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BUSINESS BRIEFS

The **bolded** businesses in Business Briefs are Chamber members. Submit news to news@gettysburg-chamber.org by the second Tuesday of each month for inclusion in the following month's publication.



Belco Community Credit Union proudly participated in the Toys for Tots holiday drive in 2019. Belco donated \$500, and hundreds of toys from

their employees, members, and their neighbors, Skelly & Loy and Clarks Resources. The collection dates were Nov. 4-Dec. 11, and many toys collected at the Belco branches were delivered to their local Toys for Tots in their community.



Partner Jill Sebest Welch has been named the new chair of **Barley Snyder** Employment Practice Group. Welch succeeds past chair Jennifer Craighead Carey, a partner at the firm who will continue as a member of the practice group. Welch joined the firm in 2005, and brings nearly two decades of legal experience to her new leadership role. In addition to the Employment Practice Group, she also is a member of the firm's Litigation Practice Group and the Food & Agribusiness, Construction and Banking industry groups. She has been named a Pennsylvania "Super Lawyer" for seven years, and is a graduate of the Rutgers Law School in New Jersey.

Students in five Adams County school districts will have more opportunities to participate in career and technical education (CTE) classes, following the state Board of Career and Technical Education's approval of the Adams Technical Institute. The institute will serve students in the Bermudian Springs, Conewago Valley, Fairfield Area, Gettysburg Area and Littlestown Area school districts. Students in the districts currently have access to CTE programming through a cooperative agreement with Gettysburg Area School District. Formally establishing the CTC will allow the districts to combine resources and expand programming to meet the needs of students and Adams County employers. Through a combination of academic classes and hands-on learning experiences, students enrolled in CTE programs

gain academic, employability, technical, and real-world skills - and graduate high school prepared for college, a career, and their community.



ACNB Corporation recently announced the completion of the acquisition of Frederick County Bancorp, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Frederick County Bank, headquartered in Frederick, MD. "We are excited to welcome Frederick County Bancorp, Inc. as ACNB Corporation expands its presence in the Maryland market," stated ACNB Corporation President & Chief Executive Officer James P. Helt. "Frederick is a growing, vibrant market for community banking, which is at the core of ACNB Corporation's success for more than 160 years. It is our belief the addition of Frederick County Bank's community banking network in Frederick County, Maryland, positions ACNB Corporation for strong and profitable growth in a desirable market that is adjacent to our current footprint in southcentral Pennsylvania and central Maryland."



Members 1st Federal Credit Union held a ribbon cutting on Monday, December 16 to celebrate the opening and first day of business at their new Gettysburg

branch which will be located at 1005 York Road, Gettysburg 17325. This new location will take the place of the credit union's in-store branch at the Gettysburg Giant on Natural Springs Road. Several Members 1st associates including branch manager, Ashley Seitler, were present along with various community members. Carrie Stuart, president of The Chamber, was there to celebrate as well. Members 1st FCU serves more than 435,000 members through its locations in Southcentral Pennsylvania.



Liberty Mountain February Events*

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Saturday, February 8th from 5pm-10pm
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ADVOCACY UPDATE

BIPARTISAN BILL TO ALLOW FOOD BANKS TO HELP MORE FAMILIES IN NEED SENATOR PAT TOOMEY



U.S. Senator Pat Toomey recently introduced the Food Donation Improvement Act of 2019, a bi-partisan bill that would help food banks collect and distribute more food to needy families.

New and innovative food assistance models repurpose items from donating entities and sell prepared dishes like microwavable dinners for a nominal cost. But federal law does not currently extend liability protections to food donors when food is either given directly to a person in need or when a recipient pays a deeply reduced cost.

“Donating food to the less fortunate should be as easy as possible,” said Senator Toomey. “But liability concerns limit the number of people who can be served by food banks. This new legislation will help get more food to those who need it most by extending liability protections for direct donations and reduced-price food.”

Specifically, the Food Donation Improvement Act would:

- Extend liability protections to food-donating entities (grocers, caterers, schools, etc.) and food banks for food sold at a reduced price
- Extend liability protections to qualified donors who give food directly to needy individuals and families without going through a non-profit intermediary
- Require USDA to issue regulations clarifying the quality

REGULATORY REFORM, RED TAPE REDUCTION & TRANSPARENCY PENNSYLVANIA SENATOR DOUG MASTRIANO (R-33)



Small businesses throughout Adams, Franklin, Cumberland and York counties have repeatedly told me horror stories regarding their experiences with state regulations. The current regulatory review process is complex and confusing, and often times cumbersome. In fact, the Commonwealth currently has 153,000 regulatory restrictions, impacting every industry. It is especially frustrating when unelected bureaucrats interpret laws in ways that were not envisioned by the legislature.

After hearing these concerns, I took action as chair of the Senate Intergovernmental Operations Committee. The panel held a hearing in Chambersburg to take testimony on “Regulatory Reform, Red Tape Reduction & Transparency.” During the three-hour hearing, the committee heard from more than a dozen speakers, with expertise ranging from economic and land development, regulatory code, business advocacy and municipal government. Small business owners also took part.

Among the testifiers was Franklin County Area Development Corporation President Mike Ross, who told the committee that excessive regulations and unfunded government mandates are a major determinant in a decision to expand or start a business in Pennsylvania, or to relocate to another state. The committee also heard from the York County Economic Alliance, the National Federation of Independent Businesses, Chambersburg Borough, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission, Department of Environmental Protection, and others. All groups stressed the need for regulatory reform, which will enhance our state’s business climate.

The Senate Intergovernmental Operations Committee is reviewing several pieces of legislation that would update and modernize the regulatory review process, and testimony received during the hearing will be a valuable tool as lawmakers consider the legislation. It is time that we get the government off our backs and out of our wallets. Pennsylvania needs to reassert that it is open for business and the government is working for the people, not against the people.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

BIGGERSTAFF'S CATERING

Stacey Green

What motivates you to jump out of bed every morning?

The love of the work is what gets us out of bed in the morning. We truly enjoy working with the public. And while no two events are exactly the same, we appreciate that no two days are the same either. At the end of the day we are rewarded with providing clients with an event that is as unique as they are and that they are proud of.

Do you have any advice for new business owners?

Owning a business is not always a walk in the park; it's hard. There are a lot of responsibilities that people don't understand. I highly suggest doing your research to help you understand all aspects of the business. If I could offer just two points to a new business owner, I would say go in prepared to work hard and lead by example. You cannot expect anyone to do anything that you wouldn't be willing to do yourself. And listen to people around you, be open to suggestions and ideas. Your business is only as good as your people in it!

As someone doing business in Adams County, how does The Chamber help you?

The Chamber has been instrumental in building my business. Getting involved with the Chamber, almost 20

years ago, is the best thing I have done for my business. I have built many relationships, both business and personal, through the connections I have made along the way. And I'm still meeting new folks. I cannot say enough good things about The Chamber and its staff.

As a business in Adams County, how do you give back to the local community?

Adams County is great because of the sense of community and the people. The size of the county allows you to know so many people yet you are always meeting someone new. I try to get involved in as many community organizations as I can. I find that donating my time is personally rewarding, a value that was instilled in me by parents from a young age. Donating food and auction items for various local events has been extremely beneficial for my business as well. The exposure that I receive is like no other.

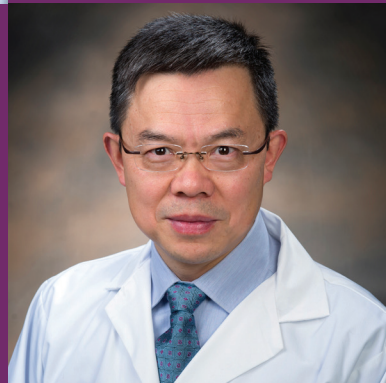
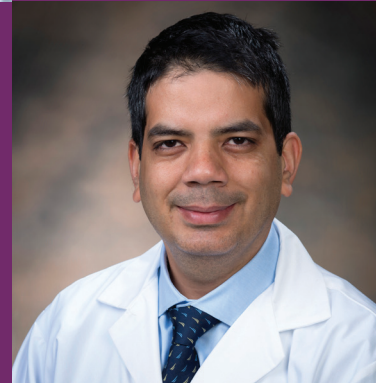
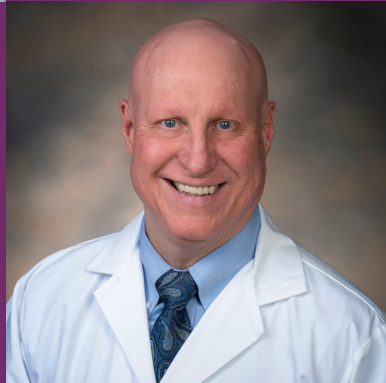
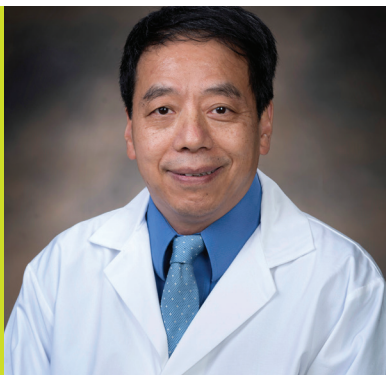
When you're not working, where do you like to spend your time?

On occasions when we don't have an event and I have time to myself, I enjoy the beach and the lake. I'm a water kind of girl, give me a boat and a book and I'm happy.

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FEBRUARY 5

County Connections Happy Hour | 3:30-5 p.m.,
Hanover Country Club

FEBRUARY 11

Executive Committee | 8 a.m., The Chamber

FEBRUARY 13

Governmental Affairs Committee | Noon,
Gettysburg Eddies

FEBRUARY 17

OFFICE CLOSED - President's Day

FEBRUARY 20 - REGISTRATION OPEN

Non-Profit Showcase Membership Mixer | 4-6 p.m.,
Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority

FEBRUARY 26

Ambassador Committee | 11:30 a.m., ABC Battlefield

FEBRUARY 27

Board of Directors | 7:30 a.m., The Chamber

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FEBRUARY 7-8

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FEBRUARY 28

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4-6 P.M.

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The Holiday Jackpot Raffle, held at The Upper Crust, saw 19 lucky winners take home \$4,000 in cash prizes. Congrats to these ticket holders: Heather Laughman won the grand prize of \$1,000. The \$500 winners were: Jane Hyde, Darylene/Terry Lehmer and Betty Howard and the \$100 winners were: Dirk Baugher, Amber Keadle, Ted Streeter, Becky Tims, Andrew Passmore, Linda Wellborn, Scott Wehler, Kelly McKee, Maggie Futato, David Laughman, Duane/Beth Kanagy, Chuck Szarowski, Jr., Sara Kebil and Jason/Cara Shank.

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5-9 YEARS

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Huston-Fox Financial Advisory LLC
Mason Dixon Distillery

10-19 YEARS

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Buchart Horn, Inc.
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Members 1st Federal Credit Union
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Courtyard by Marriott Gettysburg
Celebrate Gettysburg Magazine
Alexander's Plumbing & Pumps, Inc.
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