



December 2023

Dear PACC Members,

On behalf of the PACC Board of Directors, I would like to thank our over 150 members for your continued support and confidence in the work of the PACC as we close out 2023. Our ten Board Members volunteer their time and talents because we are passionate about the importance of the Business Community to the fabric of our area. We will continue to strive on behalf of our members to move the PACC forward as we enter our 45th year of service to Western Montgomery County businesses and residents alike.

In early January, you will be receiving an online invoice for 2024 PACC membership dues. The Board voted to raise annual dues from \$95 to \$105 for 2024 due to increased costs of running the Chamber and to offset credit card processing fees deducted from online payments. The dues remain the primary source of revenue for the Chamber. We look forward to adding even more members in 2024.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BUSINESS HELPING BUSINESS GROW - Thursday, Dec. 7, 8 - 9:30 am at Locals. The featured speaker is David Meyers of Rescue One. His company sells AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators), and the Town recently installed one at Stevens Park in Poolesville!

PACC 2024 ANNUAL MEETING/HAPPY HOUR/DINNER at Crossvines, February 1, 2024. Be on the lookout for an email invitation to join fellow Chamber members and guests.

- Cash Bar Happy Hour 5 - 6 pm
- Short Business meeting 6 - 6:30 pm (free)
- Sit Down Dinner in Banquet Hall with delicious meal and socializing with friends
- Presentation of the 2023 PACC Community Service Award
- Ticket Price is \$80 per person, with a cash bar all evening

The Poolesville Holiday Lighting festivities were held last Friday evening and had a great turnout. The PACC was delighted to once

again support this great event by hosting a Holiday Market in Town Hall for PACC members to display their wares, and the PACC had a booth with free giveaways for kids who stopped by. The PACC also sponsored the Gingerbread Cookie Decorating at the Poolesville Museum (aka Old Town Hall) in conjunction with PACC member Historic Medley District. In addition, many of our PACC members gave generously to the Basket Auction in support of WUMCO.

Finally, on a personal note, I would like to congratulate Poolesville Town Clerk, Bobbie Evans, who will be retiring at the end of December after 40 years of working for the Town and serving its residents in many facets of Town business. Best wishes on a well-deserved retirement and hope to run into you at UMCVFD Bingo in the future.

Hope everyone has a joyous Holiday Season!

Regards,

Tom Kettler
President
PACC Board of Directors

2023 Poolesville Area Chamber of Commerce Board Members

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