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Happy New Year!

As we close out 2022, We look back on a year that hasn't always been easy on our businesses and communities, but it is a year which also makes me smile. During this year's ebbs and flows one thing remained constant, SUPPORT. Whether it came from us to our members, from members to our chamber, or members supporting each other, that is one thing you could count on to never waver. The undying support and dedication our chamber receives from all of our members, is beyond measure.

We had a full calendar of events in 2022 and hope to continue to do so in this coming year. Our most important mission this year as well as in previous years is to be able to bring value, support, and attention to our members. Giving back is always our core focus for each of you who work tirelessly to make your businesses a success for our community. Thank you for your continued commitment to our region and the families who live in our Mon Valley.

We have many exciting events we are planning for 2023. Keep an eye out because we will be looking for feedback from our members to learn more about how we can service your businesses as well as what you would like to see on the chamber's agenda for the upcoming year. We will continue as always to create a climate for economic development, encourage new business investment, grow existing business investment, and support educational programs as well as promote tourism in our area. We are here to serve as your voice in creating a strong regional economy where we all can live and thrive.

On behalf of the Chamber Board of Directors, Melissa, and myself we would like to wish our members a very happy, healthy, and prosperous new year! We look forward to this year and the opportunities that lie ahead.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Leanna Spada, Executive Director

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New Memberships

Direct Results/Greene Scene Magazine
185 Wade St
Waynesburg, PA 15370
724-627-2040
www.directresults.us

Family Farm & Home
520 Tri County Lane
Belle Vernon, PA 15012
724-268-4046

Magic City Barbershop
521 McKean Ave
Charleroi, PA 15022
724-747-1676

Laurel Highlands Council, BSA
1275 Bedford Ave
Pittsburgh, PA 15219
908-463-4097

Ribbon Cuttings



Boarded Up, 417 S. Center Ave, New Stanton

L to R: Bryce, Ryan, Amelia, Hillary and Preston Stiffey

Our chamber was excited to be a part of the grand opening celebration and ribbon cutting ceremony at Boarded Up located at 417 S Center Ave. In New Stanton. It is a fantastic storefront that showcases and sales beautiful local artisans work as well as events and classes. Best wishes for much success on your new venture. For more info, call 724-331-0026, or find them on Facebook



Magic City Barbershop, 521 McKean Ave, Charleroi

L to R: Michelle Jacobs, Heather Skobel, Leigh Dooley, Todd Dooley, Lee Zielinski, Brenda Jacobs, Cary Charles, Bryan Jacobs

The chamber was excited to celebrate with Magic City Barbershop for their grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony. Hours of operation are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9am-7pm, Friday by appointment only and Saturday 9am-1pm. Walk ins welcome!
Call 724-747-1676

2022 Was a Big Year for the Chamber. After the Pandemic, we were pretty much up and running to our full extent.

14 Ribbon Cuttings



23 New Members





We were one of many wonderful sponsors at the ***All for Her Event,*** which educates, motivates and inspires the women of our community. This event was held at Tanger Outlets

3 Lunch & Learns

+ 4 After Hours

7 Member Mixers



Sol Wellness Center & Winslow Winery
Sponsored a Ladies Night



Giant Oaks Winery
Sponsored a Spirit Luncheon with Carole J. Obley

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Blood Donation

Thank You to Vitalant for partnering up with us for our first Blood Drive.

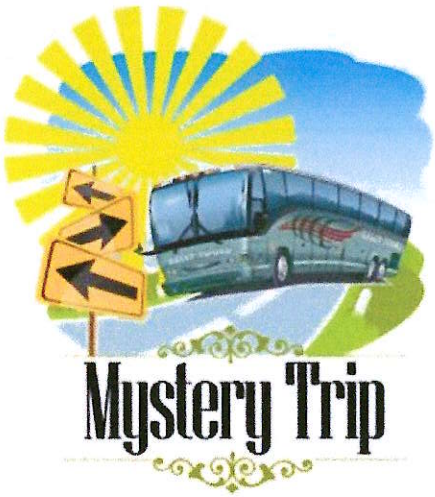


Charleroi NPP
Proud to be a part of such a great program, that will benefit our Mon Valley.



Leadership Washington County
We were honored to host a tour of the Mon Valley

Love Local Mystery Bus Tour



This year's Love Local Mystery Bus Tour had 80 participants. We were SOLD OUT. The day started out at the MMVTA Building in Charleroi with coffee from McDonalds and baked goods from Valdiserri's Bakery. From there we went to Prima Diva Boutique, Collins Corner and Dee's Event Center for some pop ups (Shortbread City, Rustic Home Treasures, Paparazzi Jewelry, Winslow Winery, Color Street Nails). Next Stop, Creative Elegance in Belle Vernon, then to lunch at Domenico's On Grand. From there, we went to Joseph's Nursery and His Place Coffee in Monessen for some shopping and then refreshments. Next Monongahela, for a sweet at Sweets by Mrs. C. followed by a little shopping and wine tasting at Ripepi Winery. Our last stop was Wild Buffalo Trading Co. in Bentleyville. We ended our day with a Basket Raffle at MMVTA where we had 18 baskets to raffle. Perfect way to end our day. Thank you to everyone for making this day such a success. We are already looking forward to next year and where we can take you.....????????

SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO THE MEMBERS THAT MADE OUR LOVE LOCAL MYSTERY BUS TOUR POSSIBLE

All Seasons Travel
Athene Club
Audrey's Custom Draperies
By George
cfs bank
Charleroi McDonalds
Collin's Corner
Commissioner Diana Irey Vaughan
Community Bank
Deb Puglia, Realtor, HHS
Dee's Cricket
Dee's Event Center
Dr. Brian Rudolph, DDS
Elite Physical Therapy and Wellness
Fayette Legacy Partners of Janney Montgomery Scott
Highway Appliance
Instant Brands
Joseph's Nursery & Garden Center
MarBill Diamond & Jewelry
MMVTA
N. Charleroi Dairy Queen
Observer Reporter
OSPTA
Pampered Chef
Prima Diva Boutique
Ripepi Winery
Senator Camera Bartolotta
Sol Wellness Center
SPHS
Stoney's Brewing Company
Studio K and Susan Jo
Valdiserri's Bakery
Washington Wild Things
Westmoreland Drug and Alcohol Commission
Williams Insurance Group
Winslow Winery

Love Local Mystery Bus Tour



His Place Coffee and More, Monessen



Creative Elegance, Belle Vernon



Domenico's On Grand, Monessen



Dee's Event Center, Charleroi with our Pop Ups



Sweets by Mrs. C, Monongahela



Collins Corner, Charleroi

Christmas Open House

Instant Brands
Made for together.
cfsbank
MarBill
DIAMONDS & JEWELRY
DAVIES Ford
Richard C. Mudrick
Attorney at Law

This Year our Christmas Open House was at Domenico's On Grand.
Big Thank You to our Sponsors above,
As well as Gene & Boots for favors and Joseph's Nursery for door prizes



Eileen, Brittany & Matt Claybaugh



Joanne Pireaux, Kellie McKevitt, Rebecca VonFradenburgh



Terry Lacey, Bobbi Ritter, Kristin Calcek, Adele Hopkins



Brian & Kelly Moore



Jamie Hoff, Wendy Garde, Michelle Misiak,



Sherry Crawford, Lorie Shinsky, Corbin Shinsky



Gerry & Armand Ferrara



Lisa Neil, Betty Mugrage, Rachel Rotolo



Ashley Seman
Kenny & Linda Wiltz



SAME GREAT RATES!

2023 Dues Invoices have been mailed out. If you did not receive yours, please contact the chamber.

DUES SCHEDULE

- 1 Employee Only/Owner-Operator: $175
- 2 to 10 Employees: $225
- 11 to 50 Employees: $275
- 51 Employees and Up: $325 + $1.50 per employee over 50
- Associate Member: $85
- Elected Officials: $110
- Municipalities: $110
- Non Profit Organizations: $110 + $1.00 per employee over 5
- Utilities: $525

Additional Locations: add $30 each

Have more than one business? Call for quote and ask about our family multi-business discount.

Note: 2 part-time employees = 1 full-time employee

Celebrate SUCCESS

CONGRATULATIONS to the ***OR Best of the Best*** nominees!

What do all these great Businesses have in common!

THEY ARE MEMBERS OF THE **MON VALLEY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.**

Ace Handyman Matters
Ace of Spades Fitness
Armand Ferrara, Realtor SWC
Armando's Pizza
Ashcraft Storage
Audrey's Custom Draperies
Back Porch
Bassi, Vreeland & Associates
BluePrints
Cambridge Hillside
Columbia Gas
Community Bank
Couslon's Tractor & Lawn Equipment
CSC Insurance
Dawg's Bar & Grille
Del's Pest Control
Elite Physical Therapy & Wellness
Frick FCU
Garrows Dog Training
Highway Appliance
Hogan Melenyzer Funeral Home
JED Heating & Cooling
Joseph's Nursery & Garden Center
Linda Baldini, Realtor BHHS
Lisa Neil of SWTS
MarBill Diamond & Jewelry
Marsh Tires
McKnight Medical
Model Cleaners
Mon Valley YMCA
Nemacolin Country Club
Penn Highlands, Mon Valley
Pete Jenkins Accounting
Poochtique
Presbyterian Senior Care
Prima Diva Boutique
Realty One Gold Standard
River House Café
Salon Seva
Salvatore's Pizza
Southwest Training Services
SPHS
Studio K
SWC Realty
Sweets by Mrs. C.
Tri County Carpet
Val's Car Wash
Washington Wild Things
Zelenski's Bridal



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Solicitor: Bassi, Vreeland & Assoc, PC
We regret any errors or omissions in this newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Ladies Night at Sol Wellness
Progressive Wine Tour
Craft & Crunch
Legends of Commerce Golf Outing
Love Local Mystery Bus Tour
Awards Gala
Christmas Open House
Luncheon Learns—*Identity Theft, QR Codes, Social Media, Retirement Planning*

(Feel free to email any ideas you might like to see us do a Lunch & Learn on.)

Watch the US mail, e-mail, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and our Chamber Website for information on all Chamber and Members news
www.mvrchamber.org