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The Newsletter of the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce
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To provide services and programs that will increase the success of member businesses and organizations and enhance the economy and quality of life in the Waynesburg Area. To remain a politically unbiased and enthusiastic resource to our members and the community at large.

Thanks

Thank you to Mr. David Kreye, C.E.O. of Southwest Regional Medical Center for being the guest speaker at the quarterly Membership Luncheon in February. Mr. Kreye, spoke about the changes that have taken place to date and the plans for the future of the hospital. He fielded questions from the members and provided wonderful detailed answers. If you missed this luncheon and presentation, be sure to mark your calendar now for the next quarterly meeting on Wednesday, May 24th at 8:30 a.m. at Greene Arc in Prosperity.

Thank you to Helen Perrine of Affordable Comfort, Inc. for donating two denim shirts which were used as door prizes for the quarterly Membership Luncheon.

New Member Information

Please update your membership directory with the following new information.

Traft Construction has become Ketchem Construction Company, Inc., John R. Ketchem, Owner-President, Post Office Box 82, Hopwood, Pa 15445. 724-425-0341.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

MARCH

- 14th -Administrative Professional's Day Luncheon Committee
Noon - Chamber Office
- 16th -Golf Outing Committee 8:00am
- Airport Restaurant
- 21st -Scholarship Committee Noon -
Chamber Office

APRIL

- No Board of Directors Meeting this month*
- 1st - Newsletter Deadline
- 14th - Office Closed for Good Friday
- 19th - Scholarship Deadline - 4:00 p.m.
- Chamber Office
- 21st - Career Day at Waynesburg Central Elementary School
- 28th - Administrative Professional's Luncheon - Noon - Rohanna's.

\$1,500 Scholarship Applications Now Available

The office is now accepting applications from graduating seniors for the 16th Annual Chamber of Commerce Scholarship that will be awarded this May. The scholarship program is open to any Greene County student who will be a graduating senior in 2006. All high school seniors who have been accepted to a College or Technical School as an incoming freshman this Fall and have maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better while in high school are urged to apply for this scholarship. Applicants will be required to write an essay on "How do you plan to use your education to make a difference in your life and your community?". Applicants must also furnish a listing of their school activities and local community involvement that will be used in the event of a tie. Applications are available at each County High School and the Greene County Vo-Tech or can be obtained by calling the Chamber office at 724-627-5926. Completed applications must be submitted by 4:00pm on Wednesday, April 19th. The winner will be announced May 15th and the Scholarship Award presented at the General Membership Breakfast Meeting on May 24th.

Upcoming Seminars and Training

"Management Skills for New Managers and Supervisors"

Morgantown - April 4-5 \$349

"How to Design Eye-catching Brochures, Newsletters, Ads and Reports"

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Welcome New Representatives

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Welcome New Board Member

Welcome to Kathleen Dukate of Dukate's Lasting Impressions. She replaces Greg Rohanna of Behm Funeral Home, Inc.

Correction

In the January newsletter, new member, "Homeworks by Dave" owner, David Karvan last name was misspelled. We apologize for the error.

Colorectal Cancer Awareness

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Members in the Spotlight



SOUTHWEST REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER ICU OPEN FOR BUSINESS

After nearly four months of planning and preparation, the Southwest Regional Medical Center Intensive Care Unit is now fully functional. The Intensive Care Unit is now accepting admissions after being surveyed by the Pennsylvania Department of Health on Tuesday, February 28. The occupancy permit was issued after the inspection was completed with no deficiencies. The Intensive Care Unit adds five new beds and will expand the hospitals continuum of care, providing greater benefits to patients and the community. Patients admitted to the unit will receive constant monitoring and care. The medical and nursing staff is specially trained to provide the services required by these patients. Complementing the opening of the ICU is the addition of Dr. Manuel Bautista who will serve as the Hospitalist for Southwest Regional. As Hospitalist, Dr. Bautista will work full time at the hospital. He will assist the medical staff in coordinating care for patients admitted to SRMC. This is especially relevant for patients in the Intensive Care Unit, who require additional attention and services during their stay at Southwest Regional.

Southwest Regional Medical Center is a community based 59 bed hospital, providing 24 hour emergency services, a skilled nursing unit, diagnostic imaging, laboratory, physical therapy, cardiology and home health services, in addition to comprehensive surgical programs. Founded in 1907, the hospital was purchased by Essent Healthcare on October 12, 2005.

STUDIO R PAINTING CLASSES AND T.V. DEBUT

The next painting class at the Greene Academy in Carmichaels is a setting of oak leaves in the beautiful autumn colors on a box (it will be a lap desk or bread box or other box and there will be several to choose from). The class will be held on April 1 and 8 and the last day to register is March 18. The class fee is \$15 and the supplies are extra. Call the instructor, Carol L. Randolph, for more information at 724-852-6363. Carol was selected by an interior designer to provide art for her room project at the Home Show at the Convention Center in Pittsburgh! The designer commissioned 4 Chinese brush paintings, 24" x 24" each, in sumi ink on rice paper. The 4 pieces are actually one design

with fish flowing through the piece, from one painting to another. The Home Show is scheduled from March 3 to 12 and there will be a great deal of media coverage of all kinds--TV, magazines and newspapers. WTAE TV interviewed the designer, Toni Krenn, owner of Azure Interiors and toured her designer room which included Carol's paintings.



WAYNESBURG COLLEGE TO PRESENT "WEST SIDE STORY"

The Waynesburg College Players will perform "West Side Story," the award-winning 1957 musical, on Saturday, March 25, 2006. "West Side Story" takes place in New York City's west side during the late 1950s. The play is a loose parallel to Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet." It is a beautiful love story of Tony and Maria set to the background of the racial strife in urban New York City. Rival street gangs of poor Americans and newly immigrated young Puerto Ricans vie for identity in the ghettos of the west side of New York City. Juvenile delinquency and inner city problems are depicted through music and dance. While their family and friends disapprove, Tony and Maria try to share their love for each other.

Join us and see how the story ends. The electrifying music and lyrics by Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim thrill you and the intimate setting of the Performing Arts Center will put you in the action.

Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. on the second floor of Benedum Hall. The performance starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Immediately following the play, the cast will join us for a social reception in the Performing Arts Center's lobby. The dinner entrées will be marinated London broil or stuffed chicken breast served with a mixed greens salad, red-skinned mashed potatoes, green beans, assorted rolls, and a parfait for dessert. A variety of beverages will be offered. The cost for the evening is \$20 per adult, and a child's entrée is available. The show has some intense scenes and is not recommended for small children.

RSVP by March 17. Theatre seats are limited and reserved on a date-received basis. For more information, please contact Debbie Kuis by phone at 724.852.3256, or by email at dkuis@waynesburg.edu.

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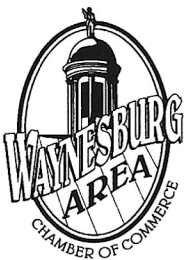
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