

Career Shadowing Week Begins Today

High school juniors from throughout Blair County will have an opportunity to spend a half-day at a local business, shadowing an employee of that business. It provides insight into a particular career and may make it possible for a young person to stay in the area after graduation. It can also potentially help a business to find an energetic employee. The **BASICS** Career Shadowing Week runs from November 14-18. If someone from the BASICS Career Development Subcommittee calls you and asks you to allow a student to shadow, please do your best to make that happen. For more information on [Career Shadowing](#), contact Joe Hurd at (814) 943-8151 or visit the Chamber Website at www.blairchamber.com.



Chamber Board of Directors Meets Thursday

The Board of Directors of the Blair County Chamber meets on Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at the Devorris Center. Among the agenda items will be the approval of the Board Officers for 2023. Anyone who would like to address the Chamber Board should contact Joe Hurd by noon on Tuesday at (814) 943-8151.

Chamber to Offer Trip to Sandals Saint Lucia

Although it's still a year away, the Blair County Chamber and Ketrow KURTZ Travel will be offering a trip to an all-inclusive resort. Sandals Grande Saint Lucian is often described as "the closest vacation to a picture-perfect postcard." To learn more about this fabulous trip, attend an informational meeting on November 16th at 6:00 p.m. at the Devorris Center for Business Development. There is no cost to



attend but registration is encouraged. Call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or register online at www.blairchamber.com.

Better Homes and Garden Real Estate to Host "Business After Hours"

The Chamber's "Business After Hours" will be held this Thursday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at [Better Homes and Gardens /GSA Realty](#), located at 3316 5th Avenue, Suite 200 in Altoona. Cost is \$10 for Chamber members; \$20 for non-members. Call the Chamber at



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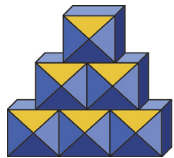


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Leadership Blair County Adult Session Focuses on Local Government



The Chamber's **Leadership Blair County Adult Class** will have its second session on Friday at Hampton Inn beginning at 7:30 a.m. The session, entitled "Local Government & DiSC Behavioral Profiles" will cover a variety of topics in

a debate-style format. There will also be a Local Government Panel consisting of County Commissioner Laura Burke, Altoona Vice-Mayor Jesse Ickes and AASD School Board member Frank Maloy. For more information on Leadership Blair County, visit the Chamber Website at www.blairchamber.com.

Ribbon Cutting



The Sinclair Corporation

The Chamber held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for The Sinclair Corporation DBA **Postal Express / Cashland** located at 301 Union Ave., Altoona. Postal Express offers affordable rates for shipping services for UPS, FedEx and USPS. Cashland offers check cashing services. Also at this location is **The Tax Shelter**, owned by Bradley Sinclair and AC Stickel, offering full-service tax preparation, payroll and bookkeeping. Pictured at the ribbon, from left: Donna Gority, Chamber Ambassador; Bruce Erb, Blair County Commissioner; Brad Sinclair, former owner; AC Stickel, The Tax Shelter; Bradley Sinclair, The Sinclair Corporation; Danielle Sinclair; Joe Hurd, President/CEO, Blair County Chamber of Commerce; and Carter Cerully, Chamber Ambassador.

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

Chamber Check-Up to Return at the End of November

Educating our new members on the many advantages of joining the Chamber is tremendously important. So is educating many of our longtime members who may have lost touch with those same advantages. So the Chamber will be scheduling one-hour meetings each month, beginning in November, to encourage members to come and learn about ways that the Chamber can benefit their business or

organization. Non-members can also attend. There is no cost to attend "Chamber Check-Up." We just want to reconnect you or your employees with the Chamber. The first meeting will be on November 29th. To accommodate schedules, we'll have Check-Ups at both **9:00 a.m.** and **3:00 p.m.** To register, call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or register online at www.blairchamber.com.

Congratulations...

... to the Chamber members who were recently honored by **Pennsylvania Business Central** newspaper as "2022 Women Making a Difference." They are: Amy Seltzer of **Seltzer Financial Strategies**, Tara Shaffer of **AmeriServ Bank**, Elizabeth Burke of **S.P. McCarl & Company**, Debbie Prosser of **Southern Alleghenies Planning & Development Commission**, Cathy Griffith of **Griffith Family Foundation/Sideline Cancer**, Cassandra Cooper of **First National Bank**, Jane Grebenc of **First Commonwealth Bank**, Julia Cronin Rater of **McQuaide Blasko**, Gina Seibert of **PSECU** and Carol Myers of **First Summit Bank**. ... to Chamber member Donna Gority who received the 2022 Citizen of the Year award from the Lakemont Lions.

WE-LEaD to Hold Networking Event at Marzoni's

The Chamber's **WE-LEaD** (Women Encouraging Leadership, Education and Development) program will hold a networking event November 30th from 5-7 p.m. at Marzoni's (Duncansville). Cost is \$22 for members, \$30 for non-members and includes appetizers and beverages. Call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or register online at www.blairchamber.com.



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