

# PENNSUBURBAN CHAMBER of Greater Montgomery County PennSuburban Chamber Pennsuburban Penn

February 2016



On February 11th, approximately one hundred attendees joined the celebration in "Putting Lansdale on the Map," a campaign organized by Google to encourage all businesses to

create and enhance their Google Plus page. The event featured tastings from area restaurants as well as businesses that make Lansdale home. Chamber members and guests enjoyed networking as well as the opportunity to hear an update from Lansdale Assistant Borough Manager, John Ernst and Mary Fuller, Discover Lansdale President, regarding all that is happening now and in the coming months. Fun Google "goodies" were provided to attendees. Two additional "Putting on the Map" events will be taking place throughout the year. One in Spring House and the other in Souderton/Telford.







The first Montgomery County Women's Conference will be held on March 17th, at Normandy

Farm Hotel & Convention Center featuring two keynote presentations and breakout sessions. This half-day networking and education program is being promoted to all women in business throughout the County.

Donna DeCarolis, Dean, Charles D. Close School of Entrepreneurship is the Honorary Chair. Judge Renee Cardwell Hughes, President/CEO, American Red Cross, Eastern PA Region and Lu Ann Cahn, Emmyaward winning journalist will serve as the keynote speakers.

This event has been made possible through the generous support of Merck and a number of additional business sponsors. Registration is available at www.pennsuburban.org.



http://comcastnewsmakers.com/2016/02/16/womens-conference-2/

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



We are excited to welcome Sara Baumgardner as our new Communications and Events Coordinator. Sara will be responsible for our program planning, promotion and management.

A few changes have been made to our event calendar this year. Our Chairman's Reception, featuring a culinary competition will be held in April and our Business Expo has moved to Gwynedd Mercy University in June. We are also in the process of selecting a date and location for the return of our golf outing. As always if you haven't been to an event for a while, how about putting us on your calendar, we would love to see you.

Best, Pam

#### Chamber Staff

Kim Nguyen, Vice President, Member Services
Sara Baumgardner, Communications & Events Coordinator
Wendy Custer, Member Relations Specialist
Ryan Kelly, Intern

### Thank you to our annual sponsors



























Sara Baumgardner has joined the Chamber as Communications & Events Coordinator. She will be responsible for the planning, promotion and management of programs and events. Sara is a graduate of West Chester University with Certificates in Principles in Fundraising and Nonprofit Marketing and

Communications. She was most recently the Outreach Program Coordinator for Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital. Sara resides in Hatfield with her husband and two children.



March 17 ● 7:30am - 1:30pm

Normandy Farm Hotel & Conference Center







### Thursday, June 2nd

12:00pm - 6:00pm

### **Gwynedd Mercy University**

**Featuring** 

Mark Aitken, Horizon Services Keynote Presentation

### Putting Lansdale on the Map - February 11, 2016



Wendy Custer, Penn-Suburban Chamber, Dave Magagna, Alcom



Lisa Kee, Kevin Grebe, Car-tel Communications



Bryan Hill, The Vein Institute of Blue Bell



Lansdale Mayor Andy Szekely



David VanGuilder, Breathe Salon & Day Spa



Donna Crosson, Signarama

### Women's Network Luncheon - Bay Pony Inn, Lederach



Mary Griffith-Alfarano, Fulton Bank, Chair, Women's Network Committee.



Kristyn DiDominick, Manna on Main Street, Event Sponsor.

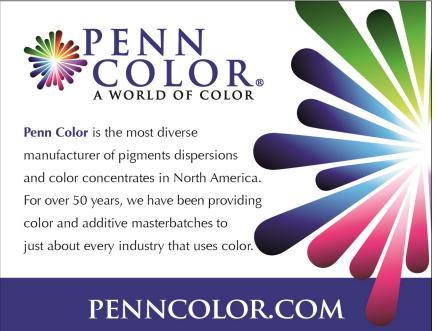


Deborah Darlington, Inspiration In Progress, presented, "Mindfullness, the Key to Engagement."

### **Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting:**

Cost Plus World Market Montgomeryville







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### Happening in the Community

February 25th: 11:30am -1pm Network Concepts It's Not You, It's Your Website seminar.

February 28th: 12pm -3pm Wissahickon Valley Watershed **Association** Maple Sugaring Festival.

March 3rd: 6:30pm Lansdale Public Library Iran & America. Pills & Prose— The Doctor is a Novelist.

March 16, April 20: 5 - 7pm Minuteman Press EDDM and Direct Mail seminar.

March 20th: 3pm - 7pm Montgomery Theater Artsy-Fartsy Casual Gala & Auction.

March 24th: 11:30am - 1:00pm Network Concepts Lunch & Learn-Joomia, CMS and You!

**April 1-3 various times Meadowood Senior Living Sixth** Juried Art Show.

April 2nd: 11:30am Laurel House Fashion Show & Luncheon.

April 4th: 6:00 - 9:00pm **Education Foundation** Methacton Community Art, Corks & Forks.

April 9th: 8:30am - 3:00pm **Discover Your Future** for girls in 5th, 6th and 7th grades.

April 16th: 6:30pm - 10:30pm **2016 Laurel House Gala.** The Women's Network of the Penn Suburban Chamber will be honored with the Business Leader award.

April 23rd: 10am The Partnership TMA 4th Annual Pedaling on the Parkway.

April 24th: Noon Grandview Auxiliary is hosting Time for Tea, Spring Fashion Show.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR** 

**Delaware Valley University** indicates a number of military veterans are choosing to attend DelVal, "This record enrollment is confirmation of DelVal's commitment to ensuring that the brave men and women who served our baccalaureate degrees in a welcoming campus environment," said Dr. Bashar Hanna, Vice President for academic affairs and dean of the faculty.

**Dunlap & Associates, P.C.** recently announced that Tracy L. Kelso has been named Director of Tax Services. Kelso joined the firm as a staff accountant in 1997 and was named a Shareholder in 2010. They also shared that Karen R. Gorski has joined the firm as a Manager in the Tax Services department. Gorski has nine years of experience in public accounting.

Fairle & Lippy, P.C. announced that Steven F. Fairlie, Esq. presented a seminar, "Developing and Presenting Your Case," using scenes from the movie My Cousin Vinny as illustrations.

Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & **Lupin, PC** is pleased to announce that Joseph J. McGory, Jr., Esq. was recently appointed Solicitor for the West Vincent Township, Chester County.

### McCloskey Partners, LLC

announced that they received national re-certification as a Women's Business Enterprise. They also are growing and welcome Nancy Kirby to their team as Director Business Development.

### Share your news!

info@pennsuburban.org by March 4th

North Wales Area Library has been named a "Star Library," one of only three in Pennsylvania, out of 7,663 in the country, ranking the Library in the top 2.5% nationwide. The Library was country get the opportunity to earn their given the distinction of star rating in the Library Journal index of Public Library Service 2015.

> The Physical Therapy and Wellness **Institute** shared the news that Tracy Goodman, former patient & Power Forward from Philmont Christian Academy, has over 1,200 points for the season with no signs of slowing down!! Tracey Came to PTW after a hip injury during a workout routine. Treatment has allowed her to begin her soon to be Freshman year at Rider University!

> Rubin, Glickman, Steinberg & Gifford, P.C. announced they have received a Tier 1 ranking as a 2016 Best Law Firm by U.S. News & World Report. This is the seventh consecutive year the firm has received this honor.

Seitz, Leatherman & Kolb, LLC marks a major milestone for employee Mary Clemens who celebrates her 10year anniversary with the company. Mary is the Business Manager responsible for bookkeeping, technology,

marketing and human resource needs.

#### Univest Bank and Trust Co.

announced that they are expanding their commitment to small business with the creation of a leading team dedicated to supporting small business in Greater Philadelphia and Lehigh Valley. The Univest Small Business Leading Team will focus on serving business with credit needs less than \$1 million and revenues less than \$3 million.

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### **Committee Appreciation Breakfast Awards Presentation**



David Salkin, Salkin Associates is recognized for his term as Chair, Business Partnership Network - Tuesday group.



Ruth Santiago, Wise Events receives recognition for serving as Chair, Light Up Lansdale 5K.



Lon Seitz, Seitz, Leatherman & Kolb is awarded the title Board Chair Emeritus, for his outstanding service to the Chamber.



Gary Brown, Univest Bank and Trust Co. is congratulated for his term as Chamber Board Chair.

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### Meet the Tuesday Lansdale Business Partnership Network

Guests are welcome to attend at any time.

There will be a dedicated visitation day on February 23rd 7:00am - 8:30am

The Business Partnership Network (BPN) is a committed group of PennSuburban Chamber members who meet on a weekly basis to help grow each other's business by recommending one another to prospective clients and customers. BPN membership is open to any businessperson who is a member in good standing of the Chamber. There are no additional membership fees to participate in the BPN, separate from pre-paid meals. The group is established on a "one per category" basis meaning that no business shall conflict with a category that is already filled.

#### **Meeting Info:**

Tuesdays, 7:00am – 8:30am at Elm Terrace Gardens, Lansdale Chair: David Nicholson, Elm Terrace Gardens

Thursdays, 7:00am - 8:30am at Elm Terrace Gardens, Lansdale Chair: Louise Knoll, Keller Williams

Thursdays, 7:00am-8:30am Peter Becker Community, Harleysville Chair: Johanna James, Allstate



The Business Connectors is a weekly networking group different than most you have attended. Networking is powerful and completed in one hour. The format alternates weekly between having the opportunity to present for 5 minutes about your business and learn so much more about those you are with than a 30-second commercial. The alternate week is a moderated mastermind discussion on a business topic of interest. Start building new relationships that can lead to meaningful referrals. There are no charge to attend. Lunch is available for purchase. Non-members are welcome to attend twice before joining the Chamber.

#### **Meeting Info:**

Tuesdays, 11:15 Registration, 11:30am – 12:30pm at Meadowood Senior Living, Worcester

Moderators: Rob Morrin, Crowne Tutoring & Test Prep | Marsha Poust, Signs By Tomorrow Duncan Reed, Edward Jones Investments | Kirk Walters, The Walters Group



L-R: Duncan Reed, Rob Morrin, Kirk Walters

### Don't Forget About I-9 Compliance and Monitoring!

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What do Krispy Kreme, Abercrombie and Fitch, and a Washington apple orchard have in common? The answer is fines of between \$40,000 and several million dollars for violations of the Form I-9 requirements under the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA). *Read more....* 

### **Easy Listening Tips to Help Improve Your Relationships**

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How many of you took Listening 101 in high school or college? None of you? Me either. And yet, isn't that one of the most important skills we can acquire? Ernest Hemmingway said "I have learned a great deal from listening carefully. Read more...

### New Year, New You - 10 Ways to Bolster Your Career Skills

### **Kane Partners**

The New Year is underway and many people are trying to stick to the resolutions they pledged as the ball dropped in Times Square. Most people try to exercise more or attempt to cut back on bad eating habits, but the new year is also a great time to get yourself in position to bolster your overall career skills. *Read more.*.

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