



CHAMBER CHATTER

The Newsletter of the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce

General Membership and Speaker Wednesday, March 27, 1996 at Noon The Iron Griddle Restaurant

Jean Mears, Assistant to Superintendent James S. Price
State Correctional Institution at Greene (S.C.I.)
"Prison Up-Date"

All Chamber members are urged to attend and bring a guest.
If you are unable to attend, please feel free to send a representative.

Harrisburg Hope

- Harrisburg legislators in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives continue to debate House Bill 2216, which would provide the PA business community with much needed workers' compensation cost relief. Chamber members are encouraged to contact your elected officials in both the House and Senate to discuss the importance of bringing down the exorbitant costs of workers' comp in our state. HB 2216 has been referred to the House Labor Relations Committee.
- The PA Chamber of Business & Industry advises that some lawmakers have proposed "Any Willing Provider" legislation which attacks managed care. The legislation would forcibly allow any physician who is willing to accept HMO pricing schedules to treat HMO patients without adhering to the "supply/demand" arrangements of the HMO managed care network. While this is great for physicians who can't compete with the cost-saving HMO plans, the costs of health care for businesses could rise 20%! The Chamber is leading the fight to make sure that lawmakers understand the serious consequences of this legislation for PA business.

MEETING MEMOS

Stan Majesky, Membership Chairman reports next meeting March 26th - 9:00 AM, Greene Co. Job Center. Spread the word - there is strength in numbers and the Chamber needs your membership support.

Andrew Corfont, Suzanne Huffman, Kevin Policz - Thanks for the sensational Commemoration of Bicentennial Charter signing February 9th. A wonderful "Birthday Cake" celebration. Bicentennial Committee is planning a Gala/Period/Masquerade Bicentennial Ball and much more. Next meeting Thursday, April 4th -12:00 Noon -Elk's.

Andrew Corfont, VP and Chairman reported on Miss Rain Day Pageant Committee-Next meeting Friday, March 22nd at Iron Griddle - 12:00 noon; thereafter, April 9th at Iron Griddle - 12:00 noon. Pageant scheduled for Sunday, July 21st.

Chad Moore, President & Golf Outing Chairman scheduled Rohanna's for Annual Golf Outing on Saturday, June 22nd.

Brian Waychoff, Treasurer & Budget Chairman reported Budget approved by Board at February 14th meeting.

Executive Committee met with Commissioners on February 13th regarding space allocation and improvement. Commissioners agreed to assist with office

Thanks & Thoughts

- Special thanks to everyone who has renewed their support of the Chamber and welcome back to: David Burd at Agway, Chris Kiger & Sally Cameron at the Fashion Shop, John Howard, Chrysler, Plymouth, Jeep, Eagle, Inc., Laurine Williams, Cornerstone Genealogical Society and Sam Stahl, Stahl's Alternator.
- Maps: Waynesburg/Greene County Maps are available to Chamber members at no cost; however, we will charge a fee for more than a limited quantity.
- Advertising: Are you looking for an opportunity to advertise directly to your fellow Chamber members? A business card-size ad in the *Chatter* is \$180 for 11 issues. Or \$130 for the next 8 issues . . . also, if you have a material you would like inserted with our newsletter, we will send out 200 copies for \$50. Each month the ads are rotated so that each ad will appear on the outside cover. Call Jackie at 627-5926.
- Information Center: Display pamphlets/brochures on your business or service in the Chamber office Information Center.

improvements and maintenance for Chamber office.

Ann Bargerstock, new Director for the Office of Planning & Development spoke at Feb. 28th General Meeting and brought us up-to-date on economic development in addition to announcing the Farmers' Market Concept; providing a marketplace for artisans, farmers and other cottage industries, promote tourism while creating work for those served by local human service agencies . . . a very informative and enlightening presentation. Thanks Ann.

WHOS NEWS

C.A.R.E. Greene County Forum on Teen Substance Abuse. With prom season near at hand, thoughts center on teen parties and drinking. In response to this concern, the CARE Center is sponsoring a Forum on Teen Substance Abuse on Tuesday evening, April 30, 1996, the Waynesburg Theatre & Arts Center. Open to the entire community, the forum will present a five member panel to address those commonly stated questions such as "How do I know my child is using?" and "What can I do to help?"

Department of Transportation - Has awarded a contract to Pompei & Sons, Inc., to improve High Street. Construction begins on April 1st with an anticipated completion date by the end of May. There will be no detours.

If you would like to discuss details of the project, contact John A. Knapik, Jr., P.E., at 439-7253.

Greene County Council on the Arts - "Arts on Tour" performances scheduled for Greene County during this Bicentennial Year: March 22nd ROAD TO THE ISLES featuring the bagpipe music, dance & folksong of Ireland and Scotland. May 10th ROLL ON MONONGAHELA, an evening of music & songs performed by Pittsburgh's premier Victorian ensemble, the "Dear Friends." August

24th The TAMBURITZANS of Duquesne University, perform East European folk music, songs and dances, with brilliant, authentic ethnic costumes. For info call: Carol Fisher 966-2731.

Cornerstone Genealogical Society - Have you seen The Greene County Afghans in the Chamber Window? Lovely Bicentennial gifts... contact Laurine Williams at 627-5653.

Pennsylvania Chamber advises that Employees are the number one group suing today! Your Waynesburg Chamber is a member of the Pennsylvania Chamber and therefore you reap the benefit of their representation and expertise. They are offering for sale handbooks on **Employer's Guide to Preparing an Employee Handbook** and **EEO-Understanding Discrimination in Employment**.

Greene ARC's Bonnie Campbell reminds everyone that March is Mental Retardation Month. Stop out and visit their facility.

W.A.N.B announces the 2nd Annual Area Health Fair from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 PM on April 13, 1996 at the Greene County Fair Grounds. The fair is being presented by the hospital in conjunction with WANB Radio Station in Waynesburg. Open to the general public, the one day event will offer a vast array

of exhibits and displays from area health care providers and organizations as well as various free screenings, tests and demonstrations. Screenings available to visitors will include blood pressure, glucose, TB test, body fat measuring, pulmonary function testing, vision screen and many more. There will be demonstrations on self-help techniques like pressure point therapy emergency first aid and CPR, herbs and homeopathic remedies and more. Many exhibitors at the fair will be offering visitors free samples as well as literature and information to improve their health, fitness, nutrition and active life styles. Free refreshments will be offered and many exhibitors and WANB will be giving away door prizes. Admission to the fair is free.

Hospice Care, Inc. Introduced a specialized bereavement support program for children through the Center for Grieving Children & Teens who have experienced the loss of a parent, sibling, grandparent or primary careperson within the past three years. Trained professionals and volunteers provide a caring, safe & accepting environment for these children. Groups meet at the Hospice Office on a regular basis. Also, they have a second program called "Faith Into Action" which provides a wonderful faith sharing opportunity. For more information, contact **Beth Stroud 627-8118**.

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*Appointed to fill term
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DID YOU KNOW?

Mrs. Thesma Yoders of Floyd, VA wrote us and shared an article from "Grit" written by Peter Stevens a free-lance writer from Quincy, Massachusetts stating that "AMERICA'S FIRST LITTLE LEAGUE TOOK THE FIELD IN 1908" right here in Waynesburg. I have the article at the Chamber office if anyone is interested, drop by and pick up a copy!

Prudence

Never insult an alligator until you've crossed the river.

-Cordell Hull

Note:

Your Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce is a member of the Pennsylvania Chamber along with approximately 5,000 other members. They have focused and directed their 1995 member-driven agenda to an unprecedented series of legislative & regulatory victories for business this year. Your insightful input helps to steer their powerful advocacy for business. If you have concerns you want addressed by the Chamber in Harrisburg, please call 1-800-225-7224 since they are "fighting for business on Capitol Hill."

Tell Us How We Are Doing

Here's your chance to tell your Chamber what you think we need to be doing. Jot down your suggestions, opinion or other comments in this space and mail it to the Chamber at 26 West High Street.

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