

FLEX FLEX Your Ideas

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Mark Your Calendars... Bike 'n Brew is Back!!

Oil Heritage Festival Bike 'n Brew is back this July! The event will be held on Saturday, July 20. The "Brew" portion of the festival event will be from 4 to 7 p.m. This year's event will also feature a Biking Scavenger Hunt, where participants will ride their bicycles to stops along the trail in Oil City and take a photo at each spot. Bikers will get entered to win prizes for each place they stop. More info to come soon!

There are two ways to participate in the Brewfest:

- Curbside Pickup (\$40): Pick up a package full of craft beers from local breweries in a cooler tote bag, along with fun swag from brewers and sponsors.
- VIP Ticket (\$50): Includes the package listed above PLUS a tasting of various craft beers with Scierka's Tavern while enjoying live music. This year we are offering additional VIP tickets!

Tickets go on sale June 1. Get your ticket before July 1 and save \$5.

The beer activities will take place in the courtyard of the Venango Chamber.

Bike 'n Brew attendees can only bike or only brew, or "Bike AND THEN Brew!" It's up to you!

Get ready for a fun day of activities, local beer, prizes, live music, and more.

We are currently seeking event sponsors and brewery sponsors. To get your tickets or sponsor, visit ohfbikenbrew.org.



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FLEX in the Community: Join us this Summer!

If you are looking to be more involved within the community, what better way to spend this summer than to be involved in community events by volunteering! Volunteering offers a chance for you to impact the community directly while also expanding your network of professionals. There are numerous ways to volunteer your time this summer from coaching a youth sports team, to church activities, to FLEX sponsored events.

A great way to be more involved in the community and FLEX this summer is to participate in the two main events on our summer calendar, Bike n' Brew and the Oil Heritage Festival Ice Cream Social.



The beloved Oil Heritage Festival Ice Cream Social will be held Thursday, July 25 in the Central Avenue Plaza - the alley between Christ Episcopal Church and the Oil City Library.

Join us from 4:30-6:00, 6:00-7:30, or both shifts to provide ice cream and smiles to members of the community while enjoying the wonderful Oil Heritage Festival activities.

The OHF Bike n' Brew will be held on July 20 and takes place in the courtyard of the Venango Chamber. FLEX is looking for volunteers who can:

- Help distribute flyers to local businesses
- Pick up beer from local craft breweries
- Pack tote bags the night prior to the event
- Set up the event
- Provide assistance during the event
- Assist with clean up after the event

Volunteer signups for both the Ice Cream social and Bike N Brew will be shared in email and on Facebook soon!

If your organization has upcoming volunteer opportunities this summer, we would love to hear more about them to share with our members.

To sign up to volunteer at FLEX sponsored events or to share other volunteer opportunities, please share them in the Facebook group or contact us at flex@venangochamber.org.

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Member Profile: Cassady Calder



Cassady Calder is the Director of the DeBence Antique Music Museum in Franklin.

Originally from Ostrander, Ohio, Cassady has an impressive academic background, including a BA in English with a Minor in Marketing from the University of Dayton, a Certificate in Irish Cultural Heritage from NUI Maynooth, and an MA in Museum Studies from University College Cork.

When asked about her achievements, Cassady referenced earning the Society of Automotive Historians' Student Paper Award, and her current efforts to recreate the museum as a community center, involving new groups in the museum space, and engaging in outreach with disadvantaged groups.

Cassady's future goals include making the museum the most representative and welcoming it can be.

Her hobbies include music, painting, camping, and hiking.

Cassady appreciates the walkable community and beautiful landscapes in the area, and says her favorite thing about working here has been the fantastic and supportive board of directors, as well as the local community's engagement with history.

Welcome to FLEX, Cassady!



FLEX Summer Kickoff

Join FLEX Young Professionals of Venango County on Friday, June 7 for an evening of fun, food, and fantastic live music! Come for as much or as little as you can.

We are meeting at Bibo's for dinner and ice cream from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. to mingle. After dinner, we'll head over to OARS (Outdoor Allegheny River Services) to enjoy a free live music performance by Best Intentions (who are all local young professionals)!

This is a great opportunity to connect with fellow young professionals in the area while enjoying some great food and music! Hope to see you there!

This is a free public event! Invite your friends!

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Event Photos: Venango Leadership Graduation



Congratulations to the 6 FLEX members who graduated from Leadership Venango!

FLEX members who were part of the Class of 2024 include: Gage Clark, Kyle Gabler, Ashley Gravatt, Miranda Heller, SaVanha Scott, and Alex Shreffler!

Find more about the class and information on how to join the Class of 2025, by visiting leadershipvenango.org



June Events & Meetings:

Marketing Committee: Thursday, June 6 • Noon • Zoom

SUMMER KICKOFF: Friday, June 7 • 6-10p • Bibo's and OARS

Events & Fundraising Committee: Monday, June 10 • 5:30 p.m. • Zoom

MINISHOOT HEADSHOTS: Wednesday, June 12 • Signups coming soon!

COFFEE CHAT: Thursday, June 13 • 7-9a • PerkUP

FLEX Monthly Meeting: Monday, June 24 • 12 p.m. • Zoom

Strategic Marketing Meeting: Tuesday, June 25 • 5-7 • Venango Chamber

Check out our Facebook page or contact us for meeting zoom links at flex@venangochamber.org

New Members:

Alicia Daman
Matthew Zewe

Interested in joining?

Email the FLEX Membership Committee Chair

Juliet Hilburn

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or join online:

VenangoFLEX.org

FLEX MISSION: FLEX represents the needs and interests of Young Professionals by positioning ourselves as leaders, entrepreneurs and advocates for the sustainability of the Venango Area through civic engagement, leadership development, and networking.

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