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#### A Committee of the Mon Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce



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We regret any errors or omissions in this newsletter

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS\*

2nd Time Ryan Chapman 615 McKean Avenue, Charleroi, PA 15022 724-413-6075 www.reuserefine.com Retail Shop

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Church

Community Foundation of Fayette County
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\*These new members only reflect dues received between July 12 and October 7, 2016.

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Scenes from the Chamber's Annual Awards Event held on September 8, 2016.

More photos can be found on the Chamber's Facebook page.

Photos by Wayne Ray, Snapshot 47 Photos.





## Member Spotlights VILLELLA REMODELING &TRI COUNTY CARPET CLEANING

Villella Remodeling, LLC has been improving homes in the Mon Valley area since 1953, when Tom Villella, Sr. started the business. Upon his father's retirement in 2000, Tom Villella, Jr. took over the successful family business that we know today. The company specializes in kitchens, bathrooms and all phases of interior work, in addition to window and door installation.

Tom Villella, Jr. has been an active member of the Mon Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce since 2004 and is often seen participating in and supporting Chamber events. He led the Chamber softball team to 3 consecutive victories as the head coach in 2012 through 2014. For more information, or to schedule an estimate call 724-483-1183. Also visit www.villella remodeling.com and on Facebook

Tri-County Carpet Cleaning is in the MVRCC's Member Spotlight. Owned and operated by Walt Bianchi, it is located at 622 Fallowfield Avenue in Charleroi. Tri-County uses a low moisture, quick drying process and carpets dry in a few hours, not a few days! Their unique process helps people with allergies (like dust, pollen, pet dander, etc.). Tri-County has also recently announced that they are offering Air Duct Cleaning, a process most people need, but do not realize that they can breathe "easier" and have less dust in their home, after receiving this service. Walt and Sandra invite you to call them at 724-565-1175 and make an appointment for a carpet cleaning or air duct cleaning free estimate today! You can also visit them at www.healthy-clean-home.com and on Facebook.

#### OVER \$270,000 IN DIVIDENDS RETURNED TO CHAMBER CHOICE PARTICIPANTS

Penn National Insurance has announced a one percent dividend for the fourth program year of the Chamber *Choice* Business Insurance program. MVRCC members who placed their insurance coverage with Penn National Insurance during the 2014/2015 program year and remained chamber members and policyholders through the end of the program year, will receive a dividend equal to one percent of their total premium. Over the past four years, Penn National Insurance has returned an average of 7% in dividends and returned to the business community and region over \$3.6 million in total.

"This program has not only been a great benefit to our members, but has had an economic impact by putting dollars back into our local community," said Deb Keefer, Chamber director.

An important aspect of this group insurance program is preventing loss and controlling claims costs. Because dividends are based on the group's collective loss experience, a business that may have had a significant loss may still be eligible to receive a dividend.



Pictured are Deb Keefer, Chamber Director and Christine Koeppelle, Penn National Insurance.

The program is sold exclusively through local, independent agents who can offer chamber members a variety of coverages and pricing on property and casualty insurance, including business owners, commercial auto, general liability, inland marine and workers' compensation. Dividends are paid on all of these coverages. In addition, through safety consulting, Penn National Insurance and local independent insurance agencies encourage member businesses to develop safety practices to substantially reduce or eliminate workplace injuries.

The Penn National Insurance program is just one of many benefits of chamber membership! See the enclosed flyer from CSC Insurance, a local Chamber member agent providing Penn National Insurance.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ANNUAL CHAMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Chamber's Annual Awards Event was held on September 8, 2016 at the Anthony M. Lombardi Education Conference Center at Monongahela Valley Hospital. Pictured above are (left to right): James Protin, MVRCC President, Bart Raitano, Sr. and Bart Raitano, Jr., Interstate Paper Supply Company (Outstanding Business Development); George Ashcraft and Nora Muccino, Ashcraft Records Management & Storage (Excellence in Business); Linda Stennett, President, John K. Tener Library (Regional Service Award);



Eugene A. Vittone II, Washington County District Attorney (Shining Star Recipient) and Deb Keefer, Chamber executive director. Photo courtesy of Wayne Ray, Snapshot 47 Photos. *More photos can be found on the Chamber's Facebook page*.

Thank you to Our Awards Event Sponsors:

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#### MARIAN WOODLANDS GROUNDBREAKING

A groundbreaking and reception was held on

August 29 at the new Marian Woodlands construction site in Rostraver Township. The development will bring 131 single family homes to the Mon Valley and is being developed by Laura and Kevin Dickey, of Entech Investments.. Visit www.entechinvestments.com or www.northwood.com/ Offices/201 Associates/for more information. Dionne Malush and the team at Northwood 201 Associates are ready to serve you! Pictured at the ground breaking are Northwood Associates and owners, (left to right): Bob Sypolt, Kevin Dickey, (owner) Carole Sellaro, Jeff Dawson, Dionne Malush, Thomas Jolley, Laura Lozano Dickey, (owner) Jennifer Altier Manown, Bonnie Halinka, Liz Baxendell and Brody Carcella



## WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES TO CHARLEROI 2ND TIME & SIMPLY BAKED CO.



2nd Time is a new Chamber member that offers crafts, antiques, used items and much more by 27 plus vendors. They also sell Magic the Gathering. They are located at 615 McKean Avenue in Charleroi, from Monday through Saturday, 10am to 6pm. For more information or vendor registration, call 724-413-6075 or visit them on line at www.reuserefine.com.

Seen here at the ribbon cutting held on September 13, (left to

right is: Larry Celaschi, Borough Council, Ron Sayco, Vendor, Alan Benyak, Borough Solicitor, Paul Pivovarnik, Council President, Buddy Taylor, Ryan Chapman, owner, Cindy Taylor, Jim Protin, Chamber President, Roberta Doerfler, Borough Secretary, Mary Wilkinson, Vendor, Brenda Koval, vendor (BK Cottage Crafts), and Rick Mudrick, Chamber Vice President

Family, friends, and Chamber and Borough officials gathered on Friday, September 16 to officially cut the ribbon at Simply Baked Co., located at 1000 McKean Avenue in Charleroi. Owner Adam Standard invites everyone to try his delicious line of donuts, pastries, cookies and famous cheesecake. They are open at 6am daily. For more information call 724-565-1664 or visit them at www.simplybakedco.com

Caption: Seen here left to right is: Alan Benyak, Borough Solicitor, Kim Redman, Deb Buck, Borough Council and Chamber Board, Roberta Doerfler, Borough Secretary, Paul Pivovarnik, President, Borough Council, John Standard, Joclyn Mascola, James Mascola, chef, Adam and Nicole Standard, owners, Ray Shingle, Mary Shingle, and Casey Clark, Chamber Board of Directors





# STEEL CITY COMEDY TOUR

Saturday, November 19, 2016

Doors Open 6:30pm, Show Starts at 7:30pm—\$20/person



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### Mark Your Calendar For These Upcoming Events!



Watch the US mail, e-mail, Facebook, Twitter and website for information all upcoming events!

#### www.mvrchamber.org

Wednesday, October 19, 2016—Chamber Board Meeting, MVRCC Conference Room, 8:00 AM. Thursday, October 20, 2016—Young Professionals Networking—Winslow Winery, 6:00 PM Wednesday, October 26, 2016—Spooktacular in Downtown Charleroi

Sunday, October 30, 2016—"Homebuying Magic in the Magic City" www.monvalleyinitiative.com

Wednesday, November 16, 2016—Chamber Board Meeting, MVRCC Conference Room, 8:00 AM

Saturday, November 19, 2016—Steel City /MVRCC Comedy Night—Stockdale Fire Department. Tickets on Sale Now! Stop by the Chamber office or go to www.mvrchamber.org to order!

Thursday, November 24, 2016—Happy Thanksgiving! Chamber office closed.

Wednesday, December 7, 2016—Chamber Christmas Party—Charleroi Elks Club.

Wednesday, December 21, 2016—Chamber Board Meeting, MVRCC Conference Room, 8:00 AM.