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January 2026

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Central PA Chainsaw Carver Festival Committee	Membership Committee
Chamber Golf Tournament Committee	Programs & Promotions Committee
	Shippensburg Beer & Wine Festival Committee

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.



Building Business, Strengthening Community
Our Vision for 2026 and Beyond

As we enter 2026, and my final year as Board Chair, I look ahead with great excitement and anticipation. The Board has been working hard to plan a prosperous future for Shippensburg and the surrounding community.

Our vision for the year ahead focuses on two key areas of development:

Downtown Economic Revitalization

The Board has formed a Community Development Committee, which is already meeting and is actively at work. In 2026, we will make our first property investment, creating an opportunity for local businesses to lease office space at an attractive rate. Looking ahead, we hope to multiply these investments over the next 10–20 years, providing long-term economic stability and strengthening commerce in our local area.

Establishment of the Shippensburg Foundation

Many of our organizations and civic clubs are facing challenges due to a lack of new recruits and emerging leaders. To address this, the Board has committed to forming the Shippensburg Foundation in 2026. Our goal is to launch leadership training through the foundation in the fall of 2026, helping to create a pipeline of new, vibrant leaders for our community in the years to come.

Sound exciting? Join us.

I look forward to seeing you at one or more of our upcoming events. Onward!

Dirk Baumgardner
Chair

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Shippensburg University
Shippensburg University Foundation
UPMC Carlisle
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Events Calendar

January 20 - Tuesday Power Hour Networking Lunch, El Mariachi Mexican Restaurant

January 28 - Evening Mixer and Live Table Games Sneak Peek at The Side Pocket, Parx Casino

February 17 - Tuesday Power Hour Networking Lunch



February 25 - Wisdom Wednesday, Randy Wilson, REEL PD

March 19 - 68th Annual Awards Breakfast, Shippensburg University

April 16-18 - 6th Annual Central PA Chainsaw Carvers Festival

January 3 - WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER & FALL "SOAR" Bird Walks, Buttonwood Nature Center

January 8 - The Science of Plant Propagation: Stem Cuttings Webinar, Penn State Extension, Chambersburg

January 16 - "Anything Goes" Art Exhibit, Gallery 50, Waynesboro

January 24 - 176ers Dueling Pianos, Gearhouse, Chambersburg

January 29 - Franklin County Crops Day, Penn State Extension, Chambersburg



January 30 - Snowfall Ball, Icefest 2026, Capitol Theatre

January 31 - Chili-Q & Beer Garden 2026, Icefest,
Downtown Chambersburg

January 2 - Comedy Showcase: Karen Kunick, Andrew Glessner & Lennon Free at Parx Casino, Shippensburg

January 3 - Saturday Evening Live Entertainment, Whiskers Brewing Inc., Newville

January 10 through 17 - 2026 PA Farm Show, Harrisburg

January 14 - Wednesday Night Fun Run, Appalachian Running Company, Carlisle



January 24 - Eaglemania, Carlisle Theatre

January 28 - Coffee & Chocolate Trail Launch Party, King and Saint Cafe

January 30 - Hollywood Nights: The Bob Seger Experience, Carlisle Theatre

January 3 - The 2080 Band rocks Parx Casino, Shippensburg

January 8 - Stained Glass Workshop at Furnace Run Nature Center

January 10 - Winter Programs, Shippensburg History Center

January 10 - God, Girls and Grace, Bread of Life, Shippensburg Covenant Brethren Church

January 15 - Healing Together Grief Support Group, Drew's Hope Grief Center, Shippensburg

January 17 - Tools of a Continental Soldier, Shippensburg History Center



January 24 - Tools of Cumberland County Militia, Shippensburg
History Center

January 28 - America 250 Kick Off, Shippensburg History Center

SHIPPENSBURG AMERICA250 PARADE

Celebrating America's 250th Anniversary on Flag Day



Sunday, June 14, 2026

2:00 PM ★ Downtown Shippensburg

What to Expect



- ★ Floats, music, and community groups
- ★ A celebration of Shippensburg's history and spirit
- ★ Family-friendly fun for all ages



This parade kicks off a series of special events planned by the Shippensburg America250 Committee as we come together in Shippensburg to honor our nation's historic milestone.

Join us as a parade participant! Scan the QR Code:

No registration fee to participate.

Questions? Email chamber@shippensburg.org



Presented by the Shippensburg America250 Committee

This parade is funded, in part, by the
Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation.



**Shippensburg
America250
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Honoring Our Nation's 250th Anniversary



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Area Chamber of Commerce

TUESDAY POWER HOUR *Networking Lunch*

JANUARY 20, 2026

All Chamber members are welcome! Join us for Tuesday Power Hour on January 20, 2026, from 12 PM to 1 PM at El Mariachi Mexican Restaurant. Connect with local professionals, share ideas, and build meaningful relationships. Purchase your own lunch and enjoy great conversation.



REGISTER NOW

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New Year's Resolution: Be energy efficient year-round

As energy consumers, we can all play a part in conserving resources and reducing our bills. Here are some practical tips to boost your home's energy efficiency throughout the year.

1. Know your energy consumption

Start by reviewing your energy bills for the past 12–24 months. Calculate your average monthly usage to establish a baseline for measuring your energy-saving efforts. Adams Electric has a great tool for this online: adamsec.coop/home-electric-use-calculator.

2. Adopt no-cost ways to save energy

Small changes can lead to significant savings:

- Turn off lights and unplug electronics, such as chargers, when not in use.
- Close or lower window coverings to regulate the temperature indoors.
- Change your air filters regularly or as recommended.
- Use ceiling fans strategically: clockwise in the winter to force warm air down.
- Grill outdoors in the summer to keep the heat out of the kitchen.

3. Insulate your home

Weatherproofing is key to maintaining comfort and reducing energy use:

- Check for air leaks around windows and doors.
- Apply caulk or weather strips to prevent drafts.
- Remember to keep doors closed to maintain indoor temperature.

4. Get smart with your thermostat

Optimize your heating and cooling by using your programmable thermostat's features — many homeowners never use them — and allow it to adjust the temperature when you're asleep or away.

- Consider upgrading to a smart thermostat for automatic adjustments.
- In general, adjust the thermostat a few degrees up or down for energy savings.

5. Explore renewable energy

Consider harnessing the power of natural energy sources: Consult your electricity provider early in the process. They can provide valuable information about:

- Grid connection requirements.
- Cost considerations.
- Potential contracts and restrictions for installation.

By implementing these tips, you'll not only save on energy costs but also contribute to a more sustainable community. For more tips on building a resilient and energy-efficient home, visit SafeElectricity.org or adamsec.coop.

D.O.I.T. of Shippensburg & Danny Kissel presents . . .

Winterfest

SHIPPENSBURG PENNSYLVANIA

SATURDAY, FEB. 14, 2026

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

In collaboration with local artist, Danny Kissel and
D.O.I.T. of Shippensburg are ecstatic to host the 2nd Shippensburg Winterfest!



LIVE ICE CARVING

10 a.m. Downtown Shippensburg



FOOD TRUCKS

Downtown Shippensburg (Specific Locations TBD)



INTERACTIVE ICE GAMES

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. | Downtown Shippensburg



ICE SCULPTURE STROLL

All along East and West King Street, Shippensburg



LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Downtown Shippensburg (Specific Locations TBD)

Admission is Free!

To join the fun, use this link:
<http://bit.ly/3KVQwWI>
or scan the QR Code!



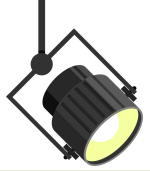
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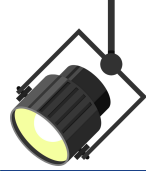
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Family Care SERVICES

Family Care Services is a family-owned, nonprofit agency founded in 1977 with a clear and enduring mission: to help children and adults thrive in family settings. The organization believes individuals do best in nurturing homes rather than shelters or group facilities, and it honors both the families from which clients come and the caregivers who support them.

This mission is reflected throughout the organization, as many staff members, leaders, and even the founder have firsthand experience as foster parents or caregivers.

Family Care Services offers Life Sharing, Foster Care, and Adoption programs throughout Franklin County and surrounding areas.

The agency is licensed in Pennsylvania by the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) and the Office of Children, Youth, and Families (OCYF). Its Adoption Program is part of the Pennsylvania Statewide Adoption and Permanency Network. Funding is provided through county and state agencies, as well as community-based fundraising efforts.

In addition to direct services, Family Care Services actively partners with local organizations to raise awareness and continuously strengthen support for families within the community.

Programs:

- Foster Care
- Adoption
- Life Sharing
- Family Based Mental Health Services



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Mixer at The Side Pocket Parx Casino

*Mix, Mingle, and Connect
with an exclusive sneak
peek at the live table
games!*



Got a Gambling Problem? Call 1800-GAMBLER

Join us at The Side Pocket at Parx Casino for a fun and relaxed evening mixer. Connect, network, and enjoy great company while enjoying light hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic beverages..



**Wednesday
January 28, 2026**



4:00–6:00 PM



**The Side Pocket,
Parx Casino Shippensburg**



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Christ Among Neighbors	Sheetz #70
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Mercy House of Chambersburg	The Tide
Merideth Law, LLC	Theo's Inn
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	WellSpan Health

Thank you to our members for your continued support.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Presented by the Shippensburg Chamber of Commerce and Christ Among Neighbors, with support from our community partners.



Thank you to the businesses, organizations, and volunteers who made the Shippensburg Community Christmas Party such a joyful night for our families. We appreciate you all.

Schreiber Foods
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WellSpan Health
Christ Among Neighbors
Shippensburg Covenant Brethren Church
Shippensburg Area Senior High School
Dining Services, Shippensburg Area
School District Unit #29473
Meet the Needs, Inc
The Hawk Mansion
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Superintendent
Mrs. Blake Fritz, Principal
Mrs. Amy Brandt, her assistants, and her
students — the creative hands behind the
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SASHS Key Club
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Christmas Party Event Committee
Our MANY volunteers



68th Annual

AWARDS BREAKFAST

Enjoy a delicious breakfast, an awards presentation recognizing outstanding businesses, nonprofits, and individuals, and a year-in-review video, highlighted by a keynote address.

March 19, 2026

7:30AM - 9:30AM

Tuscarora Room, Reisner
Dining Hall, Shippensburg
University

Register Here



\$30 per person
Registration required

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Keynote Speaker
Luke Bernstein
President and CEO,
Pennsylvania Chamber of
Business and Industry

DECEMBER RECAP



The Shippensburg Christmas Parade, organized by **D.O.I.T.**, was held on December 6 and brought our community together for a festive celebration. Thank you to our Chamber member **Teflon Roofing**, the event's Title Sponsor.

The Chamber welcomed paradegoers with cookies, coffee, and hot chocolate.



2025 Parade of Wreaths Winners

First Place: **Andrea Mowen** for her charming owl wreath with tiny owls, pinecones, and a cozy woodland feel.



Second Place: **Branch Creek Place Senior Center** for their festive candy cane design with shimmering ornaments and a snowflake ribbon.



Morning Member Mixer



Thank you to everyone who joined us for our December Morning Member Mixer. It was a pleasure connecting with both new and familiar faces.

Life Skills Classroom Recognition



At our December Board of Directors meeting, we had the privilege of gathering at the Shippensburg Area Senior High School to recognize the Life Skills Classroom for their outstanding work creating the decorations for our Community Christmas Party.