

NEWSLETTER ISSUE 11



November 2024

Chamber events in October were well-attended and enjoyed by the membership! The Speed Networking Event was a great success – watch for another to be scheduled early next year! The Fall Business Luncheon was a beautiful day and allowed members to make important connections!



Speed Networking Event hosted by Allegheny Creek Brewing Co.



Fall Business Luncheon at Kirkridge; Catered by J. DeFranco

Members are invited to register for the **Marketing Series Workshop**, **Part 3**, to be held at the Chamber office on Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The workshop will again be run by the talented Caitlin Sullivan, who will touch on topics such as social media algorithms and factors that influence post visibility.

**LVHN** invites Chamber members and the community to participate in a **forum** to discuss health needs and pressing issues in the Slate Belt. The event will take place at the Chamber office on November 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30am. Registration is free and refreshements will be served.

The holiday season is rapidly approaching and **Santa's Elves** are busy preparing for the annual children's party! The Elves are asking for donations of the following items: toothbrush/toothpaste, children's books, puzzles, scarves, and AA/AAA bateries. The flyer below can be posted at your place of business and donations can be dropped off at the Chamber office by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The Chamber's annual **Toy Drive Luncheon** will be held on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at noon. It will be catered by Rustica Artisan and include a performance by the Bangor Select Choir! Toys collected are distributed to Slater Family Network and Families First to benefit local children.

Members and their guests are invited to the **SBCC HOLIDAY PARTY**!! The party will be held on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at Scorecard Sports Bar & Grill and will include a buffet dinner, dessert and a fun gift exchange game!

#### Welcome New Members!

Acres and Estate	Chill on Wheels 2 LLC	<b>Broadway Games and More</b>	Slate Belt Swap
Jason Navilliat	Paul Ennico	John Negri	Samantha Wegner
31 W. 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Wind Gap	Bangor, PA 18013	11 S. Main Street, Bangor FL1	1410 Blue Valley Dr, Pen Argyl
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jason@theelteam.com	pennico@yahoo.com	accounting@broadwaygames	slatebeltswap@gmail.com
		andmore.com	

#### **<u>Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies</u>**

Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm Grand Opening Event for Acre and Estate – Ribbon Cutting at 5pm 31 West  $1^{ST}$  Street, Wind Gap

Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> 10am-4pm Grand Opening Thomas Greenhouse and Country Store – Ribbon Cutting 11am 1586 Mt Bethel Highway, Mt Bethel

#### Mark your calendar to participate in SBCC Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> 6pm – Awards Dinner – Registered Guests Check-In 5:30-6:00pm Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> 6pm – Marketing Workshop, Part 3 with Caitlin Sullivan Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> 9:30am – LVHN Health Assessment Forum Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> Noon – Annual Toy Drive Luncheon Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 6pm – SBCC Holiday Party at Scorecard

Registration for all events is available on the Chamber website: www.slatebeltchamber.org/events

Your suggestions are always welcome. Something special you want to see, let us know!

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Slate Belt Gift Certificates are available year-round and can be redeemed at many of the area businesses!

<u>One-Year Directors:</u> Rosemary Albert, Kristen Corrado, Jewel Williamson-Burns, Nadine Folk, Joann Ginder, Chuck Niclaus, Jeffrey Ott, Nancy Kessler

<u>Two-Year Directors:</u> Fred Curcio, Adrienne Fors, Zach Miller, Deb Pettinari, Mike Ortoski, Laura McLain, Connie Greenamoyer

DON'T' FORGET TO LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM: SLATEBELTCHAMBER



Share, share, share, each others posts to generate a larger viewing pool. This will help your business....

SBCC Mission Statement:

To promote and enhance positive business activity and growth in the Slate Belt region with special emphasis on community involvement.

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#### Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Nomination & Election of Directors

The following individuals have been nominated for the open positions on the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. There are a total of 15 directors and roughly half are elected every year to a two year term. This term will begin on January 1, 2025.

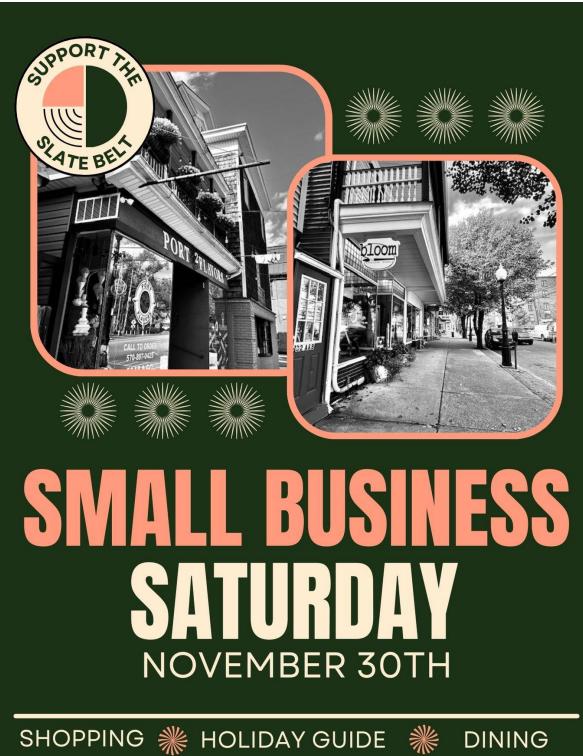
The Nominees are: Rosemary Albert Kristen Corrado Nadine Folk Joann Ginder Nancy Kessler Jeff Ott JT Raclowski Caitlin Sullivan

The nominating committee, consisting of Paul M. Donovan Jr., Chairman, & Rosemary Albert have placed the preceding seven names into consideration for the eight available seats. Nominations will also be accepted from the general membership until November 6, 2024. Nominations must be received by that time to provide the committee an opportunity to confirm the nomination and to confirm that the nominated individual is willing to serve if elected. Any chamber member in good standing is eligible for nomination.

The election of Directors will be held at the December 16, 2024 holiday dinner. In the event there are no other nominations, a motion will be made that Paul Donovan be directed to cast a vote for the Slate of Directors as presented. This is in following Roberts Rules of Order where there are a specific number of candidates for the same specific number of positions. Technically there is no contest and the ballot is elected with the Chairman's vote. This will be voted on by those members in attendance that evening.

If there are additional nominations, a ballot of those in attendance will be taken that night and the seven highest number of votes will be awarded the first seven director positions. In the event of a tie for the eighth position, a ballot between those that are tied will determine the winner. You should contact the Chamber office at 610-588-1000 or any member of the nominating committee if you wish to make a nomination or if you have any other questions regarding this election.





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Slate Belt Chamber Presents:

## MARKETING SERIES

### PART 3: SOCIAL MEDIA BEST PRACTICES

<u>Facebook - Instagram</u> Key Factors Influencing Post Visibility Challenges with Al-Driven Algorithms Maximize Reach and Engagement

Snacks and drinks included. Register online: <u>www.slatebeltchamber.org/events</u> \$5-members/\$10 future members.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH AT 6:00PM 187 BLUE VALLEY DR, BANGOR



#### Lehigh Valley Health Network's Community Health Needs Assessment Conversations

What is it? A forum with community members and leaders to discuss the health needs and any pressing issues in your neighborhood.

Who should attend? All members of the community are welcome to attend.

Why should you attend? The information you share will be used to help our efforts to address the health needs of your community. Let your voice be heard!

When: Thursday, November 21st at 9:30 a.m. Duration: 60 minutes

#### Where: Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce, Bangor

\*\*\*Refreshments will be served\*\*\*

For more information, contact: Scott Hoke Sahoke@cedarcrest.edu | 610-606-4666 ext. 4454



LVHN.org 888-402-LVHN





SBCC Toy Drive Luncheon, December 13th Registration Deadline: 12/4/24 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company:\_\_\_\_\_ Total # attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Remit to: SBCC, 187 Blue Valley Dr., Bangor, PA 18013 610.588.1000 Registration by credit card payment can also be done online: www.slatebeltchamber.org/events



Buffet Dinner: Chicken Parmesan, Brisket BBQ, Mashed Potatoes, Ziti, Salad, Rolls, Soda, Dessert

	SBCC Holiday Party, December 16th Registration Deadline: 12/9/24	
Name:		-
Company:		
Total # attending:	Phone #:	X
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# SANTA'S ELVES

Invites you to help with the children's party!

#### **BY COLLECTING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

TOOTHPASTE/TOOTHBRUSHES CHILDREN'S BOOKS/PUZZLES WINTER SCARVES BATTERIES FOR TOYS (AA AND AAA)

Donations should be delivered to the Chamber by 12/2/24 -THANKS IN ADVANCE!

187 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor 610-588-1000

Santa's Elves is an SBCC Committee that serves local families in the holiday season!