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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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hello
September

FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO



Now that we've hit the 'ber months, time will undoubtedly fly with what remains of 2025. Everything we have done this year has been a success thanks to the guidance of our Board, help of our volunteers, and investments by our sponsors and members.

In this month's newsletter, you will find details on **UpNext: A Business & Skills Exchange**, coming October 28. We've revamped our pricey expo to be an affordable investment and dug in to create a series of workshops that will bring knowledge and value. With Allegany College of Maryland serving as our host site, you will have an opportunity to connect with students and professionals, visit our vendors, and grab food from a variety of food trucks. Thank you to **Allegany College of Maryland**! Check out the details on our website (linked on the flyers), for all of the info on how to participate in day.

We recently closed out nominations for the 2025 Recognition Awards with a staggering 25 nominations. Our committee has a lot of work ahead! We'll announce our honorees on September 26 and invitations will be mailed. We look forward to celebrating with you!



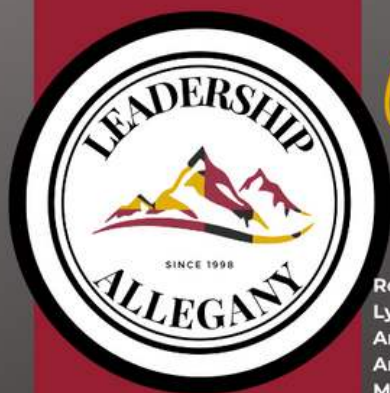


Recognition Reception

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Leadership Allegany



Class of 2026

Ronald Bittinger
 Lydia Claar
 Andrew Cowan
 Angela Greenwood
 Mandy Hair
 Matt Idleman
 Jenn Jeudy
 Teri Kamp
 Brooke Liller
 Beth Little
 Sam Logsdon
 Beth Martin
 Angela Nguyen
 Iosefa Pua'auli
 Jessica Ronnenberg
 Angela Rudd
 Nicholas Smith
 Alison Sweitzer
 Justin Tippen
 Sam Twigg
 Christina Ujcic
 Mihaela Wood
 Julie Wotring

First United Bank & Trust
 City of Frostburg
 Allegany County Commissioners
 Maryland Wellness
 UPMC Western Maryland
 City of Cumberland
 Maryland State Police
 Allegany County Dept. of Social Services
 Allegany County Dept. of Social Services
 Allegany College of Maryland
 Allegany County Commissioners
 Cumberland Times-News
 HUBZone Contractors
 Allegany County Detention Center
 WEPCO Federal Credit Union
 Friends Aware
 Care Ventures
 First Peoples Community FCU
 Performance Property Management
 Governor's Crime Prevention
 Allegany County Commissioners
 Allegany College of Maryland
 Allegany County Dept. of Social Services



MEMBER CHECK-IN

[What tools or resources do you wish the Chamber offered?](#)

[Click to tell us!](#)

New Members

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Frostburg, MD 21532
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Upcoming Events & Meetings

September 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 LABOR DAY CLOSED	2	3 UPAIN INFO ZOOM 12:30 PM MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE 9AM	4	5	6
7	8	9 MARKETING COMMITTEE 3 PM	10	11 EDUCATION COMMITTEE 8:30AM	12	13
14	15	16 LEADERSHIP ALLEGANY STEERING 9 AM	17 CHAMBER AFTER HOURS 5:30 PM	18 SBOC OFFICE HOURS 9AM Leadership Allegany Orientation 2 Days	19	20
21	22	23 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 3 PM	24	25 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 12 PM	26	27
28	29	30				

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			1 MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE 9AM	2	3	4
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19	20	21 LEADERSHIP ALLEGANY STEERING 9 AM	22	23 KENSINGTON RIBBON CUTTING 2PM	24	25
26	27	28 UPNEXT 8-2PM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 3 PM	29	30	31 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 12 PM	

October 2025

LOCUST
POST
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presents
CHAMBER AFTER HOURS
hosted by



JOIN US FOR DRINKS, REFRESHMENTS, & PRIZES
Wednesday, September 17, 2025 | 5:30pm - 7:30pm

31706 Old Adams Road NE, Little Orleans, MD 21766

NETWORK & WIN \$750

RSVP
BY
9/11



Leadership Allegany
Classes of 1998, 2008 & 2018

Register
Online

MUST BE PRESENT & PRE-REGISTERED TO WIN!

\$5.00 REGISTRATION FEE (MEMBERS)

\$15.00 REGISTRATION FEE (NON-MEMBERS)

MUST BE 21 OR OVER TO ATTEND

Holiday Reception

CATERING BIDS OPEN

Thursday, December 11, 2025

4pm – 7pm

at the Allegany Museum

We are seeking bids on menu of hors d'oeuvres centered around the theme selected by the Chamber that will blend with our holiday vibe.

Budget: \$3,000

(must include tax and gratuity, serving products such as plates, silverware, etc.)

Kitchen facilities on site are for catering services, not cooking.

The winning bid must enhance the theme of the event.

Please submit by:

Friday, September 26th

The Chamber's Membership Committee will review bids and make a final decision by October 3rd.

The
CHAMBER

ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD

CHRISTMAS VACATION

Submit to:

info@alleganycountychamber.com

Sponsorship Opportunities

UpNext:

A Business & Skills Exchange

Vendor Booth

Member: \$75**
Non-Member: \$125

**Members can upgrade to a premium booth for an additional \$50

- Workshop Sponsor \$250
- Connection Collector Sponsor \$500
- Workshop Drawing Sponsor \$250
- Networking Breakfast Sponsor \$1,500

UpNext:

A Business & Skills Exchange

Workshop

Theatre

9:15AM & 11:30AM - Canva Made Simple
10:00AM & 12:15PM - AI Workshop 1
10:45AM & 1:00PM - Social Media in 20mins a Day

Multi-Purpose Room 1

9:15AM & 11:30AM - Google Business Profile Hacks
10:00AM & 12:15PM - Small Business Cash Flow Made Simple
10:45AM & 1:00PM - Leadership

Multi-Purpose Room 2

9:15AM & 11:30AM - Finding & Keeping Good Employees
10:00AM & 12:15PM - Interview
10:45AM & 1:00PM - Putting Chat GPT to Use

Schedule

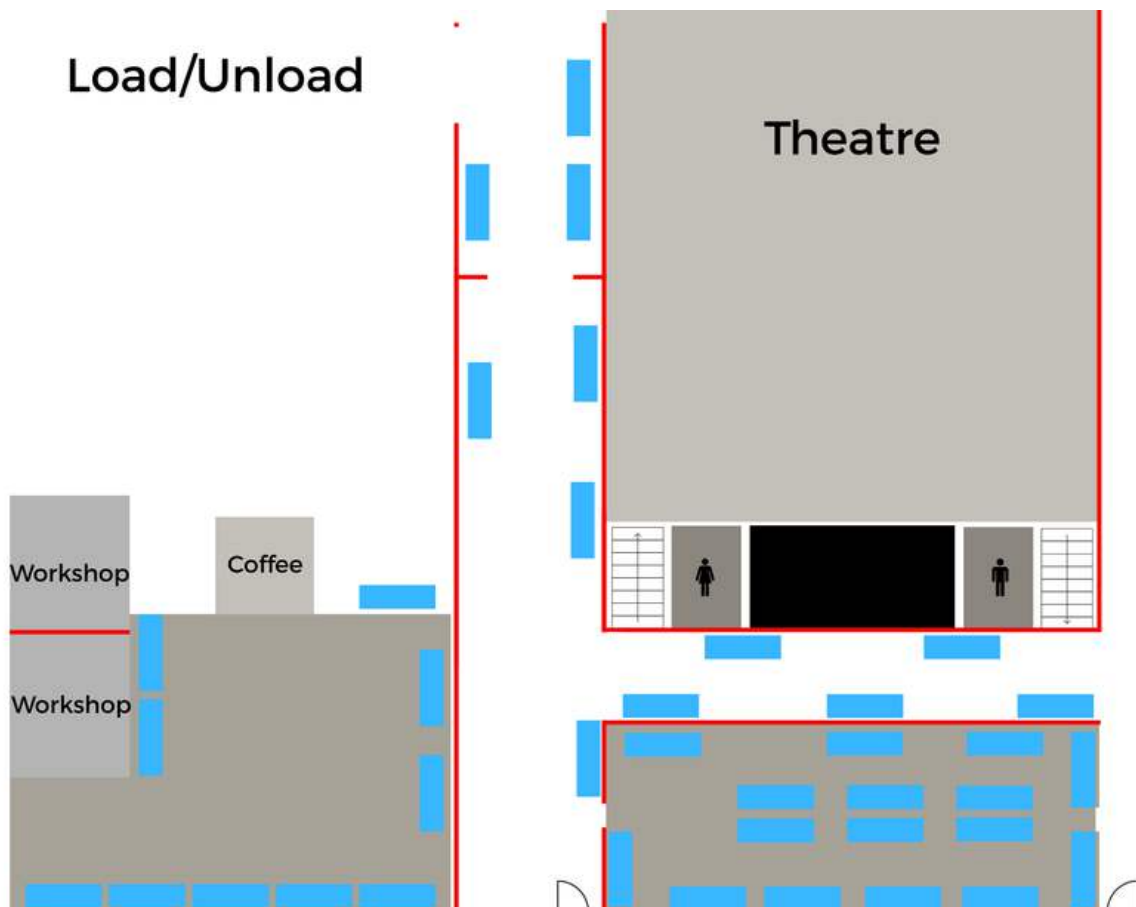


Tuesday, October 28th
Allegany College of MD
8am-2pm



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Load/Unload



For More
Information

Allegany College of MD College Center

Spark Your Wanderlust

INFORMATIONAL
ZOOM

9/3 @ 12:30PM

SPAIN & COSTA DEL SOL | MARCH 2026 | ENDLESS HORIZONS



CI Destinations presents

Spain & Sunny Costa del Sol
Allegany County Chamber of Commerce
Departing March 17, 2026

Only \$3599 if
deposited by
Sept 31, 2025

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Granada
- Alhambra Palace
- Generalife
- Mijas
- Seville
- Ronda
- and More!

*Please contact the
chamber for more
information at
(301) 722-2820.*

The
CHAMBER
ALLEGANY COUNTY, MD



2025 BANNER AD AVAILABILITY

BANNER #5

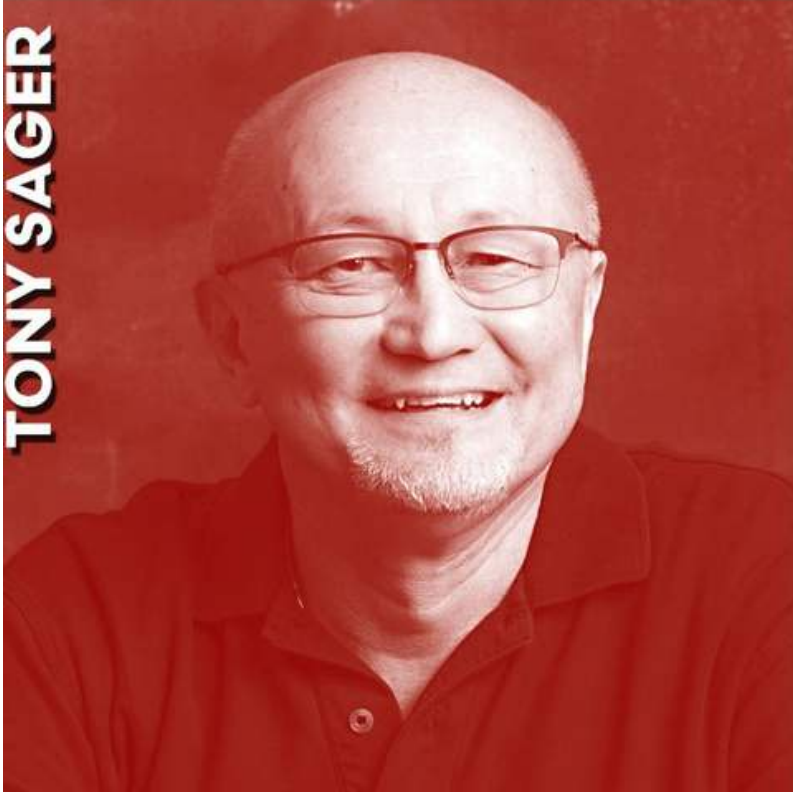
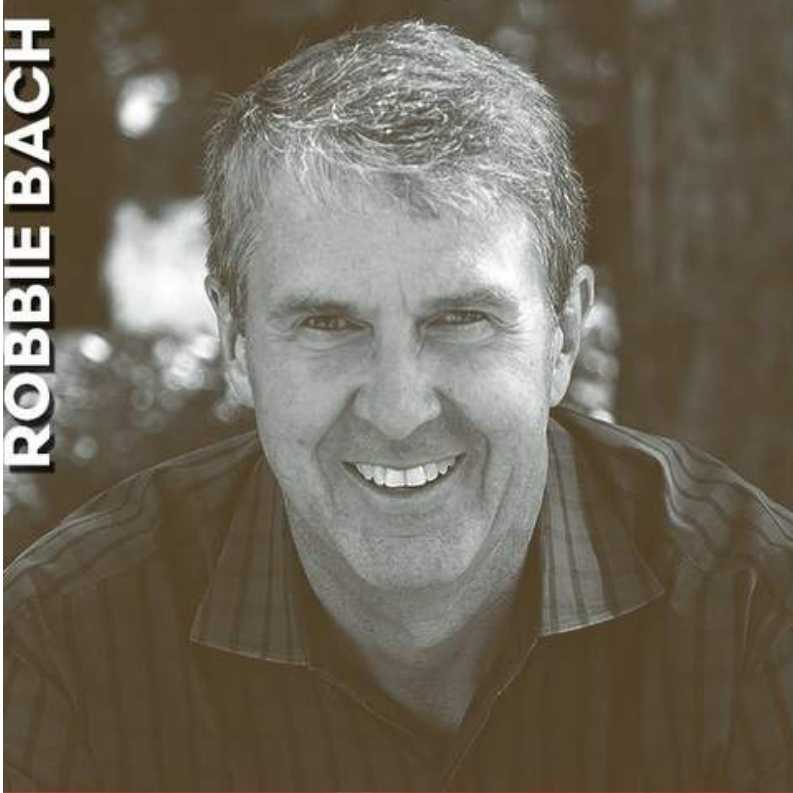
- 10 After Hours
- Golf Tournament
- Holiday Reception
- Lucky Ladies Night Out
- Crab Feast
- Leadership Allegany Graduation
- Recognition Reception
- Local Business Showcase
- Legislative Wrap Up

4-\$500 spots
open!

6-\$250 spots
open!

	
	
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Take advantage of Early Bird pricing until September 16th!



October 16
Rocky Gap Casino Resort

TECH AT THE GAP
PIONEERING * POSSIBILITY
2025



IT CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
WESTERN MARYLAND

More information on Presenters and Tickets
can be found at www.techgapmd.com

NOW OPEN



Occupational Medicine

**Health Matters Now Offers a Dedicated Space
for your Occupational Medicine Business needs.**

Lower level of Health Matters Urgent Care

Entry from back parking lot

Phone 301.709.6623 Fax 301.709.7149

Emails: amy@hmucare.com or ashleya@hmucare.com

Providing Services For:

- Workers Compensation
- Regulatory Exams
- Breath Alcohol Testing
- X-Ray Capability
- Flu Vaccine
- D.O.T. Physicals
- Instant Drug Screens
- Pulmonary Function Testing
- Audiograms
- Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis Vaccine
- Pre-Employment Physicals
- Drug Screens (DOT & Non-DOT)
- EKGs
- Preventative Screenings
- Contact our office about additional Occupational Medicine Needs

Hours

Monday & Wednesday 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday 7:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Appointments Encouraged—Walk-Ins Welcome

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Canal Place CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS & HOLIDAY MARKET

SHOP SMALL SATURDAY,
NOV 29, 2025
2PM TO 8PM



CALLING ALL VENDORS, CRAFTS, FOOD,
ENTERTAINMENT & NON-PROFITS. ARE YOU
INTERESTED IN DISPLAYING WITH US FOR THE
HOLIDAY MARKET?

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