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MVRCC Celebrates 100 years with a Gala on the Gateway Clipper

The Mon Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce has been a leader and respected voice of business in our region for 100 years and is one of the most enduring and successful business organization that the Mid Mon Valley has known.

We credit much of our success to the dedication and commitment from our membership. We are honored to serve and support over 350 local member businesses, economic development organizations, and community foundations, as well as four counties and dozens of communities. Relationships are critical to a community's success, and we will continue to create opportunities for people to foster and build strong relationships to enhance and grow our community.

In the spirit of our anniversary celebration, we had a Gala aboard the Gateway Clipper on October 1st. The event sponsor was Penn Highlands Healthcare, formerly Monongahela Valley Hospital. (For a full list of additional sponsors for the night, see page 6.) We boarded at the Monongahela Aquarium and enjoyed a two and half hour dinner cruise up and down the Mon River. Over a hundred members and guests were in attendance. Along with the dinner and dancing cruise, we recognized five of our longest standing members that define dedication and commitment not only to our chamber but our community as a whole, Zelenski's Bridal and Prom Shoppe, The Authority of the Borough of Charleroi, Charleroi Area Teacher's

Association, Dee's Cricket, and Corelle Brands, LLC.

We cannot convey what it means to have the wonderful members we do; we have the deepest gratitude for all of you. So as we conclude our 100th year we will move forward with optimism and excitement for what lies ahead for the great Mon Valley. Here's to 100 more!!



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We regret any errors or omissions in this newsletter.

NEW MEMBERSHIP

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Member Spotlight



Mendola Accounting and Tax PC

This month our member spotlight shines on Mendola Accounting and Tax PC, located at 100 Beacon Street, Belle Vernon, PA 15012. Family owned and operated for four generations, Mendola's is continuing the legacy with Ed and daughter Alyssa.

Mendola Accounting handles all business and personal accounting needs including payroll. If personalized professional service is what you are looking for then Mendola's is where you need to be. For more information or to set up an appointment please call 724-929-7520.

Caption L to R: Ed Mendola (owner), Alyssa Mendola, Kathy Mendola and Tracey Mosco



Ribbon Cuttings



Exquisite Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc.

The chamber was excited to have a ribbon cutting for Exquisite Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., located at 701 Thompson Avenue, Donora. New owner Tracey Jackson has over 20 years of experience. Wishing Tracey much success in her new business venture!

L to R: Raekwon Jackson, Tristen Henderson Sr, Tracey Jackson, Rayha Henderson
Front: Riley and Tristen Henderson Jr.



Ribbon Cuttings

His Place Coffee, Community and More

We were very happy to be a part of His Place Coffee, Community and More's celebration during their Grand Opening. We helped celebrate their first official day in business with a ribbon cutting ceremony!! We are so excited to have such an awesome venue doing such great things and wish them much success. Stop in for an awesome flavored coffee or just a good old traditional cup of Joe. They will not disappoint. They are located at 100 3rd Street in Monessen.



L to R: Angalene Jones, Sianna Feliciano, Alex Lyons, Lisa Lyons, Pastor Tim Burgan, Brooke Leach, Alena Blaszczyk, Mac Arthur Saywala, Missing: Ashley Cox

MVRCC 100TH ANNIVERSARY GALA



Zelenski's Bridal & Gown Shoppe
Marion Lucas, Rachel Connelley, Judy Lucas



Dee's Cricket
Christian Rohrer & Carole DeAngelo



Charleroi Area Teachers Association
Chad & Sara Pappasergi



Corelle Brands, LLC
Heidi & Nick Iacovino, Don Good, Shannon Rhome, Dennis Shiflet



Congratulations to our longest standing members

- Zelenski's Bridal & Gown Shoppe 98 years
- Authority of the Borough of Charleroi 83 years
- Charleroi Area Teachers Association 75 years
- Corelle Brands, LLC 73 years
- Dee's Cricket 73 years



Melissa Trombley & Leanna Spada

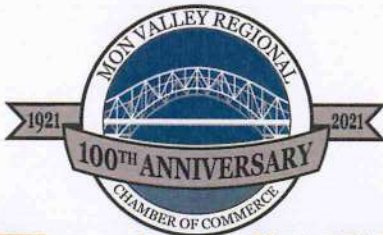
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Authority of the Borough of Charleroi
Tom Santoro, Chuck Cardinale, Chad Warfield



Monongahela Valley Hospital
Andrew & Nicole Bilinsky, Joe & Donna Ramusivich, Lauren & John Kifer
Ruth Antonelli, Corinne Laboon, Melissa Marion



Rick Mudrick, Vice President and Armand Ferrara, President
Mon Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce



LeeAnn Spada, Kristin Hopkins, Adele Hopkins



George and Ronalyn Apodiakos



Colleen & Steve Arnowitz, Erin Sinko
Dan & Natalie Komacek

Thank You to All Our 100th Anniversary Gala Sponsors



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STEEL CITY COMEDY TOUR



October 16, 2021

St. Spyridon Hellenic Center

119 St Spyridon Lane, Monessen

Dinner served at 6:00pm—Show starts at 7:00pm

Cost is \$25 includes dinner and show

Cash Bar. No tickets sold at show.

Contact the chamber at 724-483-3507 for ticket info

Hosted by Pittsburgh Favorite: Chuck Krieger

Comic Line Up

John Evans
Last Comic
Standing

Joey Welsh
Pittsburgh
Improv

Shannon Norman
Arcade Comedy
Theater

MAGICAL MYSTERY BUS TOUR

Saturday, November 13th, 2021 9am—5pm

Cost is \$40, Space is limited

Board the Bus at 8am at MVRCC Chamber, 1 Chamber Plaza, Charleroi

Attendees will board 2 buses and travel to several "Bus Stops" in the Mon Valley, including wineries, antique shops, boutiques, eateries and more!

**Reserve your Spot, fill out the form and return with your payment to
MVRCC, One Chamber Plaza, Charleroi, PA 15022 Or call 724-483-3507**

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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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