

# REGIONAL REPORTER

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# Mon Valley Regional Chamber Announces 2025 Legends of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament Honoree The Bart Raitano Family

The Mon Valley Regional Chamber is proud to announce that the 2025 Legends of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament will honor the Bart Raitano Family. For over 60 years, the Raitano family has been a cornerstone of the Mon Valley community through their successful business, Interstate Paper Supply Company, Inc. (IPSCO). Established in the 1950s, IPSCO was one of the few Pennsylvania recycling companies in operation at the time, focusing on recycling scrap paper, newspapers, and old magazines to support local businesses and the community in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

Not only has the Raitano family been at the forefront of eco-friendly practices, but they have also played an integral role in the success of the Mon Valley region and the local business community. Their commitment to the area is reflected in their decision to make the Mon Valley their home, and for decades, they have supported the mission of our Chamber.

Throughout their 60+ years in business, the Raitano family has provided employment for many residents of the Mon Valley, helping to grow the local economy and strengthen the community. Their contributions extend far beyond their business, as they have consistently given back to the Mid Mon Valley region. We invite you to join us in celebrating

this legendary family on **June 5**, **2025**, **at Nemacolin Country Club** during our annual golf outing and awards event. This year's Event Sponsor is Highway Appliance. If you are interested in golfing or sponsoring the event, please contact the Chamber at **724-483-3507**.



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# Member News

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## Ribbon Cuttings



Newly Remodeled cfsbank, Charleroi



Resonate Yoga Wellness, Monessen



Haitian Resource Center, Charleroi



Desire to be Well Juicery, Southpointe

February was the NexGen kick off with complimentary lunch at Domenico's and a quick tip from *Speer's Street Financial* on Networking 101. *Reimagine MainStreet* gave some great tips on Social Media etiquette at March's NexGen Breakfast. *PNC* hosted April's meeting with some great advise on How to Protect Yourself from Fraud. Look for info on May's event at *Small Town Tavern* for an after hours!





NexGen Mon Valley is a new networking group for young professionals age

21-40 in the Mid Mon Valley. The hopes are for the Next Generation to make connections, learn helpful tips,



and do some fun activities. For more info, scan the QR code. Or visit the Chamber Facebook page.

### **Networking**



Career Day at BVAHS. It was great to see so many members set up and networking with seniors ready for their next chapter.







Our monthly networking luncheons are growing. These are free luncheons for members to meet, tell us a little about their business. If you would like to host a lunch, contact the chamber.



MVRCC and Reimagine Main Street are offering hands on workshops for both members and nonmembers All classes will be held at Dee's Event Center, 514 McKean Ave, Charleroi

#### March 26, 2025

Canva 101 - Basics 9-10:30am Continental Breakfast Included

Canva 102 - Advanced Techniques



\$20/\$40



#### April 30, 2025

Mastering AI 9-10:30am Continental Breakfast Included

Tools of AI 11:30-1pm Lunch Included



\$20/\$40

9-10:30am

11:30-1pm

#### May 28. 2025

Mastering Google Tools for Business 9-10:30am Continental Breakfast Included

Unlocking the Power of Zoom 11:30-1pm Lunch Included



\$20/\$40



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# 2025 Sponsorships



# MVRCC Golf Outing June 5th, 2025

Company Name:		
Contact		
E-Mail	Phone:	
☐ Check Enclosed	□Credit Card Exp Date	
■ Event Sponsor - <b>SOLD</b>		Logo Ball Sponsor — <b>SOLD</b>
■ Hole in One Sponsor — SC	OLD	"Giveaway" Sponsor—\$1500
Graphite Sponsor - \$800 (Inclu  Cart Sponsor  Volunteer Sponsor  Skill Prize Sponsor  Silent Auction—SOI  Iron Sponsor - \$400 (22x14 sig  Beverage Sponsor—S	LD n with logo)	Goody Bag Sponsor—SOLD Trophy Sponsor Dinner Sponsor—SOLD Putting Contest Sponsor—SOLD
<ul><li>☐ Morning Refreshment S</li><li>☐ Program Sponsor</li></ul>		Registration Sponsor Mulligan Sponsor
☐ Green Sponsor - \$300 (22x1	4 sign no logo)	NEMACOLIN COUNTRY CLUB
☐ Tee Sponsor - \$200 (14x1)	4 sign no logo)	COUNTRY CLUB
☐ Golf Foursome:		\$200/golfer 4some/\$800
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#### SEND FORM TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIP!

Mail: Mon Valley Regional Chamber, One Chamber Plaza, Charleroi, PA 15022 Email: members@mvrchamber.org

Questions? Please call Leanna or Melissa at 724-483-3507

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Spring

April 9 - NexGen Breakfast, 9-10:30am CAHS Alumni Room 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi QR CODE ON PAGE 3

April 16 - Networking Lunch, 11:30-1pm Dee's Event Center 514 McKean Ave, Charleroi FREE EVENT, Call to reserve a spot

April 29 - Headshot Sessions, 10am-3pm 1 Chamber Plaza, Charleroi APPOINTMENT REQUIRED, CONTACT CHAMBER

April 30 - Chat GPT/Al-2 Part Workshop, 9-1pm Dee's Event Center 514 McKean Ave, Charleroi QR ON PAGE 4

May 6 - 5th Hammer Business Seminar, TBD 1 Chamber Plaza, Charleroi

May 8 - Mastering the Grant Blueprint, 5-630pm 119 St Spyridon Lane, Monessen

May 14 - NexGen After Hours Trivia, TBD Small Town Tavern
110 Sara Way, Rostraver
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May 15 - Blood Drive, 1-5:30pm Dee's Event Center 514 McKean Ave, Charleroi

May 28 - Google-2 Part Workshop, 9-1pm Dee's Event Center 514 McKean Ave, Charleroi QR ON PAGE 4



#### Summer

June 5 - Annual Golf Outing Nemacolin Country Club 3100 US Rte 40, Beallsville SEE PAGE 5

June 11 - NexGen Event, TBD

June 18 - Networking Lunch, 11:30-1pm Dee's Event Center FREE EVENT

July 9 - NexGen Event, TBD

July 16 - Networking Lunch, 11:30-1pm

August 13 - NexGen Event, TBD

August 20 - Networking Lunch, 11:30-1pm

#### Fall

September 10 - NexGen Event, TBD

September 17 - Networking Lunch, 11:30-1pm

Dee's Event Center

October 8 - NexGen Event, TBD

October 15 - Networking Lunch, 11:30-1pm

Dee's Event Center

#### Winter

November 8 - Love Local Mystery Bus Tour

November 12 - NexGen Event, TBD

November 19 - Networking Lunch, 11:30-1pm Dee's Event Center

December 4 or 5 - Christmas Awards

December 10 - NexGen Event, TBD

December 17 - Networking Lunch, 11:30 –1pm Dee's Event Center

### **Upcoming Events**







# **Business Headshots**

By Jeffrey W. Hughes Photography

Your first impression matters. Let's make it count!

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 10am-3pm Chamber Bldg 1 Chamber Plaza, Charleroi

\$40/Members \$60/Nonmembers PAYMENT REQUIRED AT REGISTRATOIN

> Additional images can be purchased during appointment







### **Mastering the Grant Proposal Blueprint**

MVRCC is offering Part 2 to the Grant Writing Seminar.

- Core Components of a Grant Writing Proposal
- **Budget Overview**
- Writing tips
- Common pitfalls
- **Evaluating Funder Compatibility**

May 8, 2025—5pm to 6:30pm St Spyridon Hellenic Center 119 St Spyridon Lane Monessen



Cost: \$20 Available for Members & Nonmembers

Scan here to register or contact the chamber members@mvrchamber.org 724-483-3507





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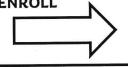
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