



Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce

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Congratulations to this year's Business Person and Volunteer of the year 2021!

Congratulations to Business Person of the Year, Brenda Dotta of Keeping Seniors Independent, a business that looks out and cares so greatly for the senior community by providing a little companionship and care in their homes by making sure they have doctor appointments, food shopping, and general needs met. If there's a schedule conflict or an additional need for a caregiver, Brenda is there to be responsible for the meeting the client's needs. Brenda is always available by phone and takes special time and concern for all her clients and workers.

Congratulations to Volunteer of the Year, Bonnie Due. Bonnie has served as a volunteer for over 40 years, assisting the Bangor Public Library as they provide services for the citizens of the Slate Belt. Bonnie has used her educational talents in conducting Story Hour for children in which she has narrated countless stories and enriched her charges both socially and educationally. Bonnie has also served as a desk volunteer and keeping the children's reading area well organized and appealing. She is currently updating the records area which will enable patrons to research and locate family members for ancestry purposes. Bonnie has served as a Trustee for the Library Board of Directors and assists the Friends of the Bangor Library with their fund raising activities. Her dedication to the library and the citizens of the Slate Belt is immeasurable.

This year the awards will be presented at the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce office. If you see these deserving winners around town, please congratulate them!

Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Nominations for Directors are now being accepted. There is a total of 15 directors and roughly half are elected every year to a two year term. This term will begin on January 1, 2022. The nominees are: Fred Curcio, Steve Hurni, Jim Dietrich, Deb Pettinari, Mike Ortoski, Mary Marshall and Laura McLain. Nominations will be accepted from the general membership until December 2nd. Any chamber member in good standing is eligible for nomination. Email to info@slatebeltchamber.org or call 610-588-1000.

If you placed an order for **Holiday Pies**, your pies can be picked up at the Chamber Office on Monday, November 22nd between 9am-1pm.

Slate Belt Toys for Children will begin this month. Due to these challenging times we will not be holding our annual holiday luncheon and toy drive, so we are asking that you purchase a toy and drop it off at the office before December 9, 2021. These toys will then be distributed to the Slate Belt less fortunate children through the Slater Family Network and Families First.

Please see the flyer below for the **Annual Holiday Celebration** to be held at the Bangor Elks on December 14th. This year we will also be *celebrating Laura's retirement* and hope to see many of you there to wish her all the best!

In December we will mailing our **Membership Renewal** invoices, window decals, informational and directory ad form for the 2022 year. We are once again happy to announce NO INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2022.

Below is a reminder of benefits included with your Chamber Membership:

Advertising/Exposure Opportunities included with your membership:

Membership Directory Listing	Slate Belt Gift Certificate Program
Member to Member Email Blasts	New Member Welcome Packets
Membership Listing on Website	Referrals through the Chamber
Brochures & Business Cards Displayed in the Office	Community Information Guide Listing

Networking Opportunities

Business Luncheon, Breakfast & Mixers	Scholarship Gold Tournament
Business Seminars & Workshops	Clam Bake
Award Dinners	

Assistance

Entrepreneur Guide – Starting & Growing a Business in Pennsylvania	
PA Human Resources Manual, Model Policies & Forms for PA Employers	
PA Human Resources Manual	Business Resource Packet
Small Business Administration Programs	Healthcare Insurance
Small Business Development Programs	Energy Savings Solutions

Showcase your business.....sign up to be a sponsor or host a SBCC mixer, business luncheon, breakfast or seminar for 2022. Why not show off your business? The time has come to select the 2022 events. A great way to show off your company and involve members in your business. If your business doesn't have the facility to host, we can use your donation towards an event and also advertise your business as the sponsor. Interested? Contact the office today!

Newsletter sponsor opportunities are available for 2022. The cost \$200 for the entire year. Your logo and/or business card will be displayed on each newsletter.

If you are interested in inserting your company flyer in any edition of the newsletter, contact the office for details.

New Member for September

Lee Ann Lambert

Lalambert51@gmail.com

Thank you to all that attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Ott Consulting Inc! The Chamber and Members wish Jeff Ott and staff all the best at your downtown Bangor location!



Mark your calendar to participate in SBCC Upcoming Events

11/22 – pick up Holiday Pie Order at Chamber Office

11/30 – deadline to register for the Annual Holiday Celebration

12/11 Santa's Elves Holiday drive-thru event for the less than fortunate SB children.

12/14 SBCC Annual Holiday Celebration. Join us as we will also celebrate Laura's retirement.

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



Drop off your unwrapped toys for our Annual SBCC Toy Drive.

Monday-Thursday 9-12pm.

Last date to drop toys off will be 12/9/21.

Small Business Saturday, November 27, 2021

Shop Slate Belt Businesses, they support your community!



Submit any promotional specials to the Chamber and we will publish to support local business holiday shopping.

Reminder

Slate Belt Gift Certificates and Discount Cards will be available for holiday gift giving!!

One Year Directors Sarah Raley, Fred Curcio, Deb Pettinari, Steve Hurni, Bryan Gault, Mike Ortoski, Heather Marzigliano

Two Year Directors: Rosemary Albert, Mary Marshall, Jewel Williamson-Burns, Nadine Folk, Joann Ginder, Chuck Niclaus, Jeff Ott, Nancy Kessler

DON'T FORGET TO LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: SLATEBELTCHAMBER



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

Gift Certificates are available at the SBCC office year-round for many of our area businesses!

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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**Annual Holiday Party
&
Retirement Celebration for Laura!!!!**

Members and their guests are invited to join the
Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce
for our Annual Holiday Party, which will be combined as a celebration
for Laura's retirement at year end!

**Tuesday, December 14th, 2021 6:00pm at:
Bangor Elks Lodge
120 Broadway, Bangor**

Dinner Buffet provided by J. DeFranco & Daughters: House Salad, Roast Chicken, Baked Ham, Roasted Potatoes, Country Style Green Beans, Steamed Broccoli, and Dessert

Enjoy a holiday celebration with friends, good food, gifts and games!

**Cost \$35.00 per person
(cash bar available for soda/alcoholic beverages)**

**Each person is asked to bring a \$10.00 wrapped gift for the fun
Exchange Game!!**

**Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Holiday and Retirement Celebration
Please fill out and return with a check made payable to SBCC by November 30th, 2021.**

Name: _____

Company: _____

Total # attending: _____ Phone #: _____

Remit to: SBCC, 187 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor, PA 18013

To register and pay by credit card, visit our website at www.slatebeltchamber.org

