

October 16, 2023

Only One Week Until the Chamber's Business Excellence Dinner



The Chamber's Business Excellence Dinner is only a week away (October 23rd) at the Blair County Convention Center. This year that event honors Dan Hoover with the Lifetime Achievement Award for Business Excellence. It all starts with a reception at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:45. Corporate tables are still available. All seats are reserved. Call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or register online at www.blair-chamber.com.

Check out last year's [video](#).

WE-LEaD Workshop is Friday at The Columns

The WE-LEaD Committee of the Blair County Chamber will host an interactive workshop this Friday, October 20th from 8:00 a.m. until noon at The Columns Banquet Center in Altoona. The event will feature a presentation by inspirational speaker/author Beth Caldwell. That presentation, entitled "Overcoming Impostor Syndrome," focuses on what happens when girls and women believe what society has to say about them and how that can impact personal and professional growth. Beth Caldwell is a social worker turned personal trainer. A respected writer and columnist, she is the author of many books on leadership and personal development. She currently hosts the webTV program, The Morning Mastermind, and has received nu-



merous leadership awards throughout her career. The cost to attend the workshop, which includes a full buffet breakfast and breakout sessions is \$55 for Chamber members and \$65 for non-members. Each attendee will also receive a copy of Beth Caldwell's new book. Corporate sponsor of the event is [Benzel's Bretzel Bakery](#). To register, call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or online at blairchamber.com.



Presbyterian Village to Host October's HD500

The next Chamber "HD500" will be held on October 18th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at [Presbyterian Village in Hollidaysburg](#). Chamber members can attend for just \$10. Non-members can attend for \$20. Presbyterian Village is located at 201 Jackson Street. Come and enjoy some great food, great drinks (including adult beverages) and the opportunity to network in a great environment! To register for HD500, contact the Chamber at (814) 943-8151 or online at www.blairchamber.com.



Chamber Board of Directors to Meet Thursday

The Blair County Chamber's Board of Directors will meet this Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at the Devorris Center. The agenda will focus on the ongoing process of merging the Chamber and Altoona-Blair County Development Corporation. Anyone interested in addressing the Board should contact Joe Hurd by noon on Tuesday at (814) 943-8151.

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Non-Profits to Host "Business Before Hours"

The Chamber's Committee of Non-Profit Businesses will host the next "Business Before Hours" on October 26th from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. at the Devorris Center for Business Development. More than a dozen non-profit businesses will attend to interact with those who would like to know more about the many things that non-profits do in the community and ways that non-profit and for-profit businesses can work together for a stronger Blair County. There is no cost to attend the Business Before Hours for Chamber members (\$10 for non-members) and



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there will be great food, courtesy of the [U.S. Hotel](#). People are encouraged to register for the event so that a food count can be established. Register at www.blairchamber.com or call the Chamber at (814) 943-8151. Corporate sponsors of Business Before Hours are [CONTACT Altoona](#) and [Central PA Community Foundation](#).

LBC Alumni to Collect Holiday Donations For Troops

The [Leadership Blair County Alumni](#), a program of the Blair County Chamber, is accepting donations to stuff stockings for the troops. [Military Families Ministry](#) is partnering with the alumni to send donations to deployed service members. Items for donation may include: stockings (empty or stuffed), individually wrapped Twizzlers, hard candy (no chocolate - must be in a re-sealable storage bag), lip balm, tooth brush/small tooth paste, cocoa/oatmeal packets, snack and food bars, cracker packs, individually wrapped cookies (not homemade), beef sticks and jerky, individual drink mixes, packets of trail mix, nuts, pretzels, etc., deck of cards or small card games, and holiday cards with messages. Donations can be dropped off at the



Chamber office located at 3900 Industrial Park Drive, Altoona. The deadline to donate is November 3 at 4:30 p.m. Monetary donations are being accepted as well. Checks must be made payable to [The Chamber Foundation](#). Credit card donations can be made online at blairchamber.com/chamber-foundation. For more information call 814-943-8151.



We know you are tired of receiving all these emails. To be honest – we're tired of sending them.

From now on, we are freeing up your inbox! Expect three emails from the Chamber each week. The first email will contain the NETworks Digital News and the second will have a copy of the Business Insight page attached. If you do not receive these publications and would like to, visit blairchamber.com to subscribe! The final email of the week will have a list of upcoming events. All flyers will be attached and will have a link to the event page for you to register. You may find special email in your inbox every now and then, but don't worry, those are just for really important messages. Keep an eye out for those three emails and keep up-to-date with all things Chamber-related on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, TikTok, and LinkedIn.

Congratulations...

... to [Conemaugh Nason Medical Center](#) in Roaring Spring which was one of the four medical centers in the Conemaugh System to have been afforded Gold Tier Accreditation as the result of exceptional dedication and service. That honor came from the Eon Center of Excellence.

Committee Meetings

Finance Committee, October 17th, 3:30 p.m., Devorris Center

Farm-City Committee, October 18th, 11:00 a.m., Devorris Center

Anywhere! Anytime!
Register for events at your convenience.
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