

Monthly publication of the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce











Program Updates





CALENDAR OF EVENTS Membership Committee,

11/3 8:30 a.m. 11/4 Career Fair Committee, 1 p.m. Annual Meeting, 5:30 p.m. 11/5 Business & Industry Committee, Noon 11/10 Executive Committee, 7:30 a.m. Environmental Committee, Noon 11/11 Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m. 11/12 Legislative Committee, Noon 11/19 Membership Mixer, 5-7 p.m. 11/20 Board of Directors, 7:30 a.m. Taste of the Town

Committee, 3:30 p.m.

11/26- OFFICE CLOSED

Jim Getty Named 2015 Outstanding Citizen

James Getty, famous for his portrayal of President Abraham Lincoln, will be posthumously awarded Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Citizen of the Year, remembered not only for his storied career, but for the lasting mark he left on the local community.

The award will be presented during the chamber's Annual Meeting, Wednesday, Nov. 4, at Hickory Bridge Farm.

"Jim Getty is the embodiment of an outstanding citizen because of his energy and passion for bringing our 16th president back to life for the benefit of new generations," said



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Carrie Stuart, chamber president. "For nearly 40 years, Jim's vocation and avocation were one and the same, and the local business community is grateful to have served as witness to his generosity in the Adams County community."

Getty first donned a tuxedo and stovepipe hat in 1973 while living in Ohio. A music teacher for 19 years, he had grown a beard and his students already recognized his resemblance to Lincoln. His first portrayal for an Ohio Kiwanis club was a success, and soon requests for his talents came pouring in, launching what would become a 38-year career as a Lincoln reenactor.

Getty moved to Gettysburg in 1977, where he and his wife opened chamber member A. Lincoln's Place on Steinwehr Avenue, a small theatre where he performed a one-man show.

He became an invaluable member of the Adams County community, performing free-of-charge for local church groups, organizations, schools, retirement homes, fundraisers, and even birthday parties and anniversary celebrations. He never missed a Memorial Day parade or delivering the Gettysburg Address for the annual Nov. 19 Dedication Day program at the National Cemetery.

"Everyone in Gettysburg knew Jim Getty – as a friend, neighbor, historian, speaker, parade participant, teacher and musician, church and choir member, or businessman," said Antigone Ladd, who along with her husband Everett, own Tigrett Corp., a historic leadership training business, and nominated Getty for the award. "In all of these capacities he was a kindly, compassionate gentleman, a remarkable listener, caring about others, a great story-teller whose laugh made us all smile, and an amazingly generous human being, sharing his time and talents with all.

"If you asked 50 people on the street in Gettysburg how they knew Jim Getty, you would get 50 different links to his community service, yet all would agree on his generosity and gracious manner."

In addition to his career as a teacher and later Lincoln impersonator, Getty served his country four years as a radioman in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War on the minesweeper USS Swift 122.

In its 44th year, recent award recipients include: Dr. Charles Glatfelter, David Sites, P.K. Hoover Jr., Patrick Naugle, Paul Kellet, Jennifer Weaver, Vickie Corbett, Amelia Contreras, Melissa Ferguson and Joann Smith.

The Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce is Adams County's largest business organization and supports the local business community by promoting diverse economic opportunities through advocacy, networking and information. More than 530 local businesses and organizations are members. For more information, visit gettysburg-chamber.org.



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Member Spotlights in the Chamber Chat are available to any member, particularly those businesses that have not been featured over the past five years. The best part? It's free! Check out pages 5 and 7 in this edition to see two great examples. To sign up for the few remaining 2016 spots, contact Nicole Bucher at *nicoleb@* gettysburg-chamber.org or 717.334.8151.





Business News

The **bolded** businesses in Business News are Chamber members. Submit news (between 50-75 words) to news@gettysburgchamber.org by the second Tuesday of each month for inclusion in the following month's publication.

Adams County Arts Council will receive \$9,000 from the Robert C. Hoffman Charitable Endowment Trust to provide arts funding for local schools through the Arts Council's STAR (Serving the Arts Regionally) Grant. The grant is also supported by the Adams County Commissioners and **Borough of Gettysburg**. Over the past 17 years, the STAR Grant has awarded more than \$200,000 and served approximately 241,000 people with enriching art programs that enhance the quality of life in Adams County.

Adams County Winery unveiled a new wine for the fall season. Dancing Pumpkin is a delightful, lightly pumpkin spiced Vidal. The wine is a seasonal limited edition and is available at all winery locations.

Chad D. Peters, P.E., recently joined **C.S. Davidson Inc.** as a project manager in the civil engineering group. In his role, Peters will prepare site design and land development plans, grading plans, storm water and sewer system designs, project coordination and permitting, and review subdivision and land development plans for compliance with municipal ordinances. He brings more than 14 years of experience in the engineering industry, including working with local municipal governments.

C.S. Davidson Inc. was named the 2015 Pennsylvania/ Delaware Chapter of the ESOP Association Company of the Year. The association is a national non-profit organization serving 2,500 employee stock ownership plan companies. C.S. Davidson is a civil and structural engineering firm with offices in Gettysburg, Lancaster and York. The firm is employee-owned, which means all staff members believe that teamwork and accountability will further the firm's interests as well as their own.

Cross Keys Village, the Brethren Home

Community, broke ground on a new Memory Care Residence, which promises an array of tools to make life better for those suffering from dementia, for their families and for other caregivers. Scheduled to open next year, the \$7.8 million, 26,000 square-foot facility will have two "households" with 16 private rooms in each, and a connecting "Main Street" area will house shared resources. A \$1.5 million fundraising campaign is underway to help with the building costs. Anyone interested in supporting the project should contact Vanessa Berger at 717.624.5208.

The **Gettysburg Optimist Club** donated \$1,000 to the Gettysburg Fire Department. Eric Bergdale, chair of the Firemen's Carnival, accepted the donation on behalf of the department. The carnival, which is a huge source of revenue for the department, was canceled this year due to extreme weather conditions. The funds will be used to maintain equipment and facilities at the station.

Smith Elliott Kearns & Company LLC was named as a national leader in INSIDE Public Accounting's sixth annual ranking of the nation's largest accounting firms, the IPA 200. The IPA 200 is one of the most comprehensive lists of its kind and is the most current snapshot of the financial and operational health of accounting firms. SEK&Co ranks as the 173rd largest accounting firm in the nation. Several **SpiriTrust Lutheran**, The Village at Gettysburg team members recently celebrated milestone employment anniversaries with the agency. Benay Bair and Tara Stock completed 10 years of service, while Melissa King, Brandy Shorb and Sandy Messner have 15 years of service, and Sharon Ard and Pat Krebs celebrate 25 years.

Revena Rossi was recently named chief financial officer and vice president of support services at **SpiriTrust Lutheran**. Rossi is responsible for overseeing the financial operations of the senior living services provider, in addition to supervising the information technology department. She will have direct fiscal responsibility for six senior living communities, three HUD residences and all other SpiriTrust Lutheran lifeenhancing services, as well as general oversight of the entire agency's financial affairs. Rossi most recently served as senior vice president for Finance at Phoebe Ministries in Allentown and is a graduate of Shippensburg University.

Stock and Leader welcomes Martin R. Siegel to lead the Environmental Law Group in providing counsel to the firm's local, regional and national clients. He brings 22 years of environmental law experience at the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, where he served as assistant counsel in the southcentral regional office. Prior to joining the department, Siegel worked for several federal agencies and as a law clerk for the Commonwealth Court.

Attorney Timothy K. McHugh joined **Stock and Leader's** School Law Group focusing his practice in the area of public education, including student discipline, special education and employment law. Prior to joining the firm, McHugh taught social studies for 15 years. Assuming dual roles as both a teacher and student, Mr. McHugh enrolled in law school while maintaining his position as an educator. In 2013, he graduated cum laude from the Widener University School of Law where he was named the recipient of the John A. Fillion Memorial Award for excellence in the field of labor and employment law.

Tail Chasers Gettysburg has relocated to The Gettysburg Shopping Center at 10 Springs Ave. Tail Chasers East Berlin, located at 502 West King St., will remain open. Tail Chasers is a full service pet groomer and pet supply store.

United Way of Adams County recently hosted its annual Day of Caring to demonstrate what people working together for the community's good can accomplish. Volunteers prepared 27,000 macaroni and cheese and rice and pinto bean meals for distribution to 14 food programs serving Adams County.

The Gateway Gettysburg team helped raise \$2,000 for the Cameron Baer Memorial Scholarship Foundation during a chicken barbecue. Cameron Baer was the son of Brad Baer, former General Manager of the **Wyndham Gettysburg**. Cameron was tragically killed earlier this year while attending Coastal Carolina University. In his honor, his family established a memorial scholarship fund for a Dallastown Area High School senior who completed extensive volunteer hours and exemplifies Cameron's caring and giving personality.

Program Updates



Don't miss the chamber's **Annual Meeting** at Hickory Bridge Farm at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4. We'll highlight chamber activities over the past year, recognize new board members and award the

Outstanding Citizen of the Year.

The **Prayer Breakfast** is Wednesday, Nov. 11, at the Wyndham Gettysburg. The guest speaker is Dr. Bob Dudley Jr., vice president of John H. Woodburn Group Inc. From welfare kid to self-made millionaire, Dr. Dudley has discovered the seven Biblical "secrets" to success. He travels around the country sharing lessons from his rags to riches story of how he went from a runaway and high school dropout to a retired Air Force Major, entrepreneur, and international philanthropist.

Save the date for the annual **Holiday Jackpot Raffle**, the party of the year for chamber members. Set for Thursday, Dec. 10, from 5-7 p.m. at the Wyndham Gettysburg, the annual event draws more than 300 attendees for great food, fantastic company and thousands of dollars in cash prizes.

A limited number of tickets for Taste of the Town are available at a 25% discount as part of a holiday special. From Black Friday to Christmas Eve, purchase tickets for \$18.75. Tickets include sampling from area restaurants, caterers, bakeries and wineries during Adams County's culinary showcase. A cash bar is also available. The event is Sunday, April 3, from 2-5 p.m. at the Eisenhower Hotel. Get tickets at *tasteofgettysburg.org*.



The Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce recently presented \$1,700 to the Battlefield FFA for their help in cleaning the grounds following the **Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival**, held Sept. 12-13 at the Gateway Gettysburg Complex. The agricultural educational program was just one of several local organizations to benefit from the festival. Pictured from left to right are: Bill Tindall, advisor; Jennifer McCleaf, chamber membership and events director; Morgan Bowie; Breanna Arentz; Ricky Staub; Jessica Golliday; Logan Goodwill; Shanna Wenschhof; Danny Sharrer; Baylie Hahn; Kathryn Wagner; Ashlyn Burkholder; Allie Young; Olivia Staub; Laura Kennedy, advisor; and Carrie Stuart, chamber president.

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Member Spotlight

Gettysburg Smiles: Professional Dentistry with the Warmth of Family

Ten years ago, Dr. Rita Tempel launched her dental practice with a vision—to provide an exceptionally caring, comfortable environment to patients, combined with the highest quality of care. "Running the practice of my dreams in Gettysburg quickly became a reality—I am very proud of how our practice has grown," Tempel explains.

"My Office Manager Megan and I started from scratch. We had one telephone line, a paper schedule book... fast forward to today, even with cutting-edge technology and growth, we are still committed to quality care with a personal touch. Our patients are like family to us."

To commemorate her 10th anniversary in Gettysburg, Dr. Tempel & Associates (Gettysburg Smiles) is thanking the community for their support and offering 10 anniversary specials that include significant savings on all aspects of cosmetic and family dentistry services, from 50% off new patient exams for children ages 2-12, to 50% off whitening services, and \$100 off a crown, available to both new and established patients.

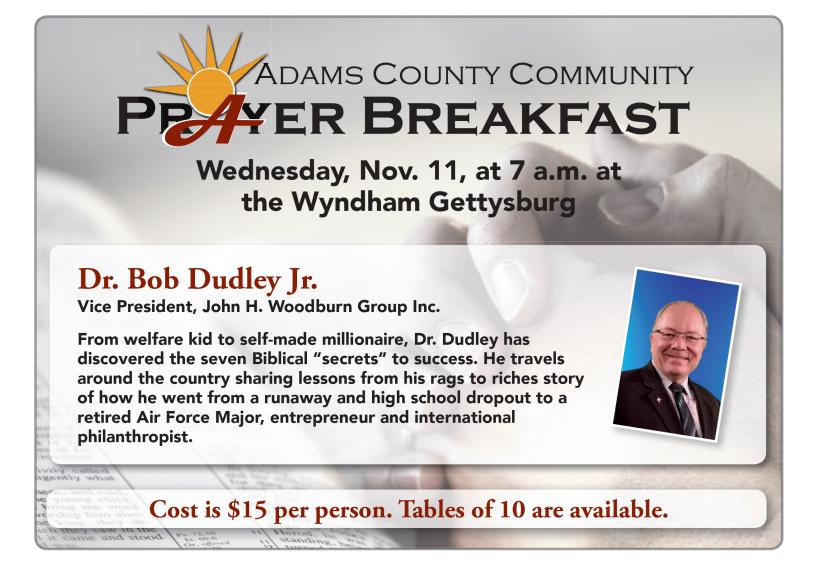


Patients often comment that Dr. Tempel and Associates go "the extra mile" in providing outstanding care. Any fears patients feel about going to the dentist are often calmed by visiting their choice of themed treatment rooms such as the spa room or Disney room, or enjoying amenities such as a lavender neck wrap or a movie while undergoing treatment.

A patient's recent testimonial summarizes: "Friendly, warm faces with a spirit of caring... Professional dentistry with the warmth of family. It's so refreshing to feel like a person and not just a number. I highly recommend Dr. Tempel and her staff."

Dr. Tempel & Associates welcomes area residents to make an appointment, and experience beautiful, healthy, long-lasting smiles. Check *GettysburgSmiles.com*, search "Gettysburg Smiles" on Facebook, or call 717.339.0033.





Reservations for 15th Annual Community Prayer Breakfast - Nov. 11, 2015

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Member Spotlight

Allstate Insurance: McKee Team Ensures You're In Good Hands

Kelly McKee and her team at Allstate Insurance – McKee Agency in Hanover are committed to keeping their customers in "good hands."

"It's our goal to ensure that every customer receives quality customer service at our agency," said Kelly. "The well-known Allstate branding 'you're in good hands' is more than just a tagline, it's something you experience everyday with us."

Kelly purchased the agency in 2012, and along with her husband Rick and a dedicated staff, have grown the agency because of the excellent customer service delivered. The McKee Agency has the distinct honor of being the only Allstate agency owned and operated by a woman in the area and is designated as the only Allstate Premier Service Agency serving Adams County and western York County, including the Gettysburg and Hanover communities.

Helping people is Kelly and Rick's passion.

"We take pride in knowing that our passion for service and compassion for our neighbors and local community supports our customers' desire to appreciate life and what they have," said Kelly.

The couple is very involved in community service. Kelly volunteers by teaching distracted driving prevention at local high schools and has gotten more than 2,000 students, faculty and community members to take the pledge not to text and drive. The agency also supports the

YWCA of Hanover and prevention of domestic violence. Rick dons his white go-go boots every year to "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes," to help put an end to domestic violence.

The McKee Agency team understands the changing needs of people as they travel their life journey. They know personally how important our loved ones are and how important it is to protect them. The McKee Agency is uniquely able to help customers protect everything important to them...personal and business. They would be happy to provide a complimentary review of your current coverage and free quotes for auto, homeowner, renter, life, retirement and small business insurance. Let the McKee Agency be your trusted advisor.





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As Jack Frost comes nipping at our nose, here are some helpful hints that can help make for a safer bus ride during winter weather.

- **Plan Ahead:** Buses move only as quickly as traffic allows. If there is snow or ice, consider taking an earlier bus to ensure that you arrive at your destination on time
- **Be Visible:** Especially on dark winter mornings, it's important that you make yourself visible to an approaching bus. Wear light-color clothing or reflector gear. Signal your presence with a small blinking light, flashlight, or phone.
- **Dress Warmly:** Although the ride will be warm, your trip to and from the bus stop may not be. Put on an extra layer.
- **Step Carefully:** Bus floors and steps become slippery from snow and ice. Kick the snow from your shoes before stepping on board. Use the handrails and take your time.
- Know Your Detour: When severe winter weather hits, we may implement detours on some routes. Find the Snow Routes at *rabbittransit.org*. Be sure to watch the website or Facebook for updates or call the rabbittransit Rider Hotline at 717.849.0740. Not sure where the bus is? Track where it goes by using "myStop" Bus Tracker at *rabbittransit.org*.

DCED and PIDA Re-Set Loan Rates

The Department of Community & Economic Development and the PIDA Board have set the interest rates for the following loan products (for loan applications submitted to DCED through Dec. 31, 2015)

• **Real estate loans** financing eligible land and building costs, borrowers will choose from the following options:

Fixed interest rate of 3.5% for the full term of the loan, up to a 15 year term

Fixed interest rate of 2.50% for a seven year period. After the seventh year, the rate will reset to the 10-year treasury rate, plus 200 basis points, with a ceiling of 4.50% and a floor of 2.25%. The loan is amortized over 15 years for the first seven years, and eight years thereafter.

- Equipment loans 3.50% fixed rate for the full term of the loan, up to a 10 year term
- Working capital and accounts receivable lines of credit 3.50% fixed rate for 12 month period.
- **Pollution prevention and energy efficiency loans** 2.00% fixed rate for the full term of the loan

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Jan. 26	County Connections, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School
March 11	Legislative Luncheon, HACC Gettysburg
April 6	County Connections, The Links at Gettysburg
May 10	General Membership Breakfast, Hanover Country Club
May TBD	Member Appreciation Picnic, Pavilion at Adams Electric Cooperative
July TBD	County Connections, Biglerville High School
Sept. TBD	County Connections, TBD
Nov. 3	Annual Meeting and Awards Reception, Gettysburg Hotel



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Jan. 21	Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority	
Feb. 18	The Markets at Hanover	
March 17	Gettysburg Hotel	
April 21	Gettysburg Foundation	
May 19	Member Appreciation Mixer at York Adams Transportation Authority	
June 16	Hoffman Homes for Youth	
July 21	Hauser Estate Winery	
Aug. 18	Creative Gatherings	
Sept. 15	Huston Fox Financial Advisory Services with Adams Electric Cooperative	
Oct. 20	Gettysburg Community Theatre	
Nov. 17	ACNB Bank	





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