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CHAMBER CHATTER

The Official Newsletter of the Greene County Chamber of Commerce

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GREENE COUNTY BUSINESS 2 BUSINESS SOCIAL

Do you own a local business? Thinking of starting one? Or are you looking to advance your connections in the community? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you need to attend the Greene County Business 2 Business Social presented by the Greene County Chamber of Commerce. Catering to our business community's needs, this event will foster networking and help you establish mutually-beneficial connections and partnerships, all in a casual setting.



ADMISSION

Advance tickets cost \$25 for Chamber members

\$35 for anyone at the door

Each attendee will receive a complimentary glass of wine from Thistlethwaite Vineyards, and Back Bay Catering will be serving light hors d'oeuvres. A cash wine bar will be available. Bring your business cards!

JOIN US!

Looking to attend this event? Call the Chamber office at 724-627-5926 to reserve your spot today!

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NOVEMBER 16, 2017

4:30 – 6:30 P.M.

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Annual Membership Banquet & DSA Presentation

Last month, the Chamber held their 30th Annual Membership Banquet at Waynesburg University. The evening consisted of a Chinese Auction that benefits the Chamber's Educational Scholarship Fund, a delicious meal prepared by Aladdin Food Services, and the presentation of our Distinguished Service and McCracken Legacy Awards.

The 2017 Distinguished Services Award was awarded to Chuck Baily for his leadership and contribution to the community.



Chamber President, Jeff McCracken and Executive Director, Melody Longstreth present Chuck Baily with his plaque.

The 2017 McCracken Legacy Award was awarded to Waynesburg University for their dedication to the Greene County community.



Waynesburg University President, Doug Lee accepts the McCracken Legacy Award from Jeff McCracken and Melody Longstreth.

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Chamber's Grand Opening Celebration

The Chamber celebrated our grand opening at our new location, 3157 Mt. Morris Road. The day included a ribbon cutting ceremony and a Business After Hours to showcase the new office space. Guests enjoyed light refreshments, wine, and a tour of the new office.

**Thank you to our grand opening
celebration sponsors!**

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October 2017 Chamber of Commerce Month



The Greene County Commissioners proclaimed the month of October 2017 as Chamber of Commerce Month. The proclamation recognizes that local business is integral to the growth and longevity of a community.

Melody Longstreth, Greene County Chamber of Commerce executive director, thanked the Commissioners for the proclamation. She informed the Commissioners that in July 2017, the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce changed their name to the Greene County Chamber of Commerce to reflect the work and membership that was being served across the county.

"Our goal is to continue to make Greene County a better place to live and work," Longstreth said. The Greene County Commissioners would also like to recognize the Carmichaels Chamber of Commerce for their effort and work in our county.

Chamber Chatter: Change in Delivery

Starting in 2018, the newsletter will only be published electronically and delivered through email. With this change, we are accepting emails of individuals who are interested in receiving the Chamber Chatter through their email. Please contact the Chamber office to add any persons to our distribution list. If your business wishes to still receive a hard copy of the Chamber Chatter, please contact the Chamber office so arrangements can be made.

GreeneScene Road Rally

The 2017 GreeneScene Road Rally was a success. Mother Nature showed her beautiful fall colors and the day couldn't have been nicer. A huge thank you goes out to Fox Ford and Direct Results for sponsoring and organizing this fun annual event.

The Chamber's Scholarship was once again chosen as the recipient of the event proceeds and we are very thankful. Thank you to all who participated!



Participants waiting for results



Chinese Auction Items



The Winners!

Washington Health System's HallowGreene

The Chamber participated in the Washington Health System's HallowGreene event. Our vehicle was decorated as Tow Mater from Cars for the Trunk-or-Treat. The kids loved it!



\$1,735 in Gift Cards for Christmas Raffle!

The Chamber's Fund Raising Committee is selling a raffle ticket for a chance to win \$1,735 in gift cards for Christmas. Winning number will be taken from the first official 7:00 pm PA Pick 3 Daily Number on Friday, November 17, 2017. Donation is \$10 a ticket. If you would like to purchase a ticket or would be willing to help sell by taking a book of ten tickets, please get in touch with the office. The proceeds from the ticket will help the Chamber continue its program of work. Thank you to all who donated toward the gift card raffle. We appreciate your support!

Parade Applications Now Being Accepted

The Greene County Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade will be held Saturday, December 2nd at 2:00pm in Downtown Waynesburg. The execution of the 2017 Parade is underwritten by **FirstEnergy Foundation**.

All units must be pre-registered by November 17th and pay a \$10 entry fee in order to participate. Late entries will be accepted through November 22nd at a fee of \$20. No entries will be accepted after November 22nd.

Miss Rain Day 2017, Eden Rogers and the Chamber's 2017 Distinguished Service Award winners, Chuck Baily and Waynesburg University will have the honor of leading the parade down High Street as it's Grand Marshals.

There is no central theme but all entries are asked to portray the true Christmas Spirit. Float judging will take place prior to the start of the parade. Trophies will be awarded to the top three floats.

WCYJ Television from Waynesburg University will be videotaping the parade for later broadcast on local stations. Anyone wishing to participate in the parade that did not receive an application is asked to contact the Chamber office at 724-627-5926 to register or download the parade application at www.greenechamber.org.

Waynesburg Coffee Company Ribbon Cutting

Last month we welcomed Waynesburg Coffee Company to the Greene County Business Community. This new coffee shop has specialty beverages, breakfast and lunch items and a variety of gelato flavors. Stop by for a visit, 25 North Morgan Street, Waynesburg.



October Lunch & Learn Event

Chamber members enjoyed a Lunch & Learn event titled "Everyone Communicates, Few Connect." Thank you to Kathy Saesan, certified independent speaker, coach and trainer from The John Maxwell Team who discussed with guests how to better communicate with others.



Welcome New Members!

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10th Annual Halloween Spooktacular

Waynesburg Borough and the Greene County Chamber teamed up once again to host the Halloween Spooktacular Costume Contest. Members of the Chamber and their employees, along with any Borough business were eligible to compete. Fifty-one participants were judged by a panel of qualified judges, Pam Snyder - State Representative, Jeff McCracken - Chamber President, and Shelly Brown - Owner of Direct Results. All received a treat bag compliments of First Federal Savings & Loan of Greene County. Winners received cash awards compliments of Baily Agency, State Representative Pam Snyder, Rhodes & Hammers Printing, Coach's Café, Med Express, McCracken Pharmacy, Laick Design, and PcSquared. Trophies were sponsored by Lisa Brown Allstate Insurance. Medals were sponsored by Betsy Rohanna McClure. The Most Original winner also received a hand decorated pumpkin donated by Sheriff Brian Tennant and decorated by Melody Longstreth of the Greene County Chamber of Commerce.



Most Original – “We Like our Puns Intended”
First Federal Drive Thru



Most Entertaining – “The California Raisins”
Greene County Clerk of Courts office



Best Group – “Alice In Wonderland”
First National Bank of PA



2nd Place Group – “Hocus Pocus”
Logan Law Office



3rd Place Group – “The Pittsburgh Pierogis”
Greene County Treasurer’s Office



Best Individual “Peter Pan”
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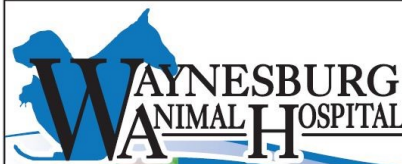


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Eva K. Bowlby Library 5K Turkey Trot

Saturday, November 18, 2017



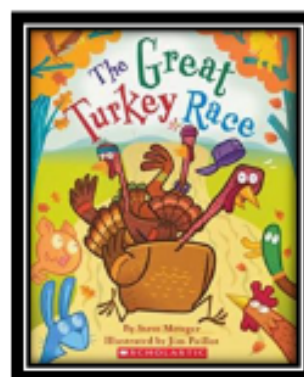
SPECIAL EVENT

**Meet the
Author
Steve Metzger**

Race Time:

1K The Wobble Gobble Children's Fun Run - 9A.M.

**All Wobble Gobble Children
receive a copy of
The Great Turkey Race
Autographed by the author**



5K Run/Walk/Pardoned Turkey - 9:30A.M.

Location:

Bowlby Library Gazebo

311 N West Street, Waynesburg, PA 15370

**Online Registration:
www.runsignup.com**



EQT REC Center

Grand Opening and First-Kick Event

November 18, 2017 | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
400 EverGreene Drive, Waynesburg, PA

We invite you to join us for the Grand Opening celebration!

The first official soccer kick on our indoor turf field will happen at 10:15 a.m., with class demos and activities immediately following.

COME AND ENJOY:

Giveaways and expos by local businesses | **FREE** drawing for one-year membership

FREE one-day pass for Saturday, November 18 only | **FREE** child care*

Saturday group exercise classes from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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age limits, and for
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