



The CHAMBER



ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD



Executive Director

It is 100% that time of year for us – events! This is such an important part of the Chamber's work, which allows us to continue with our remarkable trajectory. In the three years that I have been leading your Chamber, I have listened, researched, asked some tough questions, and taken some leaps in positioning the organization where I see its potential. It is an extremely exciting time, and the same buzz and excitement that is rippling through our community on the verge of so many amazing things, can be found here, too.

Do I have your attention?

In April, the Board of Directors voted to partner with **CQI Associates** to offer our members a financial savings benefit for being with us. CQI Associates is an energy co-op, a trusted partner with Chambers of Commerce across the state of Maryland and is a platinum sponsor of MACCE (Maryland Association of Chambers of Commerce Executives), of which we are a member. Over the next few weeks, we will be sending out emails, posting details to social media, and will continue to include links in our e-news for a first-ever summer campaign. This information will provide you with two opportunities to connect on a Zoom session to hear more about the program, how to sign up, and to understand your potential cost savings. *In addition to your own business saving money, you can extend this program to your employees, who can potentially save money on their own energy use at home.* I hope that you, or someone on your staff, will take the time to hear about this and consider taking advantage.

"But wait, there's more!" Does your company use **Constant Contact**? We recently converted to an association account, which gives us use of the service at no cost while also giving you

savings of up to 25%. As a benefit of being a member of the Chamber, you can save on your costs to promote your business through email. It's as easy as visiting constantcontact.com/chambermember and either signing up or logging in. We'll confirm your membership, and you will start saving money.

This newsletter is packed with what's coming up and here is a quick run-down so you don't miss important deadlines for events and programs:

- **Lucky Ladies Night Out:** Friday, June 9 (reservations can be purchased until 5 pm on June 7)
- **Recognition Reception Nominations:** Deadline for nominations is Friday, June 16 at 4 pm)
- **Leadership Allegany:** Applications for the Class of 2024 are due and must be post-marked or delivered no later than Friday, June 23
- **Crab Feast:** Friday, August 4 – tickets are now available for purchase

Thank you to our **Lucky Ladies Night Out** sponsors: **Bella, LLC, Chessie Federal Credit Union, CBIZ, Holiday Inn Express, Hampton Inn, The Kristi Agency – Allstate, and WEPCO Federal Credit Union.** We once again have over a dozen high-dollar baskets that will be up for raffle at this event all thanks to our incredible member donors. This public event offers a great way to gain customers. Promoting your business happens throughout the evening with our basket displays talking about what's inside, guests view the details listed in the program, and your business information can be found by scanning a QR code linked to our directory.

The **Recognition Reception** is our chance to honor our members who stand out and we will once again recognize *Business of the Year, Entrepreneurial Spirit, Community Service*, and new this year, *Non-Profit of the Year*. We continue to proudly partner with the **Western Maryland Jaycees** to recognize an *Outstanding Young Professional*, as well. Nominations are easy through our online
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Cumberland, MD 21502

June Calendar

June 1

10:30 am
Lucky Ladies Night Out
Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

June 5

9:00 am
Local Business Showcase
Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

June 6

8:00 am
Golf Tournament Committee Mtg.
Chamber Boardroom

June 7

8:00 am
Membership Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

June 9

6:00 pm
Lucky Ladies Night Out
Ali Ghan Shrine Picnic Grounds

June 14

5:30 – 7:30
"Chamber After Hours"
Hosted by Chartwell's

June 15

11:00 am
Marketing Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

June 20

8:30 am
Leadership Allegany
Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

June 29

Noon
Board of Directors Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

July 5

8:00 am
Membership Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

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form and self-nominations are welcomed. A flyer is included with more information, and you can find details on our website for both the Chamber and the Jaycees nominations.

Please reach out to our office with any questions about the information we've shared here. Have a great start to summer!

Juli McCoy
Executive Director

2023 Chamber Golf Tournament Memories



Winner of The Bell Tower Cup — ServiceMaster of Allegany County



M & T Bank



CBIZ



Café Oasis



Chessie Federal Credit Union



First United Bank and Trust



Allegany County HRDC





The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce presents

Chamber After Hours

Hosted By:



Wednesday, June 14th
5:30pm - 7:30pm
Chesapeake Dining Hall
Frostburg State University

Network and Win \$1,250

Featuring

Southwest BBQ Menu
Adult Slushies
Beer and Wine
Various Door Prizes

Register at the event
to participate in a
Teaching Kitchen



\$5 admission fee
Must be 21 years of age
Must be pre-registered and present to win
Parking available in Brownsville and Annapolis lots

Please register online by June 8, 2023
Allegany County Chamber of Commerce
24 Frederick St Cumberland, MD 21502
For questions, contact Andrea 301-722-2820
andrea@alleganycountychamber.com



2023

Annual Recognition Reception

Nominations Now Open!

Business of the Year

Entrepreneurial Spirit

Community Service

Nonprofit of the Year



Scan or visit the Chamber's website to complete the form online; a nomination package is included in this newsletter, as well. Self-nominations are welcome and all will be considered.

Now through June 16



A PROGRAM OF
THE ALLEGANY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CLASS OF 2024 APPLICATION

READY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY & JOIN A NETWORK OF LEADERS?



Leadership Allegany was such a great experience! I truly left each topic day with excitement to share with others about what is happening in our community, thankful that so many business and government leaders have a plan and are investing to make Allegany County shine again.

The diverse and talented leaders that compose each class are able to build a sense of community and network with the ultimate goal of making a positive impact on our community.

Joseph Brewer

Class of 2023 Valedictorian

Leadership Allegany provides an opportunity for leaders and individuals committed to making a difference in Allegany County and its surrounding region to:

- ▶ Become acquainted with processes, programs and challenges that currently exist in the community.
- ▶ Gain an understanding of the public and private operations within Allegany County and the state of Maryland.
- ▶ Gain a deeper understanding of the issues endemic to the region by observing and hearing the views of others.
- ▶ Programs are engineered for class participation and dialogue and cover such topics as: Arts and Entertainment, Economic Development, Education, Environment, Health Care, Human Services, Local and State Government.



Leadership Allegany 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.

CLASS OF 2024 APPLICATION

Tuition & Program Commitment

Tuition for the 2024 Program will be **\$1,500.00 plus a \$25.00 application fee** and may be paid by the individual or the sponsoring institution. Tuition is due prior to orientation. A limited number of partial scholarships will be available to individuals who might otherwise be unable to participate.

Participation

In order to accomplish the objectives of the program, the full participation of each class member is necessary. Participation includes:

Orientation - Wednesday, September 27, 2023 beginning at 9am through Thursday, September 28, 2023 ending at 5pm. **Full attendance is mandatory.**

State Government Day - Tuesday, March 12 at 8am through Wednesday, March 13 at 6pm in Annapolis, MD. **Full attendance is mandatory.**

Equivalent of one full day per month. Class normally meets the second Wednesday of each month; please see schedule on this page. Participants will be permitted to miss one full session or the equivalent of one full session, not including Orientation and State Government Day.

Application & Selection Process

Participants will be selected from a diverse mix of the local population - business, the professions, government, education, religious and civic groups, the arts and organized labor. Applications are encouraged from all segments of the community.

Candidates will be chosen by a Selection Committee; class size is limited. Each candidate will be evaluated by criteria that takes diversity, community involvement, and demonstrated potential leadership capabilities into consideration.

All applications will be handled in the strictest confidence. Special emphasis should be given to any question you feel will significantly add to the Committee's knowledge of your qualifications.

Participants in the Leadership Allegany Class of 2024 will be selected from those individuals who have submitted a completed Application Form by June 23, 2023. To assist the Selection Committee, we request the forms be typed or printed legibly.

Completing your Leadership Allegany Application:

- ▶ Read Application and Selection Process sections thoroughly.
- ▶ Include Letter of Recommendation and Resume or Bio.
- ▶ Include \$25.00 non-refundable application fee, paid by applicant.
- ▶ Do not send checks to cover tuition now. Accepted participants will be billed their tuition.
- ▶ Applications must be post-marked by June 23, 2023.
- ▶ All applicants will be notified of their status by August 11, 2023.
- ▶ Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- ▶ Mail completed forms to:

Leadership Allegany
Bell Tower Building
24 Frederick Street
Cumberland, Maryland 21502

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

September 27 – 28, 2023
Orientation

October 11, 2023

November 8, 2023

* November 15, 2023

December 13, 2023

January 10, 2024

February 14, 2024

March 12 – 13, 2024

April 10, 2024

May 8, 2024

May 22, 2024

June 5, 2024
Graduation

*Education Day Snow Date

Leadership Allegany Class of 2024 Application

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Name (or nickname) as it should appear on your name badge: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Years in the Area: _____

Contact Number: _____ Mobile Number: _____

EMPLOYMENT

Present Employer: _____ Type of Business: _____

Date Began: _____ Current Title: _____

Work Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Work Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Briefly Describe Your Responsibilities:

How many days per month does your work require you to be out of the county? _____

What do you consider your highest responsibility, skill or career achievement so far?

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

If not provided on your resume, please include major volunteer activities: (Please indicate organization)

Roles:

Please list, in order of importance, any community, civic, professional, business, religious, social, or athletic organizations in which you have been a member.

Organization

Dates of Membership

Official Positions Held

What have you accomplished in any one or more of these positions that you think is important?

On a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following questions:

What do you hope to gain from the Leadership Allegany experience and how do you think it will benefit you as a leader?

What are the two most pressing challenges facing our region? How should we face these challenges? Your feedback will help shape topic days so please provide a specific plan of action.

Tuition for each participant in Leadership Allegany is \$1,500.00 and is due prior to orientation. All meals and lodging for Orientation and State Government are included. An additional \$25.00 non-refundable application fee, paid by the applicant, is required to secure individual commitment to the program. Make checks payable to Allegany County Chamber of Commerce.

How will your tuition be paid? ☐ Employer ☐ Personally ☐ Other _____

A limited number of need based scholarships will be available for participants in the program. If selected to participate, will you find it necessary to seek such assistance? ☐ No ☐ Yes

I understand the purpose of the Leadership Allegany Program and that completion of this application does not ensure a candidate's acceptance in the Class of 2024. If selected to participate, I will commit to the time required.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Promoting Hope, Wellness, Choice, and Independence in our Community



Bedford-Somerset Developmental & Behavioral Health Services

Our vision is for every person and family that we serve to have a network of family, friends, advocates, and supportive services to live a full and productive life in our community.

Learn more about us at www.dbhs.co

EXCELLENT Benefits for Full-time Positions....

- ★ Student Loan Reimbursement Program
- ★ Family friendly agency
- ★ Excellent healthcare coverage & pension plan
- ★ Paid sick and vacation time
- ★ 12 paid holidays per year
- ★ Agency vehicle to use for work purposes

For application details, contact Jennifer.Georg@dbhs.co or call 814-701-2909.

Bedford-Somerset DBHS is an Equal Opportunity Employer

If you're looking for a career opportunity to utilize your education and skills to serve the individuals and families in our community, apply today to join our team!

~ Job Opportunities ~

PMHNP – Provide psychiatric services in an Outpatient Clinic

RN – Daytime hours! Provide nursing duties in a psychiatric Outpatient Clinic.

Therapist – Provides individual/family counseling in an outpatient setting and school-based counseling on-site in local schools.

Casemanager Supervisor – Oversees services, reviews documentation, and provides supervision to Casemanagers in a developmental services program.

Casemanagers – Full-time positions provide case management, provide advocacy, monitor services, and link individuals to services.

On-call Crisis Workers – Part-time positions provide evening, weekend, and/or daytime on-call emergency services to adults or children and their families.

Secretary – Provides clerical support in an Outpatient Clinic to include registrations, scheduling, filing, and other office duties.

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245 West Race Street, Somerset, PA 15501
Phone (814) 443-4891 ■ Toll Free (877) 814-4891**

**Bedford Office
1243 Shed Road, Bedford, PA 15522
Phone (814) 623-5166 ■ Toll Free (877) 814-5166**

Lucky Ladies Night Out

Friday, June 9, 2023

6:00 pm

Ali Ghan Shrine Club Picnic Grounds

"Chamber After Hours"

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Hosted by: Chartwell's



Crab Feast 2023

Sponsored by:



It's that time again – time for the Chamber's **Annual Crab Feast**, scheduled for Friday, August 4, 2023 at the Ali Ghan Shrine Picnic Grounds from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. As always, the event is open to all Chamber members and their guests. Tickets are on sale now!

Ticket prices for 2023 are \$65.00 per person if purchased by July 21st or \$80.00 after that. **No tickets will be sold at the door.** Be sure to call and order your tickets today!

As a reminder we do have a 21 year and older policy for attendance, due to alcoholic beverages being served and the personal liability incurred with serving alcohol. To order tickets please contact the Chamber office at 301-722-2820.

RESERVE YOUR CRAB FEAST TENT

The Chamber is offering members an opportunity to reserve their own corporate tent. Tent prices include the tent and tables and chairs only; **they do not include tickets to the event** – tickets must be purchased separately. **You must be 21 years and older to attend the Crab Feast.**

10 x 10 Tent (Seats 12) \$300.00
(includes (2) rectangular tables, 12 chairs and corporate sign)

20 x 20 Tent (Seats 20) \$550.00
(includes (5) round tables, 20 chairs and corporate sign)

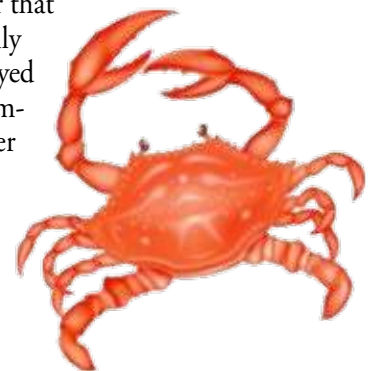
20 x 40 Tent (Seats 40) \$950.00
(includes (10) round tables, 40 chairs and corporate sign)

Crab Shack (Seats 48) \$700.00
(includes (12) round tables, 48 chairs and corporate sign)

Tent quantities are limited; so please reserve early. To reserve your tent for the 2023 Crab Feast, please contact the Chamber office at 301-722-2820 or e-mail to peg@alleganycounty-chamber.com.

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Chamber is also offering a limited number of corporate sponsorships for the event at a cost of \$500.00. As a sponsor your logo will be included on all correspondence and social media posts as well as the crab feast flyer that appears in our weekly and monthly newsletters and on a banner displayed at the event. For additional information please contact the Chamber office at 301-722-2820.



Chamber Crab Feast

Friday, August 4, 2023



Ali Ghan Shrine
Picnic Grounds

6 – 9 pm



Accepting Applications for Class of 2024 Deadline for applying is June 23rd!!

The **Leadership Allegany** program is accepting applications for the Class of 2024. 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. The program, which begins with an orientation in September 2023 and concludes with graduation ceremonies in June 2024, provides an opportunity to become acquainted with the processes, programs and challenges that exist in the community.

In a forum of open discussion and interaction, class members gain the knowledge and motivation to effect positive change within the region. Educational programs engineered for class participation and dialogue will cover such topics as Economic Development, Education, Environment, Health Care, Local Government, Human Services, State Government and Arts and Entertainment. The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce believes today, more than ever, that our future is tied to strong leadership. The more informed and involved the citizens of a community become the stronger the community.

Are you ready to make a difference in your community and join a network of leaders? Applications are encouraged from all sectors of the community. A limited number of partial scholarships are available to individuals who might not otherwise be able to participate. An application is included in this newsletter and is available on the Chamber's website: www.alleganycountychamber.com. The deadline to submit an application for the Class of 2024 is June 23rd.

If you require additional information, please contact the Chamber at 301-722-2820.



The eighth annual **"Lucky Ladies Night Out"** will be held on **Friday, June 9, 2023** at the Ali Ghan Shrine Club Picnic Grounds, Cumberland, Maryland. Reservations are \$45.00 per person/ \$275.00 (table of seven) and include dinner, beer, wine, seltzers, bottled water, soft drinks and a raffle ticket chance on a door prize drawing. Doors open at 5:30 pm. You must be 21 years of age to attend –**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**. Reservations can be made by contacting the Chamber office at 301-722-2820 or by emailing andrea@alleganycountychamber.com or peg@alleganycountychamber.com.



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