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An Event Sixty Years in the Making

Continuing a tradition that is sixty years in the making, this year's Annual Dinner and Awards Celebration will take place on October 17 at the William Penn Inn. What began in 1959, by the then North Penn Chamber of Commerce, the Annual Dinner was the social event for area businesses which included recognizing a member for their distinguished service and also one for their commitment to community service. It wasn't until the mid 1990's that a business and nonprofit organization was added to the list of honorees. The most recent award, the Sanford A. Alderfer Lifetime Achievement Award was first presented in 2016.

Greater Montgomery County is rich with successful businesses, strong leadership and committed individuals that work hard every day to ensure that the communities in this region are the best places to live, work and raise a family. This year's recipients are representative of the characteristics for which the awards were designed to recognize.

The 2019 Awardees include:

Business of the Year - World Wide Stereo.

Business Person of the Year - Geoffrey Brandon, TD Bank

Community Organization of the Year - For Pete's Sake Cancer Respite Foundation.

Community Service Award - Dick Shearer, Lansdale Historical Society

Young Entrepreneur of the Year - Beth Ann Magda, BA Salon

Sanford A. Alderfer Lifetime Achievement Award - Merrill Moyer President's Award - April Donahue, QNB Bank. New this year is the opportunity for businesses to recognize an outstanding employees with a presentation of an award at the dinner. There is no limit to the number of recipients that may receive this honor and the criteria for selection is at the businesses discretion.

The sixty anniversary event promises to be a great celebration with a surprise or two included.





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"There are good reasons to decide to wait until later. Waiting for later keeps our options open. Waiting for later helps us avoid the short-term hustle. Waiting for later feels safer.

Too often, waiting for later also keeps us from leaping, from leading and from making a difference. It keeps us from moving on, moving forward." *Seth Godin*

The Chamber has a number of events planned for the Fall for new connections and opportunities for business and professional development. Take a look at the calendar now rather than later and plan to join us as your schedule permits.

I look forward to seeing you at an event soon,

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There is no limit to the number of awards being presented - Deadline for submission is October 1st



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2019 7:30 AM TO 12:00 PM | MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS COUNCIL -1-1-1-1 **BUSINESS UNIVERSITY** Build relationships with a diverse network of peers, improve your networking skills, advance your career, on your professional and **COURSE SELECTION:** personal development, **NETWORKING** BREAKFAST & EXECUTIVE MARKETING TOOLS NETWORKING NEGOTIATION KEYNOTE PRESENTATION LEADERSHIP BREAKOUT SESSIONS HUMAN RESOURCES WHO SHOULD ATTEND? ENTREPRENEURS, SALES AND MARKETING PROFESSIONALS, LEADERSHIP TEAMS Keynote Speaker **CHELLIE CAMERON** Chief Executive Officer, Philadelphia International Airport Chellie Cameron has been the CEO of the Philadelphia International Airport since 2016. During her tenure Ms. Cameron's experience includes seven years as an active duty officer in the United States Air Force and one year as an Air Force civilian employee. TUITION: CHAMBER MEMBERS: \$60 | GUESTS: \$90 MYBENEFIT ADVISOR BRING A FRIEND: \$50 (MEMBERS ONLY)

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With the help of more than 70 volunteers ranging from students, families, staff, retirees, community members and local partners, we organized school supplies from more than 35 collection locations and filled over 400 backpacks for students in need in a combined total of 4 hours over the course of two days!

Because of the generosity and hard work of all involved, needy students receiving these backpacks will now be able to start the school year just like everyone else - with confidence and the tools to succeed. have done for our students '

Kaity Andrey, Communications and Development Specialist North Penn School District





The Community Youth Foundation, a 501c3 nonprofit organization, is an affiliate of The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Montgomery County. It's mission is to collaborate with the business community to deliver programs and activities that build essential life skills and develop strong and vibrant youth who will contribute to our workforce.

To learn more about the programs and initiatives involving literacy, career awareness and employability skills, contact the Foundation at info@chyfmontco.org.





Bring-A-Book, Influence a Mind!

Attention Business & Community leaders... The Community Youth Foundation will be collecting new and gently used children's books to be distributed to local area youth for grades K-12.

Your donation will assist the Foundation to provide a greater impact in our community with increasing literacy of young minds.

> Books can be dropped off at The Chamber 217 Church Road, Suite C, North Wales, PA 19454 or bring to any event.

For any questions, please contact.

Volunteer or donate at www.communityyouthfoundation.org 215-362-9200 or info@chyfmontco.org or find us on f

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For Pete's Sake Cancer Respite Foundation 5 years



Fulton Bank 20 years

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MEMBER NEWS

American Heritage Federal Credit Union was named as one of the Best-In-State credit unions in Pennsylvania in a recent study by Forbes and the market research firm Statista. This is the second year that American Heritage was recognized with this prestigious accolade.



DunlapSLK has added new three new staff members to the firm. Jane Mann and Karla Berry have joined as Payroll Administrators where they will provide

payroll processing and preparation, payroll tax return and year-end W-2 preparation. Kyle Andress is a new staff accountant and will be providing accounting and tax services for privately held companies, family-owned businesses and individuals.

Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin is pleased to announce that

four of its attorneys are included in the 2020 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*. Steven Lupin, J. Edmund Mullin, Carl N. Weiner and Douglas I. Zeiders



have been honored with this recognition.

Merck Sharp & Dohme Federal Credit Union recently presented a \$10,500 check to Bridge of Hope BuxMont through its New Britain Charitable Foundation. The funds were raised at the organizations 21st annual Charity Golf Outing.



Moyer indoor | Outdoor has announced the 2019 student scholarship



recipients. This year five students were awarded the scholarships. Since the program's inception in 2008 over 60 awards have been given to children of employees continuing their education.

Offit Kurman, one of the fastest growing law firms in the mid-Atlantic, is expanding into the Southeast by affiliating with Horack Talley, located in Charlotte, NC. The Horack Talley staff will remain in their current office.



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QNB Bank has promoted Melissa Brindley to Vice President, Branch Manger at the Colmar Office. Melissa has been in banking for 12 years and serves on The Chamber's Young Professionals Council.

Rubin, Glickman, Steinberg & Gifford shared that managing partner, Gregory R. Gifford has been names a *2020 Best Law*-*yers in America.* This is the second year that he has received this honor.



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Chambergmc.org/login then click News Releases



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