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The Official Newsletter of the Greene County Chamber of Commerce

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AUGUST GENERAL MEMBERSHIP NETWORKING LUNCHEON

Wednesday, August 22, 2018

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Rural Retail and Dining Day

Rural Retail and Dining Day was held on July 27. Very similar to Small Business Saturday, this event encouraged people to come out and shop local businesses and dine at locally-owned restaurants. A special ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on the courthouse steps to officially usher in the shop retail rural initiative. This event was hosted by the U.S. Small Business Administration.

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2nd Annual Women in Business Breakfast



The 2nd Annual Women in Business Breakfast was a great hit! The keynote speaker, Mary Cummings of Waynesburg University and recipient of the Pittsburgh Business Times Women of

Influence Award, lead guests in designing their own aspirational business cards. Guests also enjoyed a Bingo networking activity that helped develop new contacts. Everyone enjoyed a great morning of networking!



Thank you to our guest speaker, Mary Cummings!



Guests participating in the networking activities.



High Street Hair Ribbon Cutting Celebration

Last month we welcomed High Street Hair to the Greene County Business Community! Contact owner, Jason Renner and his team of stylists for your next haircut!



July General Membership Networking Luncheon

The July General Membership Networking Luncheon was held last month at the Waynesburg University Benedum Dining Hall in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Waynesburg. Guests enjoyed a delicious lunch by Aladdin Food Services and a very informative presentation by Pat O'Brien of Community Bank.

**Thank you to our luncheon sponsor,
Community Bank!**



Sheila Stewart, Chamber President with our guest speaker, Pat O'Brien of Community Bank and Rotary President Mike Milinovich.



Almost Heaven Kona Ice provided a sweet summer treat for all our guests!

Christmas Gift Card Raffle is Underway!

The Chamber is currently looking for businesses to participate in the Christmas Gift Card Raffle. If you would like to make a donation, it's easy, you simply say "yes, I'd like to participate" and we purchase the gift card and then invoice you. The best part is that your business name appears on 500 tickets.

Contact the office at 724-627-5926 if you would like to contribute to this year's raffle. Your participation in this project helps the Chamber meet its financial goals to continue our operations. Thank you to those who have already donated to the Christmas Gift Card Raffle!

Annual Membership Banquet Sponsorship Opportunities

The Chamber's Annual Membership Banquet will be held on Saturday, October 20th at the Waynesburg University Benedum Dining Hall. The Chamber is currently seeking sponsorship for this event.

All program sponsors will be listed in the evening's program book and will receive special recognition in the "Chamber Chatter" monthly newsletter, Facebook and weekly E-blasts. Diamond and Platinum sponsors will also have their corporate logo appear along with their name.

The following sponsorship levels are available:

Diamond Program Sponsor - \$400

Platinum Program Sponsor - \$300

Gold Program Sponsor - \$200

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We are also accepting items for our Educational Scholarship Chinese Auction at the Membership Banquet. If you would like to sponsor this event or make a donation to the Chinese Auction, please contact the Chamber at 724-627-5926 or info@greenechamber.org.

**Thank you to EQT,
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News from ChamberChoice

The Department of Labor released last month the expansion of Small Business Health Plans! This long anticipated news is very exciting. We have been preparing for this and the opportunity to create *new association health plans* for many months. The response from insurance companies and other service providers is positive; and as the finer points and details are resolved, we will keep you informed.

This is great news for employers. ChamberChoice is working with JRG Advisors to develop new health insurance plans that deliver quality coverage, provider network access and reduced premium costs! As a business owner and member of one of our local Chamber of Commerce partners, rest assured that we are working to deliver a new health insurance and benefits program before the Fall 2018 small group health plan renewal dates.



Summer Jive - Chamber After Hours Series

The Chamber Business After Hours series continued with our Summer Jive event. Guests and their families enjoyed a evening of networking and swimming at the Greene County Country Club. Thank you to those who attended!



DSA Nominations Needed

The Chamber is now accepting nominations for the Distinguished Service Award (DSA). This award is presented every year to an individual and organization that demonstrates leadership, contributes to the community through participation, civic enterprises, and cooperation with other individuals and organizations. If you would like to make a nomination, please contact the Chamber by August 15.

American Pickers to Film in Pennsylvania

Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are excited to return to Pennsylvania! They plan to film episodes of the hit series American Pickers throughout the region in August!

American Pickers is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique "picking" on History. The hit show follows Mike and Frank, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques. They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the interesting stories behind them.

As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, the Pickers want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items. The pair hopes to give historically significant objects a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way.

Mike and Frank have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

American Pickers is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send us your name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to: americanpickers@cinetflix.com or call 855-OLD-RUST.

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