

July 11, 2022

Chamber Recognizes "All-Stars" for June

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 June are: [Altoona Area Public Library](#), [Blair County Conservation District-Nature Works Park](#), [DQ Grill & Chill](#), [Lung Disease Center of Central Pennsylvania](#), [McCartney's Workplace Solutions](#), [Pennsylvania CareerLink Blair County](#), [Pinnacle Cleaning Company](#) and [Slingshot Throw House](#).



Traveling to Egypt? Book Now!

Fifty-three people attend the recent informational meeting on the Chamber's Egypt trip, set for March 2–13, 2023. The itinerary includes land and cruise adventures to exotic locations such as Tutankhamun's treasures, ancient bazaars, the pyramids and ancient temples, and Valley of the Kings. Ground transportation from Altoona to the airport is included in the trip. There are only 34 spots available for that trip and many of them have already been secured.



For more information or to hold your spot, call Epic Journeys at (814) 266-5070.

Chamber Foundation to Sponsor Fundraiser

The Blair County [Chamber Foundation](#) will hold a Mini Golf Tournament on July 26th at Lakemont Park, pitting the 2023 Leadership Blair County Youth Class against members of the Leadership Blair County Adult Alumni. All proceeds will benefit the Leader-

ship Blair County Youth program and Leadership Blair County Adult Scholarship Fund. Several sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, contact Cindy Cessna at (814) 943-8151 or email her at ccessna@blairchamber.com.

Young
Professionals
—of Blair County

Young Professionals to Hold "Baseball Night at the Curve"

The [Young Professionals of Blair County](#), a program of the Blair County Chamber, will hold a "Baseball Night" at the Altoona Curve this Friday, July 15th. The game with the Richmond Flying Squirrels starts at 6:00 p.m. Members of the Young Professionals can purchase a ticket for just \$6. Non-YP members can attend for just \$10. There is a concert prior to the game featuring James Grove. To register to attend the game, contact the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 prior to noon on July 15th. The Curve will email your tickets to you.

NOW SHOWING!

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Interested in Serving on a Chamber Committee?



The Chamber has a large number of committees that deal with some aspect of business. They are also great networking opportunities for Chamber members looking to connect with potential clients and customers. If you, or someone from your business, would like to serve on a Chamber committee, contact Joe Hurd at jhurd@blair-chamber.com. A list of Chamber committees can be found on the Chamber Website at www.blairchamber.com.

Ribbon Cutting



Café Kiros and Laurel & Stitch Boutique at Atlas Furniture

The Chamber held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the grand opening of Café Kiros and Laurel & Stitch Boutique at [Atlas Furniture](#) located at 2135 Plank Rd., Duncansville. The café offers a full menu and al fresco dining on a beautiful patio while the boutique offers personalized service with size-inclusive women's clothing and accessories. Pictured at the ribbon, from left, Nancy McClelland, Chamber Ambassador; Jason Bradley, owner; Michele Ivory, the office of State Senator Judy Ward; and Bonnie Hand, Chamber Ambassador.



Be a part of the moment. Watch the video [here!](#)

Congratulations...

... to the Women-Owned Businesses in the Chamber that were included in PA Business Central's "50 to Follow" promotion. They are: [Seltzer Financial Strategies](#), [Doing Better Business](#), [Serviam Construction](#), [Suzanne Egan, Inc.](#), [Toni White Insurance Services](#), [Bedford Candies](#), and [Lamb Solutions Advertising](#).

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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. Cover letters, resumes (including salary and benefit expectations) can be emailed to Joe Hurd as well.

WATCH COMMERCIAL HERE!



July 26 • Lakemont Park • 4:30 p.m.



Saluting Our Renewals!

We would like to thank those members that have continued to invest with the organization by renewing their membership in the month of June.

Celebrating 59 Years

Union Tank Car Company

Celebrating 40-45 Years

AMED

Amtran

Lawn Doctor of Altoona

Celebrating 31-38 Years

Altoona Ophthalmology Associates

Bettwy Electric, Inc.

Blair County Oil & Supply

Burchfield Organization, Inc.

The Cashman Financial Group, Inc

Child Advocates of Blair County, Inc.

Corle Construction

Image Signs, Inc.

Jaffa Shrine Center

Lakemont Park

Link Computer Corporation

Midstate Tool & Supply, Inc.

Mountain Research, LLC

NPC, Inc.

Joseph A. Oricko, Architect

Rea, Rea & Lashinsky

Santella Funeral Home

Teeter Group

Webber Advisors

Celebrating 20-29 Years

Allegheny Ridge Heritage Area/

Allegheny Ridge Corp.

Altoona Curve Baseball

Bellwood-Antis School District

Carnegie Equipment, Inc.

Empower Business Solutions

W. R. Grace & Co.

The Hancock Group, Inc.

Inco Beverage, Inc.

James E. Van Zandt VA Medical Center

McAlee's Plumbing, Heating & A/C, Inc.

Makdad Industrial Supply Co., Inc.

Lisa Mancinelli, State Farm

Insurance Agency

Metzler Brothers Tank, Truck

& Trailer, LLC

South Hills School of Business &

Technology

Celebrating 10-19 Years

American Rescue Workers, Inc.

Balfurd, Inc.

Blair County Convention & Sports

Facilities Authority

Blair Gastroenterology Associates

BluAcres, LLC

Canary Labs

Corl-Grove Services, Inc.

Damin Printing Company, LLC

Derman Funeral Home, Inc.

Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

Discovery House Blair County

Electric Motor & Supply, Inc.

Holiday Financial Services

Iron Masters Country Club

Joe Krentzman & Son, Inc.

Second Avenue United

Methodist Church

Smith's Welding and Fabrication

Snappy Chef Catering

Snare & Associates Mortgage

Services, LLC

Window World of Altoona

Zach's Sports and Spirits

Celebrating 5-9 Years

Barr's Auto Electric, Radiator &

Air Conditioning, Inc.

Bedford Candies

Bella Lucia, Inc.

Craig Fencing, Inc.

Epworth Healthcare and

Rehabilitation Center

J.W. Fleming, Inc.

The Giorgio Foundation

Hometown Bank of PA

Innovative Technologies, Inc.

Microtel Inn & Suites by

Wyndham, Altoona

PA Simple Cremation

UGI Energy Services

Williamsburg Public Library

Celebrating 1-4 Years

Paula Binus

Royce Ann Boyd

The Country Cabin, LLC

Frick/Ketrow Insurance Agency

Fulton Financial Advisors

K&D Factory Service Inc

Ronald McDonald House

Charities Mid-Penn

John Wolf

YTI Career Institute

Zito Business