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

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

CHAMBER EVENTS

Watch for Weekly Updates!

October

2 - Chamber office will have limited hours due to an off-site event.

9 - Ribbon Cutting & Networking- Cosey Collectibles,
50 W Main St B, Mechanicsburg. 11:30 am

12 - Chamber office closed for the Columbus Day holiday

17 - 31st Annual Street of Treats,
Downtown Mechanicsburg. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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

*One study found that 64% of adults familiar
with their local chamber of commerce were
more likely to purchase from a chamber
member.*

- U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Thank You For Renewing Your Membership!

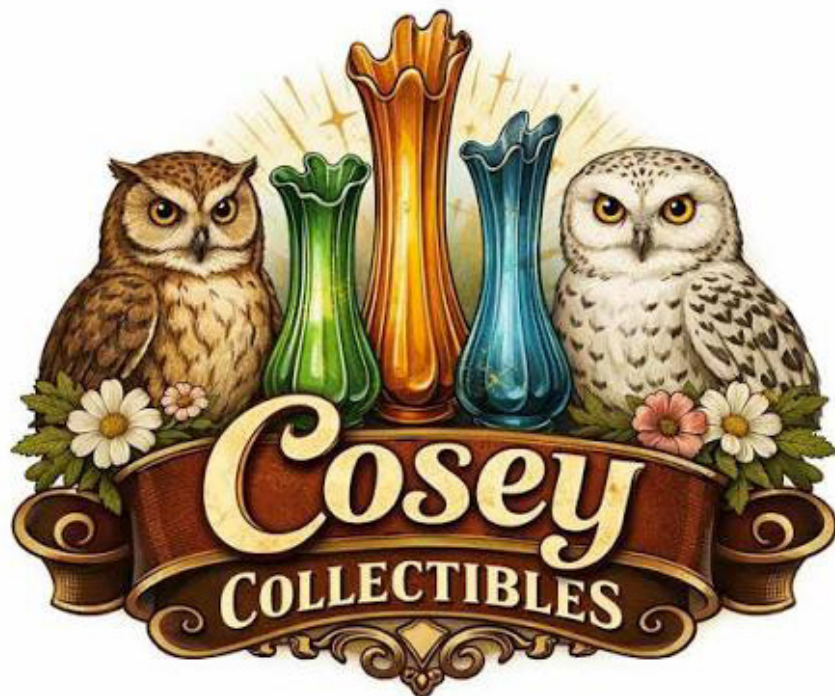
Mr. Appliance of Mechanicsburg



Please join the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce
as we welcome a new member with a Ribbon Cutting.

Come visit Downtown Mechanicsburg's newest retail shop featuring
antiques and glass items. Not only may you find a replacement for
your set, but they are always buying lots and pieces. Talk to them
about how to clear out your cabinets.

Friday, October 9th
Cosey Collectibles
50 West Main Street B
Mechanicsburg 17055
Ribbon Cutting at – 11:30 am



Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce
invites you to attend

31st Annual
Streets of Treats
Downtown Mechanicsburg

Saturday, October 17, 2026
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Trick-or-Treating at Downtown & Local Businesses

FREE and low cost activities, crafts & games

Pick up your trick-or-treating bag and map of
participating businesses at the Square

Market Street, Mechanicsburg, PA

Questions?

(717) 796-0811 | info@mechanicsburgchamber.org
6 West Strawberry Avenue, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Would you like to participate? Keep an eye toward your mailbox or contact the Chamber office for more information. It is free to participate, however, the event is funded through sponsorships.

**Call or email for more information -
717-796-0811 or info@mechanicsburgchamber.org**

Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce presents:

Business Leaders Discussion Group

Thursday, October 29

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.**

Seeking HOSTS for 2026 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.



New Hope Ministries - the Chamber's 2026 'Charity of Choice' - Offers Assistance with Transportation

Each year, the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce chooses a "Charity of Choice" to deliver community awareness and fundraising efforts. The Chamber uses its numerous vehicles to focus on understanding of what the chosen charity offers. Also, the Annual Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing provides an opportunity to financially assist the chosen charity to better provide its services to the area's residents. For 2026, New Hope will benefit from the Chamber's efforts and will be featured in numerous editions of Chamber Chatter – the Chamber's weekly e-newsletter.

Workforce development:

Halimatou came to New Hope Ministries back in 2024 seeking food services. The following year, she began asking about our Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program, and it quickly became clear that she was an exceptional student. She continued into our preclinical program, where she truly excelled every step of the way.

She started to study at Dauphin County Technical School in the evenings. Halimatou worked hard towards her goal and we are thrilled to share she recently passed both her state exam and her clinical exam! She even came back to show us her certificates, and we could not be more proud of her accomplishments.

Halimatou is now looking ahead to pursuing her LPN. When originally asked why she wanted to be a CNA she told us "This is my first step towards being a surgeon. When I was young, a surgeon took care of me and I will never forget it. I want to be a surgeon and this is a first step on that path." We are extremely excited for Halimatou and all the amazing things we know she will accomplish.

New Hope has 10 locations across parts of 3 Counties covering nearly a half million people. The Mechanicsburg area is served by their location at 5228 E Trindle Rd. They are open Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM and would be pleased to show their facility and all they do. Visit their website at nhm-pa.org or call 717-766-7333 for more information.

MEGA MIXER

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SHIPPENSBURG | WEST SHORE



Thank you to
all our sponsors and
those who attended the
2026 Cumberland County
Mega Mixer.

There were many new
faces, great networking,
fellowship, and wonderful
food (and the bartender
was pretty good, too).



A special
acknowledgement
to our host -
**Members 1st
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Travel with the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce to Sunny Portugal

Lisbon, Alentejo, Algarve & Portuguese Riviera

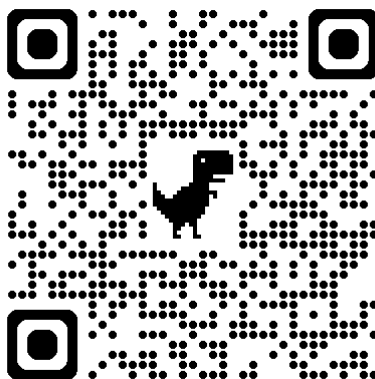
September 12-21, 2027

We have teamed up with Collette Vacations to offer this inclusive tour of one of Europe's fascinating countries.

Join us for a presentation Thursday, November 19 , 2026

Call to register and make your reservation.

Scan the QR code below for more information or click here.





A poster for the "Fall Fair Senior Expo". The top section has a red background with yellow and green leaves. It features the text "REPS. BARB GLEIM and SHERYL DELOZIER" in white, followed by "Invite You to their" in a script font. The main title "Fall Fair Senior Expo" is in a large, white, cursive font. Below the title are portraits of Rep. Barb Gleim (left, in a dark suit) and Rep. Sheryl DeLozier (right, in a pink jacket). Their names and websites, "Rep. Barb Gleim RepGleim.com" and "Rep. Sheryl DeLozier RepDeLozier.com", are listed below their portraits. The middle section has a white background with a circular photo of an elderly couple. To the right of the photo, the date "TUESDAY, OCT. 13" is in large red letters, followed by "10 a.m. to 2 p.m." and the location "Carlisle Expo Center, 100 K St., Carlisle". The bottom section has a red background with yellow and green leaves. It contains the text: "Government and community service/resource providers will be in attendance. Light refreshments will be provided." and "If you plan to attend, please register by calling 717-249-1990 or online at RepGleim.com/events."

Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Carlisle Expo Center, 100 K St. in Carlisle

I am partnering with Rep. Barb Gleim (R-199) to host a senior expo for residents of our legislative districts. Numerous government and community resource providers will be in attendance. Light refreshments will be provided.

Potential exhibitors must fill out [this form](#) by Friday, Sept. 18.

Attendees should RSVP to 717-761-4665 or [click here](#).

2026 General Election Important Dates



Oct. 19
**Last day to register to vote
in the general election**

- vote.pa.gov/Register

Oct. 27
**Last day to apply
for a mail ballot**

- vote.pa.gov/MailBallot

Nov. 3
**Election Day. Polls are open
7 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

- vote.pa.gov/Polls

Nov. 3
**Completed mail ballots
must be received by 8 p.m.**

- vote.pa.gov/County

The 2026 General Election is coming up on Tuesday, Nov. 3. The ballot includes candidates for governor, lieutenant governor, U.S. House of Representatives, and state House and Senate (in even-numbered senatorial districts).

If you are not already registered to vote, the deadline to do so is Monday, Oct. 19. You may register in person at your county elections office, by mail or by [visiting the state's online voter registration website](#).

The last day to [apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot](#) is Tuesday, Oct. 27. Completed ballots must be returned by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

For more information about voting in the Commonwealth, including how to check your registration and voting location, visit vote.pa.gov.

PFBC Offers Fishing, Boating Grants

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) is accepting applications for two grant programs key to building on the Commonwealth's outdoors heritage.

The Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation (R3) Education Grant offers school districts, universities and colleges, community and civic groups, sporting and conservation organizations, and local recreation departments up to \$25,000 in funding for projects to promote new and renewed interest in fishing and boating. [Learn more here](#).

The Boating Facility Grant Program provides grants for planning, acquisition, development, expansion and rehabilitation of public boating facilities located on the waters of the Commonwealth. Eligible applicants include townships, boroughs, counties, municipalities and nonprofit organizations such as land trusts, conservancies and watershed groups.

[Learn more here.](#)

The application deadline for both grant programs is Dec. 1.





Older *and* Wiser

SEMINARS

 **THURSDAY, OCT. 1 9-10:30 A.M.**

 **MECHANICSBURG PLACE SENIOR CENTER**
97 W. Portland St., Mechanicsburg

 **THURSDAY, NOV. 5 9-10:30 A.M.**

 **WEST SHORE SENIOR CENTER**
122 Geary Ave., New Cumberland

Due to room occupancy limits, RSVPs are required.
Sign up by calling 717-761-4665 or visiting RepDelozier.com/Events.

Thursday, Nov. 5, from 9-10:30 a.m.,
at West Shore Senior Center, 122 Geary Ave., New Cumberland

Mid Penn Legal Services will lead a seminar educating attendees on the protection offered by power of attorney (POA) arrangements. Living wills, wills and health care POAs will also briefly be discussed.

Due to room occupancy limits, RSVPs are required. Sign up by calling 717-761-4665 or [click here](#).

SENATOR DAWN KEEFER

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Celebrating Manufacturing Day



October 2 is Manufacturing Day, an opportunity to recognize the manufacturers and skilled workers who help drive our local economy. York and Cumberland counties are home to diverse manufacturing industries that provide good jobs and support communities across our region. York County has nearly 600 manufacturing firms employing more than 31,000 workers, while Cumberland County's manufacturers span industries including building materials, food processing and advanced industrial equipment.

I'm proud of the manufacturers and workers in our communities who make products used here at home and around the world. Manufacturing Day is an opportunity to recognize their contributions and highlight the many career opportunities available in this important industry.

Homeland Security Grant Webinar Oct. 15

When a crisis strikes, faith-based communities are often among the first places people turn for help, hope and support.

Houses of worship, nonprofits, schools and community organizations can learn how to play a vital role before, during and after a crisis via a free Pennsylvania Department of Homeland Security webinar Oct. 15.

Participants will gain practical tools and resources to help their organization respond with compassion, coordination and confidence. Learn more at the [webinar registration page](#).



Join Us for a Concealed Carry Seminar Oct. 17



I invite area gun owners to join [Rep. George Margetas](#) for a Concealed Carry Seminar on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 9 a.m. to noon at the West Manchester Farmers and Sportsman's Association, 4900 Pine Hill Road, Dover.

Attorney Seth Springer will discuss the rights of gun owners and provide information about concealed carry. Northern York County Regional Police Department Detective Jonathan Bailey, a firearms instructor, also will be on hand to

share his expertise and answer questions. My staff will be available to provide information about state services and resources.

This seminar will cover your rights as a gun owner, Pennsylvania firearms laws, the concealed carry permit application process and safe concealed carry practices. Registration is required. To reserve your spot, please call Rep. Margetas' office at 717-767-3947.

Fire and EMS Companies Can Apply Now for State Assistance

Attention local fire companies, emergency medical services and volunteer rescue squads: Applications are being accepted for the latest round of the state Fire Company and Emergency Medical Services Grant program.

The funds can be used to help pay for facility construction/renovation, equipment, training, debt reduction and more. The application period closes Oct. 22.



Providing communities with fire, medical and rescue services comes with a considerable price tag, especially for volunteer organizations. The General Assembly funds these grants to ensure these life-saving services are available. [Find more information and applications here.](#)

Garrity Announces \$1,000 Bonus for Families' Education Savings

Pennsylvania Treasurer Stacy Garrity is giving families with qualified PA 529 College and Career Saving Program Guaranteed Savings Plan (GSP) accounts a \$1,000 bonus contribution, enhancing education savings for about 107,000 Pennsylvania families.

The bonus is being paid for through surplus dollars in the GSP Fund. PA 529 GSP savers with at least a \$1,000 account balance, or those with at least a \$100 balance with contributions made since 2022, as of July 31, 2026, are eligible for this bonus deposit. Account owners will see this deposit reflected in their third quarter statement.



The PA 529 GSP allows families to save at today's tuition rates to cover tomorrow's tuition costs with account growth dependent on tuition inflation. For more information, visit [the PA 529 website](#).

New Law Cracks Down on Robocalls, Scam Texts and Caller ID Spoofing

Legislation we unanimously passed enacting stronger protections from deceptive telemarketing practices will take effect next month.

Under [Act 47 of 2026](#), Pennsylvania's telemarketing law will now cover modern forms of solicitation, including text messages, voicemails, ringless voicemails and robocalls. It also establishes stronger rules for when and how telemarketers can contact Pennsylvanians, including:

- Prohibiting telemarketing calls before 9 a.m. and after 7 p.m. and on Sundays.
- Requiring prior express written consent for most robocalls and telemarketing text messages.
- Prohibiting telemarketers from falsely identifying themselves or using deceptive caller ID information, including spoofed numbers.
- Requiring telemarketers to stop a solicitation when a consumer asks them to do so.

The legislation also prohibits the use of AI-generated messages to deceive consumers. The new law takes effect Oct. 19.



Phishing Scam Targets “MyChart” Patient Portal Users

If you use MyChart — a popular online patient portal used by many hospitals and healthcare providers — please be aware of a phishing scam targeting patients.

State Attorney General Dave Sunday reports scammers are impersonating MyChart by sending emails or text messages that offer patients a chance to claim a reward in the form of a “MyChart Medicare Kit.” No such program or reward exists.



These emails and text messages are attempts to trick recipients into clicking on malicious links, and obtain passwords and personal information from patients, which allows hackers to gain access to the patients' MyChart portals. [Read about how to avoid this and other phishing scams here.](#)



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| Fri. 10/2 | – | Traditions of Hershey Event, Palmyra...Kirk solo 2-3 |
| Fri. 10/2 | – | Reid's Wine & Cider House, Gettysburg...Kirk & Beth Duo 6-9 |
| Sat. 10/3 | – | Mt. Airy Orchards, Dillsburg ... Kirk solo/duo 10-1 |
| Sat. 10/3 | – | Mugs & Music Event, Mechanicsburg...Kirk Hosting ...Railroad Alley 3-9 |
| Sun. 10/4 | – | Mt. Airy Orchards, Dillsburg ... Kirk solo/duo 1-4 |
| Tues. 10/6 | – | Range + Rye Restaurant @ Range End, Dillsburg...Kirk solo 6-9 |
| Tue. 10/6 | – | AACA Night at the Museum, Hershey...Jazz Me Trio/Band 6-9 |
| Fri. 10/9 | – | Royal Winery-Brewery-Distillery , Harrisburg...Kirk & Bryce 6-9 |
| Sat. 10/10 | – | Mt. Airy Orchards, Dillsburg ... Kirk solo/duo 11-2 |
| Sun. 10/11 | – | Mt. Airy Orchards, Dillsburg ... Kirk solo/duo 1-4 |

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.

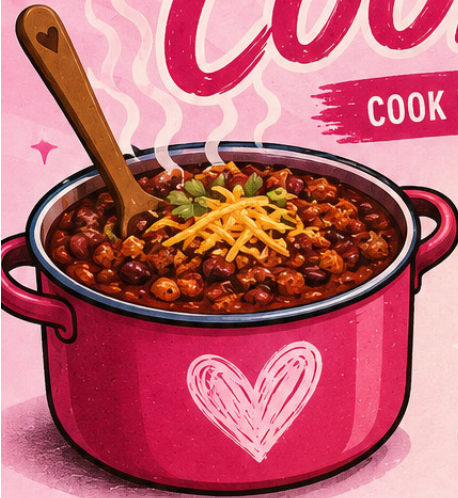
****Chamber Chatter advertising is a FREE member benefit.****

East Main Dental will be hosting our 3rd Annual Fighting Cancer with Smiles fundraiser throughout the month of October, with all proceeds benefiting Pink Hands of Hope, a local nonprofit supporting women and families affected by breast cancer.

Chili Cook-Off – October 3

11:00 AM–2:00 PM

Buhrig's Gathering Place



EAST MAIN DENTAL PRESENTS

CHILI COOK-OFF!

COOK UP HOPE. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 3RD
11AM – 2PM**

BUHRIG GATHERING PLACE
37 E MAIN ST. • MECHANICSBURG, PA

**TICKETS ON SALE
9/7!
\$10**

YOUR TICKET INCLUDES:

-  A SAMPLE OF EVERY CHILI
-  ONE VOTE FOR PEOPLE'S CHOICE WINNER
-  SUPPORTING PINK HANDS OF HOPE

SPECIAL GUEST JUDGES:

-  SOCIAL MEDIA STARS
The Hungie Couple
-  LOCAL CHEF
John Reis
-  FABULOUS DENTISTS
Dr. Reese & Dr. Warren

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ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT
PINK HANDS OF HOPE
SUPPORTING LOCAL WOMEN AND FAMILIES AFFECTED BY CANCER.
♡ Thank you for supporting our community! ♡



Tickets are just \$5 and include a sample of each chili and one vote for People's Choice. Tickets are available at **East Main Dental**, **Pink Hands of Hope**, at the door, or online at pinkhandsofhope.org.

Our guest judges include local favorites and community personalities:

- The Hungie Couple – social media personalities
- PA State Representative Sheryl Delozier
- Local Chef John Reis
- Breast Cancer Survivor Anita Cox
- Dr. Terry Reese & Dr. Warren



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OCT. 7
Sarah's
CREAMERY



OCT. 14

CK CHICKEN





OCT. 21
SPECKLED MOOSE



OCT. 29

Soul Lotta
EMPANADAS



EVERY WEDNESDAY IN OCTOBER

11AM – 2PM

ENJOY DELICIOUS FOOD & SUPPORT
LOCAL WOMEN AND FAMILIES
AFFECTED BY CANCER.


PINK HANDS OF HOPE

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY! 

October Food Trucks – 11:00 AM–2:00 PM

All food trucks will be located at **East Main Dental, 324 E Main St., Mechanicsburg**, with a portion of each day's sales benefiting **Pink Hands of Hope**.

- October 7: Sarah's Creamery
- October 14: CK Chicken
- October 21: Speckled Moose
- October 29: Soul Lotta Empanadas

Fighting Cancer with Smiles Raffle

We are also selling raffle tickets for some great prizes, including 4 Rockettes Christmas Spectacular tickets in New York, a 55-inch television, and many other prizes!

The raffle drawing will be held **October 29 at 1:15 PM at East Main Dental**.

GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) Mechanicsburg

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 13 at 7:00 PM at Buhrig's Gathering Place, 25 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg. The program will be PennDot Spokesman Fritz Schreffler. She is a Safety Press Officer at the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, specializing in government communications and public outreach.

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



Over The EDGE

RAPPEL FROM THE ROOF!
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October 9

17 North 2nd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Over The Edge raises
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one youth mentoring
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The official registration and financial information of Big Brothers Big Sisters of South-Central PA may be obtained from the PA Department of State by calling toll free 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

**REGISTER
TODAY: BBBSSCPA.ORG**

*Rappelers are asked to fundraise a minimum of \$1,000 prior to their rappel.



FREE Breast Screening Event

**Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026
8 a.m. to noon**

**UPMC Obstetrics & Gynecology
Specialists-North Harrisburg**
2645 N. 3rd St., 4th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Women ages 18 and older can expect:

- **A quick review of breast-focused history and a breast-focused exam.**
- **Breast-specific medical oncologists, breast surgeons, breast-focused nurse practitioners, general surgery residents, and gynecology residents will be onsite for exams.**
- **If an abnormality is found, a referral will be made to a UPMC Breast Care Center for follow-up care.**

What to Bring:

- Insurance card, but insurance is not required. No payment is expected.
- Photo ID

Important to Note:

- No breast imaging (mammograms) will be conducted.
- Attendees do not have to be a current UPMC patient.
- A full physical will not be conducted. Non-breast issues will not be addressed.
- This event is not for patients with a history of breast cancer due to other information needed.

**Walk-ins are welcome, but registration is encouraged.
To register, please call 717-960-3360.**

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Adams-Ricci Park

✂ **October 24:**
GFWC Women's Club
Craft Show @
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School Show



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♥ See you there! ♥



**Free Carpal Tunnel Screenings Available to Community
During UPMC West Shore Event**

UPMC is offering free carpal tunnel screenings for individuals with wrist numbness, tingling, weakness or pain on Oct. 15 on the UPMC West Shore campus. The event will be held at Medical Office Building 1 (Entrance 1) at 2025 Technology Pkwy., Suite 255, Mechanicsburg, Pa., 17050.

Carpal tunnel syndrome occurs in one to five percent of the population and is more likely to occur in women and people between the ages of 40 and 60. When left untreated, the condition can cause a decreased quality of life due to pain and an inability to hold everyday items such as steering wheels or phones.

The event runs between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. and will feature Mark Lavalley, M.D., sports medicine specialist, John Braca, M.D., chief neurosurgeon, and Ryan Ward, neurosurgery nurse practitioner. Participants will learn about UPMC's treatment options, including a new ultrasound guided, minimally invasive procedure. Registration is required.

[Register for the free carpal tunnel syndrome screening event.](#)

First United Methodist Church, 135 W. Simpson, Mechanicsburg

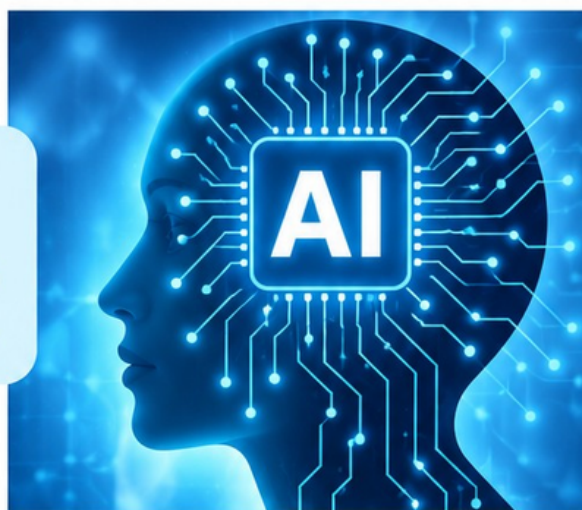


Health and Wellness

invites you to this upcoming presentation

with **Jason Fisher**

Sunday, October 18th
9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
in the Multi-purpose room.



AI: **Understanding the Myths** **and Risks of Artificial Intelligence**

A presentation and conversation about what AI is, how it's perceived in shaping our daily tasks, and the opportunities and challenges it presents. We'll explore its uses in everyday life, as well as concerns about privacy, misinformation, scams, jobs, bias, and the environment.



**Everyday
Uses**



Privacy



**Misinformation
& Scams**



**Jobs &
Bias**



**The
Environment**

Details at fumchurch.com



If you are experiencing grief and loss and would like to share in a group experience this fall, we invite you to journey with us for a 4 week grief group as we search together for hope, peace, and meaning in our grieving.



Tuesdays

Oct. 27, Nov. 3,
Nov. 10, Nov. 17



Room 105



3:30 – 4:30 PM

Register by October 20th

For more information or to register, contact:

Janice Bowen
wecare@fumchurch.com
717 766 4611 x112

Patti Vogl
pvogl@timelessconnections.org
717 319 7318

First United Methodist Church
135 W. Simpson Street, Mechanicsburg
Register at fumchurch.com



Cumberland Area
Economic Development
Corporation

LSA Statewide Grant Applications Currently Open – Connect With CAEDC To Apply

The Local Share Account (LSA) Statewide grant is now open for applications, and interested non-profits can apply through the Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation (CAEDC). CAEDC is seeking applicants who are non-profit organizations and need funding for projects that either have an economic development or tourism component in the region. Projects must be at least \$25,000, and the maximum grant request is \$1 million.

Eligible uses include real estate acquisition, construction, demolition, infrastructure, and the purchase of vehicles, machinery, and equipment (excluding uniforms, protective equipment, consumable supplies, and furniture), as well as planning, consulting, and design costs.

For construction projects specifically, engineering, design, inspection, and permitting costs may be included up to 10% of the total grant request, with contingency costs capped at 5% of eligible construction costs.

Interested, qualified applicants can apply on CAEDC's online application at CumberlandBusiness.com/lsa-application.

Complete applications must be submitted to CAEDC by October 31, 2026.

To discuss your project or if you have any questions, contact Alyssa Smith, CAEDC Grants Manager, at Alyssa@cumberlandbusiness.com or 717-240-7184.

The LSA Grant is funded through the PA Race Horse Development and Gaming Act (Act 2004-71), as amended, which provides for the distribution of gaming revenues through the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) to support projects in the public interest within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Help Us Make the 2027 PA Farm Show Extra Sweet!

Valley Grange #1360 is looking for **businesses, churches, youth groups, 4-H and FFA clubs, civic organizations, employee groups, families, and individuals** to volunteer at the **PA Dairymen's Association Milkshake Booth** during the 2027 PA Farm Show!

 **January 9–16, 2027**

 **PA Farm Show Complex – Harrisburg, PA**

Who Can Volunteer?

Volunteers must be 14 years of age or older. Groups are welcome to volunteer together, making this a great opportunity for organizations, businesses, families, and community groups!

You **do not have to volunteer for the entire week!** Groups can choose the day and shift that works best for them.

Why Volunteer?

Your volunteer time helps support the long-standing partnership between **Valley Grange #1360 and the PA Dairymen's Association**, while helping support Pennsylvania agriculture, youth programs, educational opportunities, scholarships, hunger prevention, and other agricultural programs across Pennsylvania.

It's a great opportunity to:

-  Give back to our community
-  Support Pennsylvania dairy and agriculture
-  Bring your group together for a fun experience
-  Be part of the famous PA Farm Show milkshake tradition
-  Make a difference while having a great time!

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER!

Ready to join us? Click the link below to choose your available shift(s)!

 Valley Grange #1360 – 2027 Farm Show Milkshake Volunteer Sign-Up
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094CABAB2AA4F4C61-65659782-2027#/>

If you have a group that would like to volunteer together, please let us know! We are happy to work with you to find shifts that fit your group.

Thank you for helping us continue this wonderful Farm Show tradition and for supporting Pennsylvania agriculture!

If you have any questions or would like to arrange a group of volunteers, please contact me.

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British Swim School is offering homeschool PE lessons with a lifesaving purpose!

For Pennsylvania homeschooling families, physical education can be much more than a box to check.

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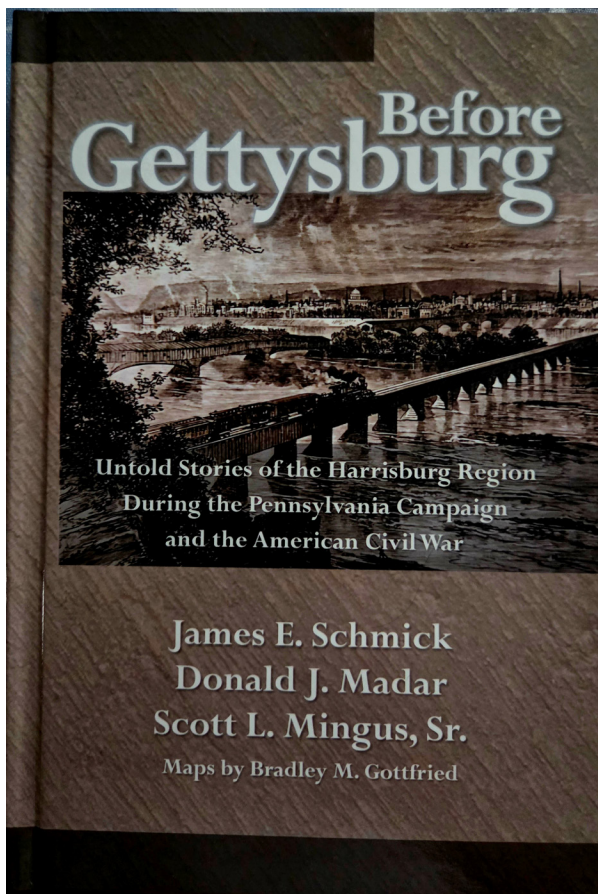
The State Transportation Commission (STC), PennDOT, and Pennsylvania's Metropolitan and Rural Planning Organizations (MPOs and RPOs) are excited to announce the availability of Pennsylvania's adopted 2027 12-Year Transportation Program (TYP).

Your support of Pennsylvania's TYP update process is greatly appreciated and valued by the STC. Your review and input of statewide transportation projects help us to improve Pennsylvania's transportation infrastructure, enhance safety, and develop modern mobility solutions.

The TYP is PennDOT's official mid-range planning tool, which lists statewide planned projects across all modes of transportation and assigns funding over a 12-year period. Pennsylvania State Law, Act 120 of 1970, as amended, requires PennDOT to prepare, update, and submit Pennsylvania's TYP every two years to the STC.

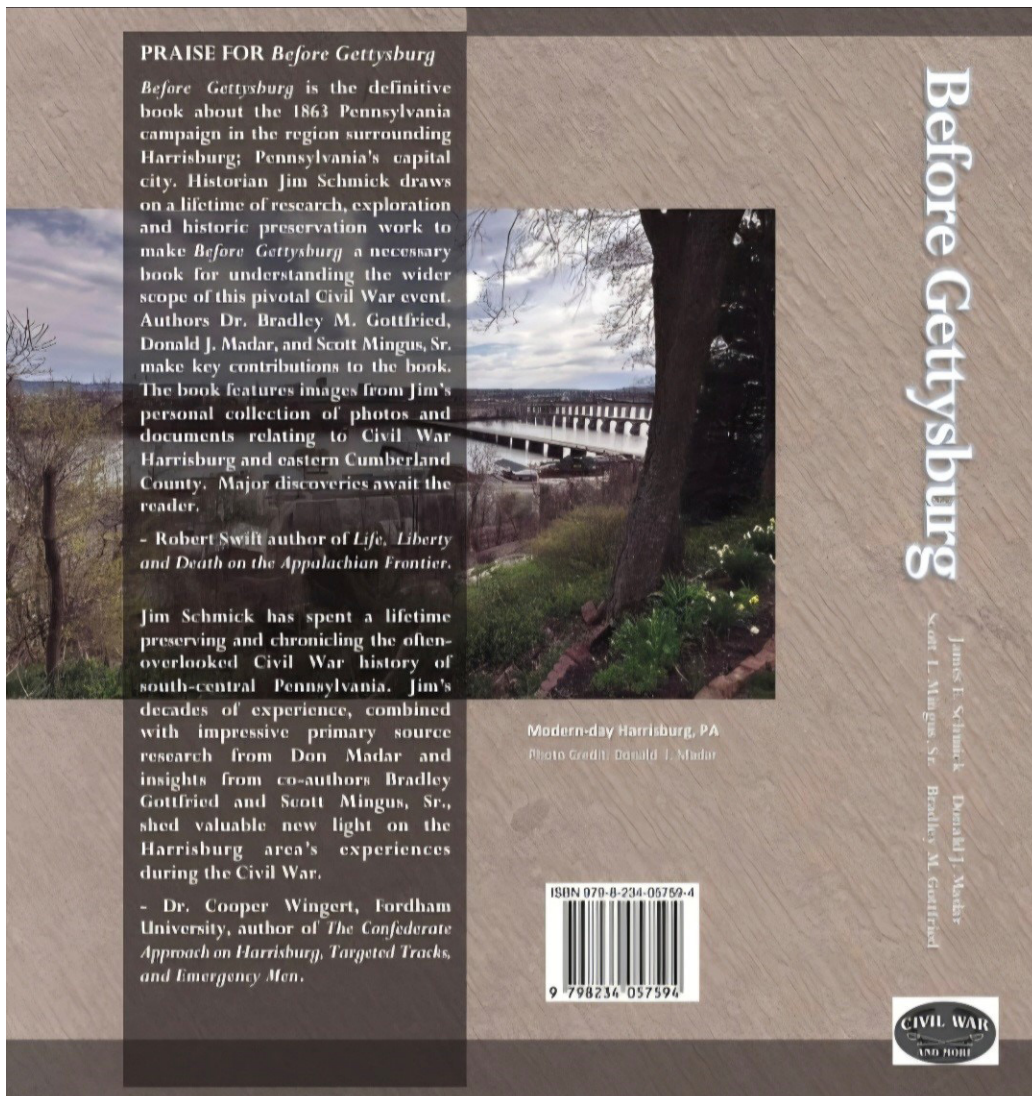
The STC adopted the 2027 TYP on August 5, 2026. [View the 2027 TYP on our website](#) to see which transportation projects are planned in Pennsylvania over the next 12 years.

VIEW THE 2027 12-YEAR PROGRAM



Civil War and More proprietor, local historian, and co-founder of the Camp Curtain Historical Society/ Civil War Roundtable, Jim Schmick, has released his newest book pertaining to our Central PA region from 1861-1865.

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