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Upcoming Events & Holidays

 Tuesday, February 14
Valentine's Day

 Monday, February 20
President's Day
Chamber Office
will be closed

 Wednesday, March 1
Tickets for the 6th Annual
Clarion Wine Walk
Go On Sale!!

 Saturday, March 11
Clarion Area Chamber's
Annual Awards Dinner
Gemmell Student Complex
Social Hour @ 6pm
Dinner @ 7pm followed by
Awards @ 8pm

 Thursday, March 16
St. Patrick's Day Happy Hour
at Highland Oaks at
Water Run
from 4pm to 6pm

 Friday, March 17
St. Patrick's Day

 Wednesday, March 22
Job/Education Fair @ the
Clarion Mall
from 10am to 3pm

 Sunday, April 16
Easter

Thursday, April 20 thru
Saturday, April 22
Outdoor Recreation Show
@the Clarion Mall

UPCOMING EVENTS: ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER

The Clarion Area Chamber of Business & Industry's Award Dinner is just around the corner. It is being held on Saturday, March 11, 2017 at Gemmell Student Complex Multi-Purpose Room located on Clarion University campus.

The evening will begin at 6pm with a social hour followed by dinner at 7pm. Chartwells will be catering the dinner. We will be having Carved Beef Tenderloin, Chicken Bruschetta, Stuffed Shells, Oven Roasted Herb Red Potatoes, Ginger Carrots, Fresh Garden Salad with Ranch and Balsamic Vinaigrette, Specialty Bread Display with Honey Butter and Vanilla Cheese Cake with Fresh Fruit Topping.

There will be a Carving Station at the end of each buffet line. A salad bowl will be placed at each table along with the salad dressing bowls so that guests can serve themselves. The dessert will be served.

The business meeting and awards ceremony will begin at approximately 8pm. Who will be the Business of the Year? Or Citizen of the Year? What about Lifetime Achievement? This will be a night you do not want to miss.

The fee to attend is \$40 a person or \$300 for a table of 8. R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, February 28, 2017. **Reservation form is enclosed in the newsletter.**

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The Chamber and its mission... Your Chamber of Business & Industry is a voluntary partnership of business and professional people working together to build a healthy economy and to improve the quality of life in our community.

Upcoming Events: Job/Education Fair

The Clarion Area Chamber of Business & Industry, Clarion Mall and PA Career Link-Clarion County are working together to provide a "Job/Educational Fair" on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 from 10am to 3pm.

As a business/educational participant, you will have the opportunity to collaborate with area businesses and meet with potential employees and/or students.

There is a \$30 registration fee. An 8 foot table, 2 folding chairs and electrical supply will be available along with a wonderful lunch provided by RRR Roadhouse located in the Clarion Mall.

Set-up time will be from 8am to 9:30am. Space is limited. You can mail or fax the enclosed reservations no later than Monday, March 13. We look forward to working with you and providing a source of opportunity for our community.

Upcoming Events: Outdoor Recreation Show

The 5th Annual Outdoor & Recreation Show will take place at the Clarion Mall from Thursday, April 20 through Saturday, April 22 and will take place from 10 am to 9 pm daily.

The Outdoor & Recreation Show is an effort to collaborate with more local businesses and increase involvement of the community. Businesses/Organizations/Non-Profits are invited to come and set-up an exhibit and/or display of materials for those attending the Outdoor & Recreation Show. Everyone wants to be able to enjoy the outdoors with their family, so come to the Outdoor & Recreation Show and find out how you can get active in Clarion's community! This event allows members of the community to interact, learn, and enjoy the splendor of the outdoors. The event is comprised of geocaching, educational speakers, informational tables, activities and games. The purpose of the event is to enable families to become more engaged with family fun and values as well as with community organizations and agencies.

On Saturday, April 22, you will have the opportunity to bring your dog and/or cat to the Rabies Clinic. The Rabies Clinic will run from 12 noon to 2pm and the cost is \$10 per animal for a 3-year vaccine. Clarion County Treasurer, Thomas McConnell, will also be on hand for you to purchase your dog/cat licenses ranging from \$6.50 to \$8.50.

For more information regarding the Outdoor & Recreation Show as a vendor, please contact the Clarion Chamber office today.

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Programs at Cook Forest State Park

Saturday, January 28 at 6:00pm - '**Cross Country Ski Cook Forest at Night: Log Cabin Inn-Swinging Bridge**' Please bring your cross country skis and headlamps and meet at the Log Cabin Inn Environmental Learning Classroom for a candlelit evening interpretive cross country ski trip within the picturesque Tom's Run Valley. Learn how to identify animal tracks in the snow as you ski within the old growth forest at the base of the Forest Cathedral National Natural Landmark. If snow conditions aren't good, we'll snowshoe or hike instead. Hot chocolate and a luke-warm cabin will be available to warm us up! (3hrs)

Saturday, February 18 at 11:30am - '**Snowman in the Forest Day**' Come join us for a day of fun wintry activities along the picturesque National Wild & Scenic Clarion River within Cook Forest State Park. Various winter events will be held at the Ice Skating Pond, along River Road, approximately 1-mile up-river from the Park Office. Event sponsored by the Cook Forest Vacation Bureau. For more information, please contact info@cookforest.org. (3 hrs)

Sunday, February 19 at 10:00am - '**Venture Outdoors Destination Cross Country Skiing**' Please join Venture Outdoors program leaders at the Log Cabin Inn Environmental Learning Classroom for an intermediate cross country ski program along the trails of Cook Forest. Program sponsored by Venture Outdoors. To register and for more information please contact Liz Fager at [\(412\)255-0564](tel:4122550564). (4.5 hrs)

Saturday, March 11 at 7:30am - '**Otter Watch**' Please bring your binoculars and spotting scopes to the Park Office for a driving tour to otter hotspots along the National Wild & Scenic Clarion River. This is the prime time of the year to witness otter activity. Chances are good to observe otter sign such as slides, tracks, and carp kills along the banks of the river. Hot chocolate will be available at the Park Office to warm us up.(2 hrs)

Saturday, March 18 at 8:30am - '**Eagle Watch**' Please bring your binoculars and spotting scopes to the Park Office for a driving tour to eagle hotspots along the National Wild & Scenic Clarion River. This is the prime time of the year to view bald eagles on their nests and find new nesting sites. Expect a long car-pool and aggressive hike to some of the better areas, but the rewards will be worth it. Hot chocolate and coffee will be available at the Park Office to warm us up. (3 hrs)

Upcoming Events: Spring Legislative Breakfast slated for April 21

The Clarion Area Chamber of Business & Industry, Clarion County Economic Development Corporation and Clarion Vocational Services will be holding a "Spring Legislative Update Breakfast" on Friday, April 21, 2017. Keep watching your emails and newsletters for the list of invited guests to speak at the Spring Legislative Breakfast.

The breakfast will be held at the Park Inn by Radisson from 7:30am to 9am. An "All-American Breakfast Buffet" will be available. The cost is \$20 when paid in advance and \$25 at the door. To reserve your spot, please contact the Clarion Area Chamber of Business & Industry office at 814-226-9161 or email tracy@clarionpa.com.

HOLD THE DATES: Friday, May 19 and Friday, May 26

The 6th Annual Clarion Wine Walk will be held on Friday, May 19th in downtown Clarion. AND the Delta Contractors & Design, Inc. Chamber Golf Outing will be held on Friday, May 26 at Hi-Level Golf Course. More details will be forthcoming—mark your calendars, you will definitely want to attend these great networking events!!!!