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The Newsletter of the Greater Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce

MEMBERSHIP PROFILE

Mickey's Men's Store

3 East High Street
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Mickey's Men's Store was established by Mickey Bruno in 1965. The first location of Mickey's was 8 West High Street. At that time, Mickey's store basically specialized in dress clothing such as suits, sport coats, tailored trousers, and other dress accessories.

In 1980, Mickey decided to expand his business and move to a new location. Now, under the management of his eldest son, John, Mickey relocated to his present address of 3 East High Street. Mickey's continued to specialize in dress clothing, but added casual and work attire.

Today, Mickey's is Mickey's Men's Store, Inc. and is a family operated business. Even though Mickey is still working seeing to many of the store affairs, his son John is now managing the business. Mickey's daughter, Victoria, has also been part of this family business for many years. Mickey's youngest son, Kerry, has become the latest addition to the business. In the past year, Kerry has given the store a new updated look by remodeling both the up and downstairs. Kerry feels that window design is the store's best source of advertisement, and with his artistic talent, he has created many fresh and appealing looks to the store's windows.

Mickey's Men's Store has always carried top of the line name brand clothing. Today, Mickey's carries such names as Arrow Dress Shirts, Haggard Dress and Casual Wear, Carhartt Work and Casual Wear, Levi Strauss, Carolina and Wolverine Work Boot, and many other famous lines. Mickey's also carries the largest selection at the lowest prices on Levi's Jeans.

Mickey's Men's Store has been part of downtown Waynesburg for over 30 years and hopes to be here for many more.

General Membership Meeting and Speaker Wednesday, September 27th at Noon Iron Griddle Restaurant

Speaker: ALBIN C. McGINNIS, V.F. St. Ann Catholic Church will talk about his trip to PERU.

Please join us and listen to Father Al share excerpts from his notebook . . .
"a record of things that happened. It is what I have left of a truly remarkable experience." BRING A GUEST and SHARE THESE EXPERIENCES.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT - KENNETH R. STILWELL

The eighth annual Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Kenneth R. Stilwell at the Elk's Lodge on October 21st beginning with a no-host cocktail reception at 5:30 P.M. followed by dinner and music by Ferd Dolphi. All Chamber members and the public are invited to attend this prestigious occasion.

Co-Chairmen of this year's committee, Jack McCracken and Harry Anderson would like to extend a personal thanks to all of those who participated in nominating a number of outstanding and notable citizens who have made lasting contributions to their community.

Mr. Stilwell assumed the directorship of the Greene County United Way in 1984 and under his leadership the charitable organization has grown from a \$12,000 collection agency to a highly visible year-round presence in the county. In addition to his regular work hours he has amassed over 6,000 volunteer hours for the Greene County United Way; many of these hours spent acquiring and remodeling, along with other volunteers a 90-year old house on High Street so that they would have a permanent home.

He has been personally active each year in the *Day of Caring* for senior citizens, serving as Chairman of the local FEMA board, on the consumer advisory council of West Penn Power, Tri-County Area and serves on the Greene County Country Club's Board of Governor's. He is an active organizer in the Waynesburg Rotary Club, a member of the VFW, Fredericktown American Legion, Waynesburg Elk's Club, Greene County Recreation Committee, Health and Welfare Council, Retired Officer's Association and he coordinates the annual Boy Scout food drive. As a member of the First Baptist Church in Waynesburg, Mr. Stilwell has served as Chairman of the Mission Board, a member of the Diaconate Board, a member of the Church Council, Vice-Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Vice President of the American Baptist Men and an Adult Sunday School.

We all wish to congratulate Ken on being chosen the 1995 Distinguished Service Award recipient!

Welcome to our New Members

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Mr. Donald Baker, President

Jesmar Energy, Inc.
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852-1919
Mark V. Leidecker, President

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Owen, Special Events Commission; Andrew Corfont, Community Bank; Stan Majesky, Greene County Job Center; Chad Moore, First Federal Savings and Loan; Millie Wonderling, Eva K. Bowlby Library, Mary C. Parkinson; Toby Fancher, Fancher Graphics; Suzanne Huffman, Community Bank; Richard Scott, Scott Enterprises; Christine Gardner, Hospice Care, Inc., Dick Robinson, Edward D. Jones & Company; Gordon Dane; Michelle Mankey, Dr. Michael Webb, Jr.'s Office; Walter Christopher, retired; Jack McCracken, McCracken Pharmacy; Francis L. Gressly, Consultant; Byllye Miller, McDonald's; Ann M. Whipkey, Huffman-Whipkey Insurance; Farley Toothman, Toothman Dental Center; Sheila Christopher, Corner Cupboard Food Bank, Inc. and, Jacqueline Dane, Chamber of Commerce.

President John Owen called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm. He welcomed everyone and asked for introductions around the room. John Owen called for approval of the July 26, 1995 minutes. He ask that the July 26 minutes reflect that Suzanne Huffman was present. On a motion by Chad Moore and seconded by Andrew Corfont, the minutes were approved. Chad Moore gave the Treasurer's Report; on a motion by Christine Gardner and seconded by Millie Wonderling, the Treasurer's report was approved. Jacqueline Dane gave the Secretary's report, and on a motion by Suzanne Huffman, seconded by Andrew Corfont, the Secretary's report was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Jack McCracken [Co-Chairman DSA Banquet] reported that he has been out of town and expected Harry Anderson to give the report; however, the DSA Committee is meeting this evening at Bowlby Library. The DSA Banquet will be held on Saturday, October 21, 1995. There will be cocktails, dinner and music. Jackie Dane reported that press releases went out announcing requests for nominations; the article was in the Observer-Reporter today. She also advised that DSA Nomination Blanks are attached to the Meeting Packet for all in attendance and Requests for Bids have gone out to the printers. John Owen (for Jim Moore), Iowa Sesquicentennial. John explained that Jim Moore is recuperating from quadruple by-pass surgery. He was in charge of organizing this event and did a wonderful job; however, there is work left to be done. This Saturday, 250 bicyclist will be here on their way to Washington, D. C. from Long Beach, California. They are in Moundville Thursday and Friday, all day. They will be coming through here and staying at Lion's Park (near

restroom and shower facilities at the pool) on Saturday night. The First Assembly of God Church was planning a spaghetti dinner Saturday night; however, we learned they will be here between 11:00 and 1:00 Saturday and the church has decided to make hoagies for them as they come through. The United Presbyterian Church will make sandwiches to give them Sunday morning to take on their journey. They will go through Connellsville and on to D.C. We had a hymn sing lined up for Saturday evening (this fell through) and we now have dulcimer players and other entertainment scheduled. People will be stopping by the Park all day and evening to welcome them and we encourage businesses to help in any way they can. Our communication with them is difficult since they are on the road. We are meeting with two advance/front people shortly to find out various information. We are making final plans - this has been a major undertaking. Janna and Jeff Kisner and family (Janna is from Madison County Iowa) have connection with the bicyclists and are busy making welcome signs and other arrangements for them. She has been terrific! There is a children's television show in DesMoines called "Floppy," that teenagers watch, as well as children. One of his corn-ball jokes is asking the viewers what is the biggest pencil in the world? . . . PENCILVANIA! We are having pencils made up to distribute with "Welcome to Waynesburg, Pencilvania" imprinted. Please call Jackie at the Chamber if you can participate in any way; i.e., signage on the street, etc. John Owen [Bicentennial Celebration] reported that the committee is meeting with Dave Lesako on September 6, 1995 to coordinate activities with the Historical Society and other organizations. Our thoughts at present are to participate and sponsor or co-sponsor a possible parade, picnic in the park and costume gala event. In addition the Chamber would work with other businesses to promote our Bicentennial all year long.

OLD BUSINESS: Andrew Corfont [Chairman, Miss Rain Day Pageant] We had a wrap-up meeting on August 21st to discuss what we can improve on, the impressive responses we have received, letters from the contestants, comments by parents, changes for next year and plans for next year. We made approximately \$4,700 on the Pageant this year. We are moving ahead for next year and would like to hear from anyone who would like to be involved. John Owen stated that Andrew and the committee does a very impressive job. This is a very professional pageant and if people have not attended they must to do in order to realize the professionalism and outstanding entertainment provided. Andrew also commented that this is

more than just a beauty pageant these contestants are intelligent, articulate and wholesome leaders. They are ambassadors for Rain Day and Waynesburg, wherever they go.

NEW BUSINESS: John Owen requested that Chad give us a report on Jim Moore. The Chamber sent Jim Moore flowers/balloons and he was critical after quadruple bypass; however, Chad said he returned home yesterday and is doing very well. John Owen welcomed our new members from American General Finance and thanked Ann Whipkey for the donation of a computer keyboard to the Chamber. Ann acknowledged our thanks; however, she wanted us to know the keyboard was a gift from Huffman-Whipkey Insurance Agency, Inc.

GUEST SPEAKER: John Owen introduced Sheila Christopher who is the Director of the Corner Cupboard Food Bank, Inc. in Waynesburg. Sheila thanked the Chamber for inviting her to speak. The invitation was the result of a letter she wrote on behalf of the Corner Cupboard advising us that at the regular Board meeting on August 1st of the Food Bank, they discussed their Rain Day participation. Primarily they brainstormed on ideas to offer which could be taken under consideration by all involved in the Rain Day festivities. They wanted to suggest combining Rain Day with an ethnic festival. Clubs, Churches, and businesses could choose from a list of foods and beverages as well as games and we would have a greater variety of activities, allowing all to participate equally and offer a variety of theme booths. Jackie expressed some thoughts shared with her by Annie Hail of Catholic Charities. Toby Fancher shared the problems of the Rain Day Committee in monitoring the different booths and explained that even though they apply for a booth with a particular food or game offering, they frequently add other items. There was an abundance of ideas and discussion, sharing of experiences, strengths and weakness along new ideas. Everyone agreed that Toby Fancher and the Rain Day Committee organized an outstanding event and perhaps we could begin our planning late in 1995 for an even better 1996, particularly in light of our Bicentennial festivities. Toby reminded us that RAIN DAY is our theme.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion made by Andrew Corfont and seconded by Jack McCracken, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacqueline Dane,
Executive Secretary

Sheila Barger is Changing Positions At Integra

Thanks and farewell to **Sheila Barger** of **Integra Bank**. Sheila served on our Board of Directors and effective September 18, 1995 she will be accepting a position as Branch Manager of Integra in Carmichaels. Loretta Garber will be representing Integra Bank at the monthly meeting. We will miss Sheila - she was on our Education Fund Committee, Bicentennial Committee and Christmas Parade Committee.

Put Your Foot In . . .

Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Walk for the Cure Saturday, October 7, 1995 at Wana-B-Park, Carmichaels. Contact: Chad Moore 627-4249.

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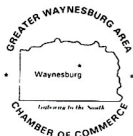
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