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CHAMBER NEWS and UPDATE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Legislative Review Luncheon with the St. Mary's Delegation (April 18)
- Lunch and Learn with CSM (April 23)
- Women's lunch with speaker Alexis Zoss at Huntington Learning Center (April 25)
- Business After Hours at Cedar Lane Senior Living Community (April 26)
- Ribbon Cutting - Method Gym (April 29)
- Annual Business Awards Luncheon, keynote speaker, Sheriff Steve Hall (May 10)
- Business Showcase and Job Fair (May 20)
- Annual Member Dinner and Awards (June 6)
- Golf Outing (September 13)
- Taste of St. Mary's (September 30)
- State of the County (October 24)

See below and/or the Chamber website for more information.

CHAMBER EVENTS

Business After Hour
Cedar Lane Senior Living Community
Wednesday, April 26, 5pm - 6:30pm
22680 Cedar Lane Court
Leonardtown, MD

Join your fellow businesses and non-profits for a cocktail hour and light fare at the Chamber's April Business After Hours! Register here.

Legislative Review Luncheon with St. Mary's County Delegation
April 18th, 2023
Olde Breton Inn
21890 Society Hill Rd, Leonardtown
Some seats still available!

Your Government Affairs committee has been tracking bills this session and providing recommendations to the delegation. Learn more about these bills and join our state delegation to have your questions answered about the 2023 session in Annapolis! Doors open at 11 am, program starts at noon. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Click here for Sponsorships and/or here for individual tickets.

Lunch and Learn
April 24th, 2023

Chamber Suite 104
22738 Maple Road
Lexington Park, MD

Learn about the College of Southern Maryland's work-based learning program. Work-based learning provides employers with the opportunity to develop their future workforce while

Women's Lunch Series
April 25th, 2023

Back by popular demand is Today's Connected Women, joining with the St Mary's Chamber of Commerce. We invite the ladies of Southern MD to **join**

assisting students in developing industry and employability skills before they graduate or complete their workforce training certificates. It is a key strategy for workforce development and facilitating a globally competitive educational system.

Find out how you can become a participating employer! You can also learn more at www.csmd.edu/WBL or email wbl@csmd.edu to request additional information. Free. Pizza provided and space is limited, must pre-register! Register here.

us for lunch on the fourth Tuesday of each month at noon. This will be a great opportunity to network with other women, hear about community happenings, and learn something new. Be on the lookout each month for a new meet-up spot and speaker. Bring your lunch!

April's meeting will be at the Huntington Learning Center, and will feature our Director of Social Services, **Alexis Zoss,** as the speaker.

Free. Space is limited, must pre-register! Register here.

Ribbon Cutting - Method Gym
April 29th, 2023
9 am
Method Gym
22599 MacArthur Blvd
California, MD

10 am
Method Gym
40845 Merchants Lane
Leonardtown, MD

Support our local businesses by attending a ribbon cutting! Free and open to the public!

Annual Awards Luncheon
May 10th, 2023
Hollywood Fire House, 24801 Route 235, Hollywood, MD 20636

Keynote Speaker: Sheriff Steve Hall

Join the Chamber for a special luncheon to honor this year's recipients of the Annual Business Awards: Beacon, Lighthouse, Emerging Business, and Community Service.

Register by April 28th for this popular event here for individual tickets and here to Sponsor!

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May 10th, 2023
Hollywood Fire House, 24801 Route 235, Hollywood, MD 20636

Keynote Speaker: Sheriff Steve Hall

Join the Chamber for a special luncheon to honor this year's recipients of the Annual Business Awards: Beacon, Lighthouse, Emerging Business, and Community Service.

2022 Business Award recipients:

- Beacon: Tobacco Barn Distillery
- Lighthouse: Askey, Askey & Associates, CPA, LLC
- Emerging: Shepherd's Old Field Market
- Community Service: Servpro of St. Mary's and Calvert County

Register by April 28th for this popular event here forindividual tickets and here to Sponsor!

Thank you to our sponsors thus far - add your name to this list!

Business Showcase and Job Fair

May 20th, 2023
1pm -4pm
USMSM - 2nd Building Center Hall
44219 Airport Road
California, MD 20619

First time! The Chamber is hosting a Job Fair in addition to the Business Showcase, and on a Saturday to attract the public!

Free and open to the public. Attendees will learn about your business and if you are looking for employees, you'll have the opportunity to meet them one-on-one. Tour prizes will be raffled at 3 pm.

Registration open now. Register here for exhibitor options and here for Sponsorship opportunities.

Early bird exhibitor registration open through April 19th.
Additional Exibitor information here.

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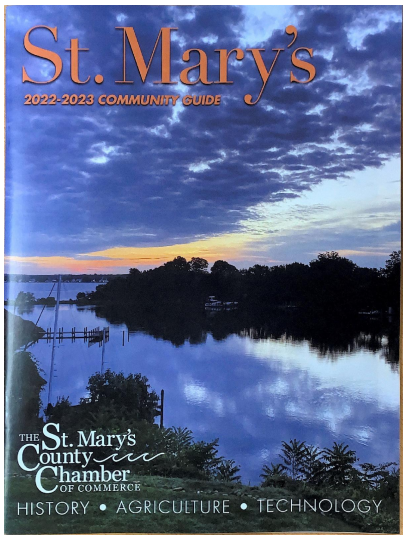
Chamber International Trips Fall 2023

Tuscany, Italy
EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT EXTENDED to APRIL 30!!!
This trip travels to Tuscany for 8 days departing October 27th. Highlights include Florence, Pisa, Siena, San Gimignano, Chianti Region, and Montecatini (optional extra tours). Book by April 30 to save: $3499 per person.

Grab your favorite glass of vino and **learn more through a ZOOM call on April 12 at 5:30 pm.** Register for call here by April 11 here.

Scotland
This journey heads to Scotland on October 11,2023, for 8 days. Highlights include Edinburgh, Inverness, and Glasgow.

Early bird discount is $3,099 per person if deposited by April 4.



St. Mary's Community Guide and Directory of Businesses

It's here! If you would like a copy of the most recent St. Mary's Community Guide and Business Directory, please come by the office to pick up your copy and take along some extras to hand out to your customers!

Pay It Forward Partnership with the Chamber

The new "Pay It Forward Partnership" initiative simplifies offers with a one-time annual payment making it easier to budget, support promotional benefits for the Chamber's regular annual events, and it includes annual dues. You can choose which events you would like to sponsor and have your name associated with, and, of course, you always have the option to simply sponsor any event you like.

Platinum Partner $10,000 Annual Investment

- Dues - prepaid for the current year
- Includes sponsorship of up to eight annual events of your choice (up to $8,000 or equivalent, one sponsorship level per event), along with all benefits attached to those events.
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Gold Partner $7,500 Annual Investment
- Dues - prepaid for the current year
- Includes sponsorship of up to five annual events of your choice (up to $5,000 or equivalent, one sponsorship level per event), along with benefits attached to those events.
- Up to two of your events highlighted in the Chamber Update per year
- And more.

Silver Partner $5,000 Annual Investment
- Dues - prepaid for the current year
- Includes sponsorship of up to three annual events of your choice (up to $3,000 or equivalent, one sponsorship level per event), along with benefits attached to those events.
- Up to one of your events highlighted in the Chamber Update per year
- And more.

Bronze Partner $2,500 Annual Investment
- Dues - prepaid for the current year
- Includes sponsorship of one annual event of your choice (up to $1,000 or equivalent, one sponsorship level per event), along with all benefits attached to that event.
- And more.

Please call or email the Chamber for more information: 301-737-3001 or info@smcchamber.com.

Business After Hours with Hickory Hills - March 2023

Host, Guy Curley and Chamber Chair, Marsha Williams

Hickory Hills Ribbon cutting December 2, 1993

Friends greeting friends!

State of the Schools March 2023

Superintendent Scott Smith

Student Ambassadors

Superintendent with student Chefs of the Culinary Program

MEMBER NEWS

TheWomenSeekingPurposeLivingDreamsExperience

April 22 @ 10am-2pm (Doors open at 9am)
The White Rose Hall, Callaway, MD

TheWomenSeekingPurposeLivingDreamsExperience will welcome 150+ in-person and 150+virtual entrepreneurs, innovators, and game changers from multiple industries. Individuals, companies, and community groups invest in themselves and their teams and purchase seats to take part in the experience. Featuring renowned speakers, coaches, musical artists, and special guests from the local community and across the country. Info and tickets here.

13th Annual Nonprofit Institute Conference

April 20
College of Southern Maryland
Center for Business and Industry Building
La Plata, MD
Info and tickets here.

Lexington Rotary Club

May 11
Breton Bay Golf Course

Help Overcome Hunger! – Join the Lexington Park Rotary 25th golf classic on May 11th. Come on over for a day at the Breton Bay golf course in Leonardtown, MD. Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided with prizes for top three teams, longest ball, men and women, and closest to hole. Register here or call 301-751-2114 / email bobparkinson@hughes.net.

State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI)

Small business loans and equity funds for entrepreneurs are now available for Marylanders through the State Small Business Credit Initiative. For more information and to apply, visit: open.maryland.gov/ssbci

Maryland Department of Commerce
The Maryland Global Gateway Exchange program provides Maryland companies with the opportunity to test out expanding to new markets abroad at an affordable rate. Through a network of official partners in strategic markets around the world, participating companies can explore new markets while being supported with access to facilities, resources, networking, advisors, etc. Learn more here.

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