



The CHAMBER



ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD



Executive Director

If you were given a "Current COVID Regulations" quiz, would you be able to pass it? It's safe to say most probably would not. If you're waiting to get your reopening guidelines from the mainstream media, don't hold your breath. While it is always best to go straight to the source for the real story, it's more so now. Regulations and recommendations are changing often but the vast majority of changes have not been headline news. Not sure what's what with what we are allowed to do and not allowed to do? There are basically two sources for everything you need, open.maryland.gov/backtobusiness and cdc.gov. Of particular interest is the Social Gatherings Limit – Frequently Asked Questions document available on the aforementioned State of Maryland site. As of June 10, there is no longer a limit on social gatherings in Maryland. That does not mean social distancing, the use of masks and common sense are out the window. It does mean we are inching closer to getting back to business as normal. Many businesses in our community have taken advantage of available assistance, made necessary adjustments, embraced the new rules and been responsible while at the same time been very creative in developing new ways to do business. Developing solutions, not excuses, in dealing with our challenges will make the difference for many and we all need to get on board. For a comprehensive list of reopening resources, visit alleganycountychamber.com. Get out there, support local and let's get back to business.

Speaking of getting back to business, the Chamber held its Fourth Annual Golf Outing on June 12. Thank you to all of our sponsors, golfers and volunteers for making this outdoor event a success and a very enjoyable day. It was a day we all needed and one to remember, for sure. Congratulations to

Chessie Federal Credit Union for taking possession of the Bell Tower Cup. We are looking forward to your defense of it next year on May 7, 2021. In addition, our Lucky Ladies Night Out – Revamped event was held virtually on June 26. We appreciate everyone's patience, understanding and support as we had to reschedule our original event a few times since its original

March 20 date. Thank you again to all of our ticket holders and sponsors for your support and for sticking with us as we had to make adjustments and make the best of a challenging situation. Congratulations to all of the Lucky 7 basket winners. We look forward to seeing everyone back in person next March. Thank you!

Amazingly, summer is officially here and time to get geared up for the best crab feast in Allegany County. All Chamber members and their guests are invited to the 39th Annual Chamber Crab Feast at the Ali Ghan Shrine Club Picnic Grounds on Friday, August 7 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The Chamber Crab Feast has proven year after year to be the place to be and is a great time you don't want to miss. Get your tickets early as reservations are required and no tickets will be sold at the gate. The early bird price of \$60 is good until July 24 then tickets are \$75. You must be 21 years or older to attend. The 39th Annual Chamber Crab Feast is proudly sponsored by **AT&T, Carl Belt, Inc. and First Peoples Community Federal Credit Union**. Additional sponsorships are available. For more information and to purchase tickets contact the Chamber office at 301-722-2820.

And while we're on a roll, our "Chamber After Hours" program is back on Wednesday, August 19 hosted by the **Ali Ghan Shrine Club**. Stay tuned for details and we look forward to seeing everyone again in August.

As we celebrate the 244th birthday of this great nation, remember the sacrifices of those that created our steadfast democracy and of those that have defended and continue to defend our freedom every day. Have a safe and happy holiday.

Stu Czapski
Executive Director

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Bell Tower Building
Cumberland, MD 21502

CHAMBER CRAB FEAST



Friday, August 7, 2020
6:00 - 9:00 pm
Ali Ghan Shrine Picnic Grounds

July Calendar

NOTE: If social distancing guidelines continue as they are, committee meetings will be held via conference call as needed.

July 1

8:00 am
Membership Committee Meeting
Zoom Conference

July 8

10:00 am
Leadership Allegany! Rising Mtg.
Zoom Conference

July 15

8:00 am
Economic Development
Committee Meeting
Zoom Conference

July 16

3:00 pm
Expo Committee Meeting
Chamber Boardroom

July 20

8:00 am
Leadership Allegany! Alumni Mtg.
Zoom Conference

July 21

8:00 am
Leadership Allegany! Steering
Committee Meeting
Zoom Conference

July 30

Noon
Board of Directors Meeting
Zoom Conference Call

2020 Chamber Golf Outing Memories



Cintas Corporation



Rocky Gap Casino Resort



UPMC Western Maryland



Winner of The Bell Tower Cup – Chessie Federal Credit Union



First United Bank and Trust



Appalachian Upholstery



**Domestic and International
Security Group LLC**

All members and guests are invited....

39th Annual Chamber Crab Feast

Sponsored by:



ALI GHAN SHRINE PICNIC GROUNDS

Friday Evening

August 7, 2020

6:00 - 9:00 pm



All You Can Eat - Beverages Included (ON THE PREMISES)

NO COOLERS OR OUTSIDE LIQUID REFRESHMENTS ALLOWED

CRABS SERVED TO YOUR TABLE BY THE "CRAB CORPS" !

TICKET PRICES:

Early Bird Price \$60.00 - If purchased by July 24th

\$75.00 - After July 24th

(Admission 21 years and older)



Advanced Reservations Required & Tickets Will Be Collected At Gate

NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE GATE

TO ORDER TICKETS CONTACT:

Allegany County Chamber of Commerce

Bell Tower Building, 24 Frederick Street, Cumberland, MD 21502

Phone 301-722-2820 — Fax 301-722-5995

E-mail: krista@alleganycountychamber.com



Wednesday, October 21, 2020

Rocky Gap Casino Resort

4:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Levels of Sponsorship:

PLATINUM - \$1,200.00 investment

- Two (2) 6-foot tables and 4 chairs
- 4 complimentary tickets to “Chamber After Hours”
- Logo on advertising materials
- Name mentioned on all radio advertising
- Participation in Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- 2 fliers in either Chamber newsletter or (2) months advertising in weekly e-News
- Photo of booth on the Chamber website

GOLD - \$600.00 investment

- One (1) 6-foot table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “Chamber After Hours”
- Name on advertising materials
- 1 flier in either Chamber newsletter or (1) month advertising in weekly e-News

SILVER - \$300.00 investment

- One (1) 6-foot table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “Chamber After Hours”

BRONZE - \$150.00 investment (for non-profits)

- One (1) 6-foot table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “Chamber After Hours”

FOOD VENDORS – No charge

- For our food vendors...receive the same package as the Bronze Sponsor
- One (1) 6-foot table and 2 chairs
- 2 complimentary tickets to “Chamber After Hours”

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 krista@alleganycountychamber.com*



Wednesday, October 21, 2020 – 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Rocky Gap Casino Resort

Application Form:

Business Name: _____ Contact Person: _____
 Address/City/State/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Fax: _____
 Website: _____ E-mail: _____
 Brief Description of Services and Products: _____

Exhibitor Badges: (attach separate sheet if needed): _____

Sponsorship Levels:

PLATINUM- \$1,200.00 _____ GOLD - \$600.00 _____ SILVER - \$300.00 _____ BRONZE - \$150.00 _____

Booth 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 _____
Bronze - \$150.00	1st Choice _____	2nd Choice _____	3rd Choice _____
FOOD VENDOR - n/c	1st Choice _____	2nd Choice _____	3rd Choice _____

Additional Tables @ \$10.00 each _____ Power Requirements n/c _____ (limited availability/first come first serve)

TOTAL PAYMENT _____ (Payment must accompany application to be processed)

Make check payable to: Allegany County Chamber of Commerce

___ Visa ___ Mastercard Billing Zip Code _____ Credit Card No. _____ Exp. Date _____

Exhibit Regulations:

- Application** - No application will be processed without payment in full. No requests for refunds will be honored after September 30, 2020. Applications received by September 18, 2020 will be included in event promotions; print and media.
- Arrangements** – Booth price will include one table and two chairs. Wireless internet will be provided as requested; access by password is required.
- 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 21st 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 Rocky Gap Casino Resort on October 21st by 8:30 pm.**
- 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 vacate 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.**

Mail application and payment to: Allegany County Chamber of Commerce, 24 Frederick Street, Cumberland, MD 21502

301-722-2820 - Fax: 301-722-5995 - krista@alleganycountycommerce.com or peg@alleganycountycommerce.com



ACT 1ST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION 2ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

for Benefit of
UPMC Western Maryland Hospice Services
in Memory of Bryan Warner



TOURNAMENT DETAILS

Where: Fore Sisters Golf Course
1 Meadow Lands Drive
Rawlings, MD 21557

When: Sat., August 22nd, 2020

Time: 8:00 AM Registration
9:00 AM Start

Entry Fee: \$280.00/Team of 4

Entry Fee Includes: Round of golf,
t-shirt, coffee, donuts, food, chips,
beverages, beer and a chance to win
some great prizes!

To Be Determined: We may provide
live music for tournament
participants.

TEAM PRIZES

1st Place Team:

\$1,000.00

2nd Place Team:

(4) Rounds Golf @ Rocky Gap
Golf Course & \$300.00

3rd Place Team:

(4) Rounds Golf @ Fore Sisters
Golf Course & \$100.00

**Closest to the Pin Prizes,
50/50 and Chinese Auction!**

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

TEAM SIGN-UP

TEAM NAME: _____

PHONE CONTACT: _____

EMAIL CONTACT: _____

NAME/T-SHIRT SIZE:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____

Please mail registrations to:

ACT 1st Federal Credit Union
1313 National Highway STE 7, PMB 326
LaVale, MD 21502



Member Profile: Germ Defense Maryland

1313 National Highway

LaVale, Maryland 21502

301-729-8753

www.GermDefenseMD.com

Contact: Mike McKay, Owner

Email: dryclean@atlanticbb.net



GERM DEFENSE MARYLAND

Germ Defense Maryland is a division of Allegany Management Services, Inc. founded by Michael and Kimberly McKay. The McKays are small business owners who have owned several professional cleaning and textile restoration companies with locations in Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Currently, they operate two dry-cleaners in Allegany County trading as The Dryclean and Shirt Salon.

Many customers have been concerned with germs, bacteria and odors over the years. When Mike and Kim learned they could bring medical grade, EPA approved, disinfection and germ deterrent services they went back into action to bring you Germ

Defense Maryland. Providing excellent customer service and quality products has been their focus since their first business started back in 1997 and they continue that dedication to their clients with Germ Defense Maryland, providing a healthier environment for work, home, school, and play!

Mike and Kim both attended the University of Maryland; studying Business Administration and Graphic Design. Mike is a graduate of the Maryland Association of Counties' Academy for Excellence in Local Government and **Leadership Allegany!**. Mike is a former Allegany County Com-

missioner President and now serves as a Delegate in the Maryland General Assembly.

The McKays moved to Allegany County (Kimberly's hometown) in 1995 and became actively involved in the community. They reside in Cumberland with their eight children: Courtney, Mason, Madison, Matthew, Joshua, Julian, Reagan, and Lincoln.

For more information on Germ Defense Maryland please visit their website www.GermDefenseMD.com or call 301-729-8753.



Crab Feast 2020

Sponsored by:



AT&T



It's that time again – time for the Chamber's **Annual Crab Feast**, scheduled for Friday, August 7, 2020 at the Ali Ghan Shrine Picnic Grounds from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. As always, the event is open to Chamber members and their guests. Tickets are on sale now! The Chamber will be adhering to all outdoor dining guidelines for this event.

Ticket prices for 2020 are \$60.00 per person if purchased by July 24th – after that the ticket price will be \$75.00 per person. **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 2020 Annual Crab Feast will be held on Friday, August 7th and once again the Chamber will be 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.**

Tent quantities are limited; so please reserve early. To reserve your tent for the 2020 Crab Feast, please contact the Chamber office at 301-722-2820 or e-mail to peg@alleganycountychamber.com.

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

The Chamber is offering a limited number of corporate sponsorships for the Crab Feast at a cost of \$500.00 per business. As a sponsor your logo will be included on all correspondence including the crab feast flier that appears in our weekly and monthly newsletters as well as a banner that will be displayed as you enter the Ali Ghan Shrine Club Picnic Grounds.

For additional information please contact the Chamber office at 301-722-2820.



ALLEGANY COUNTY MARKETPLACE EXPO 2020

A CHAMBER "AFTER HOURS" FOR EVERYONE

The Allegany County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce **Allegany County Marketplace Expo 2020 – A Chamber "After Hours" For Everyone.** We have made a few changes to this year's event.

New this year:

- New time – 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm
- More spacious venue – Rocky Gap Casino Resort
- Incorporated with the October "Chamber After Hours"

Marketplace Expo 2020 is designed to provide an opportunity for businesses and organizations to showcase their products and services in an informal setting. Each vendor is provided a table and two chairs; just bring your literature, samples of your product and any promotional merchandise you want to distribute. The event is open to the public and there is no admission fee. Our hope is the new concept and timeframe will allow you to spend more time networking with attendees.

Booth and sponsorship opportunities are now available.

Platinum Sponsor – \$1,200.00 investment includes:

- Two (2) 6-foot tables and 4 chairs
- 4 complimentary tickets to "Chamber After Hours"
- Logo on advertising materials
- Name mentioned on all radio advertising
- Participation in the ribbon cutting ceremony
- 2 fliers in either Chamber e-newsletter or 2 months advertising in weekly e-news
- Photo of booth on the Chamber website

Gold Sponsor – \$600.00 investment includes:

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- Name on advertising materials
- 1 flier in either Chamber e-newsletter or 1-month advertising in weekly e-news

Silver Sponsor – \$300.00 investment includes:

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Food Vendors – No Charge

- One (1) 6-foot table and 2 chairs
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We hope you will consider joining us for this new and unique premier networking event. For more information or to reserve booth space, please contact the Chamber at 301-722-2820 or email to: krista@alleganycountychamber.com or peg@alleganycountychamber.com.



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