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Larry Plank Named Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year

GETTYSBURG, Pa. – Larry Plank, owner of L & H Mechanical Services, Gettysburg, is the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year, recognized for his outstanding work at the annual Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival.

The award was presented during the chamber's Annual Meeting, Thursday, Nov. 3, at the Gettysburg Hotel.

“The Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival would not be the success it is without Larry,” said Carrie Stuart, chamber president. “Beyond providing electrical needs, he can be counted on as a go-to guy for any task and does it with a smile. He is a tremendous asset not only to the chamber, but also to the entire Adams County community, and we thank him for his service.”

For more than 8 years, Plank and his team have provided electrical services to the Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival, the largest source of non-dues revenue for the chamber.

In addition to providing electricity to the festival, he helps ensure attendees have a good experience no matter the weather. He supplies straw during years where ground conditions are muddy, even providing extra on a flatbed trailer so it is on hand if needed. During the extreme heat at this year's festival, he supplied a 500-gallon tank of water for misting fans. He also allows materials like plywood, snow fence and rebar to be stored at his office, always ensuring it is on the festival grounds when needed. He has even helped with festival clean-up, despite having been onsite all weekend.

Plank is also an annual supporter of the chamber's Holiday Jackpot Raffle and was named Small Business Person of the Year in 2012.

“He is a true testament to a good, honorable, hard-working individual,” Carl and Susie Frantz wrote in their nomination letter. “We are proud to have him in Adams County and honored to nominate him for this award.”

The past five honorees include: Charlie Bennett, Knouse Foods Cooperative Inc.; David Laughman, DL3 Systems LLC; Debra Sites, ACNB Bank; Carl and Susie Frantz, Carl E. Frantz Inc.; and Pete Martin, PJ Martin Engineering.

The Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce is Adams County's largest and oldest business organization and supports the local business community by promoting diverse economic opportunities through advocacy, networking and information. Nearly 540 local businesses and organizations are members. For more information, visit www.gettysburg-chamber.org.

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