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Perkiomen Valley Chamber of Commerce



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Welcome to the Perkiomen Valley Chamber of Commerce!

For over 60 years the Chamber has been the recognized voice & advocate for the business community. Creating opportunities for members to connect with business professionals, mentors, and potential customers, the Chamber helps members improve business and create a thriving community for themselves and their employees. We can help grow YOUR customer base in Collegeville, Trappe, Schwenksville, Upper

Providence, Lower Frederick, Lower Providence, Perkiomen, Skippack, and Oaks.

For more information contact Executive Director, Renee Blomstrom, 610-489-6660, renee@PVchamber.net.

Don't miss Chamber events, member news, special offers and more...

Like us on FaceBook @PerkVallevChamber and email info@PVchamber.net to receive weekly e-news!



Sign up to receive weekly PV Chamber e-News and stay in the know about upcoming events and local offers. Email info@PVChamber.net and include "sign up for enews" in the subject line.

Please visit the PV Chamber website for **COVID-19 health updates** and business resources, webinars and event schedules. Be safe and healthy!

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 8, 2020 -63rd Annual Meeting POSTPONED!!!

April 22, 2020 – **Dow Business Expo**

This event has been POSTPONED. Exhibitor table reservations will be carried-over to new event date.

COVID-19 Resources:

Montgomery County PA COVID-19 data hub

https://data-montcopa.opendata.arcgis.com/pages /covid-19

PV Chamber COVOD-19 Data Hub:

www.perkiomenvalleychamber.org/covid-19updates-and-resources/

PV Chamber Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/PerkValleyChamber/

WELCOME **NEW MEMBERS:**

Mathnasium of Collegeville, Renji Kurup; mathnasium.com/collegeville

Troubles Ending Brewing, Dave Bellenzeni; www.facebook.com/TroublesEndBrewing/

> F45 Training, Rick McGovern; f45training.com/royersford/home

The Lash Lounge, Joanne Jeffers; thelashlounge.com/pa-collegeville-shoppingcenter

A message from the Chamber office

On behalf of the Perkiomen Valley Chamber Board of Directors, we want to let you know that we are here to support you in any way we can during this very difficult COVID-19 situation. Please do not hesitate to reach out to let us know how we can support you! Your membership is valued and appreciated. As such, we are suspending the April 1st membership renewal invoices until further notice.

The PV Chamber is investigating new ways to serve our membership in a "virtual" world. Technology is at the heart of ongoing support efforts and includes telecommunications, video conferencing, text and email messaging and webinars. Information from County, State and Federal sources is fluid and we will continue to provide updates on the PV Chamber COVID-19 resource hub.

Within our membership there are many talented companies providing business support in areas including communications, technology, finance, legal, medical, shipping, insurance, healthcare and more. We are navigating through uncharted waters and TOGETHER we PREVAIL over this crisis and enter a time of **INNOVATION** and **RECOVERY**. Please lean on the Chamber during this time and contact the Chamber office when you are in need of a referral when seeking products or services to sustain your business.

In an effort to best serve you, we ask that you follow the PV Chamber FaceBook Page for upto-date announcements @PerkValleyChamber and open email updates. If you do not receive email alerts, you may request to be added to the distribution list by sending email to info@pvchamber.net. Also, please let us know if contact information has changed; we want to be ensure our records are accurate.

Call for action:

1. Complete the Southeast PA Regional Business Impacts of COVID-19 Survey asap. Use projections or estimates if you are unsure, or indicate "N/A". The survey results provide a way the County can quantify data to be used now and during the recovery period when urging support from Federal and State. https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/d805663f 537744ccb79ae18a569a1acb

- 2. **Shop Local** Visit the Chamber Directory and COVID-19 Resource Hub for businesses serving our community
- 3. Buying gift cards gives a small business a cash infusion now to make it thorugh difficult times
- 4. Add an extra tip for restaurant delivery drivers or curbside attendants extra.
- 5. Support Daily Bread Community Food Pantry - donations are down and the number of families has increased. Look on the Pantry Facebook page for current needs list or make a monetary donation. Visit the Chamber directory for a list of non-profit organizations to support during the crisis.
- 6. Visit the PV Chamber COVID-19 Resource Data Hub for a list of businesses offering services, support, gift cards and special offers as well as ways you can give back to healthcare workers and other frontline workers.
- 7. The Bright Side Let's Spread Happiness! A portion of our Data Hub is dedicated to sharing stories of good deeds, happy moments, funny videos, discounts and more.
- 8. Keep in your thoughts our healthcare professionals as they care for our community.
- 9. How can we help? Reach out to the Chamber office to let us know how we can be of service to your buisness.

In light of COVID-19 and safety concerns, we urge the community to follow the directives of our officials to balance the health and welfare of our citizens. The faster we flatten the curve, the sooner we can get back to business and start on the recovery phase. We thank our local, state and federal officials for their efforts to keep us safe.

In closing, I hope you all stay safe and healthy! Take this time to create memories with family, call friends, neighbors, and co-workers and appreciate the little things in life.

Sincerely. Renee Blomstrom PVCC Execuitve Director 610-489-6660 renee@PVchamber.net

POST EVENT

Congratulations to this year's **PV Stars Finalists and Winners!**

On February 20, 2020 business and community leaders gathered in celebration of eighteen finalists in 6 award categories for their dedication and support of the Perkiomen Valley region. We applaud these extraordinary businesses and individuals for the positive impact they have made in our community. The Gala featured musical performance by Ursinus String Ensemble, networking cocktail hour, VIP reception, awards, dinner and more to make for a memorable evening at RiverCrest Golf Club and Preserve. Former WWE Champion and Inspirational Speaker, Marc Mero, delivered the keynote address "Inspiring Hope". We can interpret Marc's message of Hope from a new perspective today. Now more than ever, it is important we hold onto Marc's message of HOPE. We will prevail!

Special thanks to Gold Event Sponsors – Phoenixville Hospital Tower Health and Univest.



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View event photo gallery, list of winners and sponsors @ www.perkiomenvalleychamber.org/2020pv-stars-awards-gala/