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## **Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce Recognizes Outstanding Area Businesses**

*Business Leaders Recognized from Biggerstaff's Catering, Gettysburg Heritage Center and Mister Ed's*

**Gettysburg, Pa.** – The Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce today awarded 2015 Business Awards to outstanding Adams County businesses. Recipients are Young Business Leader, Isaac Bucher, [Mister Ed's Elephant Museum & Candy Emporium](#); Minority Business, Stacey Green, [Biggerstaff's Catering](#); and Best Small Place to Work in Adams County, [Gettysburg Heritage Center](#).

“Adams County is home to exceptional businesses that create jobs, contribute to the local economy and serve the community,” said Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce President Carrie Stuart. “The chamber thanks these outstanding award winners, and the entire local business community, for their many contributions to keeping Adams County strong, viable and growing.”

**Isaac Bucher** and his wife Nicole are third generation owners of Mister Ed's Elephant Museum & Candy Emporium, a successful candy store, gift shop and elephant museum since 1975. Isaac served as general manager before purchasing the business from his wife's grandparents in July 2014. Under his leadership, Mister Ed's has expanded its outposts in the Gettysburg area to eight, started successful fudge fundraising campaigns for school and community groups, and grown the market for special event candy buffets. Isaac has also helped increase revenue through marketing campaigns and by introducing new homemade products like truffles and cinnamon glazed nuts. He initiated two free community events: the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Santa Claus arrival, with a combined nearly 1,000 attendees. Isaac served as chair for the chamber's 2015 Taste of the Town, is a member of Adams County Young Professionals and Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church, and is a community volunteer.

**Stacey Green** has grown her food business from a small truck stop restaurant to a successful catering company with 15 years of service to the community. Biggerstaff's Catering currently holds the food service contract for the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, where her staff of five works from the Refectory to provide daily lunch specials for students and staff and cater private and corporate events. She has found new and innovative ways to succeed in the competitive business, adding a “Quiz

Night” to the monthly agenda, where the community can enjoy a meal and trivia, and a “Bistro Night,” which gives families the opportunity to purchase meals to put in the freezer for later use. Actively involved in the community, Stacey sits on the boards of the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce, Gettysburg Hospital Foundation, Adams County Community Foundation and Gettysburg Borough Zoning Hearing Board, and is a supporter of many other organizations.

**Gettysburg Heritage Center**, formerly the American Civil War Wax Museum, employs 20 community members with 150 years of cumulative service. The center’s management team has outlined clear goals, providing employees the tools needed for personal and professional growth within the company. Over the past 18 months, the center has worked to reimagine its purpose in telling the story of Gettysburg. In this, the executive team and staff have worked to set up and prepare the new gift store and gallery experience, and employee feedback and suggestions were valued. The renovations have allowed employees to expand beyond their regular duties and comfort zones, bringing new opportunities for employees and growing the business.

The awards are part of chamber’s [Business Development Week](#) and National Small Business Week, May 4-8. Throughout the week, the chamber hosted expert-led, hour-long sessions on employee morale, cash flow management, social media, human resources and cybercrime prevention. More than 120 local business leaders attended the sessions. For more information on the programming, visit [gettysburg-chamber.org](#) and select “Business Resources” then “Workforce Training.”

The chamber supports the Adams County 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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