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BUSINESS BRIEFS

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Big, Siddhesh "Sid" Pawar and Little, Antione "AJ" Shoff from **Big Brothers Big Sisters of South-Central PA**, performed in the 98th Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade on Thursday, November 28 in

New York City. Pawar and Shoff are residents of York, PA and have been matched in the BBBS of South-Central PA youth mentorship program for 2 years. In celebration of a multi-year partnership between Macy's and Big Brothers Big Sisters, Pawar and Shoff joined the Parade to the call of "Let's Have a Parade," the iconic phrase that has signaled the start of every Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade since 1924.



On December 4, **Cross Keys Village** celebrated the Dedication and Grand Opening of Lifespring, a state-of-the-art environment that will host Day Services and a Memory Support Resource Center.

Construction began in April for this much-needed resource for the community. As thousands of daily commuters who pass the site daily on Route 94 can attest, construction went swiftly and is on schedule for a start of operations in early 2025.



SEK, CPAs & Advisors is pleased to announce Amanda Woller, QKA, MBA, Senior Administrator, has successfully completed the certification process with the American Society of Pension Professionals and Actuaries (ASPPA) to earn the Qualified 401(k) Administrator (QKA) credential. Woller brings six years of

expertise in the retirement plan services sector, working closely with clients to ensure their retirement plans are effectively managed and compliant with industry regulations. In addition to her client responsibilities, she volunteers with Junior Achievement.

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Kristina Reese, of **Luminest** Community Development in Chambersburg, has earned the designation of Housing Credit Certified Professional (HCCP) from the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and NAHB Multifamily. Reese is one of a

select group of industry professionals nationwide who have attained the HCCP certification. The HCCP is a professional certification program that sets competency standards for housing credit professionals involved in developing, investing in, allocating and managing housing credit properties.



Amblebrook at Gettysburg, a multi-award-winning, resort-style 55+ community, has announced that construction is underway for its next phase of residential development.

Dubbed Highland, the new 259-home neighborhood located off Shrivvers Corner Road is the third of five neighborhoods planned for Amblebrook. Lots are

expected to be delivered in Q2 of 2025, with builders to be announced at a later date. To date, 570 homes have been sold at Amblebrook- more than one quarter of the total homes planned to be built within the community.



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The York Water Company's President and CEO, JT Hand, announced that the Board of Directors at their November 25th meeting declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.2192 per share, a 4% increase. The dividend is payable January 15, 2025,

to shareholders as of record date December 31, 2024. This is the 616th consecutive dividend to be paid by The York Water Company. York Water, which is the oldest publicly traded company in the nation, has never missed a dividend in over 208 years. This is believed to be the longest record of consecutive dividends in America.

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Welcome

The following Board members were elected for terms beginning in January 2025.



Isaac Bucher, owner of Mister Ed's Elephant Museum and Candy Emporium has been an active member of the chamber for numerous years. He and his wife purchased Mister Ed's in 2014. Isaac serves on the Membership/Ambassador and Executive Committees and regularly attends mixers, County Connections programs, annual meetings and the Chamber Chance Raffle, in addition to supporting the Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival and presenting at the annual Career Fair held by the Adams County Economic Education Foundation, supported by The Chamber. He has also been recognized by the chamber as the 2015 Young Business Leader and 2013 Family-Owned Business of the Year along with wife Nicole. Isaac is also active with the Totem Pole Playhouse, Adams County Arts Council, Retail Confections International Association and Destination Gettysburg. He has a specific interest in helping grow the chamber's membership, leadership programs and business development opportunities. He is also an avid theater goer and loves traveling the world with his wife and son Larkin.

Michael A. Cogliano, Sr. is a Vice President of WellSpan Health and the President of WellSpan Gettysburg Hospital. He is also pursuing a Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) degree at Drexel University. Michael is a familiar face at chamber mixers, County Connections programs, and Membership Development Programs, where he actively welcomes new members. Michael's community involvement is extensive. He is a past chair and current board member of the Adams County Economic Development Corporation, a former board member of the Gettysburg Community Soup Kitchen, a past Biglerville band booster parent volunteer, and a former Cub Scout pack leader. Michael brings a deep knowledge and love of the community, coupled with significant leadership experience. In his spare time, Michael enjoys spending time with his wife of 27 years, Carol, and their three children: Patrick, Abby, and Michael Jr.



Shawn Eckenrode, Administrative Director of Adams County Technical Institute has been attending County Connections programs and Legislative Luncheons for several years and is looking forward to getting more engaged with members of the business community. He is a member of several organizations including the Hanover and New Oxford Chambers of Commerce, TechLink (a consortium of SC PA career and technical centers organized by HACC) and the PA Assoc. of Career and Technical Administrators. Shawn currently serves on the board of directors of Adams County Economic Development Corporation. In his role of Administrative Director, he is responsible for partnering with local businesses to help them meet their workforce needs through the development of new programs and modifying existing programs. Shawn is excited to help make connections between all the good things happening and offering Adams County kids even more!



Kelly Mower, Sales Associate for Graphics Universal, Inc., is no stranger to volunteering and her communication, organizational and problem-solving skills serve her well. Kelly has served on the Wine & Music Festival committee for four years, working both days of the festival as the lead for Wine Runners. She was also a member of the new Special Programs committee which plans and implemented the Adams Apple Bike Ride and Poker Ride, and the marketing committee. Also, having been part of the Greencastle Exchange Club for the past 23 years, Kelly has held several officer positions and helped plan several of their major events. She is married to Rod and together they enjoy hiking, boating, biking and spending weekends at Raystown Lake in their cabin with their three dogs. Kelly is a stepmother to three grown children, has six grandkids and one great-grandson.

Kate Shay, Jeweler/Gemologist at Scott & Co. Fine Jewelers, is eager to offer a fresh perspective from a local business for the chamber's Board of Directors. Her attention to detail and hard work ethic makes her an asset to any organization. Kate can be seen attending Membership Mixers and volunteering her time with the Wine Festival committee. Her willingness to give of her time at church and in the Fairfield Area School District shows her dedication to her community. Recently deciding to branch out in community outreach, she would like to increase her focus on business to include more community involvement and giving back within Adams County. Her enthusiasm to grow and learn with the chamber shows. In her free time Kate enjoys reading and furthering her education in gemology.



Rebecca Van der Groef, CEO of Hoffman Homes, is looking forward to becoming a part of the leadership team of The Chamber of Gettysburg & Adams County. She brings experience in non-profit, mental/behavioral health and leadership skills, in addition to a desire to give back to the community. Rebecca has extensive skills essential to organizational leadership including critical thinking, business management, and strategic planning. She is involved in several organizations including serving as a member and chair of the board for the Pennsylvania Council for Children, Youth and Families, Office of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS) Planning Council board, PA Child Welfare Council and S&T Advisory board to name a few. Hoffman Homes, Inc. has been a host location for several County Connections programs and a stop on the Adams Apple Bike Ride. In addition, Van der Groef attends chamber mixers and legislative programs. Becky is married to husband, Dustin and has a daughter Adrielle. She enjoys traveling and reading.

Wes Warehime is the Chief Financial Officer at Aero Energy, current board treasurer and chair of the chamber's Finance Committee. As a CPA and experienced finance and corporate professional, he offers vast financial and business knowledge that has been an invaluable benefit the Chamber. Wes also served on the Board, Finance and Long-Term Planning committees for Keystone Benefits Partners, as well as on the Board of Governors for the Hanover Country Club. Growing up in the Adams County community, he has a large network of local businesses and enjoys getting involved to help shape the community he and his family live in. Wes currently lives in the East Berlin area with his wife Ali and daughters, Camie and Carly. When not spending time with his family or on the golf course, he enjoys following the Baltimore Orioles and Washington Commanders Football Team.



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CHAMBER CHAT



The Chamber is excited to welcome David "Mickey" Darr Jr. as our new Member Relationship Specialist! Originally from New Windsor, MD. Mickey moved to the area in 2015 and brings a diverse background in customer service, hospitality, and insurance.

What drives Mickey is his passion for helping people, which has been a cornerstone of his career. From obtaining his Notary and insurance licenses to volunteering with Habitat for Humanity, he has always excelled in service to others. Mickey's creativity and strong customer service skills have led him to his current role, where he is excited to contribute to the growth of both the chamber and the community.

Outside of work, Mickey is a singer/songwriter and guitarist, performing with his acoustic pop duo, CZARR, alongside his best friend Ricky Czar. He is also looking forward to growing his professional goals, including starting a painting company with his wife and children.

Please join us in welcoming Mickey to the team—his passion for helping others and his dedication to the community make him an invaluable addition to our Chamber family.

Reach Mickey at mickeyd@gettysburg-chamber.org for any membership benefit question.



CYBERSECURITY TRENDS TO WATCH IN 2025

Written by Shannon McCleary, TREYSTA Marketing & Account Manager

2024 is coming to a close. While the past few years have seen improvements to cybersecurity, AI has been a major talking point this year and is expected to continue into 2025. Quantum computing, supply chain issues, and deep fakes are several other examples of cybersecurity trends to watch out for. Whether you're running a small business or managing IT for a larger organization, it's important to stay informed to keep your data safe.

AI, AI, AI. You've probably heard this word many times throughout the year. In fact, according to Google Trends, Artificial Intelligence (AI) has been one of the highest searched terms and continues to grow. On one hand, cybercriminals are using AI to make their attacks smarter. An estimated 3.4 billion phishing emails are sent *daily*—emails that are almost impossible to spot as fake.

On the other hand, cybersecurity tools are using AI to fight back, detecting threats and responding faster than ever. It's like a game of cat and mouse (1983's *War Games*, anyone?), and staying on the defensive side is important. If your place of work offers Security Awareness Training (SAT)—take it! SAT is one of the best ways to stay up to date on important topics like AI.

Another thing to keep an eye on is quantum computing. This technology is still in its early stages, but once it's fully developed, it could crack today's encryption methods in no time. However, back in 2022, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announced four algorithms to help secure sensitive data and in 2024 confirmed its findings. These algorithms will help to protect your data in the coming years.

"...cybercriminals are using AI to make their attacks smarter."

The Internet of Things (IoT) is another area to watch. IoT devices, like smart cameras and thermostats, are everywhere now, but they can also be weak spots for hackers to abuse. Securing these devices with strong passwords, 2-factor authentication, and proper network settings can go a long way in preventing future issues.

Deepfake technology is also becoming a bigger issue. Imagine a video or audio clip that looks and sounds exactly like someone at work asking for sensitive information—but it's fake. Scary, right? Investing in tools to train your team, such as SAT, to spot potential scams will help keep your business safe.

Supply chain attacks are another growing concern. Cybercriminals target smaller vendors to get into bigger companies' networks. Remember, *cybersecurity is everyone's responsibility*. Even a single weak link, like clicking a malicious email or using a weak password, can compromise an entire organization's security.

Finally, zero-trust is becoming the gold standard. It's all about verifying everyone and everything before granting access—no exceptions. Even if someone's already in the system, their activity is monitored to ensure everything checks out.

Cybersecurity might feel overwhelming at times, but staying informed and proactive can make all the difference. By staying vigilant, you'll be better prepared to face whatever challenges 2025 throws your way.

Shannon McCleary works for TREYSTA technology management, a local IT company in Gettysburg and York. Questions? Please reach out to info@teamtreyستا.com.

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JANUARY 8

Career Fair Committee Meeting | 1 p.m., chamber office

JANUARY 9

Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting | 12 p.m., chamber office

JANUARY 14

Executive Committee Meeting | 8 a.m., chamber office

SSI Committee Meeting | 10 a.m., chamber office

JANUARY 16

Membership Mixer | 4-6 p.m., East Berlin Area Community Center

JANUARY 20

Martin Luther King Day | Chamber Office Closed

JANUARY 22

Ambassador Committee Meeting | 11:30 a.m., chamber office

JANUARY 23

Board of Directors Meeting | 8 a.m., chamber office

COMMUNITY EVENTS

JANUARY 2

Lil' Dumplings | 10 a.m.

Hollabaugh Bros., Inc. Fruit Farm & Market

717.677.8412 | hollabaughbros.com

JANUARY 5

Vision Board Workshop | 12 p.m.

Destination Gettysburg

717.334.6274 | destinationgettysburg.com

JANUARY 10

Dancing with the Local Stars | 7 p.m.

Adams County Arts Council

717.334.5006 | adamsarts.org

JANUARY 18

Sourdough Starter Class | 12 p.m.

Hollabaugh Bros., Inc. Fruit Farm & Market

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JANUARY 18

An Evening with the Painting | 4 p.m.

Gettysburg National Military Park Museum & Visitor Center

717.338.1243 | gettysburgfoundation.org

JANUARY 20

Community Free Day | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Seminary Ridge Museum & Education Center

717.339.1300 | seminaryridgemuseum.org



THE CHAMBER
Membership Mixer

January 16, 2025 | 4-6PM

at
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405 North Avenue, East Berlin

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Come get a sneak peek at the amazing new community center renderings while hearing about the Reaching for the Stars campaign.

RSVP by January 6 to gettysburg-chamber.org or 717.334.8151

Upcoming 2025 Membership Mixers!

February 20 at Gettysburg Eddie's

March 13 at iNet Technology Group

April 16 at ACNB Bank

May 15 at YWCA Hanover

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