

THE WEST VIRGINIA CENTRAL NEWSPAPER

PROUD MEMBER OF THE WEIRTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



From The Presiden

Our 82nd Annual Chamber Membership Meeting and Banquet was an evening full of networking and fun. Dan Martin, of Bidell Gas Compression was our guest speaker and gave an update on the success of one of Weirton's newest businesses. Congratulations to the following who were recognized and honored:

- " Mike Chek
- " Mike Heilman
- " John Rogerson
- " Dan Spanovich
- " Rich Saxon
- " John Kirlangitis
- " Anile Pharmacy
- " Holiday Lanes

The Dr. Barbara A. Matey High School Business Symposium will take place on Wednesday, April 18th. 120 high school juniors from both sides of the river will come together to learn the ins and outs of being in business. It is one of our most successful programs and our youth reap the rewards. Thank you to Arcelor-Mittal USA, First Choice America CFCU, Hancock County Savings Bank, Madonna HS, McDonald's, Dee Jay's, Mountaineer, Franciscan Univ., Brooke Hills Park, UPS, Eastern Gateway CC, WVU Extension Office, First National Bank and James White Construction.

Our 20th Annual Ladies Day at the Chamber is scheduled for April 26, 2018 and will be held at St. Francis Center in Follansbee. Our theme this year will be "Fashion, Friends & Fascinators." Tickets are on sale at the Chamber and First Choice American CFCU Weirton locations. Tickets will not be available at the door so reserve yours now. We would like to thank our sponsors First Choice America Community Federal Credit Union, 106.3 the River/OV Sports Network, The Weirton Daily Times/Herald Star and WTOV9.

Mark your calendar for May 18, 2018 for "Brew, 'Que & Country." We are already working on our "Wine & Dine at Williams" event. This year's event will take place on Saturday, September 29th. If you were a sponsor last year, you will get the first opportunity this year. Continuing with a "Taste of the Blues" theme from last year-this year it will be "New Orleans" style! Save the date - you won't want to miss it!

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Upcoming Committee Meetings

Committee Meetings

(All meetings are held in the Chamber Conference Room- Please RSVP) If you would like to join a committee, please contact the Chamber.

- May 2: Special Projects Committee, 9am
- May 7: Retail Merchants Committee, 9:30am
- May 8: Membership Committee, 9am
- May 14: Education Committee, 3pm

2018 Chamber Events (Please RSVP to the Chamber)

April 18:
Dr. Barbara A. Matey HSBS
Holiday Inn/Undo's Weirton

April 26:
Ladies Day at the Chamber
St. Francis Center
11:00am-3:00pm

May 3:
Leads to Success Breakfast
Place: TBD
7:30am-9:00am

May 18:
Brew, 'Que & Country
Serbian Picnic Grounds
5:30pm

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Business Spotlight

Family Connections Inc. would like to thank Joanne Dobrzanski for her 40 years of dedicated service to this organization. Joanne began her career with Family Connections in 1978 as a residential childcare worker. In 1996 she accepted the position of executive director and has served in this role for 22 years.

Joanne has been instrumental in advocating for Brooke Place residents, as well as children throughout West Virginia. She has served on the WV Child Care Association Board of Directors for more than 20 years, advocating for our state's at risk population.

She has supported hundreds of young women as they have walked along their yellow brick road through trauma treatment and celebrated their success as they healed.

Joanne has been our fearless leader, demonstrating a devotion to our young women and staff members that has been unfaltering. She laughs with us, she cries with us, and she is our supporter of everything good. While she will be missed by all of us at Family Connections, she certainly has earned some time off. We all congratulate Joanne and wish her a wonderful retirement.

Any Chamber member interested in having your business spotlighted in The Town Crier and WV Central Newspaper should write a short article in Word format and call the Chamber at 304.748.7212 or e-mail services@weirtonchamber.com to be scheduled.

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"Your Chamber and You"

The Weirton Area Chamber of Commerce's 20th Annual "Ladies Day at the Chamber" will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018 at St. Francis Center; a beautiful banquet hall on top of the hill in Follansbee. Our staff and Special Projects Committee have been busy making this another unique event. If you have ever attended, you know how much fun it is. We will have vendors where you can purchase clothing, accessories, beauty items and much more. Our theme this year is 'Fashion, Friends, and Fascinators.' And, our fashion show will feature fashions from CATO and TJMaxx. Come dressed in your best fascinator and join us for a fun day filled with door prizes and giveaways. We would like to thank our sponsors First Choice America Community Federal Credit Union, 106.3 the River/OV Sports Network, The Weirton Daily Times/Herald Star and WTOV9 for making this event possible.

If you are interested in being a vendor, please call the Chamber at 304-748-7212 for details. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at the Chamber office or at First Choice America Community Federal Credit Union, Weirton locations. Tickets must be purchased in advance and are \$25 for Chamber members and \$30 for non-members. No tickets will be sold at the door.

YOUR CHAMBER AND YOU

Hefren-Tillotson is one of Western Pennsylvania's oldest and largest full service wealth management firms. We are a family owned business that specializes in comprehensive financial planning and wealth management. People come to us who need help with their financial, estate and tax planning needs as well as investment and insurance recommendations. Using a holistic approach, we examine and advise on all aspects of their financial situation.

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On May 9th we will be hosting an event at Williams Country Club as an opportunity for those interested to meet our firm, talk about our MASTERPLAN approach and hear an update on the markets. If you are interested in attending please reach out to us at 412-633-1730 for event details.



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