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The Newsletter of the Greater Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce

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October General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, October 28, Noon
Iron Griddle Restaurant

– *Speaker* –

Mort Gamble from Waynesburg College – “Waynesburg College Today”

All Chamber Members are urged to attend.
If you are unable, please feel free to send a representative.

Letter From The President

Hi There!

Just a short note this month. Work to set up the D.S.A. Banquet is done— thanks to Mary Pruss and Shirley Stockdale, co-chairs of this project, and of course, Melody – what would we do without her! Please plan to attend. If you can't make it, buy a ticket and give it to someone. This is the last event this year where we can make a few dollars and we need it. Don't forget your ad for the Program Book! I'll look forward to seeing you all there!

I also hope a lot of you will make the PennDot meeting on the Morrisville project on Oct. 14th. We need support on this. If you can't make it, contact your legislator and let them know you support our effort to do something about the traffic problem down there.

Gotta go now. Happy Halloween!

Diane

Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet

Many of you may have received invitations already for the annual banquet. Each year the Board of Directors is disappointed by the turnout of Chamber members. They would like to stress that this banquet is for you – an evening of good food, dancing and fellowship. It provides you with networking opportunities and at the same time helps your Chamber meet its financial goals.

This year, Mary Clovis Parkinson was selected as the 1992 Distinguished Service Award recipient. She will be awarded a plaque by President Diane Bowlen during the banquet. Mary was thrilled when she learned that she was chosen. She joins a very distinguished bunch made up of Jack McCracken,

Harry Anderson, Dennis Mattei and J. E. Victor Carlson.

The banquet will be held on Saturday, November 21st at the Waynesburg Elks Club. Beginning at 6 pm, a recipient reception will be held with a cash bar. At 7 pm a New York Strip Steak dinner will be served complete with all the fixin's. At 8 pm dancing will begin to the music of Colony. Tickets are \$15 per person, \$30 per couple and a round table of 8 for \$120. Reservations are required and must be submitted by October 30th. Please plan on attending and bring several people from your offices with you. This is the Chamber's big night each year – lets make it the best!

Nominations for Board of Directors

Five positions on the Board of Directors will become open on December 31st. A nominating committee has met to begin putting together a slate of candidates. The nominations will be opened at this month's General Membership Meeting and will remain open until the November Meeting. To nominate someone, please contact the office or make the nomination at the meeting. A Board of Director serves a three year term and must attend Board meetings which are held on the second Wednesday of the month in addition to the General Meetings and meetings of any committees they chose to take part in.

Thank You

Thank you goes to Jim Moore of the Greene County Messenger for an unsolicited donation of 5,000 mailing address labels to the office. This should keep us going for quite awhile - Thanks a lot Jim.

Thank you to Charles Berryhill, President and the members of Waynesburg Borough Council for their donation of a parking space for the Executive Secretary for the next year.

Thank you to David Clark who graciously volunteered to pay for parking for the Executive Secretary for the remainder of this year.

Thanks to Chad Moore, Jim Moore, Mark Nicholson and Clark Patterson and the staff at Rhodes and Hammers Printing, Inc. for our new newsletter. Chad and Jim organized the project. Mark, Clark, Jim and Chad solicited advertisers. Rhodes and Hammers did an excellent job designing and printing the newsletter. And last but not least, thanks to our advertisers, without you we would not be able to produce a professional looking newsletter.

Thanks to Pauline Crumrine who came up with our new newsletter name "Chamber Chatter."

Thanks to the members of the By-Laws Committee, Linda Corfont Chairperson, Diane Bowlen, Tracy-Burns-Suter, Mary K. Pruss and Merle Williams. It has taken many months of work, but we now have updated and effective by-laws which should serve us well for the next five years. Thanks to this group for a job well done.

Seminars

For more information on the seminars listed below, please call the office at 627-5926.

WHAT YOU MUST KNOW ABOUT PENNSYLVANIA WATER ISSUES - November 4th, Harrisburg - \$125.

STARTING AND MANAGING A SMALL BUSINESS - October 20th, Uniontown - \$20.

Debate Cancelled

As many of you may have read in the paper, the Chamber had planned to sponsor a debate between general assembly candidates H. William DeWeese and Farley Toothman. Mr. Toothman, upon reflection, has decided to conduct his campaign in a manner that does not include a face to face debate.

Member News

Dave Godisart, owner of Greene County Office Equipment, recently celebrated 15 years in business with an open house. Here's to 15 more!

Jack McCracken and Tom Jackovic recently attended the Penna. Pharmaceutical Association Legislative Day in Harrisburg. While there, Jack McCracken attended the State Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner.

Merle Williams of Alltel is in West Penn Hospital. Cards and notes of interest may be sent to him at West Penn Hospital, Room 3548W, 4800 Friendship Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15224. We are all thinking of you Merle - Hope you're home soon!!!

Don't Forget!!!

October is Local Chamber of Commerce Month as proclaimed by Governor Robert Casey.

Members are still needed to serve on a steering committee to develop a long range plan for the Chamber. We are growing to a point that this becomes necessary to ensure our success in the future. If you are interested, please call the office.

The Waynesburg Rotary Club will sponsor it's Multiphasic Blood Screening Program on October 17 and 24 in conjunction with Greene County Memorial Hospital. If you would like further information on this program, please call 627-2625 or 2636.

If you would like tickets to the Phantom of the Opera when it comes to Pittsburgh next year, Melody is arranging for tickets as a group. This is not formally sponsored by the Chamber, but may be one of the only ways to get tickets. If you are interested, tickets are \$60, \$50, \$40 or \$30 each and must be paid for by November 15th. The dates for the show are August 17 through 22 of 1993. An exact date for the seats will be announced after all reservations are received. Please call the office at 627-5926.

Upcoming Membership Meeting Dates

October 28 - Iron Griddle Restaurant
November 25 - Golden Corral Steak House

Hospice Pins Go On Sale

Hospice Care, Inc. is offering one-of-a-kind designer pins to the public as a fund raising event. Each pin is crafted especially for the organization by a Pennsylvania artist. The colorful pins are unique in that each one depicts some aspect of Hospice Care. Designs include country motifs such as quilt patterns, hearts, houses and doves (the symbol of the Hospice Care, Inc.)

Special Christmas edition pins are being planned and will make excellent gifts for the holiday season. All pins sell for \$10 and can be purchased at the Hospice Care office at 59 S. Washington Street. For more information please contact Beth Stroud, Community Relations Coordinator or Linda Smith, Development Manager.

Let's Hear From You

All members are entitled to place articles in the newsletter. If you have something that you would like other members to know just drop us a line. The deadlines for submission are the second Tuesday of the month for inclusion in that month's edition. The Chamber reserves the right to edit as needed and the articles will be placed on a first come, first serve, basis. However, we will attempt to use all material as it is presented to us.

If you would like to place inserted material in the newsletter the rate for doing so is \$50 per issue. The material can be no more than two 8 x 11 sheets. For arrangements, please call the office at 627-5926.

Penn DOT Morrisville Project Meeting

By the time this newsletter arrives, a meeting with officials from the State Department of Transportation, local officials and representatives from the offices of Barry Stout and Bill DeWeese and concerned business owners and residents will be over. Hopefully the meeting will bring about a solution to the bottle neck through the Morrisville area. Your Chamber is the organizer of this meeting and will continue to play a vital role in this project.

Office Hours Change Temporarily

A temporary change in office hours is in effect through December 11th. The office will be closed on Tuesday instead of Wednesday. It will be open on Wednesday. The office hours are 10 am to 4 pm daily - closed for lunch and meetings from noon to 1 pm.



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