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Headline: **James Decker and Carrie Stuart Named 2025 PACP Keystone Award Recipients**

James Decker, President/CEO of Warren County Chamber of Business & Industry, and **Carrie Stuart**, President of The Chamber of Gettysburg and Adams County, were recently awarded the *Keystone Award* for outstanding service by a Chamber of Commerce Executive. The award was officially presented by the members of PACP attending the 2025 PACP Chamber Professionals & Leadership Conference held this week at the Seven Springs Mountain Resort in Seven Springs, PA.

The *Keystone Award* was established in 1963 to recognize outstanding service in, and contributions to, the profession of chamber management in Pennsylvania. It is the highest honor bestowed by the Pennsylvania Association of Chamber Professionals (PACP). It is not presented on an annual basis, but only at such times as an individual has merited such recognition. Decker is the 31st and Stuart the 32nd recipient of the award.

Decker is leading the Warren County Chamber as CEO in his final year. He has been Warren's "keystone" for industrial, commercial, educational, and recreational development since 1989 when he joined the Chamber. He has contributed vastly to the economic development of Warren County over the years, with one of his star achievements being the development of the Trails at Jakes Rocks, a 30+ mile mountain biking trail. He has also built a strong, capable team to carry forward the mission of the chamber and positioned the community for ongoing prosperity.

Stuart began her career with the Gettysburg Adams Chamber as a temporary employee and quickly rose through the ranks, eventually being named President in 2008. Under her leadership, the Chamber launched collaborative initiatives with economic organizations across Adams County, helping to attract new business and strengthen the region's economic foundation. She championed innovative member programs, reinvested substantial resources into the local community, and partnered with business and education leaders to address critical workforce development needs. She has served on the PACP Board of Directors, including in executive committee roles and as chair, offering steady guidance and strategic vision to help shape the direction of our statewide association. Her willingness to share her time, talents, and insights has helped elevate PACP's programs and impact for all of us.

We were pleased and honored to have the opportunity to present this award to Jim and Carrie this year – congratulations to you both!

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