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Member News From Around the County



Member Spotlight



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## Hunterstown Generating Station Honored for Environmental Stewardship

The Hunterstown Combined Cycle Power Plant, owned and operated by NRG Energy Inc., received the Environmental Stewardship Award from the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce during a chamber breakfast Feb. 12 at Cross Keys Village – The Brethren Home Community.

The 810-megawatt power plant was built in 2003 on 89 acres of a 307-acre industrial site between Granite Station and Hunterstown roads. The plant is fueled by natural gas, making the energy it produces clean and cost effective.

"Adams County businesses are good stewards of both their business resources



Pictured are (front, I-r) Commissioner Jim Martin; John Brummer, NRG Energy; Jesse Bowser, NRG Energy; Charlie Bennett, Knouse Foods Cooperative Inc. and chamber Environmental Team chair; Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce President Carrie Stuart; (back, I-r) Commissioner Marty Qually; Scott Pitzer, representing Senator Rich Alloway; Commissioner Randy Phiel; Representative Dan Moul. Photo courtesy of Leer Photography.

and our community's natural resources," said Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce President Carrie Stuart. "We're proud to recognize NRG Energy Inc. for their work to safeguard the environment and ensure future generations can continue to thrive in this community."

NRG Energy employs 33 skilled technicians to oversee production of electricity using steam created through a combustion process. Some low quality steam escapes in this process, and an air cooled condenser allows the plant to convert this steam to water that is recycled throughout the plant. Since no outside water is used, the plant is able to recycle about 40 percent of its water consumption back to the municipality.

NRG Energy recently upgraded the plant's combustion and steam turbines, reducing emissions by approximately 64 percent. Plant lighting is also being shifted from High Energy Sodom Vapor to LED to reduce the environmental impact.

The plant has a rigorous recycling program, recycling more than 90 percent of its generated waste, including paper, cardboard, wood plastic and metal, and works with state-approved vendors to recycle residual waste like oil.

"NRG Energy is committed to managing its business in Gettysburg – and everywhere we operate – in an environmentally-responsible manner that focuses on continuous improvement," said Hunterstown plant manager John Brummer. "We're very pleased that our local Chamber recognizes and appreciates our efforts and we're very proud to be a part of this community."

Honorees over the past five years include: International Paper – Biglerville, Adams Rescue Mission, Littlestown Veterinary Hospital, Gettysburg Eddie's, Gettysburg Foundation and Hundredfold Farm.

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## Member News



The Land Conservancy of Adams County recently received one of two "Spirit of South Mountain" awards from the regional South Mountain Partnership

conservation project. The award, which recognizes significant contributions to advancing a positive and sustainable future for the South Mountain region, was presented by Rob Thaeler, a principal planner with the Adams County Office of Planning and Development and member of the Partnership's Leadership Committee. Land Conservancy Conservation Coordinator Sarah Kipp accepted the award on behalf of the Land Conservancy. Since its founding in 1995, the Land Conservancy has worked with local landowners to preserve nearly 10,000 acres of Adams County woodland, farmland, open spaces, and freshwater streams.

Gettysburg College has earned one of the top Returnon-Education (ROE) scores in



the nation based on academics, cost, financial aid, student debt, graduation rates, alumni salaries and job satisfaction, according to The Princeton Review. The review, which relies on both data and student opinion, also ranked Gettysburg College as 11th nationally for internship opportunities and as a Best Value College.



Kay Hollabaugh, an owner and board member of Hollabaugh Bros. Inc. Fruit Farm and Market, was recently inducted into the Hall of Fame of the North American Farmers' Direct Marketing Association (NAFDMA). She manages the retail market's personnel, scheduling

and general management. She's also involved in state and national industry organizations, including serving previously as president of the NAFDMA.

Shannon Harvey, HACC -**Gettysburg Campus** vice president, was presented the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Excellence Award, the most



coveted award among community and technical college educators. She was honored for her leadership in and out of the classroom.



**Quality Inn Gettysburg Battlefield** received the Platinum Award for 2015 from Choice Hotels. The designation is awarded to the top three percent of properties across the nation and is based on guest 2 CHAMBER satisfaction scores.

### **Liberty Mountain Resort's**

Highland Lodge construction project is on schedule for August 2015 completion. The new facility features enhancements for golf



package guests, including a new Pro Shop with two golf simulators, an indoor pool with hot tub and sauna, a fitness room, two new restaurants and multiple indoor and outdoor gathering spaces. The lodge will also feature a grand event room and terrace, several meeting rooms and 17 additional hotel rooms, all with views of the golf course and scenic valley.



**Commuter Services of Pennsylvania** appointed new officers and board members to serve on the Susquehanna Regional Transportation Partnership non-profit board, which oversees the region's ninecounty commuter alternatives program.

New board members include Darlene Brown, executive director of PA interfaith Community Programs and Adams County Housing Authority, and Chris Caba, comprehensive planner with the Adams County Planning Commission.

WellSpan Health has named WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital President John M. Porter Jr. as the regional health system's new executive vice president and chief



operating officer. In his new position, Porter will focus on strategies and further develop an infrastructure that will enhance operational performance, teamwork, quality of care and growth in programs across WellSpan's local systems of care in Lancaster, Adams and York counties. He will work with the organization's leaders to increase efficiencies, reduce costs and promote coordinated care among the health system's four hospitals and its ambulatory services provided at more than 130 patientcare locations across south central Pennsylvania.



Jack Himes has joined Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Homesale Realty as a Realtor®. Himes, a long time resident of Littlestown, will specialize in residential sales throughout York and Adams counties. He attended Le Cordon Bleu Institute of Culinary Arts where he received his

associate's degree. Berkshire Hathaway Homesale Realty's Gettysburg office is located at 1270 Fairfield Road.

Adams County Habitat for Humanity recently received a \$2,500 contribution from **ACNB Bank**. Adams County Habitat for Humanity follows the vision and mission of

Habitat for Humanity International in striving for a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Since its inception in 1988, Adams County Habitat for Humanity has helped provide



35 homes to low-income families deserving of home ownership. The bank's contribution was acknowledged with a check presentation. Pictured are Thomas A. Ritter, president and chief executive officer of ACNB Bank, and C. L. Pete Ricker, who serves as president of Adams County Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors and is also the senior vice president of retail lending at ACNB Bank.



Mister Ed's Elephant Museum and Candy Emporium is opening a new location in the Markets at Hanover. Beginning March 5, the popular candy retailer will begin selling homemade fudge, truffles, cinnamon roasted nuts, vintage soda and other candy at the market. The market is open every PThursday and Friday from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, visit mistereds.

com or amish-markets.com.

**GIANT Food Stores'** Peapod Delivers Pick-Up and Delivery is now available in more than 60 communities throughout southcentral Pennsylvania, including Aspers, Arendtsville, Bendersville, Biglerville Giant<sup>®</sup> and other parts of upper Adams County. Shoppers can order at peapod.com and select a minimum of \$60 worth of groceries to be delivered at a scheduled time the next day. They can shop with Bonus Cards and earn gas points and A+ School Rewards on the site. Delivery fees start at \$9.95, with reduced amounts for higher priced orders.



The Adams County Farmers' Market **Association** reached record growth in market sales generated from community outreach programs, including SNAP, Healthy Options, Double Dollars and Wellspan Market Bucks. Not only do these programs generate additional revenue streams for local growers, but

also help meet the needs of our community. Since 2011, vendor sales from these services have grown by more than 170 percent, accounting for just under \$18,000 in vendor sales. More than 60 percent of the outreach sales were to purchase fresh fruit and produce.

**Huston-Fox Financial Advisory Services**, a locally owned and operated fee-only financial advisory firm, announced that Sean Huston has joined forces with Ryan Fox to open a new Gettysburg office at 113 Carlisle St. Sean will continue to work in the Hanover office at 215 Baltimore St., while Ryan will work in Gettysburg.



Huston-Fox is proud to continue the tradition of Harry Holm in providing local expertise to investment advisory services. The Hanover location can be reached at 717.633.6844 and the Gettysburg office can be reached at 717.398.2040. The firm is accepting new clients and offers a complimentary introductory meeting.



Quality Inn Gettysburg **Battlefield** employees recently celebrated Retha McCleaf's 40 years with the company. Retha started her employment while in high school as a housekeeper

and after graduating from college was hired as a fulltime bookkeeper. She currently has no plans to retire. Pictured are Nathan Mares, Retha McCleaf, Laura Witt and Paul Witt.



## Member Spotlight

## Metro Public Adjustment Inc.: Fighting for You



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Approximately 80% of all insurance claims are

paid 25-40% on the dollar. That means you're only getting a fraction of what your loss is worth. Metro Public Adjustment helps clients get 65-90% on the dollar. A study found public adjusters got home owners 574% more for their loss as compared to those who called it into their insurance company directly. Bottom line: their results are better than what you can settle for yourself.

Krebs recommends people talk with him before a disaster. He's an extra set of eyes on your insurance policy, particularly the complicated fine print that most of us don't read. He can educate home and business owners about their insurance coverage and find any potential holes. For example, he helped one of his clients discover their policy would only pay damages to the mortgage lender, leaving the homeowner empty handed.

By law, Krebs' consultation services are totally free of charge. His goal is educating the consumer. He just asks that you keep his card with your insurance information and give him a call if you have a claim to file.

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Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce members donated \$186 to the East Coast Exotic Animal Rescue during the County Connections breakfast in Fairfield. The funds will be tripled thanks to a grant awarded to the rescue. The unique sanctuary, home to more than 40 species of exotic animals, lost supplies, equipment and its main building in a fire on May 17. The funds will help the rescue rebuild, purchase equipment and continue operations. Pictured from left to right are Melissa Bishop, East Coast Exotic Animal Rescue volunteer, Carrie Stuart, chamber president, and Jennifer McCleaf, chamber membership and events director.







The Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce hosts County Connections breakfasts four times annually at locations throughout Adams County. With no formal program, chamber members have a chance to speak about their businesses to those in attendance. Additionally, the chamber recognizes milestone membership anniversaries.





Mooney & Associates LLC, Gettysburg



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ACNB Bank, Gettysburg



Met-Ed, York



DL3 Systems LLC, Gettysburg



Main Street Gettysburg Inc., Gettysburg



Gettysburg Times, Gettysburg



Mason Dixon Farms Inc., Gettysburg



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## **Program Updates**



A couple **vendor spots remain** for Adams County's culinary showcase **Taste of the Town**, **Sunday**, **April 12**, from 2-5 p.m. at the Eisenhower Hotel & Conference Center.

Chamber members can participate as a vendor at a discounted rate of \$45 (non-member \$55), which includes pre-event marketing and the chance to showcase your food specialities to 300 local "foodies." Contact Jennifer McCleaf at <code>jenniferm@gettysburg-chamber.org</code> or 717.334.8151.

Vendor applications are rolling in for the **2015 Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival**, set for Sept. 12-13 at the Gateway Gettysburg Complex. To date, more than 30 returning vendors are confirmed.



Spots opened to new vendors Feb 23. **Specialty product and craft vendors are needed.** Contact Jennifer McCleaf at *jenniferm@gettysburg-chamber.org* or 717.334.8151.

Save the date for the John R. White Memorial Golf Tournament on Thursday, July 9, at the Hanover Country Club in Abbottstown. Sponsorship opportunities are available for this popular event. Contact Jennifer McCleaf at jenniferm@gettysburg-chamber.org or 717.334.8151.



**WHEN:** Wednesday, April 15, 12:15-1 p.m.

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David W. Patti brings 30 years of government, political and public affairs experience to the Pennsylvania Business Council, where he works on behalf of the state's businesses to effect change that supports business growth and opportunity. He'll give updates on the latest issues facing Pennsylvania businesses and tell how Wolf Administration policies will shape the state's business climate.

### Tuesday, April 7, 8 a.m.

Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg Refectory

\$15/members, \$20/non-members

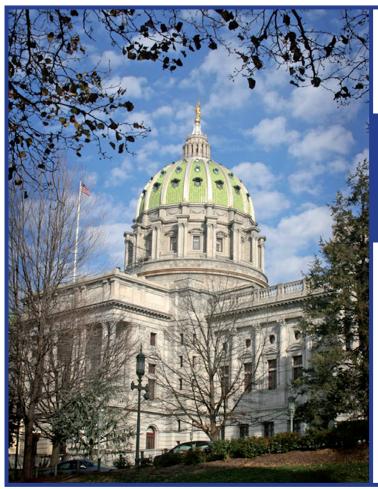
TO REGISTER VISIT GETTYSBURG-CHAMBER.ORG OR CALL 717.334.8151







### Membership Orientation Wednesday, March 18 7:45 a.m. Breakfast Adams Electric Cooperative Inc. Conference Room 1338 Biglerville Road WHAT Gettysburg Get the most from your Chamber membership: · Learn how we represent your interests within Adams County and our region. · Educate yourself on HOW membership benefits · Get acquainted with other new members, chamber staff, board and committee representatives.



# Save the Date

RSVP to 717.334.8151 or info@gettysburg-chamber.or

## **LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON** FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 11:30 A.M.

### Featuring a panel of federal and state officials

At HACC-Gettysburg Campus featuring lunch by the SCCAP Food Service Development Program. Cost is \$20.

Register by **March 6** to: 717.334.8151, info@gettysburg-chamber.org or at gettysburg-chamber.org.







### Career Fair Prepares 1,100 10th Graders for Workforce

The 15<sup>th</sup> annual Adams County Career Fair is on the Gettysburg College campus March 11. Tenth grade students from all six Adams County public school districts, along with students from two local private schools and the Lincoln Intermediate Unit #12, will attend the career fair. They'll get the inside scoop on three careers of their choosing, from about 60 career offerings. Plus, they'll have the chance to experience a college campus, many for the first time.

This is not a job fair; it is intended to help students chart their path from high school to the career they will pursue for their working lives.

Career speakers explain what classes the students might need in high school, what degrees are needed and what avenues to follow for further training or schooling. The speakers can also help the students understand what it is like to perform a job on a daily basis. Career speakers are all volunteers from our community. Some have been involved in the career fair for years and have influenced hundreds of youth on their career choices. Many of the students would not otherwise have had the opportunity to speak with someone involved in some of the fields.

### Careers represented this year are:

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Chiropractor

Construction/Carpentry

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**Dentistry Related Fields** 

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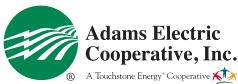
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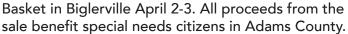


Senator Richard Alloway II (R-33) has opened an office in the Borough of Hanover at Young Manor, 118 Carlisle St., Suite 309, across from Royal Farms. Hanover became part of the

33rd Senatorial District as a result of the redistricting process. The office phone is 717.632.1153, and business hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Alloway's office will be staffed by Barbara Metzler, who has a decade of experience with retired State Rep. Steve Nickol, the late Sen. Mike Waugh, and now Alloway.

### **MARCH**

The Gettysburg Area Civitan Club is now taking orders for their annual flower sale, "Posies for Progress." Orders are due on March 9 and may be picked up at the United Way of Adams County in Gettysburg or Bair's Flower





Fabio's Events and Catering hosts an International Women's Day celebration Sunday, March 8, from 5-9 p.m. at Fabio's Events Center, 6210 Lincoln Way East, Fayetteville. The day is celebrated worldwide each year to recognize women's economic, political and social

achievements. Bring your girlfriends and relax as handsome young men serve delicious hors d'oeuvres then enjoy music and dancing. Cost is \$30. Call 717.778.7929 or visit fabiosevents.com for reservations.

Applications are now being accepted for two \$2,000 Florence de Haven Stick Memorial Scholarships offered through the Visiting Nurse Association



of Hanover & Spring Grove Inc. Eligible recipients include any person living in Adams County, Hanover or Spring Grove who is enrolled in an accredited nursing program or accepted for classes beginning in the fall for a career as an RN or LPN. Applications are available by calling 717.637.1227 and are due March 13.



**Gettysburg Community Theatre** hosts the Pennsylvania Association of Community Theatres' State Festival March 13-15. Community theaters from across the state will present their one act shows for adjudication and consideration to be advanced on to the regional and national festival festivals. Additionally, Children on

Eden, a musical based on the book of Genesis, plays 12 CHAMBER hat

March 20-29. Visit GettysburgCommunityTheatre.org for details.

Professionals can learn to communicate in Spanish during eight classes offered through the YWCA Hanover. Attendees



will learn to have basic conversations with parents of students, clients or patients; communicate expectations, concerns and procedures; and appreciate and be sensitive to cultural norms and differences. Classes are Mondays from March 23-May 18 from 6-8 p.m. Register for \$98 to 717.637.2125 ext. 229.



Mister Ed's Elephant Museum & Candy Emporium hosts its annual Bunny Party and Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28, from 2-4 p.m. The party features a hunt for more than 5,000 eggs, a special appearance by the Easter Bunny, live music and prizes.

Children 12 years and younger may participate in the hunt in one of three age divisions: Walkers to Three Years, Four to Seven Years and Eight to 12 Years. The event is free, but registration is required. Pre-register before March 21 by visiting Mister Ed's, emailing info@ mistereds.com or calling 717.352.3792.

### **APRIL**

The HACC Foundation spring scholarship cycle is open through April 3, with more than 200



scholarships available to financially assist HACC students during the fall 2015 and spring 2016 terms. The HACC Foundation awarded 2013-14 scholarships to 845 students totaling nearly \$1.1 million to be used for tuition and book costs. Apply through hacc. academicworks.com.



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Adams County will offer

its annual Conflict Resolution and Mediation Training on the weekends of April 11-12 and April 25-26. The content of the workshop includes conflict styles, active listening communication skills, negotiation, mediation techniques and mediation role plays. The cost for training is \$200 (\$170 for early bird registration by March 20). Register at mediateadams.org or call 717.334.3871.

### **MAY**

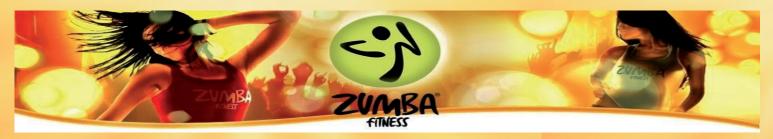
Adams County Arts Council's 12th annual Juried Art Exhibition is May 28-June 19 at Schmucker Art Gallery at Gettysburg College. Entries must be original work completed within the past three years. Visit adamsarts.org.



# 3rd Annual ZUMBATHON ARMS GOD'S LO



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## **Community Partners**



### Destination Gettysburg Celebrates 60th Years

by Carl Whitehill, Director of Communications, Destination Gettysburg



Destination Gettysburg staff were part of an unveiling of an art gallery featuring images of the 180-mile-long Journey Through Hallowed Ground, at Washington Dulles International Airport.

Images include photographs of Soldiers' National Cemetery and Gettysburg's Remembrance Day Parade – all taken by renowned photographer Kenneth Garrett. The Journey Through Hallowed Ground is a byway that runs from Gettysburg to Monticello, Va. The exhibit features, in total, 46 images of Garrett's work.

"Hundreds of thousands of travelers will walk past this gallery," said Norris Flowers, president of Destination Gettysburg, who was in attendance for the

gallery reception Feb. 9. "It's an incredible opportunity for travelers to see beautiful images of Gettysburg and the other destinations throughout the Journey Through Hallowed Ground."

Known as the region "Where America Happened," the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area contains more history than any other region in the nation and includes National and World Heritage sites, more than 10,000 sites on the National Register of Historic Places, 49 National Historic Districts, nine Presidential sites, 13 National Park units, hundreds of African American and Native American heritage sites, 30 Historic Main Street communities, sites from the Revolutionary War, French-Indian War, War of 1812 as well as the largest collection of Civil War sites in the nation.

# eliminating racism empowering women **YWC3**

### YWCA Hosts Nearly New Sale March 27-28

by Ashley Andyshak Hayes, Director of Advocacy and Public Relations YWCA of Gettysburg & Adams County

The YWCA Gettysburg & Adams County will host the semi-annual **Nearly New Sale March 27-28** in the YWCA gymnasium, 909 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg.

The Nearly New Sale is an opportunity to consign gently used children's clothing (infant through size 14-16), toys, shoes, games, books, puzzles, children's videos and more, and stock up on some "new-to-you" items. Consignments are accepted Sunday, March 22, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Monday, March 23, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Donations are accepted through Tuesday, March 24, at 3 p.m. Sale hours are Friday, March 27, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday, March 28, 8:30-10:30 a.m. (half-price sale) and 11 a.m. to noon (bag sale).



Volunteers are needed to sort and tag clothing during the week of March 22. Volunteers who work at least five hours prior to 8 p.m. on March 25 are eligible to shop the pre-sale on Thursday, March 26. For more information or to volunteer, call Nancy Lilley at 717-334-9171, ext. 115, or email nlilley@ywcagettysburg.org.

All proceeds from the sale benefit YWCA programs. A complete listing of accepted items and the consignment agreement and rules are available at *ywcagettysburg.org*.



### Freedom Transit Renovations Complete

by Jenna Reedy, Business Development Manager, York Adams Transportation Authority



The York Adams Transportation Authority is proud to announce that the renovations of the Adams County administrative offices, located at Rear 257 North Fourth Street in Gettysburg, are now complete. We thank everyone for their patience during the renovations.

Remember, seniors age 65+ who register with Freedom Transit can ride the fixed route bus service and rabbitEXPRESS service between Gettysburg and Harrisburg for free. To find out how to sign up or for more information, please contact *info@rabbittransit.org*, call 800.632.9063 or visit *rabbittransit.org*.

## **Community Partners**



### **ACEDC** to Host Manufacturing Summit

by Kaycee Kemper, Vice President, Adams County Economic Development Corporation

Workforce development is a hot topic throughout the nation. If you listened to or read about Governor Wolf's inaugural address, creating and retaining "jobs that pay" are at the top of his agenda.

The Adams County Economic Development Corporation (ACEDC) plays an important role in workforce development. We offer assistance to employers in the form of low interest, fixed rate, financing so they can expand operations, purchase new equipment and increase their workforce. We share a facility with the Adams County CareerLink, which provides services to those seeking employment by offering GED classes, assisting with resume writing and workforce training assistance. Through our regional partners, we offer a network of service providers to assist your business with any challenge. It is important for us to engage our local businesses, listen to concerns and help shape policy by working closely with our local legislators to make a difference.

On **April 7** at ACEDC's office, Senator Rich Alloway, HACC and ACEDC are hosting an event for manufacturers to **discuss workforce development challenges and brainstorm solutions**. The event begins with lunch at 11:30 a.m., with a program from noon-2 p.m. We want to hear your workforce development challenges. Is it the talent pipeline? Is it lack of skills? What can we do to strengthen manufacturing in the region?

I encourage all human resource personnel in the manufacturing sector to attend. You are the professionals on the front lines dealing with workforce challenges day after day, and we want to hear from you.

Contact Kaycee Kemper at kemper10@acedc.org or 717-334-0042 ext. 2 for more details.



### **GARMA Announces Upcoming Events**

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

The Gettysburg Area Retail Merchants' Association (GARMA) mission is to help create, promote, advertise and represent the better business interest of the membership of the organization. The membership includes retail stores, restaurants, financial institutions, local media, utilities, attractions, professionals, service providers, accommodations and non-profit organizations.



GARMA is governed by a board of directors elected from the general membership. The board elects officers to lead the group annually in January. Officers are: President Kathy Gilbert owner of the Gettysburg Day Spa, Vice President Ron Routson of the Gettysburg Merchandiser and Treasurer Ruth Dunlap owner of Dunlap's Restaurant. Board members include Stephanie Lightner of the Gettysburg Heritage Center, Marcia Wilson of the Adams County Democrat Committee, Susan Trostle owner of T&S Clothing and Gifts and Walt Tuchalski of ESPN 1320 WGET and Great Country 107.7 WGTY Radio.

Seventy-five members joined GARMA in 2014, and many have already renewed their membership for 2015. GARMA is in the process of accepting new members at this time as well. Membership is open to businesses, professionals and non-profits trading in the area within five miles around Gettysburg. You can learn more about GARMA membership on our website *gettysburgretailmerchants.com* or by contacting me, Walt Tuchalski, at 717.309.2482 and *wtuchalski@wgty.com*.

Upcoming GARMA events include the **Gettysburg Outdoor Antique Show** scheduled for **Saturday, May 16, and Saturday, Sept. 26**. "March into Spring" is GARMA's theme for this **1**<sup>st</sup> **Friday - Gettysburg Style, set for March 6**. Participating members will be offering specials, promotions, sales, giveaways, discounts, and unique menu items in keeping with the theme. More details and special coupons will be available under the 1st Friday tab on the website navigation bar and featured in the Thursday, March 5, edition of the *Gettysburg Times* on their 1st Friday page.





Thursday, March 19 5-7 p.m.



## $\overline{\mathsf{INSIGHT}}$ . Integrity. Results.

How can the new tangible property regulations provide
 significant tax savings to my business for the 2014 tax year?

While the new tangible property regulations can appear to be a complicated maze of compliance, they do provide the potential for opportunities of significant immediate tax savings. The regulations provide new considerations for whether amounts paid to improve or acquire tangible property is to be expensed or capitalized. Many taxpayers will find that some expenditures that may have been previously deemed as an improvement to property and required to be capitalized and depreciated can now be justified as a repair expense in light of the new regulations. Taxpayers should work with a tax professional to evaluate their current fixed asset schedules and determine if there are any previously capitalized amounts that could be justified as a repair in light of the new regulations. If so, taxpayers can claim an immediate tax deduction for the remaining net book value of the previously capitalized amount through an automatic change in accounting method. Time is of the essence! The opportunity to make adjustments for prior year amounts is applicable to the 2014 tax year only.



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# March 2015 Events

### March 2

Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Chamber Office

### March 4

Business Education Summit, 7:30 a.m., HACC-Gettysburg Campus

### March 6

Membership Council Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Chamber Office

### March 9

Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Chamber Office

### March 10

Executive Team Meeting, 8 a.m., Chamber Office

Environmental Team Meeting, Noon, Chamber Office

Taste of the Town Top Local Celebrity Chef Competition Kick-Off, 2:30 p.m., Eisenhower Hotel & Conference Center

Chamber Chat Content Deadline

### March 11

Adams County Career Fair, Gettysburg College

### March 13

Legislative Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., HACC-Gettysburg Campus

Attendees of the February General Membership Breakfast heard from rabbittransit Executive Director Richard Farr, who provided an update on the performance of the public transportation system, sharing innovative steps to promote system sustainability and offering insights for the future.

### March 16

Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Chamber Office

### March 17

Senior Self Improvement Meeting, 8 a.m., Chamber Office

### March 18

Membership Orientation, 7:45 a.m., Adams Electric Board Room

Adams County Economic Education Foundation Board of Directors Meeting, 3:30 p.m., Chamber Office

### March 19

Membership Mixer, 5-7 p.m., Eisenhower Hotel & Conference Center

### March 23

Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Chamber Office

### March 26

Board of Directors Meeting, 7:30 a.m., Adams Electric Conference Room

### March 30

Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Chamber Office





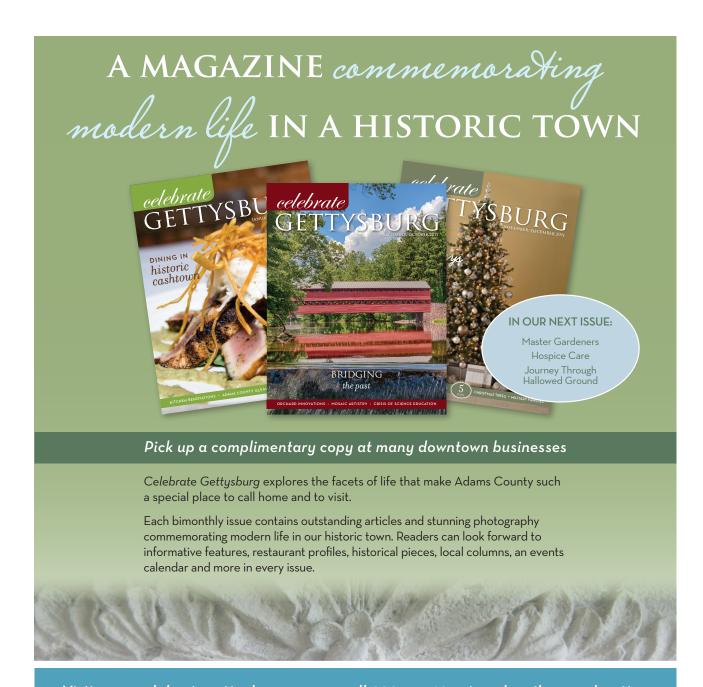




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