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Toy Collection for Local Children

The Chamber is asking your help to ensure a happy holiday season for children in the North Penn & Indian Valley areas. Donations of toys and apparel for kids between the ages of 6-18 will be delivered to the North Penn Valley Boys & Girls Club on December 12th.

Please consider an office collection that we would be happy to arrange a pick up time, stop by the Chamber office to drop off your unwrapped items or bring your donation to the Chamber's Holiday Party on December 8th. The kids would welcome any gift that you select. The collection deadline is December 9th.

The North Penn Valley Boys & Girls Club serves nearly 4,000 children and teens between the ages of 6 and 18 each year at two facilities: The North Penn Valley Club in Lansdale, and the Indian Valley Club in Souderton. Their mission is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.



Keynote Speakers Announced for 2017 Women's Conference

The planning committee has selected Denise L. Devine and Nancy Dunleavy as the keynote speakers for the 2nd Annual Conference.

Denise L. Devine is a former executive with Campbell's Soup Company, the founder and CEO of three businesses with an emphasis on combating childhood obesity and reducing hospital readmission rates. She is also serves as a board member of Fulton Financial Corporation, the parent company of Fulton Bank.



Nancy Dunleavy, CEO Dunleavy & Associates has been named by LEADERSHIP Philadelphia as one of Philadelphia's "Top 101 Connectors." She has also been recognized by the Philadelphia Business Journal as a "Woman of Distinction," and by SmartCEO Magazine as a "2013 Brava! Winner."



The 2nd Annual Power Your Potential Montgomery County Women's Conference will be held on March 23rd at Normandy Farms Hotel & Convention Center.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



On behalf of the Chamber staff, I would like to wish you a safe and Happy Thanksgiving with your family and friends. During this season of giving and support, I ask that you consider visiting local retailers on *Shop Business Saturday* (11/26). In addition many Chamber nonprofit members participate in *Giving Tuesday* and would welcome your help on November 29th. For a list of organizations, visit www.givingtuesday.org.

Our calendar includes two holiday events in December. Both the Chamber Holiday Celebration on December 8th and the Women's Network Holiday Party and Pollyanna exchange on the 14th are great social networking opportunities.

As always, if you haven't been to an event recently, please consider adding us to your calendar.

Best,
Pam

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Thank you to our annual sponsors



UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 7



Business @ Breakfast—"Don't be a One-Dimensional Leader"

7:45-9:30 a.m. at Talamore Country Club, Ambler

Ken Byler, Higher Ground Consulting Group LLC, talks on the "8 Dimensions of Leadership."

\$35/\$45 Guests

Includes Breakfast & Book

DEC 8



Chamber Holiday Party

5:00-7:00 p.m. at AVE Living, Lansdale

Evening of networking and holiday celebration with fellow Chamber members and area professionals.

FREE

DEC 14



Women's Holiday Luncheon

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Normandy Farm Hotel, Blue Bell

A social networking event for area business leaders featuring a Pollyanna gift exchange.

Collecting

\$30/\$40 Guests

DEC 21



Hot Java

7:45-9:00 a.m. at Skippack Village Dentistry, Skippack

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2nd Annual

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Montgomery County Women's Conference

Thursday, March 23, 2017

7:30am Registration

8:00am - 2:30pm Conference

Normandy Farm Hotel & Conference Center

1401 Morris Road | Blue Bell, PA

Includes Breakfast, Lunch & Coffee Break

Keynote Speakers

Breakout Sessions | Networking

MEMBER NEWS

[American Heritage Federal Credit Union](#) raised nearly \$4,000 through the Ronald McDonald House "Show Your Stripes" Day.



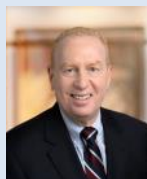
[Baum, Smith & Clemens, LLP](#) is hosting a Manufacturing Forum in November and December.

[Community Chiropractic Center](#) is collecting new unwrapped toys for the US Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program from November through December.

[Driver Training Services of North Wales](#) has become certified by the Pennsylvania Dept. of Transportation as a local driver testing center.

[Dynamic Physical Therapy](#) celebrated the grand opening of its Lansdale location.

[Foulkeways at Gwynedd](#) hosted its groundbreaking ceremony for a new Personal Care building, which will be known as Abington House North.



[Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin](#) attorney, Carl N. Weiner, recently presented a seminar on Municipalities and Planned Communities to the Warwick Township staff.

[Montgomery County Community College](#) was named as one of Military Times' Best for Vets: Colleges 2017; ranking in the top 25 of all two-year colleges in the country.



[North Penn School District](#) Parade Band will be performing in Waikiki, Hawaii during the Thanksgiving holiday. The 200 students and staff will help to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

[Patient First](#) Pennsylvania medical centers are once again able to care for UnitedHealthcare members, effective immediately.

[Peaceful Living](#) hosted an Autumn Gala, celebrating 15 years of love, life and laughter for the organization.

[Portolese Family Chiropractic](#) is holding a coat drive for the month of November, benefitting [Laurel House](#).



[QNB Bank](#) President and Chief Executive Officer, David W. Freeman, has been selected to serve on The American Bankers Association's Community Bankers Council.

[RC Kelly Law Associates](#) has announced Sandi Steelhammer has recently been appointed as a Notary Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.



[Rubin, Glickman, Steinberg and Gifford, P.C.](#), associate, Marykate Kelly, was named as a member of the Board of Limited Jurisdiction at Mater Dei Catholic School.



[Univest Bank and Trust Co.](#) employees visited four local schools as part of American Bankers Association's *Get Smart About Credit Day* to teach lessons about the fundamentals of credit and preventing identity theft, reaching more than 250 students.



[USI Affinity's](#) My Benefit Advisor program reports that UnitedHealthcare has cut fully insured rates by 10% for medical insurance for all Small Business in the five county area for January 1, 2017.

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CHAPTER NEWS

Skippack Business Owners Association

Illuminare Nights in Skippack

November 25 through December 23,
Wednesdays and Fridays

Each evening, from 5 pm to 9 pm, the Village of Skippack is aglow with the warm light of candles, hospitality and the sounds of the season. Luminaries line the sidewalks outside the stores and restaurants to light the way for shoppers and diners. Many of the shops and restaurants throughout the Village will be offering special treats and refreshment, activities, in store sales and other surprises for shoppers. To experience Illuminare nights in Skippack, just come to town.



SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY | NOV 26

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Nancy Bednarik

The 2016 Annual Awards Dinner & Celebration

Held on Wednesday, October 26 at PineCrest Country Club, the Annual Dinner recognized local law enforcement officers, corporate sponsors and the accomplishments of this year's award recipients.

Sanford Alderfer, Sanford Alderfer Companies presented the first *Sanford A. Alderfer Lifetime Achievement Award* to his long-time friend and 3rd generation shareholder of **Clemens Family Corporation, Clair "Butch" Clemens**.

Swartley Bros. Engineers, Inc. was recognized as the *Large Business of the Year*. A 3rd generation family-owned business, Swartley has been serving its clients and the community for 88 years. The Award was presented by Gary Brown, Univest Corporation.

The *Small Business of the Year Award* recipient was **Clyde S. Walton, Inc.**, a family-owned-and-operated company since 1921. The Award was presented by the previous recipient, Gary Volpe, Volpe Enterprises, Inc. and received by Chris Walton.

The **North Wales Area Library** was this year's *Nonprofit of the Year Award* recipient, presented by Nanette Carney, The Carney Group. The library has served the community for 93 consecutive years.

Success while under the age of 40 was one of the key criteria for the *Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award*. Paul Nye, Peaceful Living conveyed the community's excitement for the new business, **Boardroom Spirits** and its owners, **Marat Mamedov, Vlad Mamedov and Zsuzsa Palotas**.

Mary Fuller's volunteer work extends over many years and for a number of different organizations. It is for her commitment and dedication to the Lansdale Community, that good friend and Assistant Lansdale Borough Manager, John Ernst, presented her with the *Community Service Award*.

Nancy Bednarik, Merck & Co. was presented with the *President's Award* by Pam Kelly in recognition of her support for several initiatives that were key contributors to the Chamber's successful year.



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Mary Fuller

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RECENT EVENTS



A sold out crowd was present to hear how to *Up Your Networking Game with Improv*, presented by Aviva Meyrowitz, Lights, Camera, Acting.



Dynamic Physical Therapy opened a new location in Lansdale.



The Chamber Health Committee hosted a program titled *Be Well for the Season of Eating* at Abington-Jefferson Lansdale Hospital.

Speakers presented valuable information to keep guests stress free and more aware as the holiday season begins. The panel of experts included organizations such as Abington-Jefferson Health, Cardiology Consultants of Phila., ShopRite of Hatfield, Doylestown Health, Healthy Balance with Melanie, and Take Shape for Life.

This program was sponsored by Merck & Co., Abington-Jefferson Health, and ShopRite Hatfield.

Chamber members had the opportunity to meet with State and US representatives running for office. It was a great forum to meet and greet those candidates that will represent our service area.



Grand View Health opened its first Urgent Care center, located in Kulpville.



East Hill Media celebrated its new location in Lansdale.

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