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Celebrating National Mentoring Month

Youth development experts agree that mentoring is a critical element in any child's social, emotional, and cognitive development. It builds a sense of industry and competency, boosts academic performance, and broadens horizons. Mentors help keep students in school, decrease absenteeism and can improve academic skills. Youth that meet regularly with their mentor are 46% less likely than their peers to start using drugs and 27% less likely to start drinking.

The Adams County Business Education Partnership Mentor Program has been connecting at risk high school students with mentors for over a decade. Through the mentoring relationship, our Mentors help build the students' self-esteem, improve their communication skills, and provide guidance and encouragement in improving academic skills. Mentors help young people set career goals and start taking steps to realize them. They help young people meet contacts and help their students learn how to seek and keep jobs.

Just one hour out of your busy week can change the course of both your lives. All of the time invested in mentoring a young person in our community reaps benefits that are unimaginable. At a recent mentor luncheon a "seasoned" mentor had tears in his eyes as he described how a past mentee had recently called and requested that the mentor stand up for him as he and his wife renewed their vows. Granted, not all of the relationships established through the mentoring program have this degree of intimacy, but you will have the joy and satisfaction of knowing that you made a difference in the life of a young person.

With your help, we can create "a mentored Adams County," where no young person would feel that he or she faced the challenges of growing up alone. In a mentored Adams County, the encouragement, support, and guidance of a trusted



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adult would help steer young people through the challenges and toward their true potential. The journey would still be difficult for some, but you can help turn it into a journey of hope. If you are interested in mentoring, but would prefer a different age population, there are agencies in Adams County that have mentoring programs that serve youth ages 5-18. Through the Adams County Mentoring Partnership and the participating agencies, you can be matched with a youth that shares your particular interests.

Help us celebrate National Mentoring Month this January by becoming a mentor to one of the young people waiting for that gift of friendship in our community. Contact Edith at 717.334.8151 to discuss the mentoring opportunities.

President's Message



The Gettysburg Adams Chamber is a proud supporter of the Adams County Business Education Partnership (ACBEP) programs that are funded by the Adams

County Economic Education Foundation. For more years than I have been employed at the Chamber, the ACBEP has been located within the Chamber office and we have provided staff support and business connections to further the mission of the ACBEP.

As you have seen from the front page of the newsletter, January is national mentoring month. The ACBEP mentor program was piloted in three school districts—Conewago Valley, Gettysburg and Fairfield. Nine students from each of these school districts are paired with community leaders in their junior year of high

school for assistance in transitioning from high school to their next phase in life.

The students meet monthly and participate in the Learning for Life curriculum through Boy Scouts of America. This curriculum covers a variety of topics that are geared toward preparing students for making independent decisions and learning necessary "soft" skills. Topics range from ethics in the workplace to conflict resolution.

By coordinating efforts between the ACBEP and the Chamber, we have been able to secure the additional mentors needed, and cultivate the relationship with another school in Adams County to offer much needed mentoring to youth in the Bermudian Springs School District.

I can't thank the 30 mentors; school district administration and personnel; and Chamber member businesses

that support the efforts of the ACBEP Mentoring Program enough for their commitment. The heart and soul of this community is evident in this initiative to improve the quality of the future workforce of Adams County.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor, or learning how you can support the program, please contact Edith Waldron, Administrative Assistant for the ACBEP at 717.334.8151.

This year the students and mentors are scheduled to make a trip to the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. and the increase in transportation costs may prohibit the important offering for the mentor/mentee bonding process. Thank you for your consideration.

Carrie S. Stuart
President



Saturday, March 31, 2012
at the
1863 Inn of Gettysburg
6:30-9pm

Area restaurants, bakeries and caterers will feature their tastiest specialties and bite-size samplings for your epicurean enjoyment. The celebration of cuisine will offer hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, soups, entrees and dessert samples that will please everyone in attendance.

Cost is \$35 for members,
\$40 for non-members.

Check out next month's Chamber Chat with all the details of the exciting, new component of the Taste of the Town event.

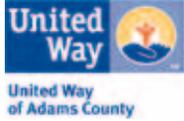
Call the Chamber Office at 717.334.8151 for more details.

Membership Renewals

The Chamber would like to thank the following businesses for continuing their commitment to the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce and the Gettysburg/Adams County community:

- A+ Self Storage, LLC
- Adams County Children's Advocacy Center
- APM Inc., True Value
- Belco Community Credit Union
- C.A.R.E. Property Services
- Cannon Cleaning Service, Inc.
- Evening Sun
- Gettysburg Holistic Health Center
- Gettysburg Radiation Oncology-Dr. Capostagno
- Hanover Door
- Hickory Bridge Farm, Inc.
- Hilton Garden Inn - Gettysburg
- Hoss's Steak & Sea House
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- National Circulating Co., Inc.
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- PNC Bank
- Popp Trucking
- Prudential Bob Yost Sites Homesale
- School Express, Inc.
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- SERVPRO of Gettysburg/Adams County
- Shenango of PA, Inc.
- South Central Community Action Programs, Inc.
- Spectra-Kote Corp.
- State Farm Insurance-Michael R. Ball
- Survivors, Inc.
- Teeter, Teeter & Teeter
- Upper Adams School District
- Zeigler Bros., Inc.

Member News



The United Way of Adams County Volunteer Center and the YWCA of Gettysburg & Adams County are sponsoring the 15th Annual "A Day On - Not A Day Off" for the Martin Luther King holiday on January 16, 2012. Anyone who has the day off from school or work is invited to join them at the YWCA in Gettysburg to volunteer by helping to sort and distribute items collected for participating organizations.



Ability Prosthetics & Orthotics, Inc., recently had one of their patients, Wyzhir Johnson, featured on ABC-TV's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition." Wyzhir is a terrific young man who lost his left hand while working on a home improvement project. Though this loss posed many challenges for the 16-year-old, he adjusted in part by focusing on ways to help others, particularly those with missing limbs. For more information on this story, visit www.AbilityPO.com for details.

Lutheran Home Care & Hospice, Inc., (LHCH) and LIFE Lutheran Services recently presented the second annual Physician of the Year award to local physician Dr. Dwight Michael. The organization created the award to recognize the importance of physicians to their clients and participants, their families and the organization. LHCH, and LIFE Lutheran Services are ministries of Lutheran Social Services of South Central Pennsylvania. For further information, please call 800.840.9081 or visit our websites at www.lutheranhomecare.org and www.lifelutheranservices.org.



Terry J. Shade, Executive Director, LHCH and CEO of LIFE Lutheran Services, Dr. Dwight Michael.



Terry J. Shade, Executive Director, LHCH (L), presents Lutheran Home Care & Hospice's Karen A. Rohaly Award to Lisa Beaver, RN.

Lutheran Home Care & Hospice, Inc., recently presented its 2011 Karen A. Rohaly Award to Lisa Beaver, RN, Hospice Nurse, at the agency's annual Employee Appreciation Dinner. The Karen A. Rohaly Award was established after the death of Lutheran Home Care & Hospice's first administrator, Karen Rohaly. This award is presented annually to the employee who best upholds the ideals set by the work of Ms. Rohaly. For further information, call 800.840.9081 or visit www.lutheranhomecare.org and www.lifelutheranservices.org.



Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar has appointed four new members to the Gettysburg National Military Park Advisory Commission, whose purpose is to coordinate the management of the park and the Battlefield Historic District with local jurisdictions. New members are: Andrew D. Merkel, David P. Waybright, Phillip Morey, and Barbara J. Finrock. Reappointments are: William E. Troxell, Gerard J. Lawrence, Jr., Harold W. Nelson, Gerald M. Hoffman, Jean H. Cutler, and Robert H. Prosperi.

Ashlee Telep, Assistant to Chef White, of Chef Exclusive, LLC, won *The Iron Chef Award* in Carlisle during the event in November. Her winning dish was a Dirty Cajun Rice Patty paired with an omelette with andouille sausage and asiago cheese topped with onions, peppers and mushrooms. This dish is available at The Pretzel Spot in Carlisle. Please call 814.644.9242 in advance to ensure availability of the dish!



Ashlee Telep, with Chef White.



C.S. Davidson, Inc., has partnered with the Annex 24 Art Gallery to help promote Lancaster's vibrant arts scene. The company will display pieces on loan from the gallery at

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its office at 315 West James Street. Currently on display are works by Michael Ticcino, Allen Baird, Ophelia Chambliss and Stephen Pidcock. Displays will be rotated every few months to generate additional exposure for local artists.

C.S. Davidson, Inc., received the Commercial Project of the Year Award from the PA Aggregates and Concrete Association and the PA Concrete Promotion Council recognizing their design of the Bair's Mill Bridge Replacement project. The bridge, owned by York County, spans Kreutz Creek near Wrightsville, PA and is located within the Strickler's Mill Rural Historic District.



Left to right: Tony Kreider, Ken Crank, Jason M. Chesla, Eric Snowadzky and Bob Housel.

CONSULATE A new firm in town, The Financial Consulate, led by Gettysburg native and financial planner, Ryan Fox, is staying active in personal finance education. On the heels of his new book, *The Ultimate Financial Plan*, Consulate vice president, Tim Maurer, recently became a contributor for Forbes. You can check out his posts and articles here: <http://blogs.forbes.com/timmaurer/>.



Eric Gladhill

C.S. Davidson, Inc., an employee-owned consulting engineering firm with offices in Gettysburg, York, and Lancaster, is pleased to announce that Eric B. Gladhill, P.L.S., and Ty J. Martin have received certifications from Veriforce, a leading company in regulatory compliance and operator qualifications for the gas and petroleum transportation industry.



Ty Martin



Alexandra Chiaruttini

Alexandra Chiaruttini, Environmental Attorney and Partner in the law firm of **Stock and Leader**, submitted an article to Zephyr Environmental Corporation, a national, full-service environmental, health and safety firm offering services to clients worldwide. *Currents*, published the article, "How Water Quality Credit Trading Can be a Tool for Water Dischargers Nationwide." Alex, a frequent contributor to the Pennsylvania Bar Association Environmental Section Newsletter, submitted, "Water Quality Credit Trading: Developments in 2011."

ROTZ | stonesifer CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS Rotz & Stonesifer is revealing a new logo in their 25th year, and is committed to providing dedicated accounting, tax and financial services to all of their clients, and they are in the process of upgrading their capabilities in an effort to provide better service to their clients. The following are their upgrades: •more training for our employees •upgraded software products •new & improved website •new signs installed at all locations.

Cora Rhoads, aquatics director at the YWCA Gettysburg & Adams County, has been certified as a PedFacts (Pediatric First Aid for Caregivers and Teachers) Instructor through the American Academy of Pediatrics. This certification allows Rhoads to teach and certify child care workers in First Aid and CPR. Rhoads is a Certified Pool Operator and has been the YWCA's aquatics director for five years.



Cora Rhoads



Gettysburg Campground was one of 44 campgrounds, RV parks and resorts across the country to earn an all-around "A" grade in an annual survey of campers nationwide, the National Association of RV Parks and Campgrounds (ARVC) announced recently. This year marks the third consecutive year that Gettysburg Campground, a 258-site park near Historic Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, earned the highest grade. For more information on the Gettysburg Campground, call 717.334.3304 or visit www.gettysburgcampground.com.

LUNCH and LEARN Series

Hosted by:



When: Tuesday, January 17, 12:15-1pm

Where: GACOC Office, 18 Carlisle St., Ste. 203

RSVP: 717.334.8151 by January 10

TOPIC:

An Introduction to Online Advertising

***Bring your lunch and questions!**

Parking is available in the Race Horse Alley Garage

Free to members, \$10 for non-members.

Program Updates

The Environmental Team is seeking nominations for the 2011 Environmental Stewardship Award. The deadline to submit a form for the award is January 20. Please contact the staff if you would like to nominate yourself or another business in the community for the respected award. The presentation will be made at the General Membership Breakfast on February 23.

Membership Orientations offer a quick, yet comprehensive look at the benefits, services and programs of the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce. If you are a new member, a new representative to an existing member business or need to learn how to get the most out of your membership, then this program is for you! The following 2012 dates have been set by the Membership Council; March 7, August 1 and November 7. You don't want to miss an opportunity to see the chamber office, network with other businesses and meet the Chamber staff, members of the Board of Directors and other chamber volunteers.

From September through October of this year, the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce conducted an online survey to get feedback from Chamber members on Chamber activities and events, as well as Chamber communication tools—the Chamber tab, the Membership/Quality of Life directory, the *Chamber Chat* and web site. A total of 76 responses were received for an approximate 12% return.

Most activities and events mentioned in the survey had decent attendance among the respondents. The Lunch and Learn Seminars and Legislative Luncheon did not show as

strong results. However, these are newer events with very specifically-focused topics, and the primary reasons provided by respondents who didn't attend these events are that it didn't suit their schedule and the topic wasn't of interest to them.

Regarding the Chamber's communication tools, the majority of respondents indicated that they were familiar with each one. As expected, the level of familiarity was higher with materials published more frequently, such as the *Chamber Chat*. More than half read the monthly newsletter cover-to-cover, making it the premier business information publication. A majority of respondents also indicated an interest in accessing printed communications electronically.

As a result of the survey, some initiatives are underway. The Traditional Media team of the Marketing Council is looking at ways to improve the Chamber tab. The 2012 versions of the Chamber's membership directory and Quality of Life publication will also be provided electronically. The *Chamber Chat* is already available electronically on the Chamber's web site, and the Chamber is considering also providing it through email.

An executive summary of the survey is available on the Chamber's website, should you want to read about it in greater detail. Thank you to all who participated in the survey. This survey signifies the Chamber's intent of being member-focused—one of its four key attributes that encompass its five-year strategic plan. Thank you for your support.



Membership Breakfast

Friday, February 23, 2012
at the Gettysburg Hotel
from 7-9am

The Chamber will be awarding the 2012 Environmental Stewardship Award.

Cost of the breakfast will be \$14 per person.

Please contact the Chamber office at 334.8151 or email info@gettysburg-chamber.org to register for the breakfast.

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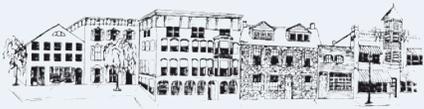
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Community Partners

Gettysburg Merchants Welcome the New Year

by Walt Tuchalski, Member, Gettysburg Area Retail Merchants' Association



Members of the Gettysburg Area Retail Merchant's Association (GARMA) are excited about the prospects for a Happy New Year and are looking forward as a group to building upon the progress and growth they experienced in 2011.

Gettysburg Area Retail Merchants Association GARMA membership grew to 70 participating businesses during the past year, with many of the newest members helping to re-energize and expand standing committees focused on improving customers' experience in Gettysburg. Members understand happy customers will return to Gettysburg and recommend a visit to their friends if they have a good experience shopping and dining in Gettysburg. Evidence started to appear in various Social Media that indeed efforts were paying off, as well as, during 1st Friday, Gettysburg Style events and in the bottom line.

Speaking of Social Media, GARMA has its own website at www.gettysburgretailmerchants.com and events can be tracked on Facebook and Twitter to help keep people better informed about activities and opportunities in the market. The monthly e-newsletters update thousands of customers who volunteered their e-mail addresses to stay informed about the happenings in the Gettysburg Area.

Save the dates of January 6 and February 3 as participating GARMA members plan special events, sales, and extra hospitality for 1st Friday, Gettysburg Style. Look for the unique and colorful 1st Friday flags and window banners which help identify participating members for 1st Friday events.

The Gettysburg Area Retail Merchants' Association's mission is to help create, promote, advertise, and represent the better business interest of the membership of the organization. Membership in GARMA is open to businesses and professionals trading in the area within five miles around Gettysburg. Learn more about the benefits of GARMA membership by contacting Board Member, Walt Tuchalski, at 717.309.2482 or wtchalski@foxsports1320.com. Visit GARMA online www.gettysburgretailmerchants.com and follow GARMA on Facebook and Twitter throughout the New Year.

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Chamber programs give your business recognition with professionals, executives, managers and other influential business decision-makers in the Adams County area.

Be Heard.

Chamber programs allow businesses to develop partnerships with new clients and customers through unique one-on-one marketing opportunities.

Golf Outing

Expose your business to CEOs, business leaders and top officers representing companies from across the county. It's a full day of visibility on the course!

Platinum Sponsor-\$950.00 | Dinner Sponsor-\$425.00 | Prize Sponsor-\$325.00

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General Membership Breakfasts

An exclusive opportunity to gain 2 hours of visibility with over 100 area business leaders. The meetings include; informative speakers to address topics of importance to the business community and the area's leading awards recognition ceremony.

Event Sponsor-\$275.00 (limit 2 per breakfast) | Student Breakfast Sponsor-\$100

Chamber Newsletter

Distributed to over 700 business/community individuals monthly. The Chamber Chat is the premier business information publication, featuring pertinent information about fellow members, an introduction of new members and timely community information.

Full Page Ad—\$350.00 | Half Page Ad—\$225.00 | Quarter Page Ad—\$150.00 *multiple run discounts

Legislative Luncheon

An opportunity to gain 2 hours of visibility with area legislators and over 100 business leaders. The program allows members the opportunity to express ideas and suggestions to the Adams County legislative delegation and thank them for their continued service to the community.

Table Sponsor-\$200 (unlimited)

Membership Orientation

An elite opportunity to expose your products and/or services to new members of the Chamber. This program allows members the opportunity to learn more about the program and benefits of Chamber member and how they can get the most return on their investment.

Event Sponsor-\$250

Wine Festival

A unique opportunity to gain regional exposure with thousands of wine and food enthusiasts alike. A sponsorship will show your support of both the agriculture and tourism industries.

Showcase Sponsor-\$4,500 (limit 6) | Vintage Level-\$2,500 | Designated Driver Sponsor-\$2,000

Cellar Level-\$1,000 | Barrel Level-\$500 | Bottle Level-\$250 | Cork Level-\$100

Contact Jennifer McCleaf, 334.8151, for additional details

Membership Spotlight

Fort Ritchie Community Center



Nestled in the mountains of Cascade, less than 20 miles from downtown Gettysburg, sits a hidden masterpiece: a masterpiece which melds a unique and compelling history, a stunning natural setting where eagles still soar, and a strong sense of service to community. This masterpiece is Fort Ritchie Community Center. Its location allows it to serve four counties in two states: Adams and Franklin in Pennsylvania and Washington and Frederick in Maryland.

Fort Ritchie Community Center (FRCC) is located on the repurposed military base which shares its name. Steeped in history, the base was home to the famous "Ritchie Boys:" Jewish teenagers who fled Nazi Germany to America. They were drafted and trained at Fort Ritchie in the fledging arts of modern intelligence and psychological warfare before returning to Nazi Germany as American soldiers. There they provided invaluable assistance in defeating and prosecuting Hitler's regime and normalizing their homeland.

The now privately owned 523-acre campus boasts two beautiful lakes man-made in the late 1800s to harvest ice, handsome stone buildings dating to the 1920s, and many acres of wilderness. FRCC sits upon the edge of the large parade field just inside the majestic entrance gates, and overlooking Lake Royer.

Completed in 2008, FRCC was awarded the highest possible designation for environmental architecture: Gold LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Certification. It was the first building in the county to be so honored. The building was constructed around the renovated gymnasium and includes a technology center with Internet-accessed iMacs, Wi-Fi, and a lending library; a large kitchen; state-of-art fitness center with ellipticals, treadmills, and weight machines; a game room with billiards and table tennis; a child care and arts/crafts room; two meeting rooms with modern projectors and screens; and a multi-purpose room with soft floors and padded walls.



Programming at the center is driven by the FRCC mission of providing expanded access to healthy lifestyle and leisure activities, fostering community traditions, and promoting cultural development through the arts, educations, sports, technology, and natural resources.



To that end, FRCC offers a wide range of programming. Children may enjoy an active and affordable eight week summer camp which includes weekly boating on Lake Royer. During the colder months, indoor soccer and basketball are available, with gymnastics and martial arts offered year round. Tweens and teens can enjoy special athletic training, open gym, game room fun and much more! Adults will find a beautiful, modern fitness center and a multitude of classes such as Zumba, Hip Hop, Pilates, Yoga, and Body Pump. Seniors have access to all this plus a special four day per week senior class that encompasses senior yoga, senior cardio, monthly luncheons and wellness speakers. Spend some quality time playing as a family with pick-up basketball and volleyball! Challenge yourself with the Fort

Ritchie Triathlon and Duathlon or the Biggest Loser Challenge.

Special events and classes promote culture, community, and the arts. Craft bazaars and yard sales are especially popular as are our free community holiday parties throughout the year. Painting classes, gingerbread making classes, ballroom dancing, local author signings, business seminars, Taoism seminars and Bible Release time have been offered. Special community events include HarvestFest, Family Health Expo, Charity Week, 9/11 Remembrance Day, Mountain Top Heritage Days, PetFest and Red Cross blood drives.

FRCC partners with many other organizations to expand its impact in the community. Working with a local teen inpatient rehab center, we provide meaningful volunteer opportunities in exchange for gym usage. In addition, meeting space is used by many local community groups including Neighborhood Watch, AA, and One Mountain Foundation.

So, how can we help you? Come visit our facility! We are always available to give tours during our operating hours of Monday through Thursday 6am-9pm; Friday 6am-6pm; Saturday 9am-5pm; Sunday 1pm-9pm. You will be glad you came!

Consider a membership. Membership rates start as low as \$8.33 per month. Come to Zumba or a special event. Think of how our facility can accommodate you or your group. We can host meetings, seminars, scout groups and parties that are close to home but feel like a get away!

Teach a class. Have a class idea? We are open to everything from Couponing 101 to gardening to music and arts. Partner with us. We are a charitable 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. So, keep us in mind for donations, grants, and sponsorship opportunities. 2012 offers sponsorships for the Last Chance Raffle in March, Summer Camp starting in June, Ritchie Regatta & Rock 'n Raft After Party' in July, Sunset on the Mountain in September, and Polar Plunge 2013.

For more information, call Kirsten Hubbard at 301.241.5085, check our website at www.TheFRCC.org, visit us at 14421 Lake Royer Dr., Cascade, MD 21719.

Community News

The Adams County School of Musical Theatre (ACSMT) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing year-round musical theatre training and performing opportunities for youth ages 4-18. ACSMT will be holding their fourth annual benefit gala, *Children and Art*, at the **Gettysburg Hotel** Ballroom. There will be entertainment, a silent auction and a reception with hors d'oeuvres before the performance. All proceeds will go directly to the Adams County School of Musical Theatre. Call 717.334.2692 or visit www.acsmt.org for tickets.

The 5th Annual "A Women's Purse Live & Silent Auction" will be held Friday, February 24, from 5:30-10pm at **Gettysburg Hotel** Ballroom. Cost is \$25 and includes hors d'oeuvres & a glass of bubbly. Tables of 10 are \$250 and proceeds benefit ACCYS Independent Living Program. Call 717.334.6809 or visit www.uwadams.org for tickets. The event is sponsored by CenturyLink and United Way of Adams County.

Gettysburg National Military Park and the Gettysburg Foundation are presenting the 2012 Gettysburg Seminar on April 13-15. The theme of the seminar is "Gettysburg in History and Memory." The registration fee is \$90 per person and the seminar is limited to 240 participants. To see complete schedule of lectures, field programs, and presenters, or to register, go to the park's website at www.nps.gov/gett/historyculture/2012-seminar.htm. Information is also available by emailing at evangelina_rubalcava@nps.gov or by calling 717.334.1124, ext. 3251.

The YWCA Gettysburg & Adams County is now accepting entries for its 26th annual Women in History essay contest. The contest is open to 7th and 8th grade students in all Adams County public and private schools, as well as homeschooled students. Guidelines and entry forms are available at the YWCA, and at ywcagettsburg.org. The contest is sponsored by the *Gettysburg Times*. For more information, call 717.334.9171, ext. 113, or email aahayes@ywcagettsburg.org.

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Educator, author, and civil rights advocate Dr. Bettye F. Baker will speak at the 32nd annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration January 23. The event will be held in **Gettysburg College's** Christ Chapel at 7pm. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. Free shuttle service to Christ Chapel from the college's Constitution and Master's parking lots will be available from 6:15-7pm with return service beginning at 8pm. Free child care will be available during the event. For more information on the event or ACCAP, call Adrienne Camel at 717.334.7634, ext. 147.

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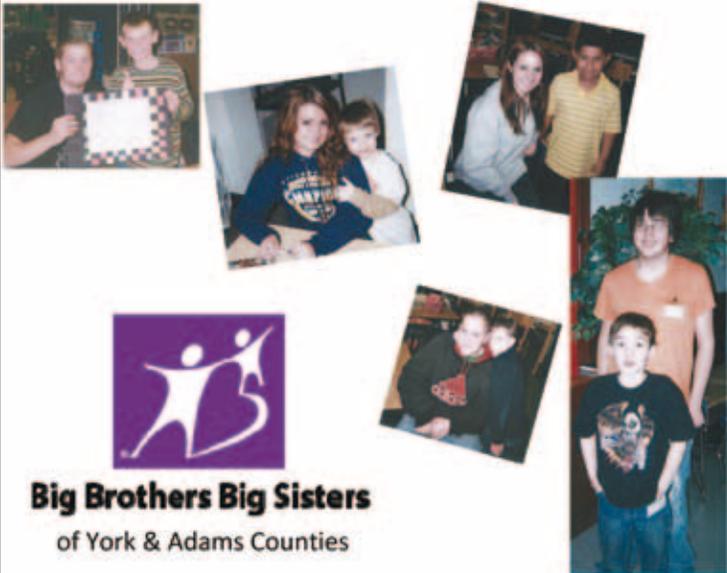
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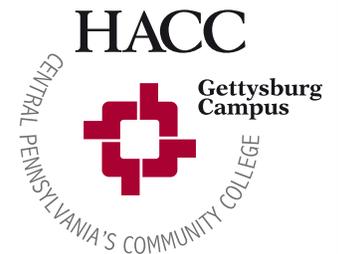


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Special thanks to Wyndham Gettysburg and Member's 1st Federal Credit Union for their support of the Holiday Jackpot Raffle Party in December.

Please join the staff of the Adams County Arts Council as they open the doors of their new Arts & Education Center, 125 S. Washington Street, to you for the January 19 Membership Mixer from 5-7pm.

RSVP your attendance to the Chamber staff at 717.334.8151, before January 12.



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January 2012 Events

January 2

Office Closed for New Year's Holiday

January 4

Agriculture Team Meeting, 7:30am,
Agricultural & Natural Resource Center

January 9

Traditional Media Team Meeting, 9am,
Lutheran Social Services

January 10

Environmental Team Meeting,
Noon, Chamber Office

January 11

Wine Festival Steering Subcommittee,
Noon, Refectory

January 12

Legislative Team Meeting, Noon,
Inn at Herr Ridge

January 16

Office Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 17

Lunch and Learn Program Series, 12:15pm,
Chamber Office

January 18

Marketing Council, 12:30pm, Chamber Office

January 19

Business and Industry Team Meeting, Noon,
Gettysburg Eddie's

Membership Mixer, 5-7pm, Adams County
Arts Council

January 23

Staff Meeting, 9am, Chamber Office

Membership Council Meeting, 3:30pm,
Chamber Office

January 24

Lunch and Learn Program Series, 12:15pm,
Chamber Office

January 26

Board of Directors Meeting, 7:30am,
Chamber Office

Career Fair Meeting, 1pm, Chamber Office

January 30

Staff Meeting, 9am, Chamber Office

A good time was had by all attendees of the Chamber's Holiday Jackpot Raffle Party on December 8, at the Wyndham Gettysburg.

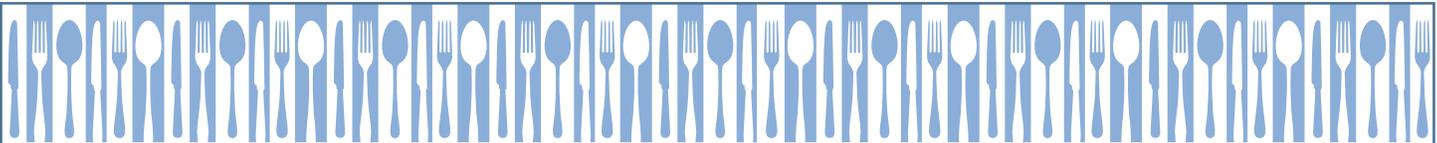




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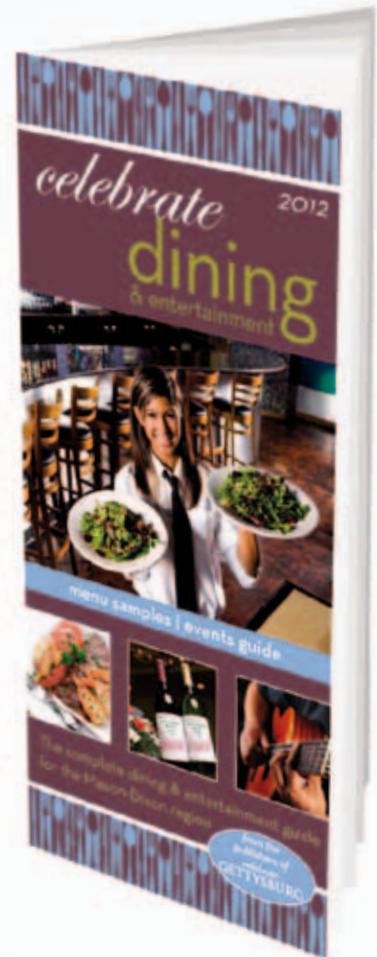


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