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Upcoming Events & Holidays

Tuesday, June 6
Chamber Day on Capitol Hill
In Harrisburg

Tuesday, June 6
"CLIC" After Hours Social
@ Clarion River Brewing
Company from 5pm to 7pm

Thursday, June 8
Board of Directors Meeting
@ 8am at the Chamber
Office

Wednesday, June 14
Flag Day

Sunday, June 18
Father's Day

Monday, June 19
Autorama Committee
Meeting @ 5pm at the
Chamber Office

Monday, July 3
Clarion Hospital "I Love
Clarion" Celebration
@ Memorial Stadium
Gates open at 5pm
Live Entertainment @ 5pm
Fireworks @ dusk

Tuesday, July 4
Independence Day

Monday, July 10
Parade & Pageant Seats
Go On Sale @ 8:30am
At the Chamber Office

Thursday, July 13
Board of Directors Meeting
@ 8am at the Chamber

Clarion Leadership & Innovation Connection "CLIC"

The Clarion Area Chamber of Business and Industry has formed a 'young professionals' group to foster connections between professionals under the age of forty in the Clarion Area. The group, titled "Clarion Leadership and Innovation Connection" or "CLIC," will meet monthly for various social activities, personal and professional development, relationship building, and volunteerism.

The group describes a young professional as someone 40 years or younger, living or working in Clarion or surrounding areas, working in any field, and looking to connect with like-minded young professionals. The group will offer the opportunity to network, gain leadership experience, and get involved with the community in a relaxed and social setting. The group hopes to help members grow as better individuals and better employees, which will in turn help to set up a strong and successful future for the Clarion Area.

CLIC will be holding their kickoff event on Tuesday, June 6th from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Young professionals are encouraged to attend the after - hours social at the Clarion River Brewing Company for an evening of networking and light refreshments. RSVP's are appreciated and can be made to the CLIC Facebook Event page or to Kaitlin at (814) 226-9161.

Clarion-Opoly

The Clarion Area Chamber of Business & Industry has partnered with Express Printing to produce a "Clarion-Opoly" board game. This unique program will highlight our community while providing a local version of the extremely popular board game we grew up with.

Express Printing has been producing custom games since 1978. They have produced over one million games for over 1700 communities. To this day, they are still developing a quality American made product and helping organizations fundraise.

"Clarion-Opoly" offers several advertising packages starting as low as \$30. This is a first-come, first-serve offer. We will be ordering 350 games to sell at the 64th Annual Autumn Leaf™ Festival sponsored by the U.S. Army. Your business can become an integral part of all the games sold. As an advertiser, you will be exposed to hundreds of families who purchase the games!

Complete the enclosed advertising contract form and fax it to our office at 814-226-4903 to reserve your space today.

If you have any questions or would like to see a sample of the game, stop in our office or contact Kaitlin at the Chamber office for more details.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF THESE WONDERFUL SPONSORS.

We ask that you please support them as they continue to support our community.
If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact Tracy at the Chamber office for more details.
We have several opportunities available.



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6TH ANNUAL CLARION WINE WALK - VERY SUCCESSFUL!!

Over 500 people made their way to downtown Clarion on Friday, May 19th for the 6th Annual Clarion Wine Walk sponsored by Northwest Bank.

Thank you to our business locations:

American Legion Post # 66 - hosted 3 wineries and a craft show for Relay for Life
Antiques on Main
Clarion Free Library
Dacora Jewelers
Dan Smith's Candies
DE Sports
Faller's Furniture
F.L. Crooks & Co.
Gates & Burns Realty
H & R Block
Main Street Center
Means Cork & Cap
The Fulmer House
White Pillars (Clarion Chamber Office)

Thank you to our participating wineries:

Allegheny Cellars Winery
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Elk Mountain Winery
Flickerwood Wine Cellars
Foxburg Wine Cellars

Kingview Mead Winery
Laurel Mountain Vineyard
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Shadow Vineyard
Starr Hill Vineyard & Winery
The Winery at Wilcox
Twisted Vine Winery
Wapiti Ridge Wine Cellars

Thank you to the volunteers:

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All proceeds from "Clarion Wine Walk 2017" benefit the fireworks display for the Clarion Hospital "I Love Clarion" celebration sponsored in part by Pennsylvania American Water, Clarion University and the Clarion Fraternal Order of Eagles slated for Monday, July 3 at the Clarion University Memorial Stadium.

CLARION HOSPITAL "I LOVE CLARION" CELEBRATION

The Clarion Hospital "I Love Clarion" Celebration will be held on Monday, July 3, 2017 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, 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. We need volunteers to oversee children's games, selling of soft drinks, walking tacos and glow necklaces. The Chamber will be short-staffed due to Tammy being out on family leave beginning June 16 with the upcoming birth of her second daughter.

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:

Clarion Hospital, Title Sponsor

Pennsylvania American Water Company, Participating/Supporting Sponsor

Clarion University, Major Sponsor

The Fraternal Order of Eagle #2807, Major Sponsor

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS? CHAMBER DAY ON CAPITOL HILL

Tracy Becker and Jennifer Keth, will be attending the 2017 Chamber Day at the Capitol for a day of networking with other chamber professionals as well as attending insightful meetings with key state lawmakers and legislative staff on the issues of importance to job creators and Pennsylvania's local communities.

Jennifer, President of the Clarion Chamber Board of Directors and Legislative Affairs/Economic Development Chair, has been attending Chamber Day on Capitol Hill since 2014. She commented that she had no idea of what the day would entail and truly enjoys the opportunity to meet and hear legislators speak on various topics.

We are asking you, as Chamber members and business leaders, to please contact us if you have any questions for us to address at the 2017 chamber Day. Please keep your questions relevant to your business and/or business in our community.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

7:30am	Networking breakfast with our Legislators
8:30am	Senate President Pro Tempore Joseph Scarnati & Speaker of the House Mike Turzai
9:15am	Group Photo
9:45am	Budget Discussions with Representative Stan Saylor & Representative Joe Markosek
10:15am	Pension Reform Discussion with Senate Appropriations Chair Pat Browne
10:45am	Property Tax Discussion with Senator Scott Hutchison
11:30am	Luncheon with Governor Tom Wolf
12:30pm	Workforce Development with Gary Laird, Gordan Labbs, Lori Renne & Pedro Rivera
1:30pm	Transportation Discussion with PennDOT Secretary Leslie Richards
2:15pm	PA Chamber/US Chamber Legislative Agendas with Sam Denisco, VP of Government Affairs & Maggie Sheely, US Chamber of Commerce

SPONSORS ARE NEEDED

There are a variety of sponsorship opportunities still available for the 64th Annual Autumn Leaf Festival™. Thank you to the businesses who are on board for 2017 (listed on the back of this newsletter).

Tracy welcomes the opportunity to meet and discuss how your business can be a part of an International Award Winning Festival. We have sponsorships starting at \$850 and higher available.

FORE!

The Delta Contractors & Design, Inc. Chamber Golf Outing was held on Friday, May 26 at Hi-Level Golf Course. We had 24 teams participating in this best ball scramble.

Teams enjoyed hot dogs, macaroni salad and chips prior to teeing off at 10am and then concluded the day with a nice juicy steak, baked potato, mixed vegetables, tossed salad and rolls when they came in off the course. The food was provided by RRR Roadhouse of Clarion and everyone truly enjoyed the meals. **THANK YOU RICK!!!**

We even had some of the golf participants enjoy a free chair massage courtesy of Jennifer Keth, owner of Sapphire Moon Healing Arts Center. **THANKS JEN!!!**

Thank you to our "Title sponsor", Delta Contractors & Designs., Inc. for your continued support of this growing event. **THANKS JOE!!!**

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:

Ken Sanoski, Jeremy Amsler, Aaron Fox and Todd Palmer. They shot a 58 and each received \$100. Second place was Mike Morris, Nathan Beal, Chuck Roman and Sam Wetzel. They shot a 60 and each received \$75. Third place was Casey O'Toole, Fred Port, Gene Frederick and Tom Skelton. They shot a 61 and won by a scorecard playoff. They each received \$50.

Skins were awarded to 2 teams. The first team was Byron Quinton, Vic Ewy, Bruce McCleary and Jeff Fleeger. The second team was John Wolff, Trevor Williams, Max Kutz and Black Osbourne. The Henry Golden Boy 22 Rifle raffle went to Bob Koontz.

Skill Prizes:

1. Longest Putt—Casey O'Toole (1 Overnight Accommodation at Quality Inn).
2. Closest 2nd Shot—Josh Wolff (\$25 G.C. from RRR Roadhouse)
3. Longest Putt—Keith Pemrick (1 Overnight Accommodation at Holiday Inn Express & Suites)
4. Closest to the Pin—Earl Campbell (4 Tickets to the Barrow-Civic Theatre in Franklin)
5. Closest 2nd Shot—Jeremy Amsler (Bag Chair, 4 mugs & 2 t-shirts from Car Mate Trailers)
6. Longest Drive (Men) - Earl Campbell (\$50 G.C. from Seidle Chevrolet-Buick-GMC)
6. Longest Drive (Women) - Michelle Cavallo (G.C. from Dan Smith's Candies & Gifts)
7. Longest Putt—Dan Bruner (\$25 G.C. from Trails End Restaurant)

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8. Closest 2nd Shot—John Schreffler (\$25 G.C. from All American Awards & Engraving)
9. Closest to the Pin—Gale O'Neil (1 Night Stay & Dinner for 2 from Park Inn by Radisson & rbg)
10. Longest Putt—Ray Cornelius (\$25 G.C. from Applebee's)
11. Closest 3rd Shot—Keith Pemrick (1/2 hour massage from Sapphire Moon Healing Arts Center)
12. Closest 2nd Shot—Kurtis Bell (\$25 G.C. from All American Awards & Engraving)
13. Longest Putt—Jed Fiscus (1 Month Adult Membership from Clarion County YMCA)
14. Closest to the Line (Men) - Noah Morgan (1 Night Accommodation from Hampton Inn of Clarion)
14. Closest to the Line (Women) - Laura Hilliard (Gift Basket from Clarion University Store)
15. Closest 2nd Shot—Dave Beers (1 Night Accommodation from Microtel Inn & Suites)
16. Closest 3rd Shot—Randy Bell (\$25 G.C. from Clarion Beverage)
17. Closest to the Sand Trap without going in—J.J. Ferguson (\$25 G.C. RRR Roadhouse)
18. Longest Putt—Rusty Hartzell (\$25 G.C. from Applebee's)

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Thank you to our cart sponsors:

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Thank you to Hi-Level Golf Course for your wonderful hospitality and individual membership.

Thank you to the volunteers who came out and helped. Kim Titley, Colette Vickers and Tina Kennemuth. THANK YOU LADIES!!!!

And a Special THANK YOU to the Golf Committee. Tracy Kirby (Chair), Joe Ferguson, Ben Pfeufer, Trina Hess, Bob Larson and Karl Tarango.

Mark your calendar for May 25, 2018 for the 12th Annual Delta Contractors & Design, Inc. Clarion Chamber Golf Outing which will be held at Clarion Oaks Golf Course!!!!

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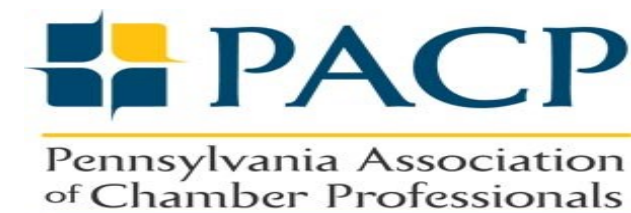


CLARION TO HOST PACP CONFERENCE

Chambers from across Pennsylvania will be gathering in Clarion for the Pennsylvania Association of Chamber Professionals (PACP) 2017 Chamber Professionals & Leadership Conference from October 25-27. The host lodging facility is the Park Inn by Radisson.

Tracy is working with other chambers located here in the NW part of PA to gather items to put in the "Welcome Bags". If your business is interested in providing an item, please contact Tracy today. We are anticipating to have 60-80 Chambers in attendance.

The Board of Directors and Staff are truly excited to have Clarion be the host of this year's conference. The last time the Clarion Chamber hosted the PACP Conference was in 1999.



*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.*

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