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Young Professionals to Hold "Family Fun Day" Event

The [Young Professionals of Blair County](#), a program of the Blair County Chamber, are holding a "Family Fun Day" this Thursday, August 17th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at [Lakemont Park](#). This free event features the opportunity to network, hear live acoustic music, and enjoy some ice cream. Park/ride passes are available for purchase at Lakemont Park. No need to register, just come and have fun!



Chamber to Partner With Toastmasters on 4-Part Workshop

One of the greatest challenges that many people in business have as they move up the corporate ladder is the ability to speak effectively in front of large groups or small. To help address that, the Blair County Chamber and [Toastmasters International](#) will partner on "Speechcraft," a hands-on workshop delivered in four two-hour sessions created to help people hone their speaking skills. The sessions will be held from 3-5 p.m. every Tuesday from September 12th to October 3rd at the Devorris



Center for Business Development. The cost is just \$50 for Chamber members for all four sessions and \$75 for non-Chamber members. Class size is limited to ten people. Call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 to secure your spot!

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A Great Event for Information, Networking

Once again this year, the Safety Committee of the Blair County Chamber will be partnering with the [Altoona Curve](#) on an event that has had a huge following in the past, particularly among people in the safety and security fields. Home Run For Safety will be held on Wednesday, September 13th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Peoples Natural Gas Field. The event will feature a variety of presenters, demonstrations and exhibitors. Cost to be a vendor is just \$75 and includes one registration (including breakfast and lunch). For information on sponsorships and vendor opportunities or to register as an attendee, contact the Chamber at (814) 943-8151.

WE-LEaD Schedules Axe-Throwing Event

The next WE-LEaD event will take place on September 20th from 5:30 to 7:30 at [Slingers Throw House](#) in Altoona. The cost to participate is \$30 for Chamber members and \$40 for non-members. Food is included. To register, contact the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or register online at www.blairchamber.com. Corporate sponsor is [Leonard S. Fiore, Inc.](#) WE-LEaD is an acronym for Women Encouraging: Leadership, Education and Development

Chamber Committee Meetings



Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) Committee
August 14th, 10:30 a.m., Devorris Center

Farm-City Committee
August 14th, 11:30 a.m., Devorris Center

BASICS Steering Committee
August 14th, 2:00 p.m., Devorris Center

WE-LEaD Committee
August 15th, 8:30 a.m., Devorris Center

Board Executive Committee
August 17th, 8:00 a.m., Devorris Center

Ribbon Cutting



Kish Bank

The Blair County Chamber held a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating the grand opening of [Kish Bank](#) located at 615 East Pleasant Valley Blvd., Altoona. Kish Bank is one of Pennsylvania's fastest growing community bank franchises. It offers a full range of personal and business banking products, trust and wealth management, insurance, travel agency services and employee benefits consulting. For more information go to www.mykish.com. Pictured at the ribbon are, from left: Carter Cerully, Blair County Chamber Ambassador; Kathy Stanbrough, Personal Banker, Kish Bank; Rick Keefer, AVP, Facilities Manager & Security Officer, Kish Bank; Kim Bubb, SVP, Systems & Operations Director; Maryann Joyce Bistline, Kish Bank Blair County Regional Board Member; Bob Bilger, SVP, Senior Lending Officer, Kish Bank; Lou Ventura, Owner, Ventura Construction Services; Michaela Detwiler, Personal Banker, Kish Bank; Emily Sollenberger, Altoona Branch Manager, Kish Bank; Mayor Matt Pacifico, City of Altoona; Greg Hayes, President & CEO, Kish Bank; State Representative Lou Schmitt; Senator Judy Ward; Jessica Kitt, VP, Retail Banking Sales Manager; Jim Foreman, Kish Bank Blair County Regional Board Member; Ed Henderson, VP, Wealth Advisor & Trust Officer; Bill Thompson, Kish Bank Blair County Regional Board Member; Courcy Moosman, Personal Banker, Kish Bank; Jesse Leonard, Physical Plant & Security Manager, Kish Bank; Briana Benson, Innovation Educator, Kish Bank; Crystal Himes, VP, Residential Lender, Kish Bank; Carolyn Donaldson, VP, Community Engagement & Relationship Development Officer; Sherri Stayer, Blair County Chamber Ambassador

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

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New Date!!

DOWN ON THE FARM

PINEY CREEK
GREENHOUSE
MARTINSBURG

OCT. 11
5-7 p.m.

More details
to come!



Congratulations...

... to Chelsi Tedeschi of [Blair School of Martial Arts](#) who recently finished in second place in forms and weapons in Masters Women's Division at the 2023 International Tang Soo Do Federation World Championship, held in Washington, DC.

... to [Rutter's](#) convenience stores which won the CSP Insight Mystery Shop, given to the chain with the best customer experience. This is the fourth time that Rutter's has achieved that designation.

... to [Magic Family Travel](#) and [Allegro Luxury Vacations](#) which are celebrating their 10th anniversary.

we're very social!

