# **Women's Holiday Contest & Social**



The women's holiday social was held at the Hazleton Art League. A huge thank you to our sponsors Servpro of Hazleton, Dallas and Harveys Lake and MMI Preparatory School. Acacia Nay's Catering, who is a start up business in the CAN DO kitchen incubator offered one of their signature dips for the ladies to taste! The ladies also enjoyed wine from the Honey Hole Winery LLC and desserts and bites from Carmen's **Bakery & Deli**. A huge thank you to our women's committee for putting the event together.

Thank you to our media sponsors for donating media packages for winners of our annual tree decorating contest! Lex & Jennifer Sloot, Media Center, LLC, 105 The River, SSPTV / Sam-Son Productions, WYLN News, Panorama Community.

Congratulations to all our winners and participants. Hazleton Art League, Willow Foundation's-Heartwood Center, Luzerne Bank, Antonia's Jewelry and Repair, Sugarloaf Township Police Department, New Roots Recovery, Hazleton CareerLink, CAN DO, Inc., Sugarloaf Township, Valley

Prize winners were the Hazleton Art League, the Willow Foundation at the Heartwood Center, Luzerne Bank, Antonia's Jewelry Repair, Sugarloaf Police Dept and New Roots Recovery Center

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# **Downtown Holiday Social**

Chamber members, their employees, co-workers and guests were invited to attend the Annual Downtown Holiday Mixer. They visited and

toured the beautiful, newly renovated Hazleton Active Adult Center and shared in the holiday spirit with the local business community.





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- G.H.A. Civic Partnership
- Mt. Council of Governments
- Leadership Hazleton
- Downtown Hazleton Alliance for Progress

# 2023 Business & Community Award Winners Announced



In an attempt to help promote October as "Chamber of Commerce" month, the Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce recognized winners of the 2023 Business & Community Awards. A special awards luncheon, sponsored by **Community Bank, N.A.** was held at Top of the 80's Restaurant in Hazleton.

Pictured standing from the left is Leann Fallabel, Chamber VP of Marketing, State Representative Dane Watro, Kelly King, Keystone Job Corp Center, event chair and award sponsors including: Florence Hayden, Hayden Power Group, Charitable Organization of the Year sponsor; Jocelyn Sterenchock, CAN BE, Young Entrepreneur of the Year sponsor; Tammy Torres, Lehigh Valley Hospital—Hazleton, Healthy Workplace of the Year sponsor; Neal DeAngelo, III, Tri Mountain Ventures, Volunteer of the Year sponsor; Kim McNulty, MMI Preparatory School, Chamber Boar of Directors Chair; Karen Kaschak, Comfort Keepers, Small Business of the Year award; Tiffany Grenkevich, Highmark, Large Business of the Year sponsor; State Senator David Argall and Vicky Perez, Community Bank, N.A., event sponsor.

Sitting from the left are award winners, Paul DeAngelo, Jr., Mission Autism Clinics, Young Entrepreneur of the Year; Mark Peterson, Hazleton Art League, Charitable Organization of the Year; Nancy Sisock, PFNonwovens, Healthy Workplace of the Year; Liz Tolan, Sugarloaf Township Luzerne County, Pride of Place Award; Lori Kane, Volunteer of the Year; Shana Stefanick, Silver Pines Treatment Center and Usbaldo "Baldo" Trevino, Co-Owner of Hayden Power Group.

# **Small Business of the Year**

sponsored by Comfort Keepers Silver Pines Treatment Center

# **Healthy Workplace of the Year PFNonwovens**

# **Charitable Organization of the Year**

Hazleton Art League

# **Large Business of the Year**

Hayden Power Group

Pride of Place Sugarloaf Township

# Young Entrepreneur of the Year

Paul DeAngelo, Jr., Mission Autism Clinics



# **Anniversary Celebration Held for Long-Time Members**

In another celebration of October being Chamber of Commerce Month, the Chamber held an event, which recognized several long-standing members who celebrated a special anniversary with the us in 2023. The 8th Annual Anniversary Membership Celebration took place on Thursday, October 5th at Edgewood in Drums. The event was sponsored by **Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield.** A special thanks to **Smith Floral Company** for providing all the flowers and centerpieces for the event!

### 95 YEARS

Smith Floral Company

### **70 YEARS**

Globe Printing & Graphics Group Laputka Bayless Ecker & Cohn PC Bonin Funeral Home

# **55 YEARS**

Janney Montgomery Scott LLC Keystone Job Corps Center Silgan Closures United Way of Greater Hazleton

### **50 YEARS**

The Hershey Company Leader Data Processing

# **45 YEARS**

Greater Hazleton Joint Sewer Authority

# **40 YEARS**

**Auto Glass Shop** 

### **35 YEARS**

Laurel Mall ~ BDS Bearing & Drive Solutions

### **30 YEARS**

Barletta Materials & Construction ~ Alshefski Enterprises Hampton Inn ~ All Care Home Care

### 25 YEARS

PFNonwovens ~ Eagle Rock Resort ~ John L Ravina Plumbing & Heating LLC Blue Ridge Trail Golf Club ~ North Penn Realty ~ Top of the 80's

### **20 YEARS**

Stephanie's Greens & Things ~ ChamberChoice ~ The Falvello Law Firm Laurels Senior Living ~ Edwards Distribution Services ~ FNCB Bank Housing Development Corp ~ Hazleton Site Contractors Minsi Trails Council ~ Comfort Keepers ~ Integral Investment Group

















# 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

View Our Most Current Upcoming Events online at hazletonchamber.org Reservations are required for each event by calling the Chamber, (570) 455-1509



Thursday, February 22nd, Red Carpet Breakfast featuring Hazleton Mayor Jeff Cusat. Sponsored by TBA. Location TBA. 7:45 am to 9 am. \$25 member rate/\$35 non member

Thursday, March 7th, Celebrate International Women's Day at Axe A Holics, 1303 St. John's Road, Drums. 5 pm to 7 pm. \$40 per person

Tuesday, March 19th, Networking Mixer at the Valley Country Club, 79 Country Club Road, Sugarloaf, Sponsored by Community Bank, N.A. 5 pm to 7 pm. Free to attend!

Thursday, March 21st, 28th Annual Job Fair, sponsored by the Luzerne/Schuylkill Workforce Investment Board, the Hazleton Careerlink and CAN DO, Inc., Laurel Mall, Hazleton, 10 am to 3:30 pm. \$350 member rate/\$500 non member rate

Tuesday, March 26th, Women's Luncheon featuring guest speaker Bill Stegura, Peer Recovery Specialist from Recovery Friendly Workplace – PA presenting on the Recovery Friendly Workplace Initiative & How it Improves Community, Business & Employees. Sponsored by Silver Pines Treatment Center. Damon's Restaurant, Hazleton. 12 noon to 1 pm. \$25 member rate/\$35 non member rate

Thursday, March 28th, Red Carpet Breakfast featuring State Representative Mike Cabell. Sponsored by TBA. Location TBA. 7:45 am to 9 am. \$25 member rate/\$35 non member rate

Wednesday, April 17th, Ladies Night Out, location tba, 5 pm to 7:30 pm. An evening of relaxation, self-indulgence, networking & shopping! \$15 member rate/\$20 non member rate. Sponsored by Lehigh Valley Hospital – Hazleton.

Saturday, April 20th, Great PA Cleanup! Help Cleanup Greater Hazleton! Volunteers needed! Pickup can be done Friday, April 19th, Saturday, April 20th or Sunday, April 21st. Left behind bags will be picked up Monday morning. Gloves and bags provided.

Wednesday, April 24th, Networking Mixer at Hayden Power Group, Airport Road, Hazle Township. 5 pm to 7 pm. Free to attend!

Friday, May 3rd, 20th Annual Icebreaker Golf Outing, Mountain Valley Golf Course, Barnesville, 11 am Lunch, 12 noon Shotgun Start. \$85 per golfer. Distinguished Sponsorship includes sponsorship and two golfers \$350

Thursday, May 16th, 132nd Annual Meeting & Executive Business Exposition, Capriottis, McAdoo, 5 pm to 7:30 pm. \$70 per person. Booth & sponsorship opportunities available.

Tuesday, May 21st, Women's Luncheon featuring guest speaker that presenting that, location that, 12 noon to 1 pm. \$25 member rate/\$35 non member rate.

Tuesday, July 30th, Women's Luncheon, featuring guest speaker tha presenting tha, location tha, 12 noon to 1 pm. \$25 member rate/\$35 non member rate.

Thursday, August 15th, 57th Annual Golf Outing & On-Course Business Expo, Sugarloaf Golf Course, 9:30 am registration, 11 am shotgun start

Tuesday, September 24th, Women's Luncheon featuring guest speaker that presenting that, location that, 12 noon to 1 pm. \$25 member rate/\$35 non member rate.

Thursday, October 3rd, 9th Annual Membership Anniversary Celebration, location TBA, 5 pm to 7 pm

Thursday, October 24th, 23rd Annual Business & Community Awards Luncheon, location TBA, 11:45 am

Tuesday, November 19th, Women's Luncheon, featuring guest speaker that presenting that, location that, 12 noon to 1 pm. \$25 member rate/\$35 non member rate.

Thursday, December 5th, Downtown Holiday Mixer, location TBA, Downtown Hazleton, 5 pm to 7 pm. Free to attend

Thursday, December 12th, Women's Holiday Social, location TBA, 5 pm to 7 pm. \$5 member rate/\$7 non member rate



