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# CHAMBERLINE

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Happening!*

May 2026



Dear Chamber Members,

How can it be that we're already entering May?

My time here is off to a fast and exciting start, and I could not be more enthusiastic about the opportunity to work alongside all of you.

As Wendy mentioned last month, one of my top priorities is supporting our community businesses. I've truly enjoyed getting to know many of you and learning more about how we can work together to make Shippensburg an even better place to live and do business. Revitalization will take a village, and I am invigorated by the passion for our town shared by the people I have met.

As we head into the warmer months, there's a lot happening in our town! Touch-A-Truck is scheduled for May 30, 2026, and promises hands-on fun for children of all ages — featuring everything from ATVs and tractors to street sweepers and more. We have space for participants and sponsors, and would love to have you stop out and show your support. Volunteers are always welcome, and we still have a few key spots to fill.

We are also hosting the Shippensburg America 250 Decorating Contest to showcase our community's pride as we celebrate America's 250th anniversary. The contest is open to both residential and nonresidential properties throughout the 17257 area. Visit <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/yguh3TrWv> for details and entry information.

Feedback is the lifeblood of positive change — so I want to hear from you as we collectively move forward.

I hope to see you at one of our upcoming events!

Carmen Davidson  
Community Coordinator



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## Shippensburg Area Chamber of Commerce Committees

Awards Breakfast Committee  
Back to School Family Fun Day Committee  
Central PA Chainsaw Carver Festival Committee  
Chamber Golf Tournament Committee

Cinco de Mayo Committee  
Community Christmas Party Committee  
Membership & Programs 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.

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# Events Calendar

- May 19 - Power Hour Networking Lunch, Rice and Pho Vietnamese
- May 27 - Wisdom Wednesday with Jamie Kasarda of Holistic Pet Mentor
- May 29 - Breakfast Mixer with Representative Wallen, Shippensburg Chamber of Commerce
- May 30 - Touch-A-Truck, Downtown Shippensburg



- June 11 - 20th Anniversary Mixer, Shippensburg EMS Station
- June 16 - Power Hour Networking Lunch
- August 8 - Back to School Family Fun Day

Now thru July 4 - Stars, Stipes & Stitches, A Patriotic Quilt Exhibit, Franklin County 11/30 Visitors Bureau

- May 8-10 - Mother's Day Weekend, Twin Bridges Campground, Chambersburg
- May 9 - Keep Moo-ving Forward 5K Run/Walk, Norlo Park, Chambersburg
- May 13 - Free Pressure Canner Dial Gauge Testing, Penn State Extension, Franklin County
- May 15 - Relay for Life – Cars against Cancer Car Show, Greencastle
- May 16 - Franklin County Master Gardener Plant Sale, Penn State Extension, Chambersburg



- May 18 - Pickin' Party, Grove Family Library
- May 28 - Stained Glass Workshop, Chambersburg Rec Department
- May 29 - A Night with Janis Joplin, Totem Pole Playhouse

Ongoing - America250PA Exhibits, Cumberland County Historical Society

- May 2-3 - Blushes & Blooms: Mother's Day Market, Carlisle Antique Mall
- May 9 - A Night of Bruce Springsteen featuring the B-Street Band, West Shore Theatre
- May 10 - Jeff Krick Jr. Presents Mother's Day with Elvis, West Shore Theatre
- May 13 - When the Declaration of Independence Was News, U.S. Army Heritage Center
- May 14 - Shittake Mushroom Log Workshop, Wildwood Park
- May 17 - 96th Annual Newburg Memorial Day service and Parade, Newburg Borough Greens
- May 23 - Air Dot Show Central PA, Harrisburg Airport



- May 3 - Shippensburg Band Spring Concert, Shippensburg Covenant Brethren Church
- May 5 - Home Food Preservation: Intro to Preserving, Furnace Run Nature Center
- May 7 - Stained Glass Workshop, Furnace Run Nature Center
- May 8 - Fat Quarter Friday, Old Spool Fabrics and Yarn
- May 9 - Spring Festival, Hope Church
- May 14 - GriefKnits Support Group, Event by Drew Michael Taylor Foundation



- May 23 & 30 - Shippensburg Civic Club America 250 Open House
- May 25 - Shippensburg Memorial Day Parade, Downtown Shippensburg
- May 30 - Duck Derby, King Street Bridge - Coy Public Library

# YANKEE DOODLE DASH



Join us as Shippensburg celebrates America's 250th Anniversary with a 5K on Independence Day – Saturday, July 4, 2026 at 8:00 AM. A great way to come together, celebrate, and kick off the holiday!

## 5K RUN & WALK

Wear your red, white, and blue!

Course follows the Shippensburg Turkey Trot route

**SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2026 AT 8:00 AM**

\$25 includes T-shirt (register by June 19)

\$30 same-day registration

**REGISTRATION STARTS AT 7:00 AM**  
Shippensburg Memorial Park – Large Pavilion

Awards for top overall male & female, age group winners (1st & 2nd), and best dressed participants.

Questions: chamber@shippensburg.org



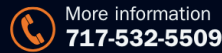
## HOLISTIC PET MENTOR

May 27, 2026 | 9 - 10 AM | Shippensburg Chamber

Join us as we discuss practical, helpful education on holistic pet care- nutrition, routines, safe natural tools, and the red flags that mean it's time to call your vet. with Jamie Kasarda from Holistic Pet Mentor.

Presented by: Jamie Kasarda Founder of Holistic Pet Mentor

Register Today!



More information  
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## WISDOM WEDNESDAYS

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TUESDAY

# POWER HOUR

Networking Lunch

MAY 19, 2026

All Chamber members are welcome to join us for Tuesday Power Hour on May 19 from 12-1 PM at Rice and Pho Restaurant. Connect with local professionals, share ideas, and build relationships. Lunch is on your own.

rice + pho  
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REGISTER NOW

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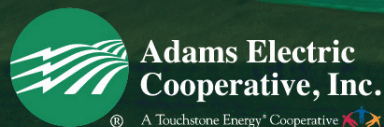
# MAY IS ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

Always assume lines are energized and dangerous. If you see a downed line, call the co-op at 1-800-726-2324. Never attempt to move the line, tree, or branch that brought it down.

Summer storms with their thunder and lightning can be as dangerous and destructive as winter storms. Always be prepared to weather the storm and have a storm safety kit ready.

Items to include:

- ✓ A cord-based telephone or cellphone
- ✓ A cooking source that can be used outdoors
- ✓ Battery-powered/portable clock
- ✓ Battery-powered/portable radio, TV or NOAA Weather Radio
- ✓ Blankets
- ✓ Bottled Water (three-day supply)
- ✓ First-aid kit with current supplies, including needed medications
- ✓ Flashlight and fresh batteries
- ✓ Non-perishable foods, non-electric can opener
- ✓ Small cooler
- ✓ Specialty items, such as baby items or extra clothing, or battery back-up systems for medical equipment
- ✓ Surge suppressors to protect sensitive electronic equipment
- ✓ Tool kit



1-800-726-2324 | [adamsec.coop](http://adamsec.coop)

Visit Storm Central at [adamsec.coop](http://adamsec.coop) to learn more storm and electrical safety tips.

Kami Noel, Communications / Member Relations Coordinator  
Adams Electric Cooperative, Inc.



*Celebrating 20 Years of Independent EMS Service*

## Shippensburg Area EMS 20th Anniversary Celebration Mixer

*Serving our community since 1931*

**FACILITY TOURS**

**FOOD & REFRESHMENTS**

**DOOR PRIZES & NETWORKING**



711 E. Orange St,  
Shippensburg

**Thursday, June 11**

4:30 – 6:30 PM



Register today!  
<https://bit.ly/3N2u6ER>



Shippensburg Beautification Committee Presents



RED, WHITE & BLUE



# Decorating Contest

MEMORIAL DAY THROUGH JULY 4



DECORATE YOUR BUSINESS, STOREFRONT, OR HOME IN PATRIOTIC RED, WHITE, AND BLUE TO CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY. PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!

ENTER THE CONTEST



## Drop the Anchor Seeks New Organizing Partner

Drop the Anchor, Shippensburg's New Year's Eve celebration, is seeking a new organization to take the lead in planning and coordinating this annual community event.

Individuals and organizations are welcome, and all are encouraged to attend. If you are interested, please join us for an informational meeting on **May 26 at 1:00 PM** at the Shippensburg Area Chamber of Commerce, 68 W. King Street, Shippensburg.

This is a great opportunity to play a key role in one of our community's signature events. We hope to see you there!

REP. CATHERINE WALLEN and the



invite you to a

# BREAKFAST MIXER



THE SHIPPENSBURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, 68 W. KING ST., SHIPPENSBURG.

FRIDAY

# MAY 29

9 - 10:30 a.m.

Enjoy light refreshments at this meet and greet with newly sworn in Rep. Catherine Wallen.

**TO RSVP**, call **717-477-0905** or go to **RepWallen.com** and click the events tabs.

Space is limited.



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Rev up your engines and head to the 18th Annual Shively Motors Mopar Car Show on Saturday, June 6, 2026, from 9 AM-2 PM in Shippensburg! This free, family-friendly event celebrates all things Mopar, featuring classic muscle cars, modern builds, Jeeps, and more. Enjoy music, food, door prizes, and a chance to explore the Mopar Museum while checking out some incredible vehicles. Whether you're a die-hard Mopar fan or just love great cars, this is a show you won't want to miss!

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



## REDNECK FOODIE

Redneck Foodie recently opened at 2675 Philadelphia Avenue in Chambersburg, featuring burgers, cheesesteaks, mac and cheese bowls, pulled pork, wings, sandwiches, salads, and more comfort food favorites. Making Foodie Better!

Phone: (717) 615-2657  
Website: redneckfoodie.com



## FRANKLIN COUNTY CYCLISTS

Franklin County Cyclists (FCC) is a welcoming, community-focused nonprofit dedicated to bringing people together through a shared love of cycling.

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# TOUGH A TRUCK

Saturday, May 30, 2026

FREE  
EVENT!

Rain or Shine

A free, family-friendly event featuring trucks, equipment, and vehicles to see, touch, and explore in Downtown Shippensburg!

10 AM - 1 PM

Sensory-Friendly Hour: 10-11 AM



# CENTRAL PA CHAINSAW CARVERS FESTIVAL



VOLVO



The Central PA Chainsaw Carvers Festival, with **Parx Casino Shippensburg** serving as Title Sponsor, returned to the Shippensburg Fairgrounds, bringing together talented carvers, local vendors, and families from across the region for a three-day celebration of craftsmanship.

Guests enjoyed live chainsaw carving, quick carve competitions, and auctions featuring one of a kind pieces created on site. Saturday offered a full day of family friendly activities, including youth market vendors and egg hunts for all ages.

We are grateful to **Gannon Associates Insurance** for serving as Prize Sponsor and to **Volvo CE** for serving as Food Sponsor.

The weekend concluded with the highly anticipated Masterpiece Auction, showcasing the incredible skill and creativity of the participating carvers and leaving attendees with a lasting appreciation for this unique art form.

The community Egg Hunt, sponsored by **Belle Jewelers**, was a fun and successful event that brought families together for a day of excitement. A special highlight was the adult egg hunt, featuring gemstones. Guests also enjoyed mini cow snuggles, by **Adventures with Taurus and Friends**.

Thank you to **First Assembly of God Shippensburg, Presbyterian Church of Shippensburg, Weis, University Grille, Christ Among Neighbors, and Meet the Needs** for their support in making the egg hunt possible.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Scavenger Hunt. It was a fun and engaging way to explore the carvers' inventory. A special thank you to **Champs Laser Works LLC** for creating the wooden coasters, and to **Ulta Beauty and Volvo CE** for generously providing prize items.

## Thank You to Our Sponsors, Partners & Volunteers



A big thank you to our Gold Sponsors **Forrester Farm Equipment** for the equipment, **Truck Mart LLC** for the labor that powers the Central PA Chainsaw Carvers Festival, as well as **WellSpan Health** and **Shippensburg Township** for their generous support in making this event possible.

A special thank you to our Festival Partners **AES Hearth & Patio, Antietam Dairy, DePalma Roofing & Construction, Renewal by Andersen, T L Shetter LLC, and University Hotel & Suites, Trademark Collection by Wyndham** for their valued support.

We also appreciate our Tent Sponsors **A&K Settlements, Alera Group, LCSi, Strickler Insurance Agency, and Wheels for Women** for helping create a welcoming and enjoyable experience.

Thank you to our Carver Sponsors **Affordable Excavating & Hauling Inc., F&M Trust, Carl L. Cramer Insurance, and Ocker Accounting & Consultants** for supporting the festival,

# HIGHLIGHTS

Celebrating Our Members & Community



Beard Contest



Thank you to everyone who participated in our Beard Contest!

- 🏆 Sam Cox – Best Beard
- 🏆 Daren Marzullo – Best Mustache
- 🏆 David Lowe – Best in Show



A special thank you to **Parx Casino Shippensburg** for sponsoring our emcee, **Raymond the Amish Comic**, and to **Verner's & Co.** for sponsoring the Beard Contest. We appreciate everyone who participated, judged, and cheered on the contestants. It was a fantastic crowd and a fun highlight of the Central PA Chainsaw Carvers Festival!



Wisdom Wednesday

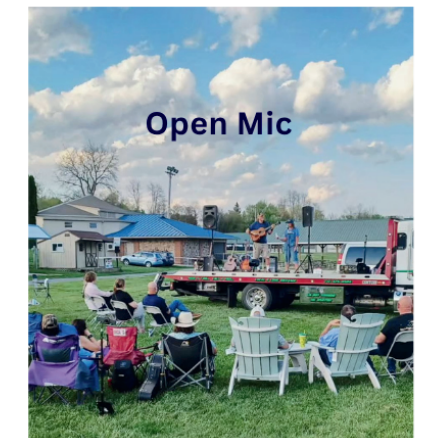
Wisdom Wednesday went on the road for Earth Day! Thank you to **Guardian Mosquito – Tick & Turf Control** for an informative and engaging session on ticks, mosquitoes, and vector-borne illnesses. Attendees left with tick-removal toolkits and valuable knowledge to help keep their families safe. A special thank you to **Furnace Run Park** for the use of their beautiful facility.



Power Hour

We had a great turnout at April's Chamber Networking Lunch at **Monterrey Tacos**. Attendees enjoyed delicious food, a fantastic event space, and meaningful connections with fellow members.

Thank you to **Shippensburg Pump Co., Inc.** for sponsoring the lunch and helping make the event a success.



Open Mic

The Chainsaw Carvers Festival kicked off with Open Mic Night on Thursday—a great evening of music, community, and talented local performers. Thank you to **Mike E. Kell** for hosting and keeping everything running smoothly with sound. We also appreciate **Abe's Auto Service & Towing, Inc.** for providing the flatbed stage and **Maplewood Farm Market** for the chairs.

