

Women's Golfing Event is Tomorrow!

Business women looking for ways to effectively network on the golf course and impress your golf group at the same time, take notice! The WE-LEaD Committee of the Blair County Chamber is holding an event called "Teeing It Up" tomorrow, August 16th from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Blair County Golf & Driving Range in Hollidaysburg. The event will feature hands-on instruction from John Madey and his staff on how to drive the ball farther and in the desired direction. It will also feature a great buffet meal from Holland Brothers and a variety of beverages from Levity Brewing. The cost is just \$35 for Chamber members and \$45 for non-members. Corporate sponsor of Teeing It Up is [Seltzer Financial Strategies](#). To register, call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or register online at www.blairchamber.com. Bring your own clubs or borrow some from the range!



Park Home to Host Next "Business After Hours"

The next Chamber "Business After Hours" will be held on August 25th at Park Home, 2134 Plank Road in Duncansville. The cost to attend is \$7.00 for Chamber members (until August 18th) and \$10.00 thereafter. Non-members can attend for \$20.00. To register, call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or register online at www.blairchamber.com.



ACE Award Nomination Deadline is September 2nd

The [Farm-City Committee](#) of the Blair County Chamber has announced that nominations are now being accepted for the 2022 Agricultural Community Excellence (ACE) Award. The award allows for nominations of agriculturally-oriented individuals, agribusinesses and non-profit organizations that make a positive impact on agriculture in Blair County. The ACE Award will be presented on November 2nd at the Chamber's Farm-City Dinner. To access a nomination form, contact the



Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or visit the Chamber website at www.blairchamber.com. The deadline to nominate is September 2, 2022.

Congratulations...

... to Dr. Mitul Patel of [Blair Gastroenterology Associates](#) in Altoona who was recently awarded an Advancement to Fellowship in the American College of Gastroenterology.

... to Garrett Leopold who was recently promoted to Utility Coordinator at [P. Joseph Lehman Consulting Engineers](#) in Hollidaysburg.

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Cyber Security Roundtable Networking Event Changed to September 1st

The Chamber's Cyber Security Roundtable will host a networking event on September 1st from 5:30 to 7:30 at Zach's Sports & Spirits in Altoona. "We're inviting anyone who handles cyber security at a business or anyone who has an interest in discussing the many challenges associated with protecting data," explained Zach Beckel of UDNI, who chairs the Roundtable. The event is called, "Bits, Bytes & Brews." There is no cost to attend – all food and drink is the responsibility of the attendees. No need

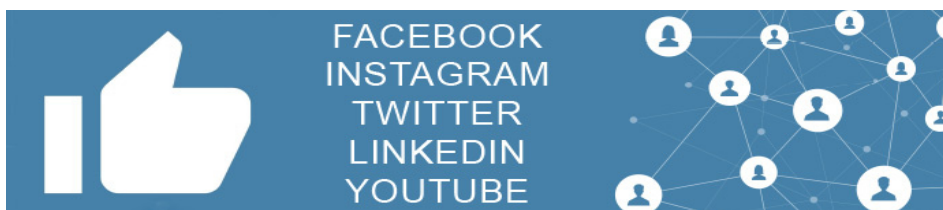


to register either. Just show Up!! Direct questions to Joe Hurd at (814) 943-8151 or email to jhurd@blair-chamber.com.

Welcome New Members...



The Blair County Chamber welcomes new members approved in June (seated, from left): Mizpah and Theron Glenny, **ARROWS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**; Aamesh Acharya, Sunil Prajapati, **CRICKET WIRELESS**; (standing) Kimberly Gildea, Brian Uhlinger, **FAIR WINDS WEALTH STRATEGIES**; Ben Weaver, Christie Yingling, **SERVPRO OF SOUTHERN BLAIR AND BEDFORD COUNTY**; Cathy Warner, **PRINT-O-STAT**.



River Cruise Informational Session is Next Wednesday

The Blair County Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with Epic Journeys, will be hosting a Rhine and Moselle Rivers trip, August 27 – September 4, 2023. The itinerary includes a 7-day river cruise with stops in Amsterdam, as well as, Cologne, Germany; Strasbourg, France and Basel, Switzerland and more. Ground transportation from Altoona to the airport is included in the trip. An informational meeting will be held on August 24 at 6 p.m. at the Devorris Center for Business Development, 3900 Industrial Park Dr., Altoona. There is no obligation or cost to attend. To register, call the Chamber at 814-943-8151 or register online at www.blairchamber.com.



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The Blair County Chamber welcomes new members approved in July (seated, from left): Vince Golden, Andrew Golden, [INNOVATIVE EXTRACTS](#); Jeff Dodson, [JK ELECTRICAL SERVICES, LLC](#); John Kasun, Bernie Fertall, [MODEL UNIFORMS](#); (standing) Kelly Irwin Adams, [KELLY'S KOLLECTIONS](#); Danielle Newman, Emily Wagner, [SOLANA AESTHETICS, LLC](#); Jessica Niebauer, Julie Niebauer, [TRIGGER PRINTING SERVICES](#).



Committee Meetings

Public Service Academy Subcommittee

August 15th
8:30 a.m.
Devorris Center

WE-LEaD Committee

August 16th
8:30 a.m.
Devorris Center

BASICS Attendance Subcommittee

August 16th
1:30 p.m.
Devorris Center

LBC Youth Committee

August 17th
3:30 p.m.
Devorris Center

Save the Date: Home Run for Safety Set for September 7th

The "Home Run for Safety" will be held at PNG Field on September 7th from 7:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. The event is hosted by the Blair County Chamber's Safety Committee in association with the Altoona Curve. Keynote speaker is Tony Samento, president of Samento Industrial Training Systems in Mechanicsburg, PA. There will be safety stations on various safety-related topics as well as vendor booths. The cost to attend is \$20 for Chamber members and \$30 for non-members if registered by August 19th. After August 19th it goes to \$30 for Chamber members and \$40 for non-members. To register, visit the Chamber's website at www.blair-chamber.com. Breakfast sponsor for the event is [Care Smart Solutions](#).

LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY ALUMNI



LBC Alumni to Raise Funds For Children

The [Leadership Blair County Alumni Association](#), a committee of the Blair County Chamber, has launched a campaign called "Hope for Families" that will raise funds to purchase bedding as well as accepting bedding donations for needy children. This initiative replaces Basket of Hope. Bedding donations should include new bedding (pillows, pillow cases, comforters, sheets, blankets or even a complete bedding set) in neutral colors and gender neutral prints – twin size only. Monetary donations will be accepted with 100% used toward the purchase of bedding. The campaign goal is to provide bedding for 125 children, ages 5-16. Donations can be dropped off at the Chamber Office on August 29, 30, 31 and September 1 and 2 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.



LBC Scholarship Donations, Dues Can Be Paid Online

Leadership Blair County Alumni can now pay their annual dues and make scholarship donations online. Go to the Donation Location on the Foundation page of the Chamber Website at www.blairchamber.com.