

## Chamber Recognizes "All-Stars" for April

The Blair County Chamber's ability to offer quality programming, events, recognition and advocacy efforts depends largely on the willingness of sponsors to step up to help underwrite the costs associated those efforts. So at the end of each month, we publish a list of businesses or individuals who sponsored anything Chamber-related during the month. They have helped us to make a difference in the business community. All-Stars for April are: Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries, Altoona-Blair County Development Corp., CareSmart Solutions, Inc., Central Pennsylvania Community Foundation, Courtyard by Marriott, Lion Country Lodging, Lung Disease Center of Central Pennsylvania, M D Tax Pros, Inc., dba Jackson Hewitt Tax Service, McCartney's Workplace Solutions, Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham, Reliance Bank, Spring Cove Notary & Services, United Datacom Networks, Inc. and Wingate by Wyndham.

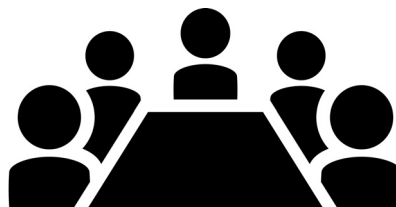


## Leadership Youth Program to Graduate 24

Twenty-four high school sophomores from Blair County schools will graduate on Wednesday from the Chamber's Leadership Blair County Youth program. The graduation ceremony will begin at 11:30 a.m. at Penn State Altoona. For more information on LBC Youth, contact Julie Rothrauff at (814) 943-8151.

## Chamber Board of Directors to Meet Thursday

The Board of Directors of the Blair County Chamber will meet Thursday, beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Devorris Center for Business Development. The Board will continue to discuss ways to recruit new members to the organization. It will also look at some current Chamber program and events in terms of budgetary considerations. Any mem-



ber who would like to address the Board should contact Joe Hurd by noon on Tuesday at (814) 943-8151.



## Chamber position available

The Chamber is currently accepting applications for Vice-President of Programming and Membership Education. This is a full-time job with benefits. The position oversees the Leadership Blair County programs, Young Professionals of Blair County and Women Encouraging Leadership, Education and Development (WE-LEaD). For information, contact Joe Hurd at (814) 943-8151 or email him at [jhurd@blair-chamber.com](mailto:jhurd@blair-chamber.com). Cover letters, resumes (including salary and benefit expectations) can be emailed to Joe Hurd as well.

## Business Hall of Fame Omission

Last Monday's newsletter inadvertently omitted the listing of the Non-profit of the Year Award. That award recipient will be Sweat For Vets, Inc. For advertising information regarding the 2022 Business Hall of Fame, contact Jessie Covert at (814) 943-8151 or email her

at [jcovert@blairchamber.com](mailto:jcovert@blairchamber.com). The Business Hall of Fame Luncheon will be held on June 16th at 11:30 a.m. at The Casino at Lakemont Park. Online registration can be made at [www.blair-chamber.com](http://www.blair-chamber.com). Or call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151.

## Recruit a New Chamber Member, Get \$50 in Gift Cards

As the Chamber continues its 2022 Membership Campaign, it's looking forward to working with current members to help attract new members. The campaign itself has been branded, "Catch'22 Membership Challenge." The slogan centers on the opportunity for Chamber members to earn \$50 in gift cards by recruiting a non-member and taking the recruitment process to its completion. For the joining new member, there is an immediate 10% discount off the first year's member-



ship, provided they join prior to the May deadline. (For more information, contact Jessie Covert at [jcovert@blair-chamber.com](mailto:jcovert@blair-chamber.com).)

## Congratulations...

... to Nicole Zernick, Career and Technical Education Coordinator at the [Greater Altoona Career & Technology Center](#), who has been named as the recipient of this year's Susan K. Nicklas Outstanding Volunteer Award by the Middle States Association Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools.

... to [The EADS Group](#) of Altoona, which has been recognized by Engineering News-Record as one of the 2022 Top 500 Design Firms. The Top 500 Design Firm List is published annually in April and is based on revenue from the previous year.

### Committee Meetings

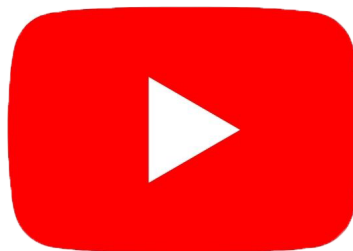


**BASICS Steering Committee**  
May 9th, 8:00 a.m.  
GACTC

**Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) Steering Committee**  
May 9th, 10:30 a.m.  
Zoom

**Sustainable Blair County Committee**  
May 11th, 1:30 p.m.  
Devorris Center

**Farm-City Committee**  
May 12th, 11:00 a.m.  
Devorris Center



### Watch the Non-Profit Legislative Breakfast on YouTube

The Legislative Breakfast of the Blair County Chamber's Committee of Non-Profit Businesses, held April 29th, is now available to be viewed on YouTube. The video features State Representative Jim Gregory, State Representative Lou Schmitt, and State Senator Judy Ward. To watch the Legislative Breakfast, [click here](#).

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