



# The CHAMBER



## ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD



### Executive Director

Thank you to everyone who supported the **42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Crab Feast!** One final thank you to *Jeremy Irons* and our sponsors: **The Belt Group, First United Bank & Trust, Pinnacle Strategies, LLC, Western Maryland Building & Construction Trades Council, and WVU Medicine – Garrett Regional Medical Center & Potomac Valley Hospital,** to *Peg McKenzie* for her leadership with this event, and to our Board of Directors for coordinating our parking. We were honored to be joined by Governor Wes Moore and his Cabinet to round out the evening.

We shared information early in the summer regarding our new member resource through **CQI Associates**, a money-saving energy co-op offered through virtue of your membership. The fall campaign is now active, and this is an important time to take advantage of the program. Energy prices are expected to increase by as much as 10% this fall. Market volatility, and countless other factors will continue to cause the cost of doing business to increase. The Chamber recently took a few minutes to complete the paperwork and submit the required utility bills, which very quickly resulted in savings on natural gas. Your employees can benefit from this program, too. Visit our website where you can find all the information and paperwork needed to get started. A flyer is included in this newsletter, as well, and if you have any questions, please contact our office so we can get you connected.

Another item for your radar is the Local Business Showcase. Paperwork is included again this month in the newsletter, and we want to point out a new addition to the event this year – a series of free workshops being held throughout the day. Beginning with a professional development session, you or your staff can learn some tips from **Pam Twigg Coaching**. Whether you have an existing

business or you're interested in starting one, our workshop featuring the **Small Business Development Center** and **Startup Portal** will provide details and information on grants, loans, and crowdfunding for your idea. Join us for a free lunch hosted by the newly expanded College of Business, Engineering, Computational

and Mathematical Sciences of **Frostburg State University**, where we will feature a panel of university leaders to discuss the expansion and to seek input about how the college and local business community can benefit one another by working together. In the afternoon, there will be an opportunity to hear from our states **Departments of Commerce, Labor, and TEDCO** (Technology Development Corporation), each sharing details about statewide programs that can aid in advancing your business. Finally, **FSU** will offer a workshop on social media marketing. We will also have representatives available from the **Department of Service & Civic Innovation** who will be present at the showcase to hear from you and to share information about this new statewide program, which will promote the use of volunteers in state, county and municipal government, business, and nonprofit organizations. This is truly a one-stop shop and I encourage you to take advantage of this entire event, whether you are looking for capital, loans, promotion, or need advice, we are bringing everyone together for you. As an event that is open to the public, invite those who could benefit from these resources.

Also included in this newsletter is an overview of what remaining sponsorship opportunities exist for 2023 and what to expect in 2024. We have enjoyed highlighting your businesses throughout the year at our events and through our programs. There is still time to sponsor **Leadership Allegany Rising** at \$500 for the Class of 2024. Other 2023 opportunities include the pre-Legislative program, and Holiday Reception – each at \$500. Contact our office for details.

**Juli McCoy**  
Executive Director

### SEPTEMBER 2023

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Bell Tower Building  
Cumberland, MD 21502

#### "Chamber After Hours"

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Hosted by: Energy Select

#### Local Business Showcase

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

4:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Frostburg State University  
Lane Center

### September Calendar

#### September 1

9:00 am

Marketing Committee Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

#### September 6

8:00 am

Membership Committee Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

9:30 am

**Leadership Allegany Rising**  
Committee Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

#### September 11

9:00 am

Transportation Committee Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

3:00 pm

Local Business Showcase Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

#### September 14

8:00 am

Education Committee Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

#### September 19

8:30 am

**Leadership Allegany**  
Committee Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

#### September 20

5:30 – 7:30

"Chamber After Hours"  
Hosted by Energy Select

#### September 25

4:00 pm

Local Business Showcase Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom

#### September 29

Noon

Board of Directors Meeting  
Chamber Boardroom



# Scenes from the August 4th Chamber Crab Feast

## Special Thanks to Our Sponsors:



ALLEGANY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

*presents*

# CHAMBER AFTER HOURS

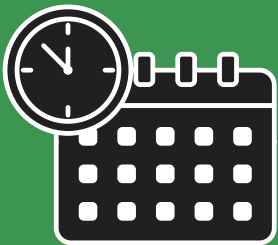
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119 Baltimore Street  
Cumberland, MD 21502



WEDNESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 20TH  
5:30 - 7:30PM

RSVP  
BY  
9/14

**NETWORK & WIN \$2000!**

MUST BE PRESENT & PRE-REGISTERED TO WIN!

\$5.00 REGISTRATION FEE - MUST BE 21 OR OVER TO ATTEND

24 Frederick Street  
Cumberland, MD 21502  
andrea@alleganycountychamber.com  
301-722-2820

*The*  
**CHAMBER**  
  
ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD





*Congratulations*  
on your  
**RETIREMENT**

*Please Join Us*  
HONORING

*Peg McKenzie*

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2023**  
**AT GIUSEPPE'S RESTAURANT**  
**FROSTBURG, MD**  
**5:30-7:30PM**

*hors d'oeuvres and cash bar*

**R.S.V.P NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 20TH**

**MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
**ANDREA@ALLEGANYCOUNTYCHAMBER.COM**  
**OR 301-722-2820**

# ALLEGANY COUNTY LOCAL BUSINESS SHOWCASE

## PRE-EVENT BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

### 2023

PAMELA TWIGG  
COACHING



Startup  
Portal



FROSTBURG  
STATE UNIVERSITY

AMERICA'S  
SBDC  
SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS  
MARYLAND



### TOPIC AND DISCUSSION

#### Pam Twigg Coaching

Professional Development: Featuring Pam Twigg Coaching - understand self-awareness to gain resilience as you start and grow your business.

#### SBDC & Startup Portal

Learn key business startup strategies and how crowdfunding can kick-start your idea.

#### Frostburg State University

Free Lunch w/ College of Business, Engineering, Computational and Mathematical Sciences at FSU discuss how the college and local business community can benefit one another.

Hear from social media and marketing experts to use social media for your start-up or non-profit organization.

#### TEDCO, MD Dept. of Commerce, & MD Dept. of Labor

Department of Commerce, Department of Labor and Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO) Statewide programs available to help you reach your goals and grow.

October  
18  
2023

start time 10am - 4 pm

Lane Center  
101 Braddock Road  
Frostburg, MD 21532

**Register Now!**



# ALLEGANY COUNTY LOCAL BUSINESS SHOWCASE

## 2023 Levels of Sponsorship

### **PLATINUM - \$1,200**

- (2) tables and 4 chairs
- 4 complimentary tickets to "Chamber After Hours"
- Logo on advertising materials
- Listed and mentioned on PR & Marketing around event
- Participation in Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Two (2) months advertising in weekly e-News (your company logo)
- Member Profile in Chamber Newsletter (September or October)
- Virtual Showcase
- Facebook sponsored ad

### **GOLD - \$600**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to "Chamber After Hours"
- Listed and mentioned on PR & Marketing around event
- One (1) month advertising in weekly e-news (your company logo)
- Virtual Showcase
- Facebook sponsored ad

### **SILVER - \$300**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to "Chamber After Hours"
- Virtual Showcase

### **NON-PROFIT - \$150**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to "Chamber After Hours"
- Virtual Showcase

### **FOOD VENDORS - No Charge**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to "Chamber After Hours"
- One (1) month advertising in weekly e-news (your company logo)
- Virtual Showcase

You do not want to miss this opportunity to market your business's latest products and services, network with Chamber members and reach new potential clients!

For more information or to reserve your booth space, please contact the Chamber at 301.722.2820 or email to [andrea@alleganycountychamber.com](mailto:andrea@alleganycountychamber.com)

## **Exhibit Regulations**

- Application - No application will be processed without payment in full. No requests for refunds will be honored after October 1, 2023. Applications received by September 14, 2023 will be included in event promotions; print and media.
- Arrangements—Booth price will include one table and two chairs. Wireless internet will be provided.
- Exhibit Hall Hours/ Set Up and Tear Down - Open 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Exhibit booths must be staffed during event hours.
- Exhibitors may set up from 10:00am - 3:00pm on Wednesday, October 18th and must be set up no later than 3:00 pm. No exhibitor may dismantle prior to the close of the event at 7:30 pm. Dismantling prior to the close will jeopardize your ability to contract space for the following year. All exhibits must be removed from the FSU Lane Center on October 18th by 8:30 pm. Giveaway is not required but encouraged.
- Parking - Available at the Performing Arts Center lot. A phone number will be sent to all displayers in advance of the event to text or call for help with hauling and unloading of display items.
- Liability—Exhibitor assumes full and complete responsibility for the safety of their exhibit and compliance with all city and county codes for fire, safety, and health. Exhibitors shall be responsible for the security of their exhibits and liable for any damages to the facility. The Chamber assumes no responsibility for the exhibitor's security. Food exhibitors are required to sign a waiver.
- Restrictions—The Chamber, at its sole discretion, may determine that an exhibit is objectionable for any reasons and may request that the exhibitor vacates the premises and forfeit all fees.
- Agreement—The submission of an exhibitor application with payment of fees constitutes the agreement of the exhibitor to the aforementioned rules and regulations. The exhibitor further agrees that the Chamber shall have the right to remove any exhibitor from the event for any violation of these regulations or for any behavior or conduct that the Chamber deems inappropriate.
- Chamber membership must be current to reserve a booth.

**I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE ABOVE TERMS:**

**SIGNATURE:**\_\_\_\_\_

**NAME:**\_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:**\_\_\_\_\_

**EVENT: Allegany County Chamber of Commerce Local Business Showcase**





## 2023 Local Business Showcase Application

Please Fill Out Application Thoroughly, Missing Information May Not Be Honored

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Media Accounts: (circle all that apply) Facebook Y/N Instagram Y/N Twitter Y/N LinkedIn Y/N

Sponsorship Levels: (circle selection)

Platinum - \$1,200.00 Gold - \$600.00 Silver - \$300.00 Non-Profit - \$150.00 Food Vendor - No Charge

Booth Number Request:

Platinum - \$1,200.00 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Gold - \$600.00 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Silver - \$300.00 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Profit - \$150.00 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Food Vendor - N/C 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Tables @ \$10.00 each: Y / N

Please select table size (circle one): 6 Foot Table 8 Foot Table

Need Linen Table Covering (No charge): Y / N

Power Requirements (No charge - First Come, First Serve): Y / N

Will Your Business Have Any Internships or Job Openings at the Time of the Showcase? Y / N

Will Your Business Have a Giveaway During the Showcase? Y / N if so, what? \_\_\_\_\_

Morning Workshop Itinerary - Please mark any that you plan to attend.

- ☐ 10am: **Professional Development:** Featuring Pam Twigg Coaching - understand self-awareness to gain resilience as you start and grow your business.
- ☐ 10:50am: **SBDC/Startup Portal:** Learn key business startup strategies and how crowdfunding can kick-start your idea.
- ☐ 11:30am: **Free Lunch w/ College of Business, Engineering, Computational and Mathematical Sciences at FSU**  
Discuss how the college and local business community can benefit one another.
- ☐ 1pm: **Department of Commerce, Department of Labor and Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO)**  
Statewide programs available to help you reach your goals and grow.
- ☐ 2pm: **FSU Marketing:** Understanding Social Media Marketing

TOTAL PAYMENT: \_\_\_\_\_ (Payment must accompany application to be processed)

Make check payable to: Allegany County Chamber of Commerce

Credit Card No. \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

CVV \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Submit application and payment to:

Allegany County Chamber of Commerce  
24 Frederick Street, Cumberland, MD 21502

301-722-2820

andrea@alleganycountychamber.com





## **FOOD SERVICE ONLY**

### **WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT FOR EVENTS and FOODS OTHERWISE TRANSPORTED, FURTHER PREPARED AND CONSUMED**

Food preparation carries with it inherent risks that include but are not limited to health hazards resulting from improper transport, handling and storage.

#### **WAIVER**

In consideration of being permitted to prepare, bring in, serve or otherwise present any food samples or related service product or event at the Frostburg State University – Lane Center (the “Event”) where prepared food, cooked, perishable or otherwise are transported, further prepared, and consumed, we, our personal representatives or assigns, agents, employees and affiliates, do hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue Allegany County Chamber of Commerce (the “Host”), their affiliates, direct or indirect, officers, employees, and agents from liability from any and all claims resulting in personal injury, accidents or illnesses (including death), and property loss arising from, but not limited to, any claim directly or indirectly to the Event.

#### **INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS**

Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Host, their affiliates, direct or indirect, officers, employees, and agents (the “Indemnitees”) from any and all claims, actions, suits, procedures, costs, expenses, damages and liabilities, including reasonable attorney’s fees brought as a result of my involvement in Events, whether brought by me, my company or its agents or employees, or other third parties, and to reimburse the Indemnitees for any such expenses incurred.

#### **A FEW SIMPLE PRECAUTIONS TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FOODBORNE DISEASES**

Safe and careful handling of raw meat and poultry is critical to prevent harmful bacteria from multiplying and contaminating other foods. It is extremely important that proper temperatures are reached during cooking to destroy harmful bacteria.

**COOK:** meat, poultry and eggs thoroughly. Using a thermometer, ground beef should be cooked to an internal temperature of 160°F. Eggs should be cooked until the yolk is firm. \*Keep burgers and chicken (and all other perishable foods) on ice until ready to cook. Cook poultry to 165°F/74°C.

**SEPARATE:** Don't cross-contaminate one food with another.

#### **SOME INDIVIDUALS AT PARTICULARLY HIGH RISK SHOULD TAKE MORE PRECAUTIONS**

Pregnant women, the elderly, and those weakened immune systems are at higher risk for severe infections such as Listeria and should be particularly careful not to consume undercooked animal products.

**I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE ABOVE TERMS:**

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TITLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

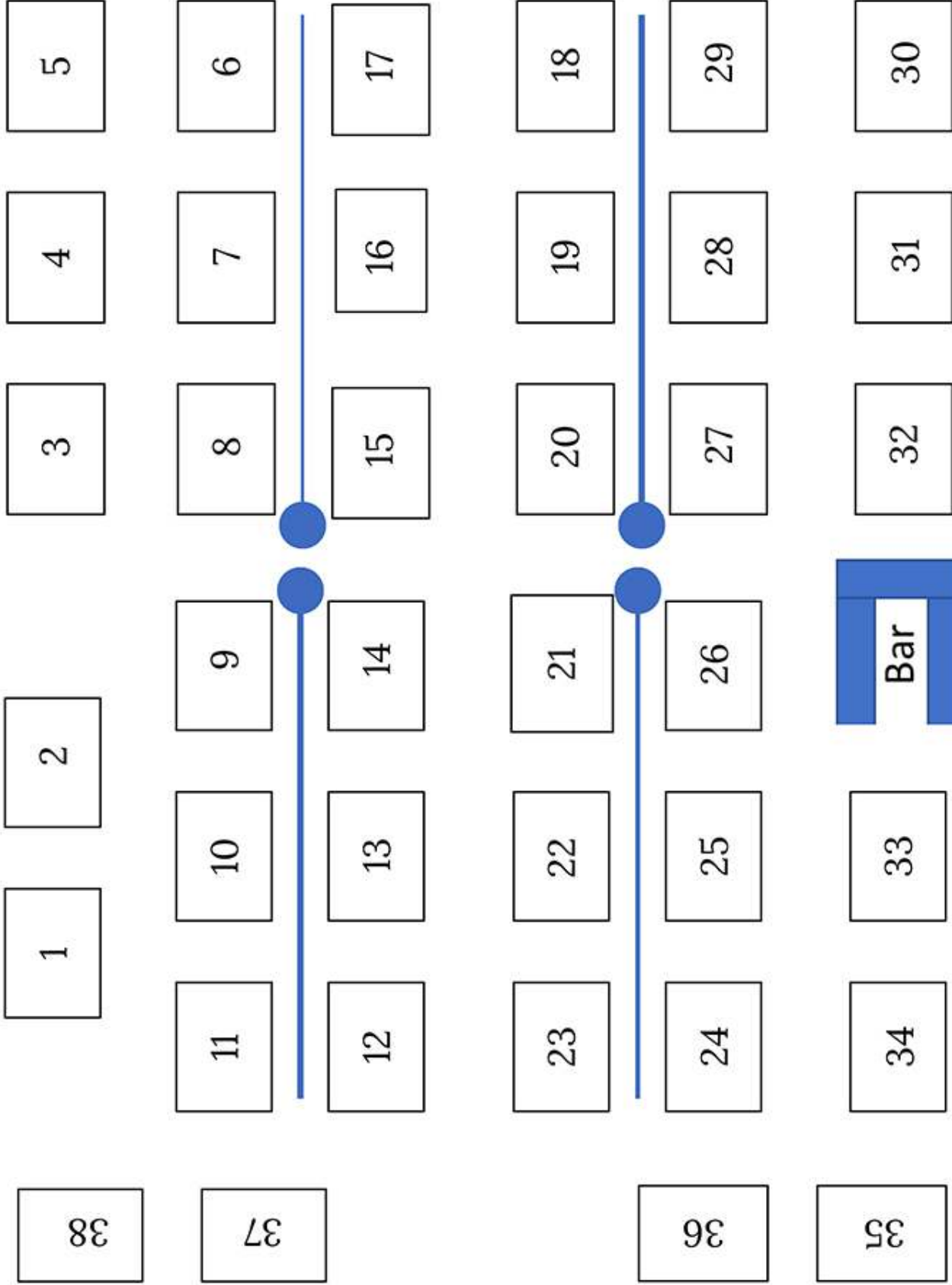
**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EVENT:** Allegany County Chamber of Commerce Local Business Showcase

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Local Business Showcase  
Wednesday, October 18, 2023  
Frostburg State University - Lane Center



Join the CQI Energy Purchasing Cooperative

# REDUCE YOUR ENERGY COSTS

You'll always get the lowest cost possible because the co-op works for you...NOT the energy supplier.

- 💡 **EASY TO JOIN**
- 💡 **INCREASED PURCHASING POWER**
- 💡 **BUDGET STABILITY**
- 💡 **YEAR-ROUND CUSTOMER SUPPORT**

By joining the Commercial Energy Purchasing Cooperative, you increase the purchasing power for all members, resulting in more affordable and consistent electric rates. As a member, your organization's energy prices will be significantly lower than the purchasing power as an individual business.

There are NO FEES to join. One application covers all accounts for all locations.

CQI is a nationally recognized energy and sustainability management consulting firm based in Woodstock, Maryland. Since 1995, CQI has provided services to over 5,000 businesses, consumers, municipalities, school systems, and chambers of commerce to help lower energy costs.

[cqiasociates.com](http://cqiasociates.com)

410-500-9555





# *Sponsorship Opportunities* **2023-2024**

**Leadership Allegany Rising - September 2023**

**Sponsorship: \$500**

**Local Business Showcase - October 18, 2023**

**Sponsorship: \$300-1,200/ \$150 for Non-Profit(s)**

**Recognition Reception - November 9, 2023**

**Sponsorship: \$500**

*Limit of 2 - fulfilled*

**Holiday Reception - December 14, 2023**

**Sponsorship: \$500**

**Legislative Luncheon - April 2024**

**Sponsorship: \$500**

**\*Chamber Golf Tournament - May 2024**

**Sponsorship: \$100 - \$1,200**

*Teams sold separately, except \$1,200 sponsorship level.*

**Lucky Ladies Night Out - June 2024**

**Sponsorship: \$500**

**\*Crab Feast - August 2024**

**Sponsorship: \$500**

**Tent Sponsorship: \$300 - \$950**

**Crab Shack: \$700**

*Tickets sold separately.*

**\*Local Business Showcase - October 2024**

**Sponsorship: \$300-1,200 / \$150 for Non-Profit(s)**

**Holiday Reception - December 2024**

**Sponsorship: \$500**

\*Prices may change closer to event to meet unforeseen rising costs.





The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce **Local Business Showcase** will be held on **Wednesday, October 18, 2023**, in the Lane Center at Frostburg State University from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The showcase is held in conjunction with the October “*Chamber After Hours*.”

**Local Business Showcase** provides a platform for businesses and non-profit organizations to showcase their products, services and expertise. The goal of the showcase is to promote and support the growth of local Chamber businesses by providing an opportunity to increase visibility, network with other professionals, and connect with potential customers or partners. Each vendor is provided with a table and two chairs. Participants are encouraged to bring literature, samples of their product and promotional materials they want to distribute. The event continues to be **open to the public** with no admission fee.

### **New For 2023:**

**The Chamber is excited to announce that we are expanding the showcase by offering workshops that will be held throughout the day beginning at 10 am and ending just prior to the start of the showcase.**

### **Workshop topics include:**

**10 am – Professional Development:** Featuring Pam Twigg Coaching – understand self-awareness to gain resilience as you start and grow your business.

**10:50 am – Small Business Development Center & Startup Portal:** Learn key business startup strategies and how crowdfunding can kick-start your idea.

**11:30 am – Lunch & FSU Panel:** from the newly aligned College of Business, Engineering, Computational and Mathematical Sciences (CBECMS), this *free* lunch and discussion will outline examples of how the colleges of FSU can be a benefit to your business.

**1 pm – Maryland Departments of Commerce and Labor + TEDCO:** Statewide programs available to help you reach your goals and grow.

**3 pm – Social Media Marketing:** learn about the latest trends in social media and how to use their tools to promote your products and services.

**Sign up for one or all of the workshops by visiting the Chamber calendar.**

### **Booth and sponsorship opportunities still available but limited!**

#### **Platinum Sponsor – \$1,200.00 investment includes:**

- (2) tables and 4 chairs
- 4 complimentary tickets to “*Chamber After Hours*”
- Logo on advertising materials
- Listed and mentioned on public relations and marketing around event
- Participation in the ribbon cutting ceremony
- 2 months advertising in weekly e-news (your company logo)
- Member Profile in Chamber Newsletter (September or October)
- Virtual Showcase
- Facebook sponsored ad

#### **Gold Sponsor – \$600.00 investment includes:**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “*Chamber After Hours*”
- Listed and mentioned on PR and marketing around event
- 1 month advertising in weekly e-news (your company logo)
- Virtual Showcase
- Facebook sponsored ad

#### **Silver Sponsor – \$300.00 investment includes:**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “*Chamber After Hours*”
- Virtual Showcase

#### **Non-Profit Sponsor – \$150.00 investment includes:**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “*Chamber After Hours*”
- Virtual Showcase

#### **Food Vendors – n/c**

- (1) table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “*Chamber After Hours*”
- 1 month advertising in weekly e-news (your company logo)
- Virtual Showcase

The **Local Business Showcase** is an interactive and collaborative event that offers Chamber members an excellent opportunity to spotlight their business or organization. We hope you will consider joining us for this unique networking event. For more information or to reserve booth space, please contact the Chamber at 301-722-2820, use the form included in this newsletter.



# Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce recently held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to welcome Hershey's Ice Cream to the Chamber and to the community. They are located at 735 North Centre Street, Cumberland, Maryland. They offer twenty plus flavors of Hershey's Ice Cream hand-dipped as well as milkshakes, sundaes, smoothies, soft serve and Italian Ice. Their hours of operation are Monday through Thursday from 11:00 am to 9:30 pm and Fridays and Saturdays from 11:00 am to 10:00 pm.



## Pictured left to right:

### Front Row:

Steve MacGray, *Charis Realty Group*, Chamber Membership Committee Co-Chair  
Dharmesh Kotak, Co-Owner  
Dr. Amit Shah, Co-Partner  
Juli McCoy, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director  
Khush Kotak, Owner  
Manali Kotak, Co-Owner  
Rob Collette, *Cumberland Healthcare Center*, Chamber Board of Directors Second Vice Chair

Amy Shillingburg, *Rusco Home Improvement*, Membership Committee member

### Second Row:

Cheri Robosson, *ACT Personnel Service*, Chamber Membership Committee member  
Stu Czapski, Cumberland Economic Development Corporation

Cumberland City Councilman Eugene Frazier  
Cumberland City Councilman Jimmy Furstenberg  
Addison Furstenberg

## New Members

*(patronize these members and welcome them to the Chamber)*

### Generations Rehab Group, LLC

57 Jackson Street  
Lonaconing, Maryland 21539  
301-268-9995  
www.genrehab.com  
Contact: Jim Lauder, Partner  
E-mail: jimlauder111@yahoo.com  
Category: Health – Rehabilitation

### Hershey's Ice Cream Cumberland

735 North Centre Street  
Cumberland, Maryland 21502  
240-277-4897  
Contact: Khush Kotak, Owner  
E-mail: hicCumberland@gmail.com  
Category: Ice Cream  
Description: *Twenty plus flavors of Hershey's Ice Cream hand dipped, milkshakes, sundaes, smoothies, soft serve and Italian Ice*

### Mountain City Liquors

10701 New Georges Creek Road  
Suite # 5  
Frostburg, Maryland 21532  
240-277-4897  
Contact: Khush Kotak, Owner  
E-mail: khushkotak@gmail.com  
Category: Liquor Store  
Description: *Large variety of liquor, beer, and wine. One of the largest stores in the area – locally owned!*

### Queen City Liquors

806 North Mechanic Street  
Cumberland, Maryland 21502  
240-277-4897  
Contact: Khush Kotak, Owner  
E-mail: khushkotak@gmail.com  
Category: Liquor Store

Description: *Cumberland's largest liquor store with large variety of liquors, beer and wine*

### Tri-State Teen Challenge

11615 Bedford Road NE  
Cumberland, Maryland 21502  
304-813-1962  
www.atcmaryland.com  
Contact: Jonathan Gray, Executive Director  
E-mail: jonathan.gray@atcmaryland.com  
Category: Non-Profit





## Board of Directors Seeking Nominations

**Do you want to become more involved?  
Do you know someone who is a member of the  
Allegany County Chamber of Commerce and would enjoy being more involved?**

The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce is actively seeking individuals interested in being a member of our 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. Board members serve on a volunteer basis.

Each candidate must be willing to meet the following criteria to be considered:

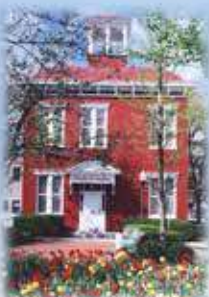
- Be an active member in good standing with the Chamber
- Serve as a member of the Board of Directors for a period of three years
- Attend all regularly scheduled board meetings (held the last Thursday of each month, an Orientation (held in December) and Strategic Planning Session (held in January)
-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

At the September 30<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting, the Nominating Committee shall present to the Chairman of the Board Patrick Buck a slate of at least six (6) nominees to serve three-year terms, to replace the Directors whose regular terms are expiring. Each candidate must be an active member in good standing and must have agreed to accept the responsibility of a directorship. Upon receipt of the Nominating Committee's report the Chamber membership will be notified as to the names of the individuals who have been nominated.

Once the slate of nominees has been released, additional names of candidates for directors can still be nominated by petition bearing the genuine signature of at least five (5) qualified members of the Chamber.

If you would like more information on the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors or the nomination and election process, please contact the Chamber office at 301-722-2820. The nominees will appear on the ballot to be voted on during the December 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting.

**Apply Today!!**



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**Juli R. McCoy**, Executive Director

**Allegany County Chamber of Commerce 2023 Officers**

**Chairman: Patrick W. Buck**

**First Vice Chairwoman: Parika M. Andreassen**

**Second Vice Chairman: Robert W. Collette, Jr.**

**Immediate Past Chairman: Robert A. Godfrey**