



The CHAMBER



ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD



Executive Director

How should it be done? There are plenty of opinions about how not to do things or about how others messed things up. Here's an example of how to do it right. The last week of September has unofficially been deemed "Leadership Week" at the Chamber. The Chamber and its volunteers kick off the **Leadership Allegany!** Rising and **Leadership Allegany!** programs with both orientations that week. The Chamber's "Leadership" programs are classic examples of community done right. For twenty-three years volunteers have come together to facilitate the adult **Leadership Allegany!** Rising program and now a third year of the **Leadership Allegany!** Rising program for high school juniors. Dozens of volunteers each with their own specific interests, passions and skills coming together for one common goal, the betterment of others and the community. Each knowing their role and enthusiastically joining forces with others like clockwork for a motivating, informative and quite enjoyable experience for both the volunteers and the class members. Thank you to all the volunteers who make the Chamber "Leadership" programs a worthwhile and pleasurable experience for all. Want to see it done right? Join us. Making a difference one starfish at a time.

An awesome opportunity to bring together a wide variety of interests in one place in a casual and fun atmosphere is **Allegany County Marketplace Expo 2019 – A Chamber Event** on Thursday, October 24th at the Ali Ghan Shrine Club from 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm. This premier event is free and open to the public and highlights many of the positive aspects of the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce and our community.

A variety of over 30 local businesses, restaurants and non-profit organizations will be showcasing their latest products and services. This year a cash bar will be available for those wishing to enjoy beer or wine as they browse the marketplace. Networking, give-aways, door prizes, games and fun. What's not to like? **Expo 2019** is proudly sponsored by Platinum Sponsors: **ACT 1st**

Federal Credit Union, M&T Bank, Northrop Grumman, Rocky Gap Casino Resort, U.S. Cellular and Gold Sponsors: **Grow West Cannabis Company, Hamilton Relay, Staples and Western Maryland Health System.** This event is only getting better and is once again an event you don't want to miss. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Chamber's 32nd Annual Outstanding Business Recognition Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 14th at the Frostburg State University Lane Center. The awardees are **Uhl Enterprises / Queen City Motors, Business of the Year, 1812 Brewery, Entrepreneurial Spirit, and AES Warrior Run, Community Service.** The 2019 Western Maryland Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) Outstanding Young Professional, **Matthew B. Miller**, will also be recognized at the dinner. Formal invitations are being mailed. For more information and to purchase tickets, contact the Chamber at 301-722-2820. Congratulations to all the award winners!

Thank you to **Atlantic Broadband** for hosting the September "Chamber After Hours". It was a gorgeous evening for an outdoor event. The nearly 100 in attendance enjoyed a great evening of hospitality, networking, door prizes and the opportunity to meet and spend time with Eddie Deezen. **WFWM-FM** was drawn for "Network & Win" but not present at the time of drawing so the pot grows to \$750 for the next "After Hours" on October 16. Are you interested in hosting a "Chamber After Hours"? Opportunities exist in 2020. Contact the Chamber office for more information.

Stu Czapski
Executive Director

OCTOBER 2019

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Bell Tower Building
Cumberland, MD 21502

"Chamber After Hours"

Wednesday,
October 16, 2019
5:30 to 7:30 pm

Hosted by:
Rocky Gap Casino Resort

October Calendar

- October 9**
Noon
Lunch and Learn – Enterprise Rent A Car
Chamber Boardroom
- October 10**
7:30 am
Education Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

8:30 am
Leadership Allegany! Rising
Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom
- October 15**
8:00 am
Leadership Allegany!
Steering Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom
- October 16**
8:00 am
Economic Development
Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

5:30 – 7:30 pm
"Chamber After Hours"
Rocky Gap Casino Resort
- October 21**
8:00 am
Leadership Allegany!
Alumni Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom
- October 24**
4:00 – 7:30 pm
Marketplace Expo 2019
Ali Ghan Shrine Club
- October 31**
Noon
Chamber Board of Directors Mtg.
Chamber Boardroom

ALLEGANY COUNTY
**MARKETPLACE
EXPO 2019**
A CHAMBER EVENT

Thursday, October 24, 2019
4:00 pm to 7:30 pm
Ali Ghan Shrine Club



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Planet Fitness
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The EADS Group

BRONZE SPONSORS:

Allegany Arts Council
Allegany College of Maryland
CASA of Allegany County
Cumberland Choral Society
Evergreen Heritage Center Foundation
Friends Aware
Frostburg State University
Home Builders Association
Horizon Goodwill
The Children's League
Western Maryland Building and Trades Council
Western Maryland Central Labor Council

FOOD VENDORS:

Buffalo Wild Wings
Holy Grounds Coffee and Bagel Shop
Roy Rogers Family Restaurant
Shooter's Neighborhood Bar and Grill

The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce Marketplace Expo 2019 is **Free and Open to the Public**. The expo will include games, food vendors and lots and lots of giveaways and door prizes. A cash bar will also be available. **Marketplace Expo 2019** allows local businesses, restaurants and non-profit organizations an opportunity to showcase their products and services in a casual and fun atmosphere. This event is an excellent opportunity to gain knowledge of the wide array of services the over 32 Chamber member vendors have to offer.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – FREE ADMISSION –
GAMES – LOTS OF GIVEAWAYS – DOOR PRIZES**

**You don't want to miss this opportunity!
Join us on Thursday, October 24th from 4:00 pm
to 7:30 pm at the Ali Ghan Shrine Club for this
unique premier networking event.**





ALLEGANY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
CHAMBER AFTER HOURS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019 5:30PM-7:30PM

- Must be 21 years of age to attend
- Network and win drawing of \$750
- \$5 registration fee collected at door
must be pre-registered and present to win
- Hors d'oeuvres - free valet parking - beer,
wine and soft drinks
- Sponsored by Rocky Gap Casino Resort
- Located at the Rocky Gap Casino Terrace

**TO RSVP PLEASE EMAIL KRISTA@ALLEGANYCOUNTYCHAMBER.COM
BY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10 AT 5PM**

ORGANIZATIONS: _____

MEMBER NAMES: _____

MEMBER GUESTS: _____

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ALLEGANY COUNTY

MARKETPLACE EXPO 2019

A CHAMBER EVENT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2019
4:00 - 7:30 PM

Ali Ghan Shrine Club - Ballroom

Free Admission - Open to the Public

- * Networking & Giveaways *
- * Local Business & Food Exhibitors *
- * Games, Games, and More Prizes *
- * Cash Bar Available *

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For more information: Call 301-722-2820 • Email Krista@alleganycountychamber.com

Leadership *Allegany!* Class of 2020



The **Leadership *Allegany!*** Class of 2020 recently held their Orientation Retreat, which kicked off the twenty-third year of the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce's program of developing emerging leaders. The program is dedicated to promoting positive change by creating a network of leaders with a clear understanding of the community and a commitment to its advancement within and beyond Mountain Maryland. Members of the class include:

Pictured left to right –

Front Row (left to right)

Ashli Workman, *Allegany County Government*
Katelyn Yoder, *M & T Bank*
Brandi Rice, *First United Bank and Trust*
Serena Shaver, *First Peoples Community Federal Credit Union*

Second Row (left to right)

Chandler Sagal, *Allegany College of Maryland*
Patricia Painter, *Service Coordination*
Keira Shilling, *CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield*
Tracie Wilson, *State of Maryland*

Brandy Roderick, *WEPCO Federal Credit Union*
Christina Mallow, *Berry Global*
Deanna Clark, *Associated Charities*
Judy Hamilton, *Archway Station, Inc.*
Kimberly Sloane, *ACEA (Allegany County Education Association)*
Nicole Munson, *Rocky Gap Casino Resort*
Elizabeth Shoemake, *Allegany County Detention Center*

Third Row (left to right)

James Kirk, *Frostburg State University*
Brad Nixon, *Frostburg State University*
James Crowder, *FirstEnergy Corporation*
Matt Rippey, *AES Warrior Run*
Tanya Gomer, *County Commissioners of Allegany County*
Robert Collette, *Cumberland Healthcare Center*
Ben Kosewski, *Western Maryland Health Center*
Deirdre Robertson, *Frostburg First – a Maryland Main Street Community, Inc.*
Michele Walker, *County United Way*

New Members

(patronize these members and welcome them to the Chamber)

Cumberland Choral Society

P. O. Box 1011
Cumberland, Maryland 21501
301-707-2315
www.cumberlandchoralsociety.org
Contact: Dina Wilson, President
E-mail: dwilson@timbrook.com
Category: Non-Profit
Description: *Non-profit organization dedicated to the performance of choral music by community singers.*

Schwans Home Service

53 W. Plum Road
Ridgeley, West Virginia 26753
304-738-0512
Fax: 304-738-0061
www.schwans.com
Contact: Mr. Paul Major, Area Manager
Email: paul.major@schwans.com
Category: Food Service
Home Delivery

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"A Chamber Event"

Thursday,
October 24, 2019
4:00 pm to 7:30 pm
Ali Ghan Shrine Club

Annual Recognition Dinner

Thursday,
November 14, 2019
Cocktails 6:00 pm
Dinner 7:00 pm
Frostburg State University
Lane Center



Chamber Holiday Reception Sponsorship Opportunity

The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce is looking for sponsors for our **Annual Holiday Reception**. The event will be held on **Thursday, December 12th** from **4:00 pm to 7:00 pm** at the Allegany Museum, 3 Pershing Street, Cumberland, Maryland.

The reception is always well attended and provides a great opportunity to gain exposure for your business. There will be great food, drink, fellowship, dancing and of course unlimited networking!!

Sponsorship at a cost of \$500.00 provides the following:

- Company logo in monthly newsletter
- Company logo in weekly enews
- Company logo on flier advertising the event
- Table tent card with your company name displayed throughout the event
- Company name on sign at entrance to event
- Photo in the January newsletter and on the Chamber website

Annual Membership Meeting Write-in Candidates

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at noon at the Cumberland Country Club. During the meeting the Chamber membership will have an opportunity to elect six members to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is composed of eighteen members, one third (six members) of whom are elected annually to serve for three years.

Candidates for directors may be nominated by petition bearing the genuine signature of at least (5) qualified members of the Chamber. Each candidate must be willing to meet the following criteria in order to serve:

- Be an active member in good standing with the Chamber
- Serve as a member of the Board of Directors for a period of three years
- Attend all regularly scheduled board meetings (*held the last Thursday of each month*) and an Orientation and Strategic Planning Session (*held in January*)
- Serve on at least one active standing committee
- Attend Chamber events, including *After Hours*, Golf Outing, Expo, Lucky Ladies Night Out, Holiday Reception, Crab Feast, Ribbon Cuttings, and Recognition Dinner
- Assist with Chamber events and fundraisers

If you or a member you know has an interest in serving on the Chamber Board of Directors please contact Nominating Committee Chair **Jeffery O'Neal**, *Western Maryland Health System* at **240-964-8268**. Candidate names will appear on the ballot to be voted on during the December 5th Annual Meeting at the Cumberland Country Club. Thank you.

2018 Sponsors:



Please contact the Chamber office if you have an interest in sponsoring the Chamber's Holiday Reception at 301-722-2820.



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Allegany County Chamber of Commerce 2019 Officers

Chairman: **Scott C. Pfeiffer**

First Vice Chairwoman: **Nicole R. D'Atri**

Second Vice Chairman: **Jeffery D. O'Neal**

Immediate Past Chairman: **Charles L. Croft, Jr.**