



The Chamber Chatter Box



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future." This quote from Franklin D. Roosevelt is appropriate for the BBW Chambers' April Focus on our local students. On Thursday April 6th we will award Educational Grants to two deserving students to receive not just the grant money, but the recognition that their efforts matter. In my humble opinion, this is the high point of our

chamber year. We can all remember a moment in our own lives when we were recognized for an achievement. Even minor recognition has the ability to change direction in a life or career. Please know that your association with the Chamber by attending lunches, paying your dues and supporting events makes it possible for the Chamber to award these Educational Grants.

If that was not enough reason to attend lunch this month, you will also be thoroughly entertained by students from Brentwood and Baldwin High schools. Each school will perform vignettes from their spring musicals. The talent and energy that our young people possess is inspiring. Please make your reservations today.

Finally, we are fast approaching our annual elections. We have 4 seats open for the Board of Directors. If you need exposure for your business or services, if you believe in the South Hills and its many wonderful qualities, if you like people and doing good works and volunteering then you are perfect for us! Get your nomination in by May 9th and start getting the most of your membership in the Brentwood Baldwin Whitehall Chamber of Commerce.

All my best for your continued success,

President

Save the Dates!

July 24th - Community Golf Day at South Hills Country Club

August 24th - Food Truck Event at Baldwin High School

September 18th - 51 Corridor Communities Golf Outing

If you would like to help plan and work on the 51 Corridor Communities Golf Outing, contact Mary Dilla.

Annual Chamber Appreciation Luncheon

April 6, 2017

South Hills Country Club

4305 Brownsville Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15227

Noon

**Join us as we present our
2017 Educational Grants to**

Emilee Jackson – Baldwin High School

and

Sandhya Adhikari – Brentwood High School

Excerpts from the Spring Musical Productions of
The Little Mermaid at Brentwood High School
and
Zorro at Baldwin High School

Advance reservations requested

Email Mary Dilla: secretary@bbwchamber.com

\$20 with reservation

\$25 without reservation and non-members

Have you ever considered running for the Chamber Board of Directors?

The Chamber election for the Board of Directors will take place at the June 1, 2017, General Meeting Luncheon. The membership will be electing four members to fill open Board of Director positions. You may nominate yourself or another chamber member in good standing. Each nomination should include a 50 word biography and *submitted to the Chamber Secretary, Mary Dilla at secretary@bbwchamber.com by May 9, 2017.* Being on the board is a wonderful learning experience. Our board is one of the most hard-working, diverse and creative groups ever! Everyone brings something to the table and shares the workload. Consider running for the Board of Directors to lead the Chamber over the next three years.

WOMEN'S NETWORKING LUNCHEON

There will not be a luncheon in April as the luncheon date falls on Good Friday.

Next Women's Networking Luncheon

May 12th, noon,

South Hills Country Club

Guest Speaker

Dr. Shellie Hipsky

Editor-in-Chief, *Inspiring Lives Magazine*

Executive Director, *Global Sisterhood*



**BBW Chamber Book Club will meet
Wednesday April 19th, 6:30 at Craffhouse
Stage & Grill 5024 Curry Road Pittsburgh, PA
15236**

Our Book Club pick is *In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin* by Erik Larson

William E. Dodd becomes America's first ambassador to Hitler's Nazi Germany in a year that proved to be a turning point in history. A mild-mannered professor from Chicago, Dodd brings along his wife, son, and daughter. As that first year unfolds the family experiences days full of excitement, intrigue, romance. But evidence of Jewish persecution mounts. Dodd watches with alarm as Jews are attacked, the press is censored, and drafts of frightening new laws begin to circulate. He telegraphs his concerns to a largely indifferent State Department back home amid a climactic spasm of violence and murder that reveals Hitler's true character and ruthless ambition. *In the Garden of Beasts* lends a stunning, eyewitness perspective on events as they unfold in real time that speaks volumes about why the world did not recognize the grave threat posed by Hitler until Berlin, and Europe, were awash in blood and terror.

Welcome New Members!

Bogdan Allstate Insurance — Blair Bogdan
412-655-3600, bbogdan@allstate.com

Fetch Pet Care—South Hills Pittsburgh — Matt Hindes
412-580-2528, whsh@fetchpetcare.com

Stonewater Salon and Spa — Daryl Nath
412-882-2000, dnath17@yahoo.com

2016-2017 Officers

President Mary Ann Laudato, Pittsburgh Asphalt Co.
Vice President Virginia Weida, Virginia Weida Design
Treasurer Sean J. Hayes DC, Hayes Chiropractic
Secretary Mary Dilla



BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT!



4th Annual Movers for Moms

One of our Core Values is Giving Back to the Community, and this year our collections go to the Mothers who use **SHIM** food pantries. Our location on Valley Drive will be a drop-off site for requested items; however, if you would like to do a collection at your place of business, give us a call. We can drop off a collection box, pick it up in a few weeks, and deliver it to **SHIM** in time for Mothers Day.

Requested Items

Feminine hygiene products

Bath wash, soaps, shampoo, conditioner

Oral care products: toothpaste, tooth brushes, dental floss

Diapers and wipes

Non-perishable food items



Two Men and A Truck
3555 Valley Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15234
412-881-1111

Chamber Mixer & Tea

Thursday, April 20th

4:00 to 6:00 PM

Arrowood at Southwestern



Chamber members and healthcare professionals are welcome to join us for tea and networking!

RSVP to Sara Hull at 412-651-1711 or email to
shull@southwesternhealthcare.com

Board of Directors

Amy Burch	Andre Hulsman	Jennifer Scott
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