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Awards Breakfast Committee	Cinco de Mayo Committee
Back to School Family Fun Day Committee	Community Christmas Party Committee
Central PA Chainsaw Carver Festival Committee	Membership Committee
Chamber Golf Tournament Committee	Programs & Promotions Committee
	Shippensburg Beer & Wine Festival Committee



This fall has showcased the spirit of our community. We have celebrated business grand openings, cohosted a Women’s Leadership Conference, connected during our Chamber Golf Tournament, and enjoyed Shippensburg University homecoming festivities and parades with community-wide participation. We appreciate that Shippensburg is growing and engaged. Thank you to each of you who participate, volunteer, and champion our region.

We also said farewell to Michaela Wetzel as she began a new career opportunity. We are grateful for her contributions and wish her continued success. Following a thoughtful review of the role, we are now preparing to welcome our next Community Coordinator to help advance our work in supporting local businesses, community partners, and the broader Shippensburg region.

As November begins, we look forward to the start of Shop Small Season. Small Business Saturday on November 29 will feature raffles, door prizes, and Chamber activities, along with the launch of our Parade of Wreaths. Supporting local is not simply a seasonal tradition. It is an investment in our entrepreneurs, our workforce, and the economic vitality of Shippensburg.

We invite you to join us for our Community Christmas Party on December 4. This elf-themed celebration welcomes families and reflects the heart of our community.

This season especially, we are grateful for the members whose support drives our work. Your partnership empowers the Chamber to serve, promote, and advocate for our business community. We remain committed to delivering value, fostering collaboration, and advancing opportunities that help your business thrive. Whether this is your first event or you are a familiar face, we look forward to connecting with you at an upcoming gathering.

Wendy R. Kipe
President

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OUR MISSION To provide members with services that promote and support economic vitality as well as develop Shippensburg as a great place to live, work, play, visit and invest.

OUR VISION To be recognized as the premier membership-based organization for professional networking, development, and stimulating economic growth in the vibrant and prospering business community of Shippensburg.

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Events Calendar

November 6 - Shively Motors Mixer, Mopar Museum, 608 W. King Street, Shippensburg

November 29 - Shop Small Saturday in Downtown Shippensburg

November 29 through December 12 - Parade of Wreaths, Shippensburg Chamber of Commerce



December 4 - Community Christmas Party, Shippensburg High School

December 12 - Morning Member Mixer, Shippensburg Chamber

March 19 - Annual Awards Breakfast, Shippensburg University

November 6 - Art Exhibit, Wilson College, Chambersburg

November 7 - The DeLawder Family, Shady Grove Community Center

November 8 - North Square Farmers Market, Fort Chambers Park, Chambersburg

November 9 - American Made: America's #1 Tribute to the Oak Ridge Boys, Capitol Theatre, Chambersburg

November 16 - Nancy Horton Heefner Memorial Art Show, Mercersburg Academy

November 20 - Mercersburg Historical Society Presentations & Dinner, Mercersburg



November 22 - 40th Annual Greencastle Christmas Parade

November 25 - Trivia Knights with Andrew Givens, John Allison
Public House, Greencastle

November 4 - Free Tour Tuesday, Meadowbrooke Gourds, Carlisle

November 8 - An Evening of Jazz, Kings Gap Environmental Center, Carlisle

November 8 - Glass Blowing, Make Your Own Ornament, Carlisle Arts Learning Center

November 13 - Christmas Tree Mosaic Workshop, Fort Hunter Mansion and Park, Harrisburg

November 15 - The Heartbreakers: A Tribute to Tom Petty, Carlisle Theatre

November 16 - A Psychedelic Tribute to The Grateful Dead, Carlisle Theatre



November 20 - Blue Christmas Dance Concert, Messiah University

November 23 - Youth Choral Festival, Messiah University

November 29 - Toy Train Exhibit, Fort Hunter Mansion and Park

November 6 - Community CARES Celebration, Bright Futures, Linwood Estate, Carlisle

November 9 - Jo Dee Messina, Luhrs Performing Arts Center

November 9 - Shippensburg Veterans Day Parade, King Street

November 8 - Widow Pipers Tavern Tours

November 14 - Ashley McBryde, Luhrs Performing Arts Center



November 23 - Shippensburg University Community Orchestra, Luhrs
Performing Arts Center

November 30 - Jane Lynch's "A Swingin' Little Christmas"
Luhrs Performing Arts Center



Shippensburg Chamber Members

The Shippensburg Garden Committee is once again appealing for donations. This past year, 2024–2025, we were generously gifted \$6,950 — \$3,500 from the Moose Lodge, \$1,000 from the Minnequa Social Club, \$100 from the American Legion, and \$1,000 from the Corn Festival Committee. The balance of \$1,350 came from four private contributions.

Although our season is not quite over, I anticipate our ending checking account balance to be approximately \$1,500. The annual cost to plant and maintain the baskets and the planters around the square is approximately \$7,500 to \$8,000. This will leave us with a deficit for next year’s expenses of approximately \$6,500 to \$7,000, barring unexpected expenses.

Unless we can be sure of funding for the summer 2026 flowers, we cannot place the order for the baskets. This order must be done in February to ensure they are well along in the growing process to be hung on the poles in mid-May.

As a subsidiary of DOIT, we are a 501(c)(3), so contributions are tax deductible. Please consider the value that the flowers bring to the community as we continue to beautify downtown Shippensburg.

Contributions can be made out to DOIT (Downtown Organizations Investing Together) and mailed to DOIT, P.O. Box 41, Shippensburg, PA 17257.

Thank you!
Shippensburg Garden Committee

Judy Fogelsonger and Trudy Collier
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Lighting 101

Lighting is something most of us don't think too much about — until it's wrong. Maybe the living room feels too dim for reading, or the kitchen lights cast a yellow glow. We often grab whatever bulb or fixture looks good without considering how it will perform in a space. But with a little planning, you can make your home brighter, cozier and more energy efficient.

Watts vs. Lumens

When you're shopping for lightbulbs, it's easy to focus on watts, but watts only measure how much energy a bulb uses. When it comes to brightness, what really matters is the lumen count. Lumens measure the actual light output. For example, an 800-lumen bulb gives off about the same amount of light as an old-fashioned 60-watt incandescent bulb. (You've likely replaced all incandescent bulbs with long-lasting, energy efficient LEDs, but if not — it's time to make the switch!)

A helpful rule of thumb: Higher lumens mean brighter light. Lower watts means less energy consumed. Remember to check wattage ratings for fixtures and only install bulbs that meet the fixture's wattage safety requirements.

Color Temperature and Consistency

Light bulbs also vary in color temperature, which range from warm yellow to cool white or even bluish tones. This detail often gets overlooked — until you replace one bulb and notice the new light doesn't quite match the others. If mismatched tones drive you crazy, consider buying and installing bulbs of the same brand and wattage in a room at the same time. That way, the look stays consistent, and you won't be stuck hunting for a perfect match later.

Dimmers and Switches

Installing dimmers instead of standard on/off switches can be a game changer. Dimmers give you more control over brightness, help save energy and create a more comfortable atmosphere. Not all bulbs are dimmable, so double check labels before buying.

While you're thinking about switches, consider whether you have enough of them — and in the right places. A light you can only turn off from one end of a hallway quickly becomes annoying. For new installations or upgrades, it's best to hire a licensed electrician to ensure everything is wired safely and efficiently.

Form Meets Function

Bulbs are only part of the equation — fixtures matter too. Each type serves a purpose. Ambient lighting, like sconces or glass-covered ceiling fixtures, provides general illumination. Task lighting, like pendants, desk lamps or track lighting, focuses light where you need it most.

When choosing a fixture, think beyond looks. Ask yourself: does this light provide the right amount of brightness for the space? A beautiful chandelier might look perfect over the dining table but leave the rest of the room too dim. Alternatively, an oversized fixture could flood the room with more light than you need, wasting both energy and money.

Energy Efficiency Meets Convenience

Smart lighting adds another layer of control, but the real magic is convenience. With smart bulbs, you can adjust brightness, set schedules or even change colors — all from your phone or a voice assistant like Alexa or Google Assistant. Want the lights to dim automatically or to turn on before you get home? Smart bulbs make it easy.

Smart lighting also lets you personalize your space. You can go classic with warm white tones or experiment with colors to set the mood — anything from a soft glow for winding down to vibrant hues for a party. Remember, smart bulbs still rely on power from your wall switch, which needs to stay in the "on" position for remote controls to work. If you prefer using a physical switch, consider pairing smart bulbs with a smart light switch. Many of today's smart switches also come with motion detectors, adding another level of efficiency and convenience.

Good lighting doesn't just make your space look better — it makes it feel better too. With a little planning, you can create spaces that are welcoming, functional and energy efficient. Whether you stick to traditional bulbs and fixtures or explore the flexibility of smart lighting, thoughtful choices today will brighten your space for years to come.



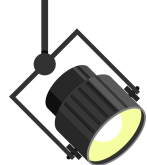
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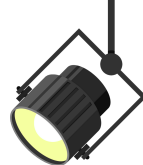
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The Shippensburg Community Resource Coalition (SCRC) has been serving the Shippensburg area since 2010, working tirelessly to bridge the gap in access to social services and community resources. Located in Franklin and Cumberland Counties, Shippensburg often faces challenges when it comes to connecting residents with available programs. That's where the SCRC steps in — bringing together service providers, community members, and partners to ensure that no one falls through the cracks.

Our Mission:

- ✓ Increase access to social and counseling services
- ✓ Expand youth programming and opportunities
- ✓ Partner with organizations like the Shippensburg Area School District and Shippensburg University to meet educational and community needs.

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SHIPPENSBURG PHOTO CONTEST



PHOTO BY MICHAEL ILLO

This year's theme is "Capturing the Spirit of Shippensburg!" Send us your favorite pictures of Shippensburg for a chance to be featured in our Membership Directory—and win a cash prize!

CONTEST DEADLINE
NOV. 3

WINNERS ANNOUNCED
NOV. 7

5 CASH PRIZES
\$25



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For general entry rules and detailed photo criteria, please visit our website:

<https://shippensburg.org/photo-contest/>

Photos should be submitted to office@shippensburg.org



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**Old Spool Fabrics & Yarn
Grand Opening and Thread Cutting**

The Shippensburg Area Chamber of Commerce was delighted to help celebrate the thread cutting and grand opening of Old Spool Fabrics and Yarn, welcoming owner Robyn Wolfe to our business community. Old Spool offers a wonderful selection of fabric, yarn, notions, and patterns, with classes and creative workshops coming soon. Located at 153 West Orange Street in Shippensburg, the shop is open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Visit www.oldspoolfabricsandyarn.com for class updates, project inspiration, and new arrivals, and stop in to support this fantastic new local business.



**Cow-Lick Clips & Cuts
Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting**

The Shippensburg Area Chamber of Commerce was pleased to help celebrate the ribbon cutting and grand opening of Cow-Lick Clips & Cuts LLC, welcoming them to the heart of downtown Shippensburg. Located at 24 West King Street, this family-friendly salon offers a warm and inviting space dedicated to helping you and your family look and feel your best. Cow-Lick Clips & Cuts provides hair services for all ages, with both walk-in service and online appointment booking available for convenience. To learn more or schedule an appointment, call 717-798-8710 or visit cowlickclipscuts.mysalononline.com. We encourage everyone to stop by, say hello, and support this wonderful new addition to downtown Shippensburg.



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6 PM - 8 PM

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2ND ANNUAL PARADE OF WREATHS: A WREATH DECORATING CONTEST

Wreath Decorating Contest & Parade of Wreaths Guidelines

- Deliver your decorated wreath to the Chamber by Friday, November 21, 2025.
- Wreaths must be no larger than 24 inches in diameter and no heavier than 5 pounds.
- No perishable items may be used.
- Wreaths with electrical components must be self-contained (e.g., battery-operated). Wreaths may not be plugged into outlets.
- Wreaths will not be returned; they will be taken home by the winning ticket holders.

Parade of Wreaths & Voting

- Wreaths will be on display at the Chamber from Saturday, November 29 (Small Business Saturday) through Friday, December 12.
- Voting tickets are 20 for \$20. Place your tickets in the box of your favorite wreaths to cast your vote.
- Winners will be announced on Friday, December 12, at noon.
- A ticket drawing will determine the winner of each wreath.
- All participants will be recognized on social media.
- The top-voted wreaths will also be featured in print and on our website.

Proceeds from the contest will be donated to a participating
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Thank you as well to everyone who contributed to our door prizes. Your support helped make the event a great success.



Thank you to our local businesses and organizations for celebrating Shippensburg University Homecoming with such pride and spirit. Your Raider energy lit up our community, and we truly appreciate your support in making Homecoming weekend so special!

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