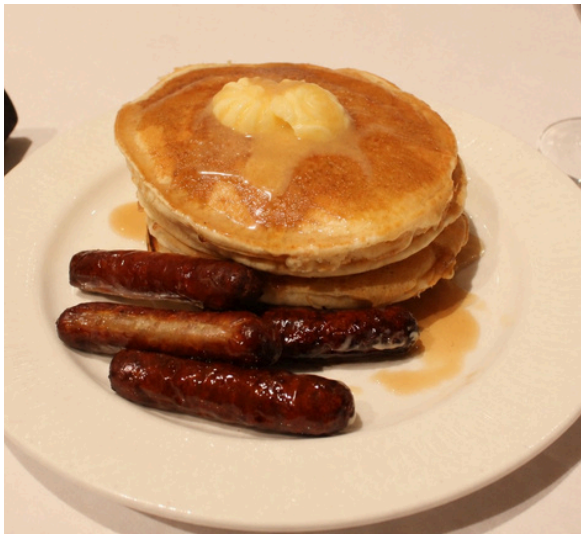
JULY NEWSLETTER

BEAT THE HEAT AT THE BCCC!

BIG BOY ROLLED INTO THE BCCC!

An unforgettable evening celebrating railroad history and our community!

The Blair County Convention Center was proud to host the Railroaders Memorial Museum Benefit Dinner during the historic visit of Union Pacific's Big Boy No. 4014. Guests gathered for an evening of great food, local pride, and appreciation for the railroad legacy that helped shape our region. With railroad enthusiasts visiting from near and far, the event offered the perfect way to celebrate Altoona's history while supporting one of our community's most treasured institutions.



BREAKFAST IS SERVED AT THE BCCC!

Our in-house F&B team helps every event begin on a delicious note!

From early-morning meetings to conferences and community gatherings, our Food & Beverage team knows how to start the day right. Guests can enjoy thoughtfully prepared breakfast selections ranging from classic favorites to complete buffet experiences, all served fresh by our in-house team. With quality ingredients, careful presentation, and dependable service, we make breakfast one less thing for planners to worry about and one more reason for guests to arrive hungry.

KEYSTONE STATE TATTOO EXPO RETURNS!

Three days of live artistry, entertainment, vendors, and incredible talent!

The fifth annual Keystone State Tattoo Expo returns to the BCCC from July 31 through August 2 for another exciting weekend of art and creativity. Hosted by Catharsis Tattoo Gallery, the event will feature live tattooing from more than 120 artists, unique vendors, live entertainment, and daily tattoo awards. Whether you are looking for new ink, meeting talented artists, or simply exploring the culture, this three-day expo promises something memorable around every corner.

BLAIR COUNTY SPOTLIGHT

LIGHTNING BUG GIFT CO.

This month's Blair County Spotlight shines on Lightning Bug Gift Co., a locally founded gift company and retail shop based in Hollidaysburg. Specializing in small-batch goods that celebrate local and Pennsylvania pride, the shop offers a creative mix of apparel, accessories, stationery, home décor, and one-of-a-kind gifts. Many of its signature products are designed and printed in-house, giving customers a fun and distinctive way to show some love for the places they call home. From Hollidaysburg landmarks to classic Pennsylvania favorites, there is local personality packed into every corner.

Along with its own original designs, Lightning Bug Gift Co. carries cards, artwork, and products created by independent makers and artists. Its downtown Hollidaysburg storefront has become a go-to destination for thoughtful presents, hometown keepsakes, and those wonderfully specific finds you did not know you needed until they were directly in front of you. By combining creativity, community pride, and a genuine commitment to shopping small, Lightning Bug Gift Co. brings a little extra brightness to Blair County. Consider this your official excuse to stop in and browse!

Lightning Bug Gift Co.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 15TH - 31ST

Blair County Convention Center

Authority Board Meeting:

15TH

Environmentally Sensitive Maintenance

Training:

22ND - 23RD

DBB Training & Retirement Party:

22ND

The Nutrition Group Conference:

30TH

Keystone State Tattoo and Fine Arts

Expo:

31ST - 2ND