



The Chamber Chatter Box



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President's Corner

Fellow Chamber Members,
Spring is doing its best to break through! Soon we will be on summer break and all of us hopefully will be venturing to different locations to vacation with family and friends. This letter will be short and sweet. I have a few announcements this month and that is it!!

First I would like to thank everyone who attended the Emerald Awards Luncheon in April. I have to say that it was the best event I have ever attended for our Chamber. The feedback from all of you has been stellar. I would like to take this time to thank the Awards Luncheon Committee. All of you went above and beyond the call of duty to make this an event that those of us that attended will never forget! I believe that we have started a tradition that will last for many years to come.

Check out our Facebook page! Please "like" if you have not done so already. If you have anything you would like posted on our page as a business in the Chamber please contact Mary Dilla, Virginia Weida or Chris Crompton and they will be glad to post ads for your business on our Facebook page.

Please remember that June 5 is the Election of the new Board of Directors. Nominations have been scarce! I promise you that the experience of serving on the Chamber board will be an amazingly positive one for you. If you are thinking of helping out and donating your time as a board member please let any of the current board member know. We would love to have you! Four seats up for election.

Community Golf Day is June 30th. This is your opportunity to play the links at South Hills Country Club. See the chamber website for details.

Networking Event: Wednesday, May 21 - "Wind Down Wednesday" at Gianna Via's Restaurant in Caste Village. It should be a blast!!

Keeping with the theme of Spring please remember:

***"You can always find the sun within yourself
if you will only search." - Maxwell Maltz***

Steve Gardiner,
President

Luncheon & General Membership Meeting

May 1, 2014

South Hills Country Club
Brownsville Road
Noon

Guest Speaker

David Farkas

Director of Main Street Programs
Pittsburgh History and Landmark Foundation

Real Estate Development Projects and Initiatives with the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation

David Farkas is the director of Main Street Programs. He implements downtown revitalization programs aimed at improving traditional downtown business districts, and is also involved in PHLF's real estate development projects. A Pittsburgh native, Dave is a graduate of Kenyon College where he majored in American Studies and joined PHLF as a staff member in 2008.

Advance reservations requested

Contact Mary Dilla at secretary@bbwchamber.com
\$20 with reservation - \$25 without reservation and non-members

Next Chamber Luncheon June 5th
Annual Board of Director's Election



REMINDER! Nominations for the BOD are due by May 14th

The Chamber election for the Board of Directors will take place at the June 5, 2014, General Meeting Luncheon. You will be electing four people to fill open board positions. You may nominate yourself or another chamber member. Each nomination should include a 50 word biography and can be submitted to the Chamber Secretary, Mary Dilla at secretary@bbwchamber.com by May 14, 2014. Consider running for the Board of Directors to lead the Chamber over the next three years.

WOMEN'S NETWORKING LUNCHEON

May 9, 2013

Noon

South Hills Country Club

The monthly luncheon meeting of the Women's Networking of the Brentwood Baldwin Whitehall Chamber of Commerce will meet on **Friday, May 9, noon, at South Hills Country Club.** Please plan on attending and bring a friend. We welcome members and non-members. Everyone will pass out cards and brochures and present a one-minute "commercial."

Guest Speaker

Darieth Chisolm

Owner, Fullbody Fitness

Darieth's recent entrepreneurial experiences were cultivated while working as a successful television news anchor for WPXI TV, the NBC Affiliate in Pittsburgh, PA for over 20 years as the prime time anchor for the 11pm and 10pm newscasts. In September 2011, Darieth opened Fullbody Fitness Club, a unique fitness studio, in the South Hills of Pittsburgh. There you'll find an array of fun fitness alternatives, like Aerial Yoga, Aerial Silk Dance, Ballet Barre, Pole Dance, Zumba and more.

Darieth retired from WPXI Channel 11 News in September 2013.

Darieth Chisolm, now Top 100 Money Earner with It Works Global turns her passion for helping others into a life changing adventure.

Lunch for Chamber Members - \$20 - Bring a friend!

Lunch for Non-Members - \$25

Display Table \$10

Please make a reservation by contacting our secretary:
Mary Dilla at secretary@bbwchamber.com

Welcome New Members!

Jefferson Regional Foundation — Mary Phan-Gruber,
412-267-6771

Rowdy BBQ, Take Out & Catering — Steve Kingsland,
412-882-6788

Andrew M. Goff Agency/Farmer's Insurance —
Andrew Goff, 412-489-9531

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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT!



Steel Center AVTS

For nearly 50 years, Steel Center AVTS has provided southern Allegheny County with educational opportunities that both support the workforce and grow the economies within our communities. In recent years, our fifteen high school programs of study have served around six hundred students annually using state of the art technology and the Pennsylvania Department of Education approved curriculum. Additionally, over five hundred adults enroll in dozens of Continuing Education courses each year at Steel Center. Our high school students as well as adult learners have the opportunity to earn industry recognized credentials through the numerous accreditations we maintain, and college credits are available through agreements we have established with post-secondary partners.

In the United States, vocational-technical "vo-tech" schools were established in the 1960's as extensions of the public school system designed to teach basic entry level job skills. In response to an evolving global economy and critical workforce development needs, these schools have transformed into modern career and technical education "CTE" learning centers that offer academically challenging, rigorous, and industry relevant experiences and outcomes. Steel Center has joined the ranks of these contemporary CTE schools which serve as career launch pads. We have done this by redesigning our curriculum and instructional framework, updating our labs and equipment, and embracing a culture of excellence. To recognize and celebrate this transformation, we are renewing our brand as we kick off the year of our golden anniversary. Beginning July 1, 2014, we will now be known as Steel Center for Career and Technical Education! Along with our updated name we have adopted a new logo and school colors. To learn more, visit www.scavts.net.

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