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100 YEARS SERVING YOU!

The Mon Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce has been a leader and respected voice of business in our region since our inception as the Charleroi Board of Trade in 1902. We were incorporated as a Chamber of Commerce in 1921 and are also proud to be recognized as a founding member of the United States Chamber of Commerce. 2021 marks our 100th year of supporting the Mon Valley business community and we couldn't have done it without the dedication and commitment from all of our members. I am honored to serve as your Director and represent an organization that supports and partners with over 350 local member businesses, numerous economic development organizations, community foundations, four county governments and dozens of Mon Valley communities from Elizabeth to Brownsville. Relationships are critical to our community's success, and the MVRCC will continue to create opportunities for people to foster and build strong relationships to enhance and grow our community.

Your Chamber is committed to continuing to attract new businesses and provide value to our existing business community. We will continue to add services to provide the kind of added value companies look for when investing in a region. We will work tirelessly to create a climate for economic development, by encouraging new business investment, growing existing business investment, support educational programs, and promote tourism. We are here to serve as your voice in creating a strong regional economy. Together we can do more, that is why we are dedicated to continuing to grow our chamber. This year we were very excited to increase our strength by welcoming many new members to our organization. It has been a pleasure to have you as part of our chamber family.

As we enter our 100th year we will move forward with optimism and excitement for what lies ahead for our great Valley. We are the Mon Valley and our come back will be greater than our set back. On behalf of the Chamber's Board of Directors and staff, I would like to wish our members, our friends and their families and all of Mon Valley citizens we represent, a healthy and prosperous 2021. Here's to the next hundred.

Leanna Spada

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We regret any errors or omissions
in this newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP



Double M's Pizza

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Dick's Sporting Goods

Hunter Howell
159 Painter Kosor Rd
Smithton, PA 15479
724-273-2640

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238 W. Main St
Monongahela, PA 15063
724-258-2044

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851 Finley Road
Belle Vernon, PA 15012
724-929-2655

Danniella DiClaudio Productions

Dannielle Seanor
433 Fallowfield Ave
Charleroi, PA 15022

welcome!



***MVRCC WAS PROUD TO BE PART OF OUR
MEMBER'S RIBBON CUTTINGS IN RECENT MONTHS***



L to R: Mark Alterici(Charleroi Council Pres), Larry Maggi(Washington County Commissioner)
Carrie Pansino, Mary Pansino, Vincenzo Pansino, Joseph Pansino(Owner), Senator Camera
Bartolotta, Roberta Doerfler (Charleroi Borough Secretary), Jody Cheplic (Charleroi Council
member), Nancy Ellis (Charleroi Council Member), Charleroi Regional Police Chief Chad Zelinsky

Our Chamber was excited to be a part of
Lendmore Financial's
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Open House Event.
If you are looking for a loan Lendmore can help.
95 Chamber Plaza, Charleroi



MORE RIBBON CUTTINGS



L to R: Mark Alterici, Bobby Crafton, Jody Cheplic, Mayor Ed Bryner, Gerald Ones, Mark Smith, Jeremy Beckinger

Congratulations MVAA on a beautiful new facility and for the terrific job showcasing and supporting the talents of the Mon Valley. The struggles of a non-profit is not easy and we give you kudos for a job well done!! Located at **309 Fifth St, Charleroi**



L to R: Sean Kertes, Rainey Craig, Rachelle Davanzo, John Lorenzo and Brian Merdian

State Representative Eric Davanzo
851 Finley Rd
Rostraver Twp, PA 15012



L to R: Judy Laughlin, Haley Hritz, Janel Peffer, Paige Svesnik(Partner), Susan Jo Johnson(Partner), Yvonne Sabatula, Lauren Somers

The MVRCC was proud to be a part of Susan Jo's Salon's 25th Anniversary Celebration as well as the announcement of a new partnership!! Congratulations, Paige Svesnik and staff for becoming a part of Susan Jo's shop!

706 Fallowfield Ave, Charleroi



Owner: Danniella Seanor & students

Danniella DiClaudio Productions
433 Fallowfield Ave Charleroi

Dedicated to making the arts affordable and enjoyable for the Mon Valley and beyond! Accepting new students in acting and MT Combo. Voice is full. Instructor-Miss Danniella. Retail area is open and we have local art and \$5 bling for sale 24/7!



Member Spotlight *Vintage & Vines*



Owner: Jean Ann Gallo

Vintage & Vines, located at 623 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon is a full-service flower shop with fresh and artificial florals, candles, handmade one of a kind gifts and decor as well as antique pieces from various vendors. The cozy and comfortable atmosphere and unique merchandise make for the perfect combination. For more information on any of Vintage and Vines' services or merchandise visit them on Facebook, Instagram, vintageandvines.net, or call 724-929-3536.



Member Spotlight *5th Street Escape Room*



Owners: Mike and Corry King

This Month's Spotlight shines on 5th Street Escape Room. Mike King and Corry Vargo-King took over ownership of the business in June of 2017. What is an escape room? Your challenge is to find clues, decode puzzles, figure out how it all works together and solve the game! All games are in uniquely themed rooms with all original puzzles, designed and built by the owners. Current games are National Heist: Locking Down Liberty (4-10 players)- Break into a real vault. Hostage Crisis (4-8 players)-Can you escape to locate the thieves that took you hostage. Escape from Paradise (2-4 players)-Signal the airplane to escape the island paradise. Meatlocker (2 players only)-You are captive in a meat locker. Keep an eye out in the coming months for an exciting new game. You can book a private escape room by visiting their website, 5thstreetescaperoom.com. They follow all CDC guidelines on COVID safe practices and procedures. 5th Street Escape Room is located at 434 Fallowfield Ave, Charleroi, PA.

RENEWING MEMBERS*

75+ Years

Authority of the Borough of Charleroi
Charleroi Area Teachers Assoc.
Zelenski's Bridal & Gown Shoppe

50 +Years

Bassi, Vreeland & Associates, PC
Bigi & Walsh
cfs bank
Davies Ford of Charleroi
DeRienzo Family Practice
MMVTA
Shamrock Chemical/McGinley Main.

40 +Years

Highway Appliance Company

30 +Years

Armandos Pizza
Back Porch
Marsh Tire
McDonalds
Richard Mudrick, Atty at Law
Ruschak Insurance Associates

20 +Years

Audrey's Custom Drapes
Frank M. Godla Mechanical, Inc.
Gosai and Gandhi, MD
Mon Valley Community FCU
William J. Worthington, Atty at Law
Vale-U-Health
Vitale State Farm Insurance

15 +Years

Action Housing Inc.
Charleroi Fire Department
CSC Insurance Options
David Davis Communications
Douglas Education Center
Ductmate Industries, INC.
Joseph's Nursery
Mon Valley YMCA
Residence at Hilltop
Rotolo Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram
Southwest Training Services, Inc.
Speers Borough

10 +Years

Ashcraft Records and Storage
Blank Welding
CCA Solutions, Inc.

E.J. Burns Construction Co.
Ferrara Appraisal Services
Frick Tri-County FCU
Gene-n-Boots

Keystone Bakery
Lesleh Precision
MarBill's Jewelry
Reliance Business Solutions
River House Restaurant
Carl J. Spallino Funeral Home, Inc.
South Hills Messenger
Transitional Employment Consultants
Valley 1st Community FCU

5 +Years

All Seasons Travel
Bill's Feed
Brownsville Free Public Library
By George
California Area Public Library
California University of PA
Community Foundation of Fayette County
Calvary Bible Church
Commissioner Diana Irely-Vaughn
Dierkens Pharmacy
Donora Boro
Enola Management Corp.
Greater Wash Cty Food Bank
Herald Standard
Edward Mendola, CPA
Mon Valley Independent
Mon Valley Alliance
Pete Jenkins Tax & Accounting
Toast to Our Stars
Washington Cty Council on Econ Dev

Washington Greene Cty Training
Washington Twp Supervisors
West Pike Run Twp

All Other Renewals

A&T Roofing & Construction
Amulet Farms
Anden Chiropractic
All-State Career School
Athene Club of Charleroi
Baker's Waterproofing
Bella Terra Vineyards
Bryan's Auto & Body Shop
Cole Contracting
Del's Pest Control
Belle Vernon Cemetery Association
Elite Physical Therapy
Equipment Connection
Giant Oak Winery
Howard Hanna Simon Real Estate
Joshua Huhn, DMD
Italian Village Pizza
JED Heating & Cooling
Jeff Sorick Heating & Cooling
LD's House of Shaves
Martinelli Eye & Laser Centers
Mon Valley Country Club
Mon Valley Radio LLC
Perryopolis Auto Auction
Realty One Group
Riskey & Sons Tire
Sprowls Insurance Group
Stoney's Brewing Company
Valley Veterinary Services
Washington Cty Transportation Auth

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR RENEWALS THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED AS OF JANUARY 16, 2021!

We appreciate your prompt payments of your 2021 renewals.
We will continue listing renewals in the upcoming newsletters.

WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER...

Membership renewals have been mailed out along with a **Member data sheet**. Members are asked to please review all information listed on the Data Sheet and make any necessary changes to the information and return to the Chamber office by **March 1** to ensure proper listing in the Chamber's **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY AND RESOURCE GUIDE**.



2021-2022 Membership Directory & Resource Guide

Great Advertising Rates!

We hope that you will join us in showcasing your business with an ad in this year's membership directory.

www.mvrchamber.org

Select Ad Size ✓	Ad Size	Dimensions	Price
	Back Cover-	5-½"w x 8-½"h	\$500.00
	Front Inside Cover-	4-½"w x 7-¼"h	\$450.00
	Back Inside Cover -	4-½"w x 7-¼"h	\$450.00
	Full Page	4-½"w x 7-¼"h	\$400.00
	Half Page	4-½"w x 3-½"h	\$250.00
	Quarter Page	2-1/8"w x 3-½"h	\$135.00
	Eighth Page	2-1/8"w x 1-¾"	\$75.00

YES, I am pleased to advertise in the 2021-2022 Membership Resource Directory. Indicate ad size above.

☐ My ad will be sent to the Chamber by April 1st, 2021

☐ I will use the previous years ad

RESERVE SPACE ASAP!

Ad space is limited and available on a first come - first serve basis. The deadline for ad reservations is MARCH 1st, 2021.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING ADS

- ♦ JPEG or PDF format preferred
- ♦ Fonts—please embed in pdf files
- ♦

All ads submitted are subject to the approval of the Mon Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Submit ad to:
members@mvrchamber.org

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION _____

CONTACT PERSON _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Total Due \$ _____ ☐ Please Invoice

Payment: ☐ Check ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

Card No. _____

Expiration Date _____ CVVC # _____

Name on Card _____

Billing Address _____

Signature _____

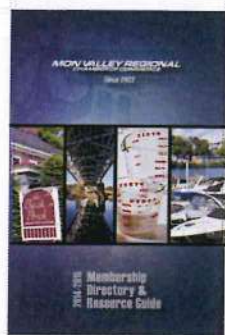
Make checks payable to: MVRCC, One Chamber Plaza

Charleroi, PA 15022

For questions or more information contact Melissa Trombley at members@mvrchamber.org or 724-483-3507. Reserve your space today! ♦

PLEASE NOTE: Advertising must be paid in full within 60 days of publication date.

What's Happening?



We will be doing a *New Directory for 2021-2022*. If you haven't already, please fill out and return the Info Sheet that was included in your renewals so that we may have your most updated information. Advertising is still available. This is a great way to get your name out there. We print over 300 directories that are distributed through out the Mon Valley Area.



"Chamber Check-in". Join us for our monthly morning zoom meeting. We will be catching everyone up on what is going on with the Chamber and community. This will also give an opportunity to the participants to share their info, questions, concerns and or just network. It is open to members and non-members that wish to socialize and find out what is going on out in the community.

MVRCC Board of Directors

Deborah Buck (Audrey's Custom Draperies) **Treasurer**
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OFFICE SPACES FOR RENT

A 2nd floor office suite is available in the historic Chamber of Commerce building located at One Chamber Plaza, in the heart of the business district of Charleroi. The space would be perfect for a small business or non-profit agency. Includes 3 offices, approximately 600 sq ft. All utilities are included except phone and internet. Adjacent free parking. Call 724-483-3507 for more details.



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

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