



# October 2020



Thank you to everyone who joined us at our Annual Meeting, sponsored by 1st Ed Credit Union!

Photo of G-ACC Interim Director Valerie Meyers and Scout Michael Gratton, courtesy of Echo-Pilot.

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## Greetings!

Our **Annual Meeting** last Thursday was an encouraging time! It was a perfect autumn evening, with a slight breeze blowing the red, white & blue decorations at the Antrim Township Park pavilion. It was so good to see many of you in person! Mike Ross (FCADC) shared an update on the growth in Franklin County, Mayor Ben Thomas reminded us of the value of our small businesses, and Rep. Paul Schemel gave a succinct summary of COVID legalities and the security of the PA mail-in voting process. I'm humbled to be on the same team as all of these talented folks! Through the recent challenges, fortitude and commitment shine forth from our G-ACC members!

While the weather still holds, look for us on the course at the Greencastle Golf Club for the **32nd Annual G-ACC Golf Tournament** next Friday, October 9th. Thanks to the many sponsors, players and volunteers that contribute to this fun event!

Turning the calendar to the fall months, mark November 7th for the **Downtown (And-Around-Town) Merchants Open House**. You'll definitely want to check out the specials at *the shop*, E.L.M Department Store, Growing With Music (CVSM), The Center of Balance and, new to the Square, Teal Blossom Boutique, among other G-ACC merchants.

Though we're unable to hold a formal tree lighting (PennDOT is not responding to requests for road closure), the **30th Annual Heritage Christmas** tree is scheduled to be raised in the Square by Saturday, November 21. Back on the calendar are Greencastle's traditional Friday nights in and around the Square on **December 4 & 11**. Be on the look out for Santa and his merry band of Bellsnickles, along with snowmen, Victorian strollers and Apple Annie! Santa's been keeping a close watch on everyone to see if they've been "Naught or Nice" --- the theme for this year's Heritage Christmas season. You'll find more details in the brochure to hit the mailboxes early in November. Now is the time to contact the Chamber if you or your community group would be interested in participating or performing, or if you would like to spotlight your business with a Heritage Christmas 2020 sponsorship.

Working toward your success,

Valerie Meyers

## Upcoming Events

**Ribbon Cutting - Teal Blossom Boutique**  
Saturday, October 3 at 9 a.m.



[INFO HERE](#)

**32nd Annual Golf Tournament**  
Friday, October 9



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**Legislative Breakfast**  
Thursday, October 22



[ABOUT THE EVENT](#)

**Downtown (& Around Town) Merchants Open House**  
Saturday, November 7



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**Small Business Saturday**  
Saturday, November 28



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**Heritage Christmas in the Square**  
Fridays, December 4 & 11



[DEC. 4 & 11](#)

## Welcome New Members!



**Cumberland Valley  
School of Music /  
Growing With Music**



**Teal Blossom Boutique**

## Thank You Renewing Members!

**Carl's Drug Store, Inc.**

**E.L.M. Department Store**

**Farmer's Union Co-op**

**Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.**

**M&T Bank**

**OSI - Occupational Services Inc.**

**RE/MAX Elite Services**

**Rainbow International Restorations of Waynesboro**

**Rotz & Stonesifer, P.C.**

**The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC)**



## Members in the News

### WellSpan Health CEO Honored

Roxanna Gapstur, PhD, RN, has been named an honoree as Most Admired CEO in Central Penn Business Journal's 2020 Game Changers Awards. Acting with urgency and compassion, she has guided the WellSpan team through the pandemic while accelerating our vision to be “A Trusted Partner. Reimagining Healthcare. Inspiring Health.” More about the honor [HERE](#).



### Growing with Music Merges with CVSM

Recently, Greencastle's Growing with Music became a branch of Cumberland Valley School of Music, a Chambersburg nonprofit. Tracy Thomas, the former owner of Growing with Music, will remain at the Greencastle location as branch manager. Both organizations share a passion for music and teaching, and are looking forward to the musical experiences they will bring to our community. Read more [HERE](#).



### SEK, CPAs & Advisors Welcomes Mandy Walls & Ryan Elbel



- Mandy Walls worked in the Chambersburg office of [SEK, CPAs & Advisors](#) for 10 years. Upon relocating to North Carolina, Mandy has been hired back in a remote environment as a senior associate.



- Ryan Elbel has been hired in the Chambersburg office as a Senior Associate. Ryan has a Bachelor of Management and Marketing degree from Penn State University and six years of tax experience.



### F&M Trust Announces Opening of New Regional Headquarters



F&M Trust recently announced it is opening a regional headquarters in Harrisburg. Located at 4050 Crums Mill Road, the office will house regional leadership as well as employees from the bank's retail, commercial, and investment and trust services divisions and operational support areas. Read more [HERE](#).



## Hagerstown Community College Names 2019 Faculty of the Year

Hagerstown Community College recently recognized Terri Bidle, professor of biology, as the faculty of the year for 2019. Bidle started her career at HCC as the Science Learning Center Coordinator in 1985 and became a full-time faculty member in 1990. During this time she implemented the student tutoring and group study program for students enrolled in science courses. She has been a member of the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society since 1995, has presented at national meetings, and authored a lab manual and textbook. Read more [HERE](#).



## Owners of Mikie's Ice Cream Bring Sweet Treats to G-A Middle School Students



Under usual circumstances, Greencastle-Antrim Middle School (G-AMS) students who are new to the district enjoy a field trip to local places of interest topped with a trip to Mikie's Ice Cream. This year the students' trip was limited due to Covid-19, so Mikie's owners Marty and Dawn Boscolo brought ice cream sundaes to the cafeteria! Read the full article [HERE](#).

## Brothers Earn Franchisee of the Month



Each month, one of the 320+ franchises of Rainbow International Restoration between the US and Canada is recognized for their outstanding performance. **Rainbow International of Waynesboro** had the honor of accepting the "Franchisee of The Month" award for July, 2020! As a franchise that is only slightly over a year old, this is a tremendous accomplishment for our entire team!

"We have been given this award because of our accelerated growth, even with COVID 19, our many community volunteer efforts, and our focus on consistently exceeding the service expectations of our customers. This is an exciting time for us, and this award is a tangible recognition for the efforts of all of the staff at Rainbow International of Waynesboro and for all of the great customers we have had the privilege to serve. Thank you!" -Brian and Mark Bitner, Owners



## \$30,000 Donated to HCC Foundation

The **Hagerstown Community College** Alumni Association recently made a \$30,000 donation to the HCC Foundation and received naming rights for two business HIVE offices on the third floor of HCC's Center for Business and Entrepreneurial Studies, which is currently under construction. The HIVE offices will be a collaborative work space for the building's occupants and students. The rooms will be named in honor of late HJC alumnus, and local businessman, Donald L. Spickler, class of 1958, and are a gift from the association in his memory.

# Legislative Updates



A representative of Rep. Schemel is available to help constituents on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Antrim Township Office, 10655 Antrim Church Rd., Greencastle.



You can follow Rep. Schemel on Facebook

Rep. Schemel can be reached at:

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The House and Senate recently approved legislation that would base restaurant capacity on guidance from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, rather than directives from the governor's office. [House Bill 2513](#), which now heads to the governor's desk, would allow restaurants to operate at 50% capacity with the ability to operate above that if the guidelines issued by the CDC and the Commonwealth allow, or if they maintain physical barriers between customers. Bar service would also be allowed once again under the legislation. I don't believe that the state should mandate any restrictions on facility capacity, but I did vote in favor of the legislation as the best of bad options.



Last week, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court issued a decision allowing for mail-in ballots to be accepted by election boards for up to three days following Election Day. This decision ignores the federal and state constitutions and jeopardizes the security and integrity of our elections. Ultimately, Pennsylvania could be put in the middle of a disastrous national crisis as the country waits for our state to tally election results for days or weeks following Election Day.



The Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) announced that due to an alarming spike in suspicious applications for unemployment benefits through the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance ([PUA](#)) program, additional anti-fraud and identity verification measures will be put in place. Because of that, payments for new applicants are being temporarily delayed with the department providing more information as the enhancement continues. There is no effect on people who have already opened a PUA claim.



A representative of Sen. Ward is available to assist local residents every month on the third Tuesday at Greencastle Borough Hall, 60 N. Washington St.



You can follow Sen. Ward on Facebook

or write to Senate Box 203030

Harrisburg, PA 17120-3030

Phone: 717-787-5490

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In recognition of the 19th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks, the Senate voted to observe a moment of silence in schools to honor our fellow Americans who lost their lives on that fateful day. [Senate Bill 869](#) also will ensure model curriculum is developed to help students understand the significance of these attacks in our nation's history. In addition, the bill would create a similar moment of silence in recognition of Pearl Harbor Day on December 7.

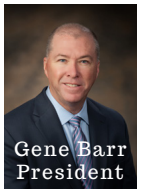


The Senate approved [Bill 1281](#) which will rebrand the state's "Steer Clear Law" as the "Move Over Law" to ensure motorists know how to react when approaching an emergency response area. The legislation would better protect law enforcement, fire and EMS personnel, tow truck drivers and other emergency responders. The measure also increases fines and points for violations and boosts public awareness of the responsibilities of motorists approaching an accident scene.





# PA Chamber of Business & Industry



## Bill Freezing Pay for PA's Top Executive Branches Headed to Governor's Desk

"Legislation is on its way to Gov. Tom Wolf's desk that would not only freeze lawmakers' salaries at their current level through 2021 but judges and top executive branch officials as well. Mr. Wolf has signaled that he will sign it into law, his spokeswoman Lyndsay Kensinger said.

The bill, sponsored by Rep. Frank Ryan, R-Lebanon, was offered in recognition of the economic hardships that COVID-19 has had on the commonwealth as well as its citizens and businesses, causing massive amounts of job losses and forcing some businesses and restaurants to close permanently. "When Pennsylvania residents are making sacrifices and struggling just to put food on their table, it is no time for public officials to be taking a raise," Mr. Ryan has said. The bill passed the Senate recently by a 48-0 vote. It passed the House in May by a 202-0 vote. [More on this from the Pittsburgh Post Gazette.](#)



## U.S. Chamber of Commerce

### IRS Issues Notice on Payroll Tax Deferral

"Recently, the IRS released its first notice regarding implementation of the president's executive order on payroll tax deferral. Employers may suspend the withholding of the 6.2% Social Security payroll tax normally deducted from an employee's pay. "The deferral only applies if the biweekly compensation (or equivalent amount for other pay periods) is less than \$4,000. The determination of whether the deferral applies is made on a paycheck to paycheck basis.

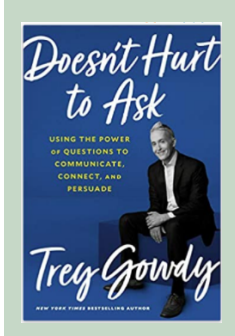
"The deferral only applies to wages paid during the period beginning on September 1, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2020. "Employers are responsible for withholding and paying any deferred taxes. Specifically, employers "must withhold and pay the total Applicable Taxes that the [employer] deferred under this notice ratably from wages and compensation paid between January 1, 2021 and April 30, 2021 or interest, penalties, and additions to tax will begin to accrue on May 1, 2021, with respect to any unpaid Applicable Taxes." Read the full article [HERE](#).

### U.S. Chamber Announces Supports for Nominee Barrett for Supreme Court

U.S. Chamber CEO Thomas J. Donohue issued the following statement regarding President Trump's nomination of Judge Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court of the United States. "We congratulate Judge Amy Coney Barrett and applaud President Trump for this nomination of an eminently qualified jurist. Because there has long been speculation that Judge Barrett could be the nominee, our legal team has reviewed her record in business cases, as well as her background and credentials. Throughout Judge Barrett's distinguished career, she has demonstrated careful fidelity to the Constitution and the rule of law. America's free enterprise system depends on the fair application of the law, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce has no doubt that Judge Barrett will treat all litigants – including the business community – fairly. She will make an excellent associate justice." Find the statement [HERE](#).

# Book of the Month

## Doesn't Hurt to Ask: Using the Power of Questions to Communicate, Connect, and Persuade



“In Doesn't Hurt to Ask, you'll learn a lot about the importance of listening to evidence, using words with precision, and, above all, asking good questions. You'll also learn some things about being a better person. In the end, this is a book about finding a purpose bigger than yourself, and then moving others toward that purpose with you.”

You do not need to be in a courtroom to advocate for others. You do not need to be in Congress to champion a cause. From the boardroom to the kitchen table, opportunities to make your case abound, and Doesn't Hurt to Ask shows you how to seize them.

By blending gripping case studies from nearly two decades in a courtroom and four terms in national politics with personal stories and practical advice, Trey Gowdy walks you through the tools and the mindset needed to effectively communicate your message.

Sharing the techniques he perfected advocating in law and politics, Gowdy helps you identify your objective, understand your personal jury, and engage in the art of questioning so you can be heard, be understood, and, ultimately, move others.

Whether it's getting a boss to take a chance on your idea, convincing someone to support your cause, or urging a child to invest more effort in an important task, movement requires persuasion. Doesn't Hurt to Ask shows you how to persuade, no matter the jury and no matter the cause.



### About the Author: Trey Gowdy

Trey Gowdy is a former state and federal prosecutor who experienced the criminal justice system firsthand for nearly two decades. In 2010, he was elected to Congress and was chair of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and chaired the Select Committee on Benghazi. He served on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, as well as the Judiciary and Ethics and the Education and Workforce committees. After four terms, he decided to not seek re-election, thus ending his career with an exemplary record in the courtroom and undefeated in political races.





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