



MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

It's summertime! We hope that you had a great 4th of July celebration (even if it was virtual) and that you are finding a way to get some vacation time away from work to recharge. It's important to have a healthy mind too during this difficult time. Over the last month, your Chamber has been busy helping our members, holding a number of events and planning for the second half of 2020. It's hard to believe we are over halfway through the year!



Joining us for the celebration were the following dignitaries: Maryland Delegates Joe Boteler, Harry Bhandari, Kathy Szeliga and Ric Metzgar; Gabby Slocum from Baltimore County Executive Johnny Olszewski's Office; Baltimore County Council members Cathy Bevins and David Marks and Chamber Board members Julie Gaynor and Cecile Myrick.

On July 3, we celebrated the Grand Opening of BurgerFi on The Avenue in White Marsh with owners Manuel and Diego Sanchez. BurgerFi offers 100% natural, certified Angus beef. The company was named

"Best Burger Joint" by Consumer Reports and was included in Inc. Magazine's Fastest Growing Private Companies list. We encourage you to visit BurgerFi and welcome Manuel and Diego to the community.

On July 9 and 16, we took small groups of Chamber members to Wayward Smokehouse and Red Brick Station respectively for Commerce and Cocktails networking. The food and the company were both fabulous, and the restaurants did a wonderful job of ensuring that we were following guidelines for health and safety as we sat outside on their patios. It was great to be able to show our support for these local restaurants.

On July 23, we held our first hybrid event (in person, online and recorded). Titled "To the Point: An Update from Tradepoint Atlantic," this program featured a presentation by Aaron Tomarchio, V.P. of Corporate Affairs, who shared how Tradepoint Atlantic is dramatically transforming Sparrows Point into a widely recognized center for logistics and commerce. For those who are interested, the recording of the program is available to Chamber members for \$15 and nonmembers for \$25.

Looking to August, we are planning an online meeting with Baltimore County Fire Chief Joanne R. Rund, a networking event and a new member orientation. Please watch our website - www.chesapeakechamber.org - and Facebook page - www.facebook.com/ChesapeakeGatewayChamber - for details.



While our committees will continue to meet virtually this fall, we are planning a variety of online and hybrid events to support our members and other local businesses. We hope that State mandates will allow us to participate with CCBC Foundation in raising funds for scholarships at the 30th Annual Golf Tournament at Rocky Point Golf Course on September 23 and to hold Family Fest @43 on October 3 in Middle River. If you are interested in sponsoring either event, playing golf or having a booth at Family Fest, please contact the Chamber.

We are working hard to help our local business community. Please consider joining the Chamber and learn first-hand what we can do for you.

Sharon Kihn
Executive Director

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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