our community who would be willing to volunteer their time and expertise to serve as mock interviewers for our junior class. Your participation would make a significant impact in providing these students with valuable feedback and guidance as they work to improve their interview skills in a real-world setting. Mock Interviews will take place from April 8th to April 15th, and we're looking to fill a variety of time slots. As a volunteer, you will conduct brief, structured interviews with students, and there will be a short debriefing session to provide feedback. Interviews will last approximately 15 minutes. We'll have questions prepared ahead of time for you to ask, so no preparation is required on your end. If you are interested in volunteering, you can access [this sign-up sheet](#) to view all open time slots. Feel free to sign up for as few or as many slots as you'd like. We're grateful for any time you're able to give toward making this experience a success.



Death *by* Chocolate

You're invited to a sweet meet and greet
Saturday, April 12, 2025 | 12:30–4:00 p.m.

Buhrig Funeral & Cremation, Ltd.
37 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
Buhrig's Gathering Place
25 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

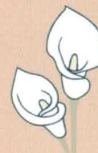
Join us for this free, exclusive chocolate tasting event!
Attendees have the opportunity to enjoy various
chocolate delicacies while visiting with our team and
touring our funeral home and gathering place.

Reservations are required. Save your spot by scanning
the QR code below or call 717-766-3421.

We can't wait to see you there!



BUHRIG
Funeral & Cremation, Ltd.
Gathering Place



37 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
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717-766-3421 | www.Buhrig.com



Mechanicsburg Lions Club



Invites you to attend:

Lions Club Open House April 15, 2025

Free Dinner for prospective members!

In 1925, Helen Keller challenged the Lions to be the "Knights of the Blind". Lions International accepted that challenge and have been helping the blind ever since. The Lions have grown to be the largest service organization in the world with 1.4 Million members in 48,000 clubs in 200 Countries!

Would you like to **give back** to your community through service?

Would you like to learn more about the Lions?

Join the 86 men & women of our club to better our community!

Reply if Interested!

Where: Buhrig's Gathering Place - 25 E. Main Street - Mechanicsburg, PA

When: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 5:45-6:15 Arrival Time 6:30 Dinner

RSVP: by April 10th

Email: mechanicsburglionsclub@gmail.com

Phone: 717-516-8401

You must RSVP to reserve your place for dinner!

This event is sponsored by the Lions Club of Mechanicsburg PA-Membership materials will be distributed during the evening.
Dinner is free for anyone interested in becoming a Mechanicsburg Lion.



Your business has been selected to participate in Sweet Deals 9. This special partnership invitation gives you the opportunity to receive an extremely valuable radio, social media, and digital advertising campaign for 100% trade. On April 22nd & 23rd, the Vice President in charge of our company's listener rewards and client partnership program is coming to your city to present a select number of businesses with this special opportunity.

All attendees will be entered to win a \$5,000 radio advertising schedule. No Purchase necessary.



What is Sweet Deals 📍?

It's a radio advertising campaign with online features, digital marketing, social media, and a LIVE in-studio sampling! All without a cash investment!



Scan to RSVP
or call 717-478-4035

April 22, 2025 at 10 am - Lancaster

April 22, 2025 at 2 pm - York

April 23, 2025 at 10 am - Camp Hill

April 23, 2025 at 2 pm - Harrisburg



LEMOYNE BUNNYFEST

VENDOR FAIR AND KIDS FUN DAY

Saturday, April 19
10am-2pm

Grace United Methodist Church Parking Lot

309 Herman Ave | Lemoyne

Shop our vendor fair, order food from our food trucks.

FREE Easter Bunny visit, kids games

Sponsored by Musselman Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Inc.
and Grace UM Church.

Is Human Trafficking happening here?

THE STATE OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VS HUMAN SMUGGLING

- Hear from **District Attorney Seán McCormack, Detective David Miller, and meet members of our new Cumberland County Human Trafficking Coalition.**
- What's Happening with our children?
- Meet the professionals addressing trafficking in Cumberland County

STOP TRAFFICKING

APR 22, 2025, 12:00 - 1:30 PM
COMFORT SUITES DOWNTOWN CARLISLE

10 S HANOVER ST CARLISLE, PA 17013



YWCACarlisle.org
301 G st Carlisle, PA 17013
717.243.3818

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS:



[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)



*Spreading sunshine to
those in our community
fighting cancer or other
life-threatening
illnesses.*



SUNDAY APRIL 27, 2025

Mary Lank Memorial Flamingo Bingo

**Lower Allen VFW Post 7530 - 4545 Westport Dr.
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055**

Doors Open at Noon - Games begin at 1:30pm



CASH BINGO

\$35 includes: 10 Games, Hearty Appetizers & Soda
Special Games available for purchase

Tear off-tickets ~ 50/50 Raffle ~ Door Prizes - Basket Raffles
Extra Game Cards will be available to purchase

**For Reservations Contact:
Karen Shaner 717-979-5546**

FREE TAX PREPARATION!

Families (2 or more people) who made \$67,000 or less and individuals who made \$45,000 or less in 2024 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).
- 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 insurance from the marketplace, bring your form 1095-A.

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.

TAX PREPARATION WILL BEGIN ON FEBRUARY 3, 2025 AT THE FOLLOWING SITES

To schedule an appointment, dial 211 on your phone or call 855.567.5341.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Bosler Memorial Library

158 W. High St., Carlisle
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Fridays: noon - 4 p.m.

Employment Skills Center

29 S. Hanover St., Carlisle
No appointment needed.
Tuesdays, Thursdays: 5:30-7 p.m.

First Christian Church of Lemoyne

442 Hummel Ave., Lemoyne
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Thursdays: 6-8 p.m.
Saturdays: 9 a.m. - noon
(Second & fourth Saturdays each month.)

First United Church of Christ

30 N. Pitt St., Carlisle
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Mondays: 3:30-7 p.m.
Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. (2/22 only.)

Messiah University

Frey Hall, Rm.150
One University Ave., Mechanicsburg
717.796.1800, ext. 7300
No appointment needed.
Mondays: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
(Open 2/24 thru 4/14. Closed 3/10.)

New Hope Ministries, Inc.

5228 Trindle Rd., Mechanicsburg
No appointment needed.
Mondays, Wednesdays: 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Penn State Dickinson Law

150 S. College St., Rm. 104, Carlisle
No appointment needed.
Thursdays: 4-8 p.m. (Closed 3/13.)

Shippensburg University

68 W. King St., Shippensburg
No appointment needed.
Wednesdays: 5-9 p.m. (Closed 3/12.)

Tri County Community Action

123 N. Enola Dr., 2nd Floor, Enola
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Tuesdays: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

DAUPHIN COUNTY

Belco Community Credit Union

449 Eisenhower Blvd., Harrisburg
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Wednesdays: 5:30-8 p.m.

Market Square Presbyterian Church

20 S. Second St., Harrisburg
No appointment needed.
Tuesdays, Thursdays: 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Middletown Public Library

20 North Catherine St., Middletown
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Mondays, Thursdays: 5-8 p.m.

Tri County Community Action

20 Clearfield St., Elizabethtown
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Tuesdays: 9 a.m. - noon

Tri County Community Action

1514 Derry St., Harrisburg
Tuesdays: 6-8:30 p.m. (No appointment needed.)
Thursdays: 6-8:30 p.m. (Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.)

Widener Law Commonwealth &

Central PA Law Clinic
3737 Vartan Way, Harrisburg
Appointment only. Call 211 to schedule.
Saturdays: 9 a.m. - noon

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 211 to schedule.
Fridays: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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

**Do not call sites directly
unless a number is listed.**

***All walk-in sites may reach capacity early on high volume days.**

LET TRAINED VOLUNTEERS PREPARE YOUR TAXES FOR FREE!

Families (2 or more people) who made \$67,000 or less and individuals who made \$45,000 or less in 2024 may be eligible to receive FREE tax preparation through Money in Your Pocket (MIYP)! MIYP is part of the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

MONEY
IN Your
POCKET

VITA
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

- The amount of money you get back depends on many factors and may not be the same as last year.
- To get a refund, you must file a tax return even if you don't owe anything.
- If you did not claim the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) in the past but were eligible, you can file an amendment at any time during the year for up to three previous tax years. You may be eligible for money you did not know about!
- Refunds for e-filed returns that will be direct deposited are usually received in 10 days or less.

TOUCH-FREE TAXES FREE Remote Tax Preparation

Touch-Free Taxes is a free tax preparation program which can be done from the comfort of your home by connecting you to a trained volunteer to complete your taxes.

You can start using the Touch-Free Taxes service starting February 3, 2025 by visiting:

www.getyourrefund.org/uwcrpa

For more information, e-mail miyp@uwcr.org or call 717.724.4077.

Touch-Free Taxes is brought to you by the Money in Your Pocket program.

FEDERAL EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT ELIGIBILITY

If you fit these guidelines, you may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

Children	Single Income	Married (filing jointly)
No children	\$18,591	\$25,511
1 child	\$49,084	\$56,004
2 children	\$55,768	\$62,688
3 or more children	\$59,899	\$66,819

All reasonable accommodations will be provided at no cost to individuals with special needs. For more information about special accommodations, or the availability of interpreters, call the MIYP info line at 717.724.4077, or e-mail miyp@uwcr.org.

MONEY IN YOUR POCKET PARTNERS:

- Belco Community Credit Union
- Bosler Memorial Library
- Central Pennsylvania Food Bank
- Citizens Bank
- Code For America/Get Your Refund
- Dickinson College
- Employment Skills Center
- First Christian Church of Lemoyne
- First United Church of Christ
- Market Square Presbyterian Church
- Messiah University
- Middletown Public Library
- Midwest Food Bank
- Mifflin-Juniata Human Services
- New Hope Ministries, Inc.
- Penn State Dickinson School of Law
- Penn National Insurance
- Perry County Literacy Council
- PNC
- Shippensburg University
- Tri County Community Action
- Truist Bank
- United Way of Carlisle and Cumberland County
- United Way of the Capital Region
- U.S. Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service
- Widener University Commonwealth Law School

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Treasury, Internal
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United Way of
the Capital Region

The Money in Your Pocket program is a community collaboration to promote the Earned Income Tax Credit, free tax assistance and financial literacy within the Capital Region. Money in Your Pocket does not tolerate discrimination by its volunteers against anyone because of age, color, disability, race, reprisal, national origin, English proficiency, religion, sex, sexual orientation or status as a parent.

For more information, call 717.724.4077 or visit www.uwcr.org/miyp or www.irs.gov.

JOIN US FOR A

Derby Night of Giving

**SUNDAY, MAY 4
4-7 PM**

**The Barn at Creek's Bend
29 S. Middlesex Road
Carlisle, PA 17015**

**For the
Health
of a
Child**



**Silent
Auction**



**Delicious Food
& Drinks**



**Derby Hat
Contest**



**Cocktail
Attire**



**Evening Emcee:
Alicia Richards, WHTM-abc27 Anchor**



**Tickets: \$100 Per Person
Sponsorships Available**



SCAN HERE

**All proceeds benefit
children's medical &
dental services at
Sadler Health Center.**





RACE TO SHARE THE GOSPEL AROUND THE WORLD

2025 proceeds support The Tide ministry work in Cameroon!



Race Registration

Event Options

- 5K Race
- 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk

Registered racers receive

- Race t-shirt
- Race sticker

Top three 5K finishers in each category receive a medal!

Event Details

Saturday, May 17th
9 AM to 1 PM

Norlo Park
Pavilion 1 and 2
Fayetteville, PA

FREE
Family Fun Day
for everyone!

Open to the public!

Additional Fun

- Prizes
- Games
- Activities
- Inflatable
- Give Aways
- Picnic Lunch
- Sponsor Booths

See reverse side for Sponsorship
and Virtual Challenge information.

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.****

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**



Join Us for the Annual Patrice Berkheimer Memorial Day of Hope Golf Outing

benefiting Pink Hands of Hope



When: Friday, June 6, 2025

Where: Rich Valley Golf Club

227 Rich Valley Road

Mechanicsburg, PA

7:00 a.m. | Registration

8:00 a.m. | Shotgun Start

Breakfast & Lunch provided



www.pinkhandsofhope.org

Harrisburg Hoopla Returns for Its 7th Year *Uniting Fun, Competition and Philanthropy*

Get ready to compete for a cause! The Emerging Philanthropists Program (EPP), a special initiative of The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC), is thrilled to announce the return of **Harrisburg Hoopla** for its **7th annual event on Saturday, June 7, 2025, at City Island in Harrisburg**. This full-day competition brings teams together for a series of exciting physical and mental challenges—all in support of local nonprofits.

“Harrisburg Hoopla is the perfect blend of fun, competition and philanthropy,” said Blake Milbrand, director of development for the American Heart Association and co-chair of Harrisburg Hoopla. “It’s a chance to relive the excitement of field day, take on unique challenges with friends and most importantly, support incredible nonprofit organizations making a real difference in our community.”



The June event invites teams of **six to ten participants** to compete in various games, including

classic field day events and puzzle-based challenges. Each team will represent a nonprofit of their choice, with the top three teams earning donations for their selected organization. A portion of the event's proceeds will also support the **Emerging Philanthropists Fund at TFEC**, which empowers young leaders to make a lasting impact in the community.

Last year's event raised a combined total of \$10,335 to support organizations that are creating meaningful change in our community. Previous recipients include **Samara – The Center for Individual and Family Growth, Joshua Group, and Junior Achievement of South-Central PA.**

“Harrisburg Hoopla is more than just a day of fun and games—it’s an opportunity for our community to unite, champion local nonprofits and inspire the next generation of philanthropists,” said Tashia James, philanthropic officer at TFEC. “We see firsthand this event's impact on organizations doing vital work in our region each year. By combining teamwork, competition and giving, Harrisburg Hoopla embodies the spirit of philanthropy in action.”

Event Details:

- Date: Saturday, June 7, 2025
- Location: City Island, Harrisburg, PA
- Schedule:
 - o Registration Opens: 9:30 a.m.
 - o Program Begins: 10:00 a.m.
 - o Games Begin: 10:30 a.m.
- Registration: Teams can sign up at www.tfec.org/hbghoopla.
 - o Early Bird Rate: \$45 per participant (register by April 30)
 - o Standard Rate: \$55 per participant (registration closes June 1)
 - o Individual participants can also register and will be assigned to a team.



Sponsorship Opportunities:

Harrisburg Hoopla is made possible through the generous support of our sponsors. Current sponsors include CSR, Enterprise Mobility, Members 1st, Dale Wagner Insurance, Miter Foundation, Susquehanna Valley FCU, Capital Blue Cross, and Clark Associates.

Sponsorship opportunities are still available at the Gold (\$2,500), Silver (\$1,500), and Bronze (\$500) levels. Sponsors receive benefits such as brand recognition on event materials, social media shoutouts and invitations to the Check Presentation Event on June 25, 2025. To become a sponsor, visit www.tfec.org/hbghoopla or contact tjames@tfec.org.



Join the Fun & Make a Difference!

Harrisburg Hoopla is an unforgettable event that brings philanthropy to life in a dynamic and interactive way. Whether you're competing, volunteering or cheering on the teams, there's a place for everyone to get involved.

For more information, registration details, or sponsorship inquiries, visit www.tfec.org/hbghoopla or contact info@tfec.org.



Spring into Action – Prevent Warm Weather Orthopaedic Injuries

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With the arrival of spring, activities like baseball, tennis, golf and gardening become part of our daily lives, in addition to responsibilities like lawn mowing and other home maintenance projects.

While it's tempting to rush out into the warm weather and get started, make sure you're following proper safety precautions to protect yourself during these activities.

Mow the lawn, not your hands

During the spring, orthopaedic and trauma surgeons see increased injuries to the hands, arms and other areas of the body due to unsafe practices when operating lawnmowers and other yard tools. In fact, the Consumer Product Safety Commission reported more than 185,000 of these injuries in 2023.

Never stick your hands near the lawnmower blades or chute, even if the tool is powered off. Blades can still spin, even after a clog is cleared. To clear an obstruction, make sure the mower is powered off and use another object to clear blockages around the blade instead of your hands.

To protect yourself, always read the safety and operating instructions included with any new piece of yard equipment. Wear eye protection, gloves, and closed-toed shoes as a first line of defense.

Safety first for outdoor projects

Nearly 300,000 people visited an emergency room due to falls from ladders or stools in 2023. If you're trimming trees, clearing gutters, or doing other tasks, make sure your ladder or stool is secured in place before climbing on – especially when using sharp objects like hedge trimmers. Ask a family member or neighbor to hold the ladder in place to reduce the risk of falling.

When working in the garden, avoid cuts, punctures and scrapes by wearing appropriate work gloves. Make sure your tools are sharpened, safely stored, and handled with care when in use. To prevent overuse injuries, stretch the fingers and hands after long periods of repetitive use. Immediately clean and disinfect any cuts obtained while gardening to prevent infections.

Common spring sports injuries

As spring sports ramp up, so does an increased incidence of sprained and strained wrists with activities like golf, tennis, baseball and softball. Tennis, golfer, and pitcher's elbows occur when the

tendons that attach muscle to the bone deteriorate from excessive throwing or swinging motions used in those sports.

These types of injuries may be named after sports, but they can happen anytime a tendon is overused or misused. Treatment for sprains and strains include rest, ice, compression, and elevation. But if you are still experiencing long-term discomfort, consult with a physician as physical therapy, surgery, or other pain management techniques may be needed.

Orthopaedic injuries vary in their location, severity and complexity. Go to the emergency room if you're experiencing severe bleeding or pain or an open fracture such as a bone protruding through the skin.

UPMC Orthopaedic Care has [orthopaedic experts throughout the region](#). [Walk-in orthopaedic injury clinics](#) are available in Carlisle, Enola, Harrisburg and Lititz.

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Mechanicsburg Lions Club

5th Annual "We Serve" Golf Tournament



July 11, 2025 @



The banner features a light blue background with a subtle wave pattern. At the top, the text "Mechanicsburg Lions Club" is in a large, dark blue serif font, followed by "5th Annual 'We Serve' Golf Tournament" in a smaller, dark blue sans-serif font. In the center is a logo of a yellow cartoon lion wearing a blue visor and holding two golf clubs, with the words "LION GOLFER" below it. Below the lion logo, the text "July 11, 2025 @" is centered. At the bottom center is the "Mayapple GOLF CLUB" logo, which includes a red flag. On the bottom left and right are the "LIONS INTERNATIONAL" logos, each featuring a yellow lion head and the text "We Serve" below it.

The Mechanicsburg Lions Club will host the 5th annual "We Serve" charity Golf Tournament on Friday, July 11, 2025 at Mayapple Golf Club in Carlisle. 8am shot gun start with lunch to follow at Fiddler's Bar & Grill at the golf course.

We hope you will join us again this year and help us support our many charitable organizations.

[Click here for registration forms](#)

Limited to the first 108 golfers that sign up and pay. We look forward to seeing you on the course. Thank you for your continued support.