

CHAMBER CHATTER

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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Miss Rain Day touring at RAG American Coal. Is that coal dust on her nose?

President's Letter

"March came in like a Lion" at least at the chamber, Melody's committee meeting blitz has been a great success. Anyone who is on a committee should have attended a lunch meeting to set event dates and elect chairpersons. This doesn't mean that it's too late to join a committee, if you are interested please contact the office.

Members should be getting a call from Marsha Gilliman from Village Profile, if you were interested in advertising in the Community View Book, remember this book will act a vital tool for the Chamber and the community.

Membership is growing, if you haven't renewed your membership hurry and do so, you don't want to miss out on any chamber benefits. The Long Range Planning committee has some great ideas to get the chamber image out and about in the community this year and we will need your help.

The revitalization committee is underway setting up public meetings that will help steer us through the vision process. John Owen and Charles Perrine have taken charge of this committee and we thank them. I know everyone will enjoy working with Bill Fontana from Pennsylvania Downtown Center; he has made a commitment to make revitalization work for our community. It is not too late to get involved!

Well, if March came in like a lion it will go out like a lamb, but that doesn't mean you don't have to get involved.

Respectfully,
Susan W. Stoy

We Love Renewals!!!

Thank you to the following members for promptly renewing their 2001 membership investment:

- Greene County Cooperative Extension
- Washington County Builders Association
- Linda C. Corfont, C.P.A.
- Rolling Meadows Nursing Home
- Pollock, Pollock, Thomas & Morris, P.C.
- Jesmar Energy, Inc.
- Rush Funeral Home, Inc.
- Waynesburg Lodge #153 of Free & Accepted Masons
- Sherwin-Williams Co.
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- Promistar Bank
- Bridge Street Commons
- Greene County Office Equipment
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- Horseman's Association of Greene County
- Merle Norman Cosmetics
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- Patterson Realty
- Eagle One Aviation
- Waynesburg Agway
- Waynesburg Electric Supply
- Waynesburg Rotary Club
- The Guest House
- Davis & Davis, LLC

MEMBERS WELCOME NEW ADDITIONS!



Jeff and Amy Widdup of LM Financial Partners, welcomed Aliza Christine into their family on February 3rd. She weighed in at 9 lbs. 6 ozs. and was 21 inches long.

Bill & Marsha Hilverding of Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers, welcomed Hannah Morgan into their family on February 13th. She weighed in at 7 lbs..2 ozs. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Carol and Bopper Howard of Howard Excavating, welcomed Nicholas Ryan "Niko" into their family on Jan 21st. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 ozs. and was 21 inches long.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MARCH 28, 2001

Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Greene County Vo-Tech Culinary Department

SPEAKER: MR. G. DAVID PRZYBYLEK,

MANAGING DIRECTOR FOR COMMONWEALTH CAPITAL GROUP

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THANKS...THANKS!

A special thank you goes to Mr. & Mrs. Harry Anderson of Waynesburg. Harry was chosen as one of our Distinguished Service Award Winners and each year, he and his wife June, donate to the Chamber's Educational Fund. This year is no exception! Thanks again to both of you!

DIABETES CLASSES

Greene County
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April 9, 12, 16 & 19, 2001
6:00-9:00 PM

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GREENE COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

Presents

Pittsburgh Civic Orchestra

Sunday, April 8, 2001 • 3:00 PM

Waynesburg Central
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The Pittsburgh Civic Orchestra, now in its 42nd season, is pleased to include Greene County in its community outreach program. The orchestra, comprised of over seventy-five volunteer musicians, is dedicated to providing quality music at a reasonable cost to the people of Southwestern Pennsylvania. Tickets for the performance will be available at the door. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under. This program is part of "The Gift of Music" series sponsored by The Greene County Council on the Arts.

Village Profile™
Community Profile Network™

Community View Book

Village Profile will produce a full color quality of life magazine for Waynesburg. This book will be used to recruit new residents and businesses for the Waynesburg area. The publication will be distributed by the Chamber office and the Kirby Welcome Center. It will contain full color photos that show the true quality of life and charm that Waynesburg has to offer. Articles will cover education, employment, recreations, history, etc. It is the goal to have the book ready by Rain Day. If you have not received a letter and would like further information regarding the advertising opportunities please contact the Chamber office at 627-5926.

Action Alert To All Local Chamber Members

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

*DEP and DCED Approve More than
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The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) have approved a total of \$430,302 in low-interest loans to 12 Pennsylvania small businesses. DEP has approved an additional 14 small businesses for more than \$498,000 in loans, and applications from two businesses are being reviewed by DEP. The average loan request is approximately \$34,000.

The Small Business Pollution Prevention Assistance Account provides low-interest loans to help small businesses implement pollution prevention/energy efficiency (P2/E2) projects. To apply for a loan, a small business must send a technical application to DEP for review and approval and a financial application to DCED for review and approval.

In addition, DEP has approved a total of \$530,000 in grants through the Small Business Pollution Prevention/Energy Efficiency Site Assessment Grant program. These grants allow enterprises to hire outside consultants to evaluate the facility and identify opportunities for P2/E2.

To apply for a grant, the applicant must submit an application to DEP.

Types of businesses that have applied for the loan and grant include:

- Casket manufacturer
- Printers
- Lumber company
- Waste management companies
- Drycleaners
- Shoe manufacturer
- Metal coating companies
- Construction company
- Molding, tool and die companies
- Trucking companies
- Auto body shops
- Dentists
- Machinery equipment manufacturers
- Paper bag manufacturer
- Bakery equipment manufacturer
- Hotel
- Traffic control equipment manufacturer
- Bakery
- Food services company
- Chemical manufacturers
- Recreational providers

Need More Information?

For more information, access the DEP website at www.dep.state.pa.us (directLINK "small business").



Schedule for 2001

- April 8 Pittsburgh Civic Orchestra
Waynesburg High School, 3:00 PM
- May 17 Radio Days (part of Gift of Music Series)
Capital Music Hall, Wheeling, WV, 7:30 PM
- July 16-21 Art Show
Held in conjunction with Waynesburg College
- October 17 Rand Whipple performs Shakespeare's Clowns
In the local schools and Waynesburg College PAC



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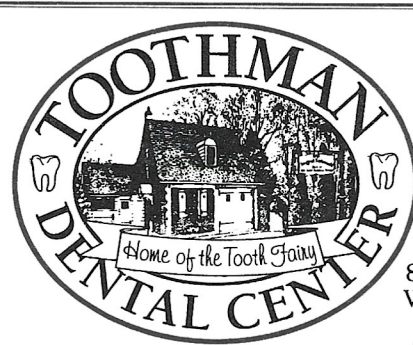
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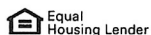
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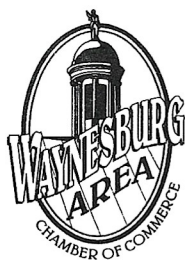
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