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Clarion Chamber Newsletter



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Upcoming Events & Holidays

June 14

Flag Day

June 14

16th Annual Juneteenth
Celebration @ Hart Chapel
beginning at 10:30am

June 15

Clarion University
Orientation Fair from
8:30am to 10:00am in
Gemmell Student Complex

June 16 & 17

Clarion River Days @ the
Toby Boat Launch

June 17

Happy Father's Day!

June 20

Positive Leadership Series
sponsored by Clarion Area
Young Professionals at
Clarion University SBDC @
12noon

June 22

Clarion University
Orientation Fair from
8:30am to 10:00am in
Gemmell Student Complex

June 28

Clarion Area Young
Professionals Social Mixer
from 5pm to 7pm

June 29

Clarion University
Orientation Fair from
8:30am to 10:00am in
Gemmell Student Complex

JULY 3 - CLARION HOSPITAL "I LOVE CLARION"

The Clarion Hospital "I Love Clarion" Celebration will be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at the Clarion University Memorial Stadium. This annual event is a great way to celebrate our nation's independence with your friends, family and community!

Gates open at 5pm. Local country singer Coston Cross will kick things off from 5pm to 7pm. Coston prides himself on paving his own path in country music and staying true to his country roots. He pulls influences from his life experiences to make his original music stand out and to give the audience the truth of country music.

Also beginning at 5pm, there will be local businesses and vendors selling food and refreshments. Some of the food items include Walking Tacos, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Gyros, Kettle Korn, Frozen Custard and Pepsi Products. Be sure to get a tasty treat and support your local businesses and non-profit organizations.

Then from 7pm to dusk, live music will be provided by the Wrangler Band, performing everything from country hits to classic rock. The evening will conclude with a fantastic fireworks display at dusk by Chamber member, Pyrotecnico of New Castle, PA.

In an effort to support our current military, a collection table/tent accepting donations will be available. We kindly ask you to support our troops by donating supplies and writing "thank you" cards to those who serve. See enclosed flyer with a complete list of items acceptable for donation.

If you are interested in volunteering at this year's event, please contact the Chamber at 814-226-9161.

The Clarion Area Chamber of Business & Industry Board of Directors and the Clarion Hospital "I Love Clarion" Celebration committee extend a very special thank you to our sponsors:

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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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

St. Joseph’s 79th Annual “4th of July” Celebration (Clarion County’s Oldest Independence Day Event), will be held on Wednesday, July 4 from 11am until 4pm on the Parish grounds in Lucinda, PA. The event features their traditional “All-You-Can-Eat” Chicken and Ham Dinners, Games of Skill and Chance for all ages, quilt tent, called-number games, live entertainment and a grand prize drawing worth over \$10,000 in cash and prizes.

As a post-festival finale, St. Joseph’s Liberty 5K Run/Walk will take place on Saturday, July 7 at 9am at the historic Lucinda Train Station.

Known for generous-sized portions, nearly 2,000 home-cooked meals are served each July 4th and include homemade pie and soup with their famous homemade noodles. The dining room will be serving from 11am until 3pm; take-outs will be available from 11am until 2pm. Dinner ticket sales will begin at 10am. Dinner prices are: Adults - \$9; Children ages 6 to 12 - \$4.50 and Children under 6 - Free. Sheltered picnic tables will be available for those who opt to eat outdoors.

The grounds will open at 11am and feature diverse games of skill and chance for adults and children, an extensive Chinese auction, prize drawings and a concessions stand. The Chinese Auction will be held in the lower level of the pre-school building again this year to better accommodate its size.

A cornerstone attraction is the quilt tent where a minimum of 15 handmade quilts is slated to be awarded in drawings held throughout the day, with an additional quilt offered at the Rosary Society booth and three more featured in a silent auction. Depending on size and design, each quilt averages 100 to 200 hours to complete and holds an estimated retail value of between \$750 and \$950, making this event one of the largest quilt giveaways in Clarion’s tri-county area. A limited number will be available for purchase and a preview of the quilts is available at www.st-joseph-lucinda.org.

Entertainment will begin at 11am with artists located on the main grounds and at the outdoor dining area. Details are being finalized. Among the musicians scheduled to perform are “Keep Off The Grass” of West Sunbury featuring traditional bluegrass music; “Cluricaun” of Clarion will be performing traditional Irish and Scottish fold songs; “Picks and Hammer” of Edinboro will be featuring Americana and traditional Appalachian Mountain music.

Called-number games will begin at noon in the lower level of the social hall and will continue throughout the afternoon. Three special games will be held at 12 noon, 1:30 and 3:30pm.

The grand prize drawing is scheduled for 4pm and features a \$5,000 cash prize, gift certificates, other major cash awards and a YETI Tundra cooler. There will also be a Junior Grand Prize ticket drawing featuring prizes for children and tweens.

Altogether more than \$40,000 in cash and prized is to be awarded with proceeds from the day’s events benefiting St. Joseph Catholic School, one of the oldest Catholic schools in the Erie Diocese. The school provides quality educational programs to children enrolled in Pre -K through sixth grade each year.

The celebration will be held rain or shine on the canopy-covered parish grounds. The children’s playground is adjacent to the festivities and St. Joseph Church, erected in 1893, will be open to visitors. The parish complex is located at 112



Mason Zacherl of Lucinda went home a happy winner at the 2017 “4th of July” Celebration. Over \$40,000 in cash and prizes, including 15 handmade quilts, are ready to be awarded during this year’s event which features an “All-You-Can-Eat” dinner, games of skill and chance, live entertainment and more.

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Sexual Violence Prevention for Teens and Their Parents...

If you’re a parent:

Talk with your children about sexual violence and assault. These conversations should happen early and frequently as your child ages and develops. Make sure your children know they can come to you with concerns.

If you’re a teen:

Know what consent is. Remember consent should be verbal and enthusiastic. You must get consent every time and consent can be withdrawn at any time. Remember, someone under the influence of drugs and alcohol cannot consent.

For everyone:

Be a good bystander. If something seems wrong, say something. Don’t be afraid to check in with someone directly to be sure they are okay.

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PROGRAMS AT COOK FOREST STATE PARK

Saturday, June 16 at 1:00pm - **‘Friends of Cook Forest Series: Susquehannock Hemlock’** Please meet at the Deer Meadow Picnic Pavilion at the Deer Meadow Campground for a short presentation on the hemlock woolly adelgid and interpretive hike to view the *Susquehannock Hemlock*, the Pennsylvania State Champ and largest known hemlock by volume north of the Great Smoky Mountains. (1.5hrs)

Friday & Saturday, June 22-23 at 9:00am - **‘American Canoe Association Level 1: Introduction to Kayaking’** Cook Forest State Park will be conducting an entry level American Canoe Association (ACA) sanctioned kayaking course for kayak enthusiasts. The following subjects will be covered: paddling environment, equipment, loading & unloading, rescues, maneuvers, and strokes. All participants will be required to complete a wet exit. First day will consist of instruction within the river at the Park Office. On the second day we’ll apply these skills along a stretch of the National Wild & Scenic Clarion River. Remember to bring your ear and nose plugs, swimsuits, sturdy river sneakers (flip-flops are NOT adequate), and change of clothes. Participants should have a drybag that is large enough to house all their necessities while on the river. Refreshments provided both days. Lunch provided the second day. Those with specific dietary requirements will have to provide their own meals. Decked kayaks, appropriate gear, snacks & water provided. Everyone WILL GET COMPLETELY WET, so please dress appropriately. Participants must pre-register by contacting Dale Luthringer, environmental education specialist, at (814)744-8475 or dluthringe@pa.gov by 6/15/18. Cost is \$75/participant payable by check or money order to the ‘Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’. We’re accepting only 12 participants for this course. Children 14 years and up permitted with participating adult. Space is limited, so please reserve early. Those who successfully complete this course will receive an ACA Skills Course Completion Card, and 50% discount on future canoe & kayaking programs sponsored by Cook Forest State Park. (16 hrs)

Friday, July 6 at 10:00am - **‘Kayaking 201’** Please meet at the Park Office for an intermediate skill level kayaking class. Remember to bring your swimsuits, sturdy river sneakers, change of clothes, and lunch. Water & snacks provided. We WILL get wet! Designed to integrate skills learned in *Introduction to Kayaking*, we will be focusing on T-Rescues, Self Recovery, Buddy Assists, and ferrying. Participants must pre-register prior to the course by contacting the Park Office at (814) 744-8407 no later than 7/4/18. We’re only accepting 10 participants for this course. Space is limited so please reserve early. Sorry, no children under 14 years old. Minors must be with a participating adult. This course can be used as a pre-requisite to *Kayaking 301* and to justify skill level requisites for more advanced river boating programs to be held later this year. Participants who complete any of our *kayak trainings* qualify for a 50% discount on future river guided programs. (4 hrs)

Saturday, July 7 at 8:30am - **‘Clarion River Paddling Program: Gravel Lick-Mill Creek’** Cook Forest State Park will be conducting a guided 8.5-mile interpretive paddling program from Gravel Lick to Mill Creek for experienced canoeists/kayakers only. This section of river is rich in lumber history, as well as wildlife viewing and fishing opportunities. This is an excellent section of river to observe bald eagles and experience some of the best small mouth bass fishing on the National Wild & Scenic Clarion River. This float is truly a wilderness experience. One of the highlights of the trip will be exploring evidence of the old Rulofson mill by boat near the mouth of Mill Creek. We’ll meet promptly at the Park Office and car-pool to the starting point down-river. Remember to protective footwear, raingear, and change of clothes. Don’t forget your fishing poles! Cost is \$50/boat with check or money order made out to ‘Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’. Lunch, as well as all canoeing & kayaking gear provided. Participants must pre-register by contacting the Park Office at (814)744-8407 no later than 7/4/18. Prior Cook Forest kayak training participants receive a 50% discount. Space is limited, so please reserve early. (8 hrs)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

Rectory Lane along Route 66 in Lucinda (I-80 Exit 60, Route 66 North, 10 miles) and is a short drive from Cook Forest State Park. The grounds are handicap accessible. Parking areas surround the grounds and a parking shuttle is available. Reserved parking spaces will be available for those who cannot attend the festival but want to purchase a carry-out dinner. For more information visit www.st-joseph-lucinda.org; check us out on Facebook [@stjoseph4thofjuly](https://www.facebook.com/stjoseph4thofjuly) or call 814.226.7288.

Registration for the Liberty 5K Run/Walk begins at 7:30am on Saturday, July 7 at the restored train station. Now in its 5th year, the race will start nearby at 9am on the Rail 66 Country Trail. The non-motorized 4-season trail currently stretches 4.3 miles through the scenic countryside of northern Clarion County on the historic Knox-Kane railroad bed and has been paved with a runner-friendly surface.

The run will be held rain or shine and entertainment will be provided by Absolute Clarion DJ Services. The Lucinda Train Station is located at 1040 Lander Drive in Lucinda and can be accessed via Maple Drive, which is the first left immediately following St. Joseph Church on Route 66 North. Pre-registration is encouraged and forms are available at www.st-jospeh-lucinda.org/fourthofjuly, Facebook [@StJoesLiberty5K](https://www.facebook.com/StJoesLiberty5K), www.smileymiles.com or by calling 814.226.7288. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph School.



PAGO PHOTO CONTEST

The Pennsylvania Great Outdoors Visitors (PAGO) Bureau is pleased to announce its new photo contests. Over the next year, PAGO will sponsor four photo contests, each with a different theme and cash prizes.

Finalists will be posted on VisitPAGP.com, and the four entries with the most votes in each contest will receive the following: First Place - \$100; Second Place - \$75; Third Place - \$50; and Fourth Place - \$25.

To enter, complete the entry form and upload your photos at VisitPAGO.com/contest. The only requirements are that the photo meet the contest theme and must be taken in Cameron, Clarion, Elk, Forest or Jefferson Counties.

The following are the contest themes:

- Outdoor Adventures: June-August, with voting September 13-19, 2018.
- Scenic Beauty: September-November, with voting December 13-19, 2018.
- Winter Fun: December-February, with voting March 14-20, 2019.
- Captivating Critters: March-May with voting June 13-19, 2019.

“With the cameras in modern cell phones, people are taking more and higher-quality pictures than ever before,” says John Straitiff, Executive Director for PAGP Visitors Bureau.

“Now with our new photo contest, those pictures could win visitors to the Pennsylvania Great Outdoors region cash. This is just another way for us to contact with the traveling public and to share the many wonderful things in the region through their eyes.”

The PAGO Visitors Bureau is a membership-based travel promotion organization serving five counties in northwest Pennsylvania: Cameron, Clarion, Elk, Forest and Jefferson.

The mission of the PAGO Visitors Bureau is to develop and initiate programs and marketing strategies with the specific intent of increasing overnight travel-related expenditures within its designated region and to create a cooperative effort to increase awareness of this region as an ultimate vacation destination.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING - VERY SUCCESSFUL!!!

The Delta Contractors & Design, Inc. Chamber Golf Outing was held on Friday, May 25 at Clarion Oaks Golf Course. We had 22 teams participating in this best ball scramble.

Teams enjoyed donuts, breakfast bars and hot coffee prior to teeing off at 10am. As they made the turn there were hot dogs and chips. After playing 18 holes of golf, the teams and volunteers enjoyed a mouthwatering Filet Steak, baked potato, macaroni salad, mixed vegetables, tossed salad and rolls when they came in off the course. The food was provided by Red River Roadhouse of Clarion and everyone truly enjoyed the meals. **THANK YOU BO!!!**

Thank you to our “Title Sponsor”, Delta Contractors & Designs., Inc., for your continued support of this growing event. **THANKS JOE, DAVID, MIKE & J.J.!!!**



We would also like to thank our “Major Sponsors”. They were Clarion County Community Bank, First United National Bank, Northwest Bank and S & T Bank. **THANK YOU JIM KIFER, SCOTT DAUM, CASEY O’TOOLE and LISA LAUGAND!!!**

Also thank you to our “Beverage Sponsors” which were Community First Bank and PA American Water. **THANK YOU ERIC FUNK and BOB LARSON!!!**

The winners of the golf outing were:
Scott Daum, Jeff Davis, Terry Dreihaup and Rick Rathfon. Second place was Casey O’Toole, Fred Port, Scott Dahl and Ty Poster. Third place was Tracy Kirby, Karl Becker, Ron Milanovich and Dan Niederriter.

Skins were awarded to 3 teams. The first team was Joe, David, Mike and JJ Ferguson on hole #10. The second team was Tracy Kirby, Karl Becker, Ron Milanovich and Dan Niederriter on hole #16. The third team was the team that included Bob Koontz and Darin Dunmire on hole #17.

Thank you to Karen & Dana, owners of Clarion Oaks Golf Club for the opportunity to have our event at your golf course and for everything that you and your team has done to make everything run very smoothly and for donating a “Single Membership” that was won by John Smith.

- Skill Prizes:
1. Longest Drive — Earl Campbell (\$25 cash from All American Awards & Engraving).
 2. Closest 2nd Shot -Ron Milanovich (\$25 cash from All American Awards & Engraving)
 3. Closest 3rd Shot — Jimmy “Longknuckles” Pint (\$25 Gift Card from Applebee’s)
 4. Longest Putt — Scott Stewart (\$25 Gift Card from Applebee’s)
 5. Closest to Pin — Keith Pemrick (Tickets to a June show from Barrow-Civic Theatre)
 6. Longest Putt – Mike Morris with an Eagle (\$25 cash from CarMate Trailers)
 7. Closest to the Line (Fairway) – Tammy Smith (Clarionopoly game from Clarion Area Chamber)
 8. Closest to Pin — Jon Natale (\$25 Gift Certificate from Clarion Beverage)
 9. Closest 2nd Shot — Bob Koontz (\$25 Gift Certificate from Clarion University Store)
 10. Longest Putt — Jarrod Bridge (\$25 cash from Dan Smith’s Candies and Gifts)
 11. Closest to the Bunker (without going in) - Mike Ferguson (\$25 cash from Epicenter)
 12. Closest to the Water (without going in) - Jason Hall (\$25 cash from ExploreClarion.com)
 13. Closest to Pin — Dave Beers (\$25 cash from ExploreClarion.com)
 14. Longest Drive — John Patonovic (\$25 cash from Motel 6 and Studio 6)
 15. Closest 2nd Shot – Tracy Kirby (\$25 Gift Certificate from Red River Roadhouse)
 16. Closest 3rd Shot – Dan Niederriter (\$25 Gift Certificate from Red River Roadhouse)
 17. Closest to Pin – Rick Rathfon (1/2 Hour Massage from Sapphire Moon Healing Arts Center)
 18. Longest Putt — Scott Dahl (\$25 cash from Serene Soul Massage Therapy)

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Thank you to Michael Guth, owner of Allegheny Toyota for sponsoring and bringing a car for the “Hole in One” for Hole #17.

Thank you to Jesse Kelley, Executive Director of the Clarion County YMCA for donating a “3 Month Adult Membership”.

Thank you to the volunteers who came out and helped. Amy Campbell, Colette Vickers, Tracie Bowser and Stephane Ginney. THANK YOU LADIES!!!!

Special THANKS to the Golf Committee. Tracy Kirby (Chair), Joe Ferguson, Ben Pfeufer, Bob Larson and Karl Tarango.

Mark your calendar for May 24, 2019 for the Annual Delta Contractors & Design, Inc. Clarion Chamber Golf Outing which will be held at Clarion Oaks Golf Course!!!!

CLARION WINEWALK SHOWCASED DOWNTOWN CLARION

Approximately 335 people made their way to downtown Clarion for the Annual Clarion Winewalk held on Friday, May 18, 2018 and sponsored by Northwest Bank.

Thank you to our business locations:
American Legion Post #66 - hosted 3 wineries; Antiques on Main; Clarion Bicycle; Dacora Jewelers; Dan Smith’s Candies; DE Sports, Inc.; Faller’s Furniture; F.L. Crooks & Co.; Gates & Burns Reality; H & R Block; Main Street Center; The Fulmer House and White Pillars (Clarion Chamber Office).

Thank you to the wineries who participated:
Allgeheny Cellars Winery; August Falls Winery; Bee Kind Winery; Courtyard Wineries; Deer Creek Winery; Elk Mountain Winery; Flickerwood Wine Cellars; Foxburg Wine Cellars; Kingview Mead Winery; Laurel Mountain Vineyard; Shadow Vineyard; Starr Hill Vineyard & Winery; The Winery at Wilcox; Twisted Vine Winery; and Wapiti Ridge Wine Cellars.

Thank you to Means Cork & Cap for participating in this annual event. If you have an interest in making your own drink selection, check Means Cork & Cap out at 246 Main Street, Clarion.

Thank you to ALL of the amazing volunteers who helped with registration, selling of Chinese Auction tickets, porter service, set-up and tear-down.

Thank you to Tom Seidle for providing all of the vehicles for the Porter Service. It was greatly appreciated!