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Chamber Staycation— Making Staying Home in Montgomery County Fun.

The Chamber is partnering with member businesses for a Staycation week, July 16-22. Special discounts and offers are available as a reminder that there are plenty of ways to enjoy the summer in Montgomery County. From trying a new restaurant, sampling local beer and wine to enjoying family time together or getting a night away, chamber members are offering fun opportunities to enjoy staying home.

Participating members include Blueprint Brewing Co., Boyd's Cardinal Hollow Winery, Freddy's Family Fun Center, The Greene Turtle, Grub Burger Bar, Harvest Seasonal Grill & Wine Bar, Holiday Inn Lansdale, Joseph Ambler Inn, Pine Crest Country Club and The Turning Point, and The Lansdale Area Family YMCA.

For more information, visit the *Chamber Events* page at pennsuburban.org.

Golf Outing to Recognize Local Police and Veterans

The Chamber's Annual Golf Outing sponsored by QNB Bank is on the calendar for Thursday, September 21st at Lederach Golf Club. Join the Chamber for a day on the fairways for 18 holes of golf, lunch, dinner, course contests and raffles.

Invite a local police officer or veteran to join your foursome. Don't play golf? How about sponsoring a local hero to enjoy the day and show your support for all they do.



Registration is now open. The 2016 outing closed in advance of the tournament, so do not delay.

5th Annual Community Health & Wellness Fair

Enriching the lives of your family is the theme for the Community Health & Wellness Fair. This annual event is being held on August 26th as part of Lansdale Founders Day. The fair has a new focus, location and time for the 5th anniversary event.

Exhibitors will represent health, fitness, nutrition, children's health, senior living and services, beauty and healthy lifestyles. There will be something for folks of all ages.





To reserve your table and take advantage of the extensive marketing program, call the Chamber office at 215-362-9200.

Engaging a New Generation of Leaders

The Chamber is making a commitment to engaging and educating our young professionals. As future business leaders, a program has been established to offer professionals under 40 the experience of being a member of a board. Board membership is something you rarely hear young professionals discuss. However, our local non-profits and organizations are interested in the next generation to serve their mission.

Currently forming, the Young Professional Auxiliary Board is a comprehensive training program for young professionals interested in serving on nonprofit boards. The program which includes a two year term teaches participants how to leverage their leadership skills more effectively. We will offer hands-on experience as members will be responsible for managing and executing a chamber fundraising event.

Candidates will be selected through an application process with the program to begin January, 2018.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



"First, you have to be visible in the community. You have to get out there and connect with people. It's not called net-sitting or net-eating. It's called networking. You have to work at it." - Ivan Misner

The value of networking is undisputed. On June 8th we held the largest one day networking event in the area. Over 94 exhibitors drew upwards to 800 attendees. Whether you are looking for a casual, social setting to a committed referral opportunity, the Chamber has an option to meet your needs.

Networking after hours, NetNOW, Business Connectors and Business Partnership Networking are regular events on our calendar. Give us a call if you would like help in determining which event is best for you.

As always, if you haven't been to an event in a while, how about putting us on your calendar, we would love to see you.

Best, Pam

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MADE IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY





Upwards of 800 members of the business community were in attendance for **Montgomery County's Premier Business Expo** at Gwynedd Mercy University to learn about the products and services offered by the 95 exhibitors. **Michael Araten, President/CEO, K'NEX,** helped us kick the event off with a lunch & presentation on bringing manufacturing back to the U.S., making their product in Montgomery County.





















Abington Lansdale Hospital-Jefferson North Penn Water Authority Executive Director, Health Chief Administrative Officer, Gary Candia Ph.D., was selected as a 2017 North Penn United Way Superhero.

American Heritage Credit Union awarded twenty \$1,000 college scholarships to young credit union members based on their



scholarly merits, community and school involvement and other criteria.

The Carney Group is celebrating 25 years in business and has opened its new headquarters in Blue Bell.

Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin announced that four of its attorneys were named to the 2017 Rubin, Glickman, Steinberg and Gifford, P.C. attorney Pennsylvania Super Lawyers list as well as four of its Liam J. Duffy was named a 2017 Rising Star as young lawyers named to the 2017 Pennsylvania Rising published in Philadelphia Magazine. Partner Marc Stars list. Attorneys named to the Super Lawyers list Robert Steinberg was named one of the Top 100 include Mark F. Himsworth, Bernadette A. Kearney, lawyers in Pennsylvania and Steven H. Lupin and J. Edmund Mullin. Attorneys Pennsylvania Super Lawyer, and partners Jay C. named to the Rising Stars list include Andrew P. Grau, Glickman and Gregory R. Gifford were also named to John J. Jannozzi, William G. Roark, and John F. Walko, the 2017 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers list. II.

Harleysville Savings Bank hosted a PennSuburban and Artisan Shop in Hatfield; renaming the location Chamber information table as the bank's featured Salter's Fireplace and Artisan Shop. business of the month.

The Law Offices of Jennifer J. Riley announced participated in the American Jennifer to be listed as a 2017 Rising Star by Bankers Pennsylvania Super Lawyers Magazine.

Montgomery County Community College was named one of the Most Promising Places to Work in Community Colleges in the nation, according to a study released by *Diverse*: Issues in Higher Education.



Moyer Indoor Outdoor hired John Drach as Manager of Heat & Air, Plumbing and Security divisions.

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Anthony J. Bellitto, Jr., P.E., received the Samuel S. Baxter Award at the Pennsylvania Section of the American Water Works Association's annual conference.

Portolese Family Chiropractic Lansdale held a ladies night out fundraiser for the Laurel House.





QNB Bank is a proud sponsor of the North Penn YMCA Golf Classic for Kids, supporting the charitable services and programs the YMCA provides for youth

of all ages.

Philadelphia

Salter's Fireplace has acquired Woodburners Stove

Univest Bank and Trust Co. Association's Teach Children To Save Day, reaching 1,400 students.





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September 16, 10:00 am - 4:00pm

Pike Fest is a family day of fun supporting and showcasing the businesses on the Pike and elsewhere in Lower Gwynedd Township.

Click for more information.

2017 ANNUAL DINNER & AWARDS CELEBRATION

Wednesday, October 25th PineCrest Country Club, Lansdale

AWARD NOMINATIONS OPENING SOON

Please consider nominating members in the following categories: Large Business | Small Business Non-profit | Young Entrepreneur **Community Service**

Deadline is July 28th

Chamber Committees **Monthly Meeting Schedule**

8:00 a.m. at Chamber Office Unless Otherwise Noted

Ambassadors 4th Wednesday

Golf Inquire for Dates

2nd Wednesday* Health

Human Resources 3rd Wednesday

Lansdale Businesses 4th Thursday**

LGBTQ Inquire for Dates

Nonprofit Now Forming

Small Business University 4th Tuesday

Women's Network Inquire for Details

Young Professional Now Forming

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Congratulations to BA Salon on the grand opening of their newly built salon.



Lansdale Station garage was opened with local and County officials on hand.

Fortunoff Backyard Store opened with the help of PA State Rep.
Todd Stephens, Chamber president Pam Kelly and Montgomery Township,
PA manager Larry Gregan.





CycleBar in North Wales celebrated their grand opening and ribbon cutting with staff, friends and the Chamber.





The Skippack Hope Chest celebrated their grand reopening.

The Simple Greek is officially open in Dresher, marking their first corporate training/restaurant location.

Looking for referrals? The search stops here!

Business Partnership Network



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Vince Morgan

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Blueprint Brewing Company

Cory McDonald

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BuxMont55Plus, LLC

Lisa Gendek

buxmont55plus.com

Crossings at Stanbridge

Billie Schott

lindyproperty.com/property/crossings-at-stanbridge

Denney Electric Supply

Greg O'Brien

denneyelectricsupply.com

Epoch Physical Therapy and Fitness for Women

Julie Yunaska

epochphysicaltherapy.com

Giant Food Store - North Wales

Christina Fava

giantfoodstores.com

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Gary Loewenstern

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Ivy League Early Learning Center

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Pascale Dingenen

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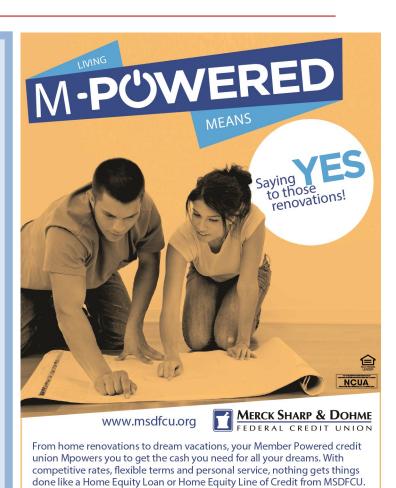
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*Indicates Centennial Member



Univest Corporation celebrated 25 years of supporting the PennSuburban Chamber of Greater Montgomery County. Pictured along with Chamber president, Pam Kelly, is Mike Keim, Univest Bank and Trust Co. President, Kim Detwiler, SVP and Director of Corporate Communications and Gary Brown, SVP and Wealth Advisor.



Where Member Power Mpowers you to say YES to life!

Thank you to the Borough of Lansdale who was instrumental to the success of our Banner Program. There are 40 banners currently on display in Lansdale on Broad Street and the Wood-Vine Connector advertising some of our local organizations.



















30 years





25 years

Robert E. Desmond, M.D.

20 years





15 years

















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The Women's Network held an educational event with speaker Mary Fran Bontempo. *Leadership & Your Inner Monologue* focused on mastering one's self-talk to become a productive, inspiring leader.



As part of the Business at Breakfast Leadership Series, a panel of executives spoke on the top five challenges facing business leaders today.



Welcoming some new members at the Meet New Members Reception & Maximize Your Membership Program



Chamber Night at the Reading Fightin Phillies: Thanks to sponsors, members of the Chamber and community had a chance to attend a game for free. Sponsors include: Wegmans, Arbour Square of Harleysville and the Birches, Colmar Dentistry for Kids, Driver Training Services, Genisys Credit Union, The Greene Turtle, Greene Tweed, St. Mary Center and Villa, and Clyde S. Walton, Inc.



Crowne Education presented a business writing seminar to a sold out group, touching on ways to write clearly and offering tips to deliver a compelling message to your audience.



Wooden Duck Shop donated a portion of the proceeds from the Chamber Women's Networking for Charity event to Sebastian Riding Associates



A night of networking, eating & a chance to bottle/label your own wine at Stone & Key Cellars for the Business Networking Event, co-hosted by the Montgomery Township's Business Development Partnership Committee.



Community Health & Youth Foundation

The Community Health & Youth Foundation collaborates with the local business community to foster programs and activities targeting **EDUCATION** and **WELLNESS** which enhance the quality of life in our community.

THE 19TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY READING DAY was held on May 2nd. Ninety-nine volunteers from the Chamber and community read to over 2,000 second grade students in the North Penn, Souderton Area and Wissahickon school districts as well as area private schools. The book chosen this year was "Emmanuel's Dream, The True Story of Emmanuel Ofoso Yeboah" by Laurie Ann Thompson and Sean Qualls. The Foundation received a grant this year to continue the promotion of literacy by inviting volunteers who speak English as a second language to participate in Community Reading Day. The event was sponsored by Merck & Co. Inc., Abington-Jefferson Lansdale Hospital, Kreischer Miller, Lansdale Warehouse and Clyde S. Walton Inc.









Readers (left to right): Yi Lui, Community Volunteer; Tammy Sergeyev, AnB Education; Gary Candia, Abington Lansdale Hospital-Jefferson Health; Kevin Robins, Chamber Board, MidAtlantic Employers' Association

THE BROAD STREET RERUN returned to Lansdale this year. The organizing group, The Physical Therapy & Wellness Institute, named the Community Health & Youth Foundation the beneficiary of the race. The funds will support scholarships to **PENNSYLVANIA FREE ENTERPRISE WEEK** (PFEW). PFEW aims to provide high school juniors and seniors with hands-on experience developing mock businesses and services in order to learn entrepreneurship and its value in America.



Lansdale councilman, Tom Work, Montgomery County commissioner Ken Lawrence, Jr. and Lansdale mayor, Andy Szekely.



Chamber volunteers & staff.



CHYF Board accepts donation from Bob Babb & Lindsey Earnest of PTW.

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