



The Chamber Chatter Box



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President's Corner



I cannot imagine a better start to our year! The first luncheon with the teachers, administrators and coaches was amazing. It was very well attended by new and veteran members alike. We also had two great talks by the football coaches from Brentwood and Baldwin High Schools. Thank you to all in at-

tendance most importantly our teachers. The 11th Annual 51 Corridor Communities Golf Outing was a huge success. It is by far the most fun I have had at a golf outing in a long time. Thank you so much to all of the volunteers that make the day possible. Thank you to ESB Bank, Dollar Bank, BNY Mellon and Eber & Associates Insurance for their major sponsorships as well. Without the golf committee and our sponsors this day would not be possible. It was a wonderful success and a huge benefit to EDS, BBOA and BBWCC so thank you ALL!!

Our next luncheon will be October 3rd at South Hills Country Club. Our guest speaker will be Mr. David Marks. David now works for Guttman Energy as manager of natural gas supply and trading. In this role he continues to acquire Marcellus and traditional natural gas production providing industrial markets with reliable natural gas supplies. It will be an interesting topic that has enjoyed much debate in recent years. Please make it a point to attend and let our speakers know that the Chambers are an important part of all of our communities.

In closing it seems like this year has really flown by. The holidays will be here before you know it and it will be time to celebrate another successful year. As always I encourage everyone in our community, especially our membership, to do business with our chamber members. Thank you for your support of the Brentwood, Baldwin, Whitehall Chamber of Commerce, I am proud to be associated with all of you.

"The quality of your life is a direct reflection of the expectations of your peer group. Choose your peers wisely." Anthony Robbins

- *STEVE GARDINER*

Luncheon & General Membership Meeting

October 3, 2013

South Hills Country Club
4305 Brownsville Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15227

Noon

Guest Speaker
David Marks

David, a native of Allegheny County, has been in the natural gas industry since 1978. David now works for Guttman Energy as manager of natural gas supply and trading. In this role he continues to acquire Marcellus and traditional natural gas production to complement a new natural gas sales book, providing industrial markets with reliable natural gas supplies for years to come.

David's role as an energy consultant has been to serve Steel Valley Council of Governments in the 1990s and the City of Duquesne and members of Allegheny County Council for the past several years. Most recently David was appointed by Rich Fitzgerald to Allegheny County's Energy & Environment Vision Team where many of his recommendations have come to fruition in bringing Allegheny County forward in the realm of energy innovation.

Advance reservations requested:

Contact Mary Dilla at 412-884-1233 or email: secretary@bbwwchamber.com
\$20 with reservation

\$25 for non-members and those without a reservation
Next luncheon and general meeting
November 7th, South Hills Country Club

51 Corridor Communities Golf Outing



Our sincere appreciation to the sponsors, donors, participants and all the volunteer that made the 11th Annual Golf Outing a success! Thank you for supporting the Chamber, Economic Development South and the Brentwood Business Owners Association.

WOMEN'S NETWORKING LUNCHEON

October 11, 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, October 11, noon, at South Hills Country Club**. Please plan on attending and bring a friend. We welcome members and non-members. Tables are available for ladies who would like to display products or merchandise. Everyone will pass out cards and brochures and present a one-minute "commercial."

Guest Speaker

Suzanne Caplan

Best selling business author Suzanne Caplan has taken the ultimate literary risk and penned her memoir, the stories closest to her life....*Strong Women, Confessions of a Smug Feminist* is a book that will resonate with many woman as we make our life choices mostly with our fingers crossed. Suzanne will share why she wrote this book and what the risks can be.

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

Lunch for Non-Members - \$25

Display Table \$10

Please make a reservation by contacting

Mary Dilla at: 412-884-1233 /

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Next Women's Networking Meeting

Friday, November 8

8th Annual Holiday Bazaar



If you are looking for new marketing opportunities to showcase your product or service, reserve a table and share this information. Display tables are limited and will be reserved on a first come basis.

Deadline to reserve a display table is November 2!

We will once again hold a raffle at the luncheon with the funds raised going to SHIM. If you would like to donate an item to the raffle, please let Mary know what your are donating.



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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT!



WHITEHALL
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Everyone knows that you can check out the latest best-seller or new-release DVD from the Whitehall Public Library, but did you know that the library can be the place to go when making decisions and plans for your business' future? Not only do we have resources, both print and online, on a wide variety of business-related topics, we also have professionally trained researchers (a.k.a. librarians!) that can assist in any number of ways. It's not just about what we *have* for you; it's even more about what we can *do* for you!

This past May, the Whitehall Public Library was the inaugural recipient of an award from the Allegheny County Library Association called the Maggie Forbes Community Engagement Award. This \$5,000 award is defined as recognizing a library's exceptional community contribution and demonstration of extraordinary and innovative approaches to public service that exceed the expected levels of community outreach. Although we are extremely proud to have been honored, we are always striving to grow and create new community connections. Having been given the opportunity to write an article for the BBW Chamber newsletter presents an ideal opportunity for the library to reach out and solicit interest and feedback in how we can better serve local business. As a library, we are in a position to offer resources and professionally facilitated programs that may well benefit you and your profession.

Please help us by filling out this quick, three question online survey so that we can offer you, as members of the local business community, the information and services that you most want and need.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DJRWLVC>

The Whitehall Public Library is proud to be a BBW Chamber member, and I have made connections through the Chamber that have benefitted my 'business' as well, namely, the 'business' of running a first-rate public library!

Sincerely,

Paula Kelly

Library Director



Whitehall Public Library: The community resource for education, exploration, enrichment and enjoyment.

Welcome New Members!

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