

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Your Chamber of Commerce was very busy this first quarter, serving our members and the community. Our Program Committee held a variety of wonderful special events. We kicked off the year with a very successful Annual Dinner and Business Awards Ceremony. The same night, we participated with other chambers and business associations from around Baltimore County in a MEGA Networking Event in Towson. In February, approximately 50 of our members joined us for an update from our Baltimore County Council members. In March, we combined with the Marine Trades Association of Baltimore County for our Bull and Shrimp Feast. Over 200 members and friends enjoyed an evening of great food, music, wheels and a silent auction. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us next year on March 28 at Rosedale Gardens. This year we moved our carnival to April, and the community came out to enjoy the beautiful weather, making this one of our most successful years. A big thank you goes to everyone who has supported these events. We look forward to seeing you more this year.

Our Membership Committee has been very busy welcoming new members and working to ensure that our members derive the most benefit from their dues. See the list of new members below. They also have been working with our Marketing Committee on new tools to better communicate with and publicize our members and share the value of Chamber involvement with prospective members and the community.

The Workforce Development Committee is gearing up for our annual Awards for Excellence in Education, where we honor our local educators and support personnel. If you would like to sponsor the event or make a donation to the gift bags for these special individuals, please contact the Chamber. You also are welcome to join us in the celebration reception on Thursday, June 13 at CCBC -Essex Campus.

The Chamber's Eastern Baltimore County Task Force is continuing its work to improve the quality of life in the Essex business district. Working in conjunction with county and state elected officials and representatives, this team of volunteers continues to focus on addressing issues like litter, graffiti and rat infestation, plant and tree overgrowth, among other problems. Soon you also will see some of our streetscape and beautification efforts with plants and flowers in all the planters along Eastern Boulevard.

There are lots of exciting programs to come this year. Won't you please consider joining us?

Thank you!

Sharon Kihn Chamber Executive Director

UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS

Please join us for the following upcoming Chamber events. Additional details and registration information can be found on our website - www. chesapeakechamber.org.

Legislative Wrap-up Luncheon Co-Sponsored with the Dundalk Chamber of Commerce

Thursday, April 25, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Vinnie's Cafe

6202 Holabird Avenue, Dundalk, MD 21222 \$35 for Members: \$45 for Non-Members (includes lunch)

New & Prospective Member Orientation Thursday, May 2, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Chesapeake Gateway Chamber of Commerce 405 Williams Court, Suite 108, Middle River, MD 21220

UPCOMING CHAMBER MEMBER EVENTS

Dundalk Community 5K and 1-Mile Walk Sponsored by CCBC Foundation April 27, 7:30 a.m.

Meet on Dundalk High School parking lot \$40 for runners, \$30 for first responders, \$20 for walkers and students

For more information: 410-262-5410, email DC5K2019@gmail.com, web DC5K.org

Grand Opening and Dog Wash Sponsored by Warm & Fuzzy Veterinary Center April 28, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Warm & Fuzzy Veterinary Center, 11600 Crossroads Circle, Suite H, Middle River, MD 21220 Grand Opening - FREE Dog Wash - \$5 Ear Cleaning and Nail Trim - \$2 Includes ribbon cutting ceremony, refreshments, raffles, animal rescue groups, scavenger hunt, beer & wine tasting, games for the whole family, hospital tours For more information: 410-630-9171,

Mount Carmel Festival

Sponsored by Our Lady of Mount Carmel May 3, 6-10 p.m. May 4, 3-10 p.m. May 5, 12-7 p.m.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, 1704 Old Eastern Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21221

Weekend includes amusement rides, games, incredible food and live entertainment

For more information: 410-238-1175

Shrimp & Bull Roast Sponsored by American Cancer Society

May 10, 7-11 p.m.

UAW Hall Local 239, 1010 S. Oldham Street, Baltimore, MD 21224

\$40 Ticket includes shrimp, pit beef, turkey, Italian sausage, draft beer, wine and a full buffet. Also includes raffles, a silent auction and a plush wheel. For more information: www.facebook.com/ heartandsoledundalkrelay

River Fest

Sponsored by Back River Restoration Committee June 2, 1-5:30 p.m.

Conrad's Ruth Villa

3301 Edwards Lane, Middle River, MD 21220 \$50 Ticket Donation includes Four Bands, DJ Big George, Bull Roast, Beer, Wine, Sodas For more information: savebackriver@gmail.com



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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Chesapeake Gateway Chamber would like to welcome and thank the following organizations which recently joined the Chamber. Please support these members.

Alice's - A Family Restaurant

410-687-2222

www.alicesfamilyrestaurant.com

BC Gymnastics Inc.

410-335-4646

www.baltocogym.com

BayVanguard Bank

410-686-5940

www.bayvanguard.com

Capital Sports Group

410-707-4393

www.capitalsportsgroup.com

Catapulting Change LLC

443-282-8154

www.catapultingchangellc.com

Eastern Savings Bank

410-661-4412

aarnold@easternsavingsbank.com

Federal Realty Investment Trust

443-219-1823

www.federalrealty.com

Heritage Society of Essex and Middle River, Inc.

443-992-8642

www.essexmuseum.com

Liberatore's Ristorante & Catering/Lib's Grill

410-529-4567/410-513-7133 www.liberatores.com

Michael's Café - White Marsh/

Middle River 410-335-5370

www.michaelscafe.com

The Peake Newspaper

410-494-1882

Pooles Island Brewing Company

410-630-9164

www.poolesbrewing.com

Wise Recycling

410-458-0813

www.wiserecycling.com

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