



CHAMBER CONNECTION

Somerset County Chamber of Commerce

CHAMBER AWARDS LIST

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MARCH - APRIL
EDITION 2024

GOLF BASH

May 4, 2024

Bakersville VFD Banquet Hall
2341 West Bakersville-Edie Road
Somerset, PA

\$50 per person

(Includes Food, Beer and Drinks All
Day, plus Door Prize entry)

Only 1,000 tickets available

Doors open at 11 a.m.

Tickets On Sale Now

Purchase Online!

SCAN TO PURCHASE



GRAND PRIZES

2nd Prize - *Frederick MD Package*

(Foursome / 2 nights/3 days / Multiple Courses / \$500
Cash)

1st Prize - *Kiawah Island Getaway*

(Foursome / 2 nights/ 3 days / \$750 cash)

Grand Prize - *Pinehurst Package*

(Foursome / 2 nights/3 days / \$1,000 cash)
(includes Pinehurst #2 PGA course)

Proceeds from this event will benefit projects and initiatives of both the Somerset County Chamber of Commerce and the Somerset County Foundation, a 501(c)(3) through which programs like Leadership Somerset County and Success in Somerset County are funded and operated.

*For the complete
list of prizes, flip to
the next page!*

MEGASHOW

Home, Garden, & Business Expo

Only days left to
Register as a Vendor!

Forms online at
somersetcountymegashow.com

Megashow Weekend

Galleria Mall - Johnstown

Friday, March 22

10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 23

10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday, March 24

Noon to 5 p.m.

The expo always features something for everyone including, home improvement ideas, product demonstrations, prize drawings and more.

Free Admission.

Megashow sponsorships are available, including businesses not planning to be exhibitors.

For details on the Megashow, visit
somersetcountymegashow.com,
or contact the Chamber at 814.445.6431,
info@somersetcountychamber.com.

New Members

Addison Volunteer Fire Department

7214 National Pike, Addison, PA 15411



Clear Way Energy

115 Townhill Rd, Berlin, PA 15530

304-668-2102

www.clearwayenergy.com



Hidden Valley Rentals

40°03'29.4"N 79°15'29.1"W

724-698-7739

www.hiddenvalleyrentals.com



Pro Disposal Inc

713 Mountain Ave,

Portage, PA 15946

814-736-3631

www.prodisposalincpa.com



Transcat Inc

454 Berlin Plank Rd, Somerset, PA 15501

814-701-2316

www.transcat.com



Middlecreek Church of Somerset County

226 Middlecreek Rd, Rockwood, PA 15557

814-926-2033

Greater Latrobe - Laurel Valley Chamber of Commerce

811 Ligonier St,

Latrobe, PA 15650

724-537-2671

www.latrobelaurelvalley.org



J. Ross Stewart

814-341-8597

j.ross.stewart@gmail.com

Barber National Institute – Shred Express

814-445-6908

1219 Red Brant Road, Somerset, PA 15501

www.barberinstitute.org



Complete List of Golf Prizes

- 12:00 Highlands Golf Package - (foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds)
- 12:10 Cleveland XL Driver & 2 boxes ProV's
- 12:20 Titleist TSR2 Driver
- 12:30 \$350 Cash
- 12:40 Scotty Cameron Putter
- 12:50 Titleist T300 Irons
- 1:00 Treasure Lake package -(foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds, plus \$250 cash)
- 1:10 Set of 2 Big Bertha B21 Hybrids (#4 #5) + 2 boxes of ProV's
- 1:20 Highlands Golf Package (foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds)
- 1:30 Titleist TSR2 Driver
- 1:40 Scotty Cameron Putter
- 1:50 \$350 Cash
- 2:00 Attendee Drawing - 15 prizes in 15 minutes
(Must be present to win)
- 2:20 Highlands Golf Package - (foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds)
- 2:30 Vokey Wedge Set (3)
- 2:40 Frederick MD Package - (foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds)
- 2:50 Rocky Gap Package - (foursome, 1 night, 1 round, \$200 gift card)
- 3:00 Titleist TSR2 Fairway Woods (2)
- 3:10 Scotty Cameron Putter
- 3:20 Titleist T300 Irons
- 3:30 Grand Resort Avalon Lakes Package -
(foursome, 3 days, 2 nights, choice of 3 of 4 courses, practice facilities)
- 3:40 Oglebay/Wheeling CC Package - (foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds)
- 3:50 Wisp Resort - (foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds)
- 4:00 Vail Liberty Mountain/Whitetail Package -
(foursome, 1 night, 2 rounds)

Poker Night Themed Mixer

A PREMIUM NETWORKING EVENT. BRINGING TOGETHER THE
SOMERSET COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND SOMERSET
BUSINESS NETWORK

Roll the dice on new connections at our Poker Themed Mixer! It's not just about the game; it's a prime spot for networking too. So don't forget to bring your business cards and your poker face. Get ready for an evening of excitement, whiskey, cigars, and a 50-50 draw!

Date: April 4, 2024, 5 PM to 7:30 PM

Location: The Hitching Post At Crazy Hollow Farms- 848 Husband Rd, Somerset PA, 15501

RSVP to
Info@somersetcountychamber.com





CHAMBER AWARDS

Each year, the Chamber recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to

our community. This year the Somerset County Chamber of Commerce hosted an awards ceremony on February 22nd, 2024 at the Somerset Event Center at 4:30 p.m. recognizing the following individuals in their respective categories:

Donna Gibson

Outstanding Person of the Year Award, recognizing a Somerset County resident for outstanding accomplishments outside of his or her vocation and



for public service in a volunteer effort.

Kelley Dupstadt

Betty Haupt Memorial Tourism Award, which recognizes a county resident or business that has made a significant effort to further tourism in Somerset County;



Award Sponsored by **Suzanne Sturni**.

Shawn Saylor



Somerset County Agriculture Award, which recognizes a grower, farmer or producer who has played a significant role in branding and

promoting Somerset County agriculture and products in the region and beyond. Award Sponsored By **Musser Engineering**.



Musser Engineering
an EARTHRES company

Branden L. Snyder

Harold W. Wheeler, Jr. Memorial Humanitarian Award, which recognizes an individual, business or organization to honor how they went "above and beyond" in their humanitarian efforts in helping someone in need.



Award Sponsored by **The Community Foundation of the Alleghenies**.



**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
FOR THE ALLEGHENIES**
SERVING BEDFORD, CAMBRIA, SOMERSET, AND INDIANA COUNTIES

Maximilian A. Merrill

Entrepreneur of the Year Award, presented to an entrepreneur who has launched a

consumer

focused business in Somerset County;

Award Sponsored By **Black Excavating**



Black Excavating Inc.

Ian Mapes

Somerset County Young Gun Award, recognizes an individual under the age of 40 who has made a significant impact in his or her profession while making an equal impact on the community and non-profit organizations in Somerset County through volunteer time and leadership skills.



**Hollern Koontz
Insurance**

Event Sponsor

Spencer Brougher

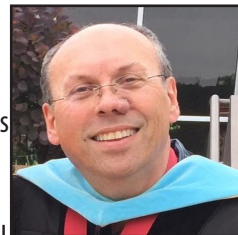
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Dr. William Rocks

Workforce Education Star, which is presented to an educator or business representative who has made a significant impact on connecting students to career opportunities while also making an impact on providing skilled workers to local businesses.



Award Sponsored By **Pennsylvania Highlands Community College**



**PENNSYLVANIA
HIGHLANDS
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Emaline Diehl

Ambassador of the Year, This award is given to the person who best exemplifies the mission of the chamber has a strong understanding of the benefits of chamber membership and realizes the importance of the chamber in the community;



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Friend Sponsor

Upcoming Festivals

MAPLE FEST & TOUR

MARCH 2-3; 9-10, 2024

FESTIVAL PARK,
MEYERSDALE, PA

Enjoy free tours and sample maple products in and around Somerset County. For a list of participating locations, download the brochure below or visit the Somerset County Maple Producers website at somersetcountymaple.org.

MAPLE FESTIVAL

APRIL 20 & 21; 24-28, 2024

FESTIVAL PARK, MEYERSDALE, PA

(814) 634-0213

pamaplefestival.org

The PA Maple Festival is a nonprofit, community organized festival which takes place each spring.



Local Loot

Business owners and managers - be sure your employees know how to accept Chamber Local Loot gift certificates.

1. Check the expiration date before accepting any gift certificate. Local Loot checks are good for ONE YEAR from the date of issue listed on the check. Any expired checks accepted by a business will not be redeemed.

2. Local Loot should be deposited into your daily deposit, just like a regular check. You will receive 100 percent of the face value of the check.

3. We suggest that change NOT be given unless at least 80 percent of the value of the check will be used during the transaction. Local Loot gift certificates should not be redeemed for cash.

For additional information, contact the Somerset County Chamber of Commerce at

(814) 445-6431 or info@somersetcountychamber.com.

SCAN TO PURCHASE
TICKETS



OR VISIT

www.greatenergygathering.com

An Energy Savings Story with a Happy Ending

The chamber has offered an energy savings program for nearly 15 years through World Kinect Energy (formerly OnDemand Energy Solutions), and it has saved millions of dollars for local companies and residents. A great example of this just happened recently:



Ron Aldom

Danni Conn from Beggs Printing was elected to serve on the Confluence VFD as their treasurer. As we all know, fire departments are always struggling for money to maintain their equipment and keep them responding. Danni noted that their electric bill was extremely high, so she reached out to the chamber, and we connected her with Loren Martello from World Kinect Energy Services, and he took it from there. Within a day, he had them on a new plan which was a third of what they were paying and got them off the plan from some company that had no representation and were essentially charging them an outrageous fee. After calculating the savings, Danni realized that this will eventually save the Confluence VFD over **\$11,000** this year. **Nice Fundraiser!**

World Kinect Energy Services can work with any commercial customers in the Penelec footprint, and it costs you nothing to evaluate your organization's energy usage. Plus, you are dealing with someone from the local region with a company that has a fifteen-year history with the chamber. World Kinect Energy Services also offers savings programs for natural gas, residential customers, and usage reduction programs for qualified users. Results will vary per end user based on usage and any prior or current contractual obligations that they may be in.

Interested in saving money? Get an energy quote:



Loren Martello

412-376-3828

lmartello@world-kinect.com

THE GREAT GATHERING X

GXG

Wed, March 20th 2024 | 6 - 9pm | Hilton Garden Inn - Southpointe

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THE PITTSBURGH
BUSINESS EXCHANGE

WASHINGTON COUNTY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
& TOURISM PROMOTION AGENCY

Do You Love Animals?

If so, have you ever considered volunteering at the Humane Society? The Humane Society of Somerset County needs help from the community. There are so many different ways you can help out even if it's a few extra hours a week or month! We have volunteer opportunities from helping out at the shelter with walking dogs, cleaning, organizing donations, cat cuddling or you could become a Board Member. We have openings on our Board and we need some new members. We meet monthly and help out with shelter operations & fundraising. It's a great way to build your resume and to show your support of the community. Our shelter relies solely upon the community and donations.

If you belong to an organization or group, consider doing a day of service at the shelter or a fundraiser for us. If you have skills you could help with some maintenance, painting or even outdoor cleanup. Call the Humane Society and ask for Kourtney. She will be happy to discuss these opportunities with you! Thank you for your support and remember it's all about the ANIMALS. Call us at 814-443-2121.



Meyersdale celebrating 150 years

Meyersdale Borough will be celebrating its Sesquicentennial this year with a variety of special events throughout the year. Festivities kicked off at noon Feb. 19 when the churches rang their bells marking the anniversary of the day Meyersdale was incorporated.

The Murder Mystery performances were on Feb. 23-25, in the MVFD social room. American Legion Auxiliary banners sponsored by area businesses will be displayed along Main and Center streets. The Friends of the Library is publishing an historical picture book. Joyce Nalley made a Cat's Meow collector item to be sold.

The 50th anniversary of the "Legend of the Magic Water" performances are at the BPOE Elks Lodge during the PA Maple Festival April 20-21, and 24-28. The maple festival will also have special 150th features. The BPOE Elks is hosting a 150th banquet May 4 with special guests and music by the Meyersdale Area High School jazz band.

The Church of the Brethren is celebrating the first church service 100

years ago in May. A fire department dinner June 8 is celebrating its 125th anniversary. The Appalachian Wagon Train will include a ride through town at noon June 18, National Picnic Day, so bring a picnic lunch to the gazebo park.

A time capsule will be installed in September at the Doughboy Monument.

Oct. 19 a community church choir concert will be held at Amity UCC, followed by tours of the churches in town, and a dinner at the Meyersdale fire hall to commemorate the 50th year anniversary of 4 Guys Inc.

The Sesquicentennial year will wrap up with the annual Light Up Night/Christmas at the Manor celebration hosted by the PA Maple Festival.

Visit the Facebook page for updates, <https://www.facebook.com/meyersdale150th>. To volunteer, contact Tom Deetz at tdeetz@verizon.net. To make a donation, send it to Meyersdale Area Merchants Association, PO Box 33, Meyersdale, PA 15552.





Place Local Loot in This Year's Easter Basket

Local Loot

Available in \$5, \$10, and \$25 increments

On sale now at the Chamber office. Call 814-445-6431 for details.

Why Employee Benefits Matter

benefits play a critical role in the long-term success for businesses of all sizes.

A comprehensive and well put together compensation package, including both wages and benefits, goes a long way in meeting corporate goals for attracting and retaining necessary talent. A targeted, rich benefit package can help a company stand out among its competitive peers and can provide the company with a competitive edge when it comes to attracting necessary new and top talent. Corporate leaders also know that employees who feel valued and cared for through benefits like health insurance, retirement plans and liberal paid time off programs are more likely to remain with their current employer rather than seek opportunities elsewhere.

Additionally, by providing employees with access to benefits that can help meet their health and well-being needs, employers can help their workforce achieve a better work-life balance, reducing absenteeism and creating a healthier, happier, and more engaged workforce. And as most employers know, an engaged workforce provides a crucial boost toward their goal of increased employee productivity and the overall profitability of their business.

Finally, while the compilation of a good employee benefit program does come with expense, it often leads to a long-term cost reduction not only through the efficiencies mentioned above but also through a reduction in healthcare costs due to lower rates of claims utilization.

Employee benefits contribute significantly to producing a positive company culture, leading to improved employee and long-term success for the organization.

The Somerset County Chamber of Commerce offers its members access to My Benefit Advisor as a solution for employee benefits, including voluntary offerings. For more information about My Benefit Advisor, visit our website at somco.mybenefitadvisor.com or contact Rob Higginbotham at (800) 377-3539.

**MY BENEFIT
ADVISOR**

Rockwood Highschool's Brightest Engineered a Memorable SoCo Awards Ceremony

The halls of Rockwood High School are still buzzing with pride following the successful completion of the project by five students from Joe Kush's Life Skills Technology class; Dylan Coho, Jacob Collier, Jonathan Walden, Savna Bittner, and Rachael Polak. These young innovators were entrusted with creating the plaques for Somerset County Chamber's SoCo Awards, and they delivered with excellence that went beyond all expectations.

Under the mentorship of Mr. Kush, the students embarked on a journey that blended academic knowledge with hands-on application. They skillfully harnessed the power of wood working equipment and the precision of a laser engraver to craft awards that were both beautiful and meaningful.

The awards ceremony, now a cherished memory, was a showcase not only of the community's achievements but also of the potential and talent within Rockwood High's walls. Each plaque, now in the hands of its proud recipient, stands as a

testament to the dedication, creativity, and technical prowess of these remarkable students.

The SoCo Awards may have come and gone, but the impact of this project will resonate for years to come, proving that the future of engineering and innovation is bright in Somerset County, thanks to the efforts of Joe Kush and his exceptional class.



Back Row - Dylan Coho, Jacob Collier
Front Row - Savna Bittner, Jonathan Walden
Absent - Rachael Polak

Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association (PRLA) 2024 scholarship program.

Do you know a high school senior or current undergraduate who is interested in or currently pursuing a degree in culinary arts or hospitality management? If so, forward them this email today.

The PRLA Educational Foundation scholarship program is accepting applications from high school seniors and college undergrads who are pursuing post-secondary education opportunities in culinary arts or hospitality management. The PRLAEF will award multiple scholarships each equaling \$2,000 this year.

The deadline for students to submit their completed application package is April 1, 2024.

Visit prla.org/scholarship for eligibility criteria and application requirements.

prla Pennsylvania
Restaurant & Lodging
Association

Somerset Hometown Hero Project: Honoring Local Military with Banner Display

A group of dedicated residents, part of the Somerset County Chamber Leadership Class, is proud to announce the launch of the Somerset Hometown Hero Project, a heartfelt initiative aimed at honoring our local military heroes. Banners featuring the faces of active duty or veteran heroes of all ages will grace the streets of Somerset, turning Main St, South Center, and eventually lining the PA Turnpike Access into a tribute to their service.

The Somerset Hometown Hero Project is an ongoing initiative, with plans to continually expand the display for years to come.

The project, introduced just a few weeks ago through the Somerset Hometown Hero Project Facebook page, invites the community to follow for updates as the project unfolds.

The banner display is set to kick off on May 18th, Armed Forces Day, with a 5k and community day at the Somerset Football Stadium. The event aims to highlight local military and first responders, hopefully featuring activities such as a football game, silent drill team, military band, rock climbing wall, and various food vendors. Recruiters from each branch will also be present to answer questions. Veterans are welcome to come and share

stores of service.



For more information on how to participate in the community day please reach out to the email address listed below.

Banners will proudly hang from May to September each year. The group is accepting donations and sponsorships to offset project costs.



All hero photos must be submitted to somersethometownhero@gmail.com, and any questions can be directed to the same email.

To place orders using cash or check, visit or mail to Uptown Works, 109 East Main St, Somerset, PA 15501. Online orders can be placed through the project's



Facebook page. The project is supported by The Chamber and Community Foundation For The Alleghenies, with all funds handled by the Community Foundation, ensuring tax-deductible donations.

Heather Ream from Somerset Trust, Karen Aikey from CVS Warehouse, Roz Pugh from Uptown Works, Zach Waggle from J&J Truck Bodies/Riggs Industries, and David Krause from Somerset Co Jail lead the project. Heroes eligible for inclusion must be active duty or retired military, lived in the Somerset school district for at least 5 years, with no age restrictions. Hero

stories will be shared on the Facebook page and, in the near future, on a dedicated website.

Heather Ream, project leader, expresses the sentiment shared by the leadership team, "This project is close to our hearts, with several leaders having family members in the military. We aim to honor and celebrate the heroes among us, ensuring their stories are heard and remembered."

For more information, visit the Somerset Hometown Hero Project Facebook page or contact somersethometownhero@gmail.com.



Showcase your business by hosting a Chamber mixer!

Mixers are a great way to network while advertising your business' or organization's products and services.

Book your mixer today by contacting Sandy at
sandyb@somersetcountychamber.com



Somerset County Chamber of Commerce

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2023 Officers and Board of Directors**

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The Somerset County Chamber of Commerce presents



Eggs & Issues

State of the County

Thursday, March 14, 2024



Registration & Breakfast 7:30 a.m. Program 8 a.m.
Oakhurst Grille & Event Center

Join us as we host Somerset County Commissioners Irv Kimmel, Brian Fochtman and Pamela Tokar-Ickes for the 2024 State of the County Update. As Somerset County's leaders, they oversee a \$60 million budget that spans county functions that include criminal justice, human services, public safety, public works and libraries. The Commissioners will be updating us on county initiatives, including broadband, Rt. 219, Somerset Lake, trails, emergency services and other issues affecting our county. Please join us in welcoming the commissioners by joining us for this most important event.

We are asking for any questions for the commissioners be sent to the chamber office prior to the presentation.

Sponsorships are encouraged so that we can continue to provide these important update sessions.

Admission: \$35 for Chamber members, \$50 for non-members.

*** Be A Sponsor ***

Event Sponsorship: \$600-Includes everything below, plus six attendees and the opportunity to welcome the audience.

Business Sponsorship: \$400 -Includes signage, recognition and four attendees.

Friend of the Chamber Sponsorship: \$60 - Includes recognition and one attendee.

"All sponsors receive our sincere appreciation for supporting all the efforts of the Chamber and keeping us a valuable part of the present and future growth of Somerset County".

Return Bottom Portion with Payment

Eggs & Issues: State of the County, Thursday, March 14

Deadline to register: Friday, March 8

Company _____

Contact Person _____ **Telephone** _____

Attendees: _____

Number Attending _____ x \$35 (Member) or \$50 (Non-Member) = _____

Event Sponsor \$600 [☐] **Business Sponsor \$400** [☐] **Friend Sponsor \$60** [☐]

Payment Options: Check Visa MasterCard AMX EZ Pay [☐] Contact the Chamber with your info.

Credit Card Number _____ **Exp. Date** _____ **Security Code** _____

Name on card _____ **Signature** _____

Reservations not cancelled at least 48 hours in advance will be invoiced.

Remit form with payment to: Somerset County Chamber of Commerce, 601 N. Center Ave., Somerset, PA 15501

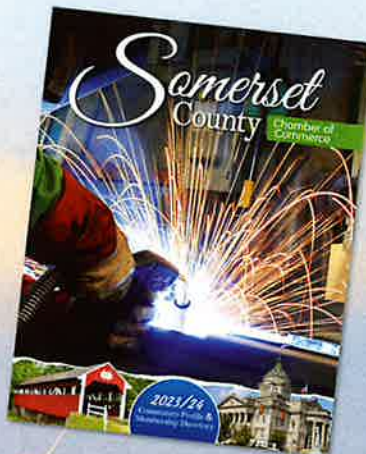
Phone: (814) 445-6431

Fax: (814) 443-4313

Email: info@somersetcountychamber.com

Be a Part of the 2024/25 Community Profile & Membership Directory

Somerset County Chamber of Commerce



Reach the Right People

This full color directory is the ideal way to reach the people who are your best customers. A total of 3,250 copies of this publication will be printed and distributed. They will be direct mailed to all Chamber members and distributed to area hotels, new businesses, new residents, Realtors, business functions, and community members.

To be a part of this year's edition of the Somerset County Community Profile & Membership Directory, please contact Centre Publications at 800-200-5375. We will contact you for ad design information.

Contents Include

Full-color Community Profile with sections designed to help residents take pride in their community and encourage visitors to stay and spend, including:

- Welcome
- Explore
- Shopping & Dining
- Hospitality
- History
- Homes & Real Estate
- Education
- Health & Human Services
- Retirement Lifestyles
- Business & Industry
- Transportation

The most comprehensive lists of Chamber Members available in our listing section:

- Membership Directory
- Categorical Directory
- Calendar
- Index of Advertisers

Interested but have questions?
Call 800-200-5375



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Online Digital Profile

Simple to navigate with a familiar web interface, readers can go directly to their area of interest or search for content that they are looking for. Ads and photos can be enlarged and links to advertiser websites are included free with your print ad purchase.



About the directory

- Comprehensive & interesting information about our communities in the Community Profile
- Spectacular photography showcasing the beauty of where we live & work
- Colorful, informative charts & graphs
- 8 1/2" x 11" full color glossy print
- 3,250 copies for distribution

Need an ad designed?

Free Ad Design

We can build your ad for you at no additional charge! Email us your high-resolution logo, photos and any text content. With this we will create an ad for you that works well and looks great!

Free Photography

We will take photos of your business and products on location.

Full Color Proofs

We will email you a proof of your ad before publishing. If you need revisions, we make them at no additional charge. No ad is published without an approval.

If you have any questions about advertising in the Community Profile, please call Centre Publications at **800-200-5375**

Designing your own ad?

Acceptable Ad Formats Include:

- Mac formatted files built using InDesign, Illustrator or Photoshop saved as .TIF, .EPS, .JPEG, or .PDF
- Any artwork such as photos, line art, logos etc. should be 350 ppi.

Send ads to design@centrepublishations.com



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PO Box 345 | Centre Hall, PA 16828 | toll free: 800-200-5375 | 814-364-2000 | fax: 814-364-9999



LEARN MORE! GROW MORE!



- WHAT:** *Learn More! Grow More!*
presented by the Penn State Extension Master Gardeners
of Somerset County
- WHEN:** Once a week starting March 14 through April 18, 2024
6 pm to 8 pm
- WHERE:** Somerset County Extension Office
6024 Glades Pike, Somerset, PA 15501
- WHO:** YOU! Aspiring gardeners and experienced gardeners looking
to expand their food source
- HOW:** Register by March 12th at <https://extension.psu.edu/learn-more-grow-more>
Registration is \$30 and includes 6 classes and a gardening manual!



PennState Extension



IT'S A PAW-TY! JOIN US FOR THE FUR BALL!

Help the Humane Society of Somerset County celebrate its 50th anniversary at our first-ever Fur Ball gala.



MARCH 23, 2024 FROM 6 TO 10 P.M.



SOMERSET COUNTRY CLUB
416 PLANK ROAD, SOMERSET, PA 15501



FANCY DRESS, MUSIC, DINNER, CASH BAR



\$75 PER PERSON, TICKETS AND SPONSORSHIPS AT
[GIVE.CFALLEGHENIES.ORG/HSSCFURBALL24](https://give.cfalleghenies.org/hsscFURBALL24)



2024 FUR BALL TICKET AND SPONSOR FORM

____ **Adoption All-Star Sponsorship - \$3,000**

- includes 8 complimentary tickets

____ **Pet Protector Sponsorship - \$2,000**

- includes 6 complimentary tickets

____ **Furry Friends Sponsorship - \$1,000**

- includes 4 complimentary tickets

____ **Single Ticket - \$75**

- includes dinner

____ **Virtual Support - \$_____**

- Not able to make our event, but you'd still like to help support HSSC?
We're grateful for your donation in any amount!

**TICKET
PURCHASE
DEADLINE IS
THURSDAY,
MARCH 14**



Name: _____

Organization Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Attendee Names: _____

Please make checks payable to Humane Society of Somerset County, with "Fur Ball" in memo line and mail to Community Foundation for the Alleghenies, 216 Franklin Street, Suite 400, Johnstown, PA 15901. Questions? Contact Katrina Perkosky, HSSC Board Secretary, at kperkosky@cfalleghenies.org or 814-208-8411.

You can also purchase tickets online at
give.cfalleghenies.org/hsscball24

CFA and HSSC are 501c3 nonprofit organization and all donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

**THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR
YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!**



The Humane Society of Somerset County
P.O. Box 182 – 204 Whitetail Road, Somerset, PA, 15501
#814-443-2121 www.somersetpets.com

Area Businesses we need your HELP!

The Humane Society of Somerset County will once again be having our Annual Yappy Hour Friday May 3, 2024 at Gladespike Winery in Somerset. We are asking area businesses to consider sponsoring this sold out event to continue to make this a success. Also limited tickets will be on sell starting March. All sponsors will be acknowledged that evening. Please consider supporting this event. Raising funds are used for shelter expenses.

\$250.00 + for a Sponsorship

Name of Business: _____

Address: _____

Please make checks payable to Humane Society of Somerset County or HSSC. Thank you from all your furry friends. Mail to Sienna Davis 365 West Sanner Street, Somerset, PA. 15501 or call # 814-445-7458 for details and tickets.



Somerset Country Club
416 Plank Road
Somerset, PA 15501
(814) 445-5200

For Immediate Release

Annual 2024 Veterans Golf Event

Somerset, PA --- Somerset County Veterans are planning the annual "Salute to Veterans" free golf and lunch day to be held Monday, May 20, 2024 at the Somerset Country Club.

This will be 14 years for the event. The organization expects another full field of 100 golfers for each starting time of 8:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The Somerset Country Club partners with several veterans' organizations and local businesses to show their appreciation by offering a free day of golf and lunch to people from the county who have served in the military.

The golf and lunch day is free to all veterans. The Somerset County Veterans event organizers thank both past and present sponsors. "Our Corporate sponsors, along with veteran and social organizations of Somerset County have really made this event a huge success", said Barry Fitzgerald, Somerset County Veterans committee member.

The lunch buffet will be open at noon with the program starting at 12:30 p.m. Organizers also anticipate 100 to 150 nongolfers at the free lunch and program, with a guest speaker. "We encourage our local veterans to attend this event," states committee member, David Koontz. "This has been a wonderful event and we will strive to build on the successful attendance rate."

This year's program will be the history of "Desert Storm". Operation Desert Storm began 31 years ago on January 16, 1991 after Iraqi forces invaded and annexed Kuwait. More than 650,000 service members served in Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm from August 2, 1990 to July 31, 1991.

For more information about the event and sponsorships, please contact Bill Aldom, 814-241-7707, Barry Fitzgerald, 814-445-8063, David Koontz, 814-233-9294 or John McNaul, 814-442-6804.

Please call Somerset Country Club Pro Shop to reserve tee times after April 1st when pro shop opens. Somerset Country Club Pro Shop – 814-445-5179.





Sporting Clays Tournament to benefit Somerset County Mobile Food Bank

June 15, 2024

**Buffer Creek Sporting Clays, Sipesville,
776 School House Road, Somerset, PA 15501**

Registration includes T-shirt, doughnuts and coffee before the shoot, 100 sporting clays, lunch and awards ceremony.

Shotgun shells and guns are not included.

Prizes will be awarded to the top score for the combined team and also the top men and women shooters.

Raffles will also be available



Wobble trap 8 to 9:15 a.m. \$10

Registration 8 a.m.

Safety meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Clay shoot begins at 9:30 a.m.

The Somerset County Mobile Food Bank is a volunteer-based nonprofit organization that supplies food each month to about 1,725 local families in need. As a 501 (c) (3) program, the food bank operates mainly off of donations and grants.

Sporting Clays Tournament June 15, 2024

Participants

Please list your company name if you have one _____

1.

Name

Address

Phone

Email

T shirt size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL

2.

Name

Address

Phone

Email

T shirt size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL

3.

Name

Address

Phone

Email

T shirt size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL

4.

Name

Address

Phone

Email

T shirt size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL

Please make checks payable to:

Somerset County Mobile

Food Bank with the check memo stating "Sporting Clays Tournament." Send this application and payment to 1686 Coxes Creek Rd, Somerset, PA 15501. Deadline for sign printing is June 2.

Also, register by June 2 to guarantee a T-shirt. Registrations can be made the day of the shoot. For more information call 814-444-2509 or email mobilefoodbank11@verizon.net

Event Sponsor \$700

Name on banner at entrance to event, one station sign, and name on T-shirt. Registration for four shooters, one cart.

Shotgun Sponsor - \$500

Registration for two shooters, one cart. One station sign, a sign at lunch area and name on T-shirt.

Lunch Sponsor – \$275

Sign at lunch area, sign at one of the stations, name on T-shirt and registration for one shooter.

Station Sign - \$125

Your company's name on a sign at one of the shooting stands and on the T-shirt.

Sporting Clays 100 targets

Check your preference

Squad of four \$275, includes cart and lunch

Individual shooter including lunch \$70

Lunch and awards ceremony \$25

Cart rental \$25, holds four shooters

Wobble Trap \$10, can register day of shoot.

I can't attend but want to support the Food Bank, here's my donation of \$

TOTAL DUE _____



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR THE ALLEGHENIES

S O M E R S E T C O U N T Y E N D O W M E N T S

Somerset County Community Fund

D O N A T I O N F O R M

Donation Amount: \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 Other: _____

Name: _____

Organization Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Checks should be made payable to "Community Foundation for the Alleghenies" with "SCCF" in the memo line. Send completed form and check to following address:

**Community Foundation for the Alleghenies
Box 1105, Somerset Pa. 15501**

Or donate online at cfalleghenies.org/somerset

The Somerset County Community Fund is held and administered by the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Donations are tax-deductible, as allowed by law.

Have year-end tax considerations? Envelopes must be postmarked by Saturday, December 30 to count as a 2023 contribution.

The Somerset County Community Fund can also receive a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from an IRA account. If you are at the age where you must take an annual required minimum distribution and you use the standard deduction on your taxes, a QCD is a great way to support charity and avoid taxable income. Contact Lladel Lichty, Somerset County Endowments Director to learn more: 814-525-9020 or llichty@cfalleghenies.org.

The Somerset County
Endowment Committee
thanks you for your
generosity!

Vickie Beer
Ted Deskevich
Allie Cook Hoffman
Bob Portante



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR THE ALLEGHENIES: for you, for our community, for always.

Dear Friend,

Here in Somerset County, we have a lot to be proud of – and we also face many challenges. We are rich with natural resources, exciting recreational opportunities, and hard-working people. Yet, many of our neighbors and friends struggle quietly and most of us aren't even aware. We have homelessness among the young and the old, heating homes during our severe winters is always difficult, and without a transportation system, many are not able to hold a job or go to appointments.

In Somerset County, we are known for taking care of our own. Many wonderful nonprofit organizations and agencies have risen to the occasion to work with those in need, providing services such as food, fuel assistance, mental health care, financial support for cancer patients and much more. Our local volunteer firefighters and first responders are at our beck and call 24 hours a day. Our libraries, museums, and grass roots projects like groves, memorials, baseball fields and more, all add to the vitality and advancement of our communities.

Unfortunately, these important services face their own challenges. They rely primarily on volunteers to operate and fundraise, and the number of people willing to help continues to decline. They are in need of equipment and resources and support, which creates an overwhelming burden for those individuals working hard to uplift their friends and neighbors.

In response to these needs, the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies established a dedicated fund to assist non-profit organizations working in Somerset County in 2003. Over the course of 20 years, the Somerset County Community Fund alone has awarded over \$416,000 in grants to make sure that these crucial services can continue to operate. The Somerset County Community Fund priority areas are Children, Youth, and Families, Volunteer Firefighters, Community and Economic development programs, and Arts, Culture and Heritage. You can see all the organizations the Somerset County Community Fund has supported, to date, by visiting cfalleghenies.org/somerset.

We are now at a point where the needs are much greater than the fund can cover. Last year, the total amount requested by our local non-profits was 10 times larger than the amount the committee members were able to award. This is why we are reaching out to you today. We need your help to make a larger impact now and into the future.

There are multiple ways you can donate: give now by making a secure online donation, send a check, or commit to a pledge to be paid over the next 3 years. All the options and additional information are on the back of this letter. Help us continue this great legacy of taking care of one another and securing a bright future for generations to come.

Sincerely,
The Somerset County Endowment Committee

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