



Pictured Above Left to Right: LeeAaron McKnight, Harcum Graduate, Sondra Brewer Harcum College, Alissa Griffith Chamber President, Bill Shaw Life Transforming Ministries, Rev. Hunt Board President of LTM, Emily Lautz of Vanguard, Chris Saello United Way, Bob Holliday of Brandywine Regeneration Project.

## CORPORATE CITIZENSHIP

The Chamber gathered to celebrate its ninth annual Corporate Citizenship Event. The event was recorded live for our members from Graystone Mansion in Coatesville. This year, we honored Life Transforming Ministries for its continued positive impact on our community. The event highlighted its partnerships with Harcum College, United Way of Chester County and Vanguard. *Continued on page 7*

## CHAMBER SCHOLARSHIP

The Chamber's Academic Scholarship was awarded to Coatesville Graduate Stephanie Gonzales Rojas. New this year is our Trades Scholarship. The Scholarship committee selected Hayley Koller of Octorara Highschool and TCHS Pennocks Bridge as the 2020 recipient. *Continued on page 12*



Gwen Smoker, Scholarship Chair congratulates the 2020 Chamber Scholarship Recipient, Stephanie Gonzales Rojas.

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Our Vision is for a thriving region that is well connected, innovative, and accessible for community and business growth.

Our Goals are to promote the chamber as the leading resource for businesses and organizations in our community, to build regional cooperation to strengthen business retention, growth and revitalization, and to enhance value for members through education and events.

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### **5+**

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### **<5**

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Businesses of all sizes and residents of western Chester County have been affected by COVID-19, the novel coronavirus, both directly and indirectly. First, we offer our thoughts and prayers to the individuals and their families who have been affected by the COVID-19 virus. We extend our sincere thanks to the healthcare professionals in our community who are tirelessly working to treat this illness. We urge residents of western Chester County to follow the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Our organization continues to be in constant communication with our various stakeholders to ensure that we have the latest information on the impact of the pandemic on our economy and its effect on our local business community. In response, we have taken the following steps:

*The Chamber joined the COVID-19 Business Task Force. Chester County Commissioners have brought together business, economic, education and government leaders to form the core team of the task force. The team is focusing on best practices for safely reopening and restoring Chester County's quality of life. The task force created Restore Chester County as a toolkit to assist in the reopening process and beyond. The website contains resources and best practices for each industry sector.*

*Visit [restorechestercounty.org](http://restorechestercounty.org)*

*We participated in a coalition of 80 chambers of commerce throughout the state. We signed on to a statement issued by the PA Chamber of Business and Industry to Pennsylvania's federal and state lawmakers urging support for safe harbor protections for employers related to COVID-19.*

*In partnership with the Chester County Department of Emergency Services, we received Personal Protection Equipment kits and distributed them to our members.*

*We enhanced our website with a COVID-19 resource page, which includes guidance for businesses and employers, lending resources from the U.S. Small Business Administration, and resources for reopening.*

**You can count on the Western Chester County Chamber to be right there by your side! As we begin to develop an understanding of what the future holds, we will continue to monitor the outbreak and its impact on our members and communities. As always, we are committed you - the western Chester County area business community.**

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Chester County officials have added a call center service for businesses and residents with questions on reopening guidelines and practices. The center is operated by the Chester County Health Department staff, with input from members of the COVID-19 Business Task Force. The call center number is (610)-344-6225 and hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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SCORE of Chester/Delaware County offers many workshops and confidential remote mentoring session. All are free of charge.

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# The CHAMBER EXPERIENCE GOES VIRTUAL!

Our community has faced a tough time but to no surprise #chescowest businesses have adapted to stay connected. We have created **Western Chester County Checks In**, filmed by Valley Creek Productions a virtual series that highlights our members, news and events occurring in our region.



Caterer John Serock teaches our viewers a delicious Shrimp Scampi recipe in an episode of Western Chester County Checks In.



Chamber President Alissa Griffith visited Hatts True Value to see how they are adapting services during the pandemic.



Brenda McNeil of Mahoney Environmental meets with John Lymberis of Harry's to talk about the restaurant's new methods.



Chester County Park Ranger Sissy Pavolich shares the benefits of getting outdoors to relieve stress.



Chamber President Alissa Griffith tours Revival Production's new space with their President Heather Grayberg who shares the performing arts studios renovation plans.



George Devine of Extra Mile Auto shared tips with members on how to maintain your vehicles when you are not using them as much.



Jared Castaldi and Steve Orsborn tell our viewers about their new brewery in Coatesville, Animated Brewing Company.

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## CHAMBER NEWS



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By serving as the official magazine of the region, Western Chester County Life highlights the lifestyle, community, culture and commerce of this dynamic area.

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Register at [westernchestercounty.com](http://westernchestercounty.com)

Contact Donna at (610)-384-9550  
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An advertisement for Citadel Banking. At the top is a logo of two hands holding a heart. Below it, the text reads: "Over 80 Years of Community Loyalty". The main body of text says: "Citadel has been a part of Western Chester County since our founding over 80 years ago. Since 1937, we have stood with our community through all of life's moments." Below this is the slogan: "Through good times and challenges, we'll be here. No questions asked." The background of the ad is a photograph of a modern stone and brick building with a red roof, likely a branch office. At the bottom, there is the Citadel logo, the website "CitadelBanking.com", the phone number "800.666.0191", and social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

*Continued from page 1...* “The Western Chester County Chamber of Commerce’s vision is to connect members to new ideas, resources and relationships to achieve their goals. Life Transforming Ministries (LTM) is an excellent example of putting this vision to work by bringing individuals, businesses and non-profits together to improve the lives of those in our community,” stated Chamber Board President Alissa Griffith as she kicked off the ninth annual Corporate Citizenship event.

This year the event was held virtually and filmed by Valley Creek Productions. Although we could not host our members to join us, the mission of the event remained the same. Bob Holliday of the Brandywine Regeneration Project was the integral leader in the development of the event and he said, “Corporate Citizenship was created to recognize critical non-profit organizations, their leaders, and the community and businesses that are major supporters. Together they create a powerful community of caring that exists in western Chester County.”

Bob explained that a major part of the event is education: to teach others about non-profit agencies and the ways they provide to the community. The important message is for the audience to learn from major community supporters and recognize the importance of giving not only financially to nonprofits but also realize the value of volunteering your time. For 2020, the Chamber selected Life Transforming Ministries as the Corporate Citizenship honoree.



*Bob Holliday was an integral leader in the creation of the Corporate Citizenship Event and serves on the Chamber’s Program Committee.*

Bill Shaw, Director of LTM and former Chamber Board President said, “I am honored to be here to accept this recognition. The most interesting factor of LTM is the board, which represents many different traditions. Our mission is to explore that diversity among us and to express through creative partnerships the kind of unity that our creator desires for all of us to participate in.” LTM is engaged in many different programs including the Harcum College Partnership, the Peacemaker Center counseling services, New Mornings Reentry Services for previously incarcerated people and the Transformation Center which handles the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program.

Reverend Hunt, president of LTM Board of Directors said, “Bill is truly a servant; he has served so well with his acclimation to many different backgrounds. The board of LTM continues to come together from diverse backgrounds to work together to determine what is needed in the City of Coatesville. In light of today’s world, we are saying this is our time to show what God has done in us, and to show others this is how we are going to work together. Let’s get at the roundtable to talk about the good things and find what we need to see within one another to make our community better.”

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LeeAaron McKnight, Harcum Graduate, Sondra Brewer of Harcum College, Bill Shaw and Reverend Hunt of Life Transforming Ministries

LTM was instrumental in bringing Harcum College to Coatesville in 2007. Classes are held in Graystone Mansion and more than 100 Coatesville residents have graduated from this site. Bill said, “the partnership is a very creative way to fill a gap in the Coatesville community, to give people actual skills and marketplace credentials to help them advance in the workforce. One of the greatest things I have observed is how people’s lives are transformed over the 2 years it takes them to complete the program.”

The organization works hard to create value and leverages financial aid and grants for students. Its commitment to including every student from every financial standpoint makes the college process affordable, even for those who think they do not have the resources to go to college.

“I am honored to be here today and part of something so positive for the community of Coatesville,” said LeeAaron McKnight. LeeAaron is a graduate of the class of 2020 with a Human Services Associates of arts. He originally did not intend to go to college and had visited LTM for career employment services. While there, the staff asked why he had never considered college and ultimately inspired him to give it a shot. He thought he did not have the financial resources but the staff helped him discover resources to do so. “The Coatesville site is a place where the people want to see you succeed. It is a contagious chain of events, and everyone’s success is built off of one another.”

For 16 years, LTM has partnered with the Internal Revenue Service through the Volunteer Tax Assistance Program. The program helps individuals get their income taxes done for free. LTM trains volunteers to reduce tax anxiety and increase the outcome for individuals serviced. Over 100 volunteers each year help make this happen and over 2,000 households are helped through this program. From the VITA program sprouted another partnership, the Volunteers For Vita Program developed by Vanguard for its crew members to contribute volunteer work to the financial center. Emily Lautz of Vanguard has worked with LTM for the past 5 years. She said, “one of the things I enjoy most is the opportunity to interact with individuals in my own community, the look of relief when telling someone they’re getting a refund and clients who return year after year who become familiar faces. I believe it is important to build a connection with my community; the more you connect, the more you understand, the more you can help.”

The final partnership recognized at the event was LTM and the United Way of Chester County. Bill said, “The greatest key to success of a partnership is to determine who is good at what and then building that team to get something done. The United Way of Chester County has made a culture of that in our county.” Chris Saello, CEO of United Way explained that Bill was a founding member in the Financial Stability Partnership. The partnership was developed to synchronize financial programs and fill gaps and services in the county. LTM came onboard to offer the VITA program. The United Way celebrated 75 years in 2019 with roots as the Coatesville United District Charities. Chris said, “We are proud of the work we have done. Our job is to enhance education, health and financial stability of every person in the county. Under Bill’s leadership, the program has grown tremendously and it has allowed us to fight hard for every person’s financial stability.”

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## *Seventy Five Years*

**Ballymore** invented the rolling safety ladder and continues to lead the industry in innovating and introducing new products to the market. World War II had just ended and John Colgan was looking for opportunity. He bought an Iceberg frozen food franchise and rented space for a small store and frozen foods lockers. Because household refrigerators did not yet have freezers, housewives would buy their frozen foods at the special store and keep them in rented freezers in the same building. Colgan was concerned that the wooden A-type ladder customers used to access the upper lockers was cumbersome and unsteady. Armed with his background in wartime shipbuilding, he designed a rolling stairway. Over the next 50 years, that facility went through three major plant expansions in order to meet growing market needs. In 2007, Ballymore moved to a new world class manufacturing facility in Parkesburg, heralding the next phase of the company's growth. In addition to being the first manufacturer of rolling safety ladders, Ballymore was one of the first companies to make hydraulically powered personnel lifts, having started in the 1950s and, since its inception, has been known for making custom access stands, platforms and systems.

## *Twenty Five Years*

**Sovereign Environmental** In 1995, Larry Johnson and Robert Baines became the principals and owners of Sovereign Environmental Group, Inc. The team makes up a group of consulting regulatory specialists, scientists, industrial hygienists, engineers, and technicians. They provide services to the manufacturing, utility, healthcare, educational, pharmaceutical, printing, food, construction and other sectors throughout the Mid-Atlantic Region. The business services compliance support, hazardous materials and air quality assessments, permitting and regulatory consulting, wastewater consulting and more.

## *Five Years*

The **Coatesville 2nd Century Alliance** is the City's non-profit partner in community and economic development. With a strategic focus on downtown revitalization, residential neighborhood strengthening, transportation, jobs and economic opportunity, and real estate development projects, the organization works to improve the overall economic conditions of the City of Coatesville.

## Thirty Years

**Hidden Valley Self Storage** in Parkesburg is celebrating its 30th anniversary. The family-owned mini storage facility has nine different sizes of storage units and six sizes of outdoor car and truck parking spaces available for rent. All of the units feature drive-up access to make loading and unloading easier. You can rent a unit on a month-to-month basis, which includes a personal access code to the gate. In addition to storage units, they also carry a range of moving supplies and locks.



## Twenty Years

**Honeybrook Golf Club** is a semi-private golf club nestled among the Amish farms of Chester County. This year, the club celebrates its 20th anniversary! The course is open to the public every day, offering 18 challenging holes that are fun for all skill levels. They also offer a friendly atmosphere at the restaurant, Greenside Grill. The club is a founding member of the Brandywine Golf Trail, a consortium of the area's most popular public golf courses. The club supports our local community in many ways including an annual golf outing and Music Fest on the driving range to raise money and awareness for the Honey Brook Food Pantry.



## Fifteen Years

**Valley Creek Productions** celebrates 15 years! Valley Creek offers a range of professional video services including wedding, event and corporate video production. They offer live web streaming services along with film editing. "We are excited to celebrate 15 years while at the same time celebrating our move to offices in the Lukens Executive Office Building in Downtown Coatesville" says owner and chamber board member Justin Chan. "Its been great serving on the board of the Chamber and helping to keep communication active during the COVID crisis by producing the Western Chester County Checks In live stream for the chamber."

The Coatesville-based team is made up of skilled creative videographers and licensed aerial drone cinematographers. The company was voted Best of the Mainline by Main Line Today Magazine in 2020, The Knot Best of Weddings in videography for 2018-2020, one of the top three videographers in Philadelphia by Philly Hot List for the past five years, and winner of WeddingWire's Couples Choice Award the past 10 years. "They are excited to work with businesses and non profits in the Coatesville area as new companies move into downtown.



*The Valley Creek Productions Team*

## Sixty Five Years

Charles W. Diliberto and his wife, Frances, founded **Delaware Valley Concrete Co., Inc.** in 1955. They began the operation from their current address in Hatboro. From its humble beginning; working with limited facilities and equipment, Mr. Diliberto built a financially sound company. With his eye on the future, he promoted his son, Mario Diliberto to Vice President. Together, they expanded the original Hatboro Concrete Plant into a modern central mix facility and built new and larger administrative offices.

In the mid-1980's, DVC acquired its own aggregate source along the Delaware River. The mid 80's also showed a growing pattern for DVC and provided the founder, Mr. Diliberto, (affectionately known to his employees as "Charlie"), an opportunity to enjoy a healthy retirement in the south while having his son Mario succeed him to the Presidency. This family business is looking to move into its 3rd generation.

Soon the business saw further expansion with the acquisition of New Britain, Conshohocken, Kennett Square, Coatesville, Malvern, Gap and Elizabethtown plants. This provided DVC with nine operating concrete plants and afforded DVC an opportunity to secure its portion of a growing competitive market.

## Sixty Years



"As the Chester County Economic Development Council celebrates its 60th anniversary in 2020, we are as committed as ever to ensuring that Chester County and the surrounding region remains one of the best places in the country for businesses and residents

to live, grow and thrive. We started out with just a handful of staff whose focus was working with the municipalities to create "Citation Sites" that would become the sprawling business parks that we all know today. Over the years, our services grew to include managing the workforce development needs of companies through our industry partnerships in key high priority sectors; facilitating state and federal lending programs through our affiliate organization Seedcopa; fostering the development of start-up and early growth companies through our Ideas x Innovation Network (i2n); and partnering with local municipalities with further the development of key corridors throughout the county.

Many of these efforts are in collaboration with similar organizations who are also committed to the growth and prosperity of the region. As we look toward the future, our current staff of more than 30 talented and committed professionals are ready to provide assistance with Financing Solutions, Location Services, Workforce Development, fostering an Innovation Culture, and much more. Learn more about us at [ccedcpa.com](http://ccedcpa.com)."



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## 2020 CHAMBER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

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Scholarship Recipient Stephanie Gonzales Rojas is a Coatesville Area High School Senior who has consistently challenged herself and taken the initiative to progress forward in her educational journey and career pathway. She came to Coatesville from Mexico at 8-years-old and walked into a classroom without being able to speak or understand English. Stephanie harnessed her desire to excel and progressed quickly with her English skills. This dedication led her to succeed not only in challenging honors courses but also as an honoree of the National Honor Society. Stephanie will be attending Immaculata University in the fall to pursue a degree in biology with the final goal of medical school.

The Chamber created a new Scholarship for 2020, the Trade Scholarship. This year we have awarded the scholarship to Hayley Koller of Octorara High School and TCHS Pennocks Bridge. Hayley studied veterinary sciences which inspired her to continue pursuing this field of study, in which she will attend Wilson College, Veterinary Medical Technology Program next fall. During her highschool years, Hayley was actively engaged in the Future Farmers of America where she was the Chapter Sentinel. She also participated in Skills USA, the National Technical Honors Society, the Lions Club and student council.



### MEMBER CONNECTIONS

WCCCC cultivates relationships, if you have a member connection to share please send it to: [Rachel@westernchestercounty.com](mailto:Rachel@westernchestercounty.com)

Tracy Termin and Nina Malone met at a Chamber Making Connections Happy Hour. They chatted about their mutual interests in working out and healthy living, and Nina sent Tracy away with a bunch of Arbonne samples. According to Tracy, the Energy Fizz Sticks first turned her head ("delicious!") and then the rest was history. She's now an Arbonne customer and among her other favorites are the Protein Shake Mix for smoothies and PhytoSport sports nutrition for her plank and push up challenges, as well as when she runs.

Nina Malone  
Arbonne

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Coventry  
Environmental

Citadel provided financing and support for saving the Mode House, Modena. The home sat near a Brandywine-powered mill—which processed grist, wood and wool—established and run by the Mode family. Working together we will see a successful preservation of a key historic structure that played an important role in Modena's history and industrial legacy. The property the house sits on will also provide opportunities for Borough residents to passively recreate, meet and enjoy the outdoors as part of a future Borough Park. The potential to also fully restore the Mode House itself offers opportunities to house a future Borough Hall and office, host public meetings and events, as well as providing space to present historical interpretation of the building and the Borough of Modena.

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Modena

Brandywine  
Conservancy

Bob Holliday  
Brandywine  
Regeneration  
Project

Bob Sparr  
J-S All Things  
Plumbing

Bob Holliday enlisted J-S All Things Plumbing for an emergency repair of cracked cast iron pipe, which allowed the bathroom remodel to proceed with Tony Buck Home Improvements.

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# BUSINESS NEWS

## Victory Brewing Company's Owners Inducted into Hall of Fame

The Chester County Economic Development Council honored Victory Brewing Company co-founders Bill Covaleski and Ron Barchet at the CCEDC's annual Business Achievement Award Ceremony, streamed live from Victory Brewing in Parkesburg. If you missed the presentation you can view it on the CCEDC website [ccedcpa.com](http://ccedcpa.com)

## High-Performing Students Earn Pennsylvania American Water's 2020 "Stream of Learning" Scholarships

Pennsylvania American Water announced that 10 students from across Pennsylvania have been selected to receive \$1,000 scholarships through the company's Stream of Learning scholarship program. Now in the program's 11th year, Pennsylvania American Water offers scholarships to support outstanding students from its service areas who are charting a course of study critical to the water and wastewater industry. A panel of judges selected the winners from more than 40 scholarship applicants, evaluating them on criteria including academic achievement, community service, career aspirations in the water and wastewater industry and letters of recommendation.

## Rhoads Energy Is Moving!

Rhoads Energy has exciting news to share, They're moving Chester County operations to a new, renovated space. The team will be working out of a new regional office at 130 S. Church Street in Parkesburg with the headquarters still operating in Lancaster.

## Business Woman of the Year

The Women's Business Connection recently honored its Business Woman of the Year, Debi Friedmann of Blue Dog Printing and Design in West Chester, at its Virtual Awards Luncheon. "Debi's contributions to the WBC have been extensive and long-lasting," said WBC president Diana Mattingly, a vice president at First Resource Bank. "What also makes her stand out are her contributions to our communities. She's a tireless volunteer for business, networking, and charity organizations. Business Woman of the Year is about more than just running a thriving business, and Debi is the perfect role model for all of us."



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## Brandywine Health Foundation Receives \$100,000 Grant to focus on “Community Voice” Strategic Priority

The Brandywine Health Foundation announced that it is the recipient of a \$100,000 grant from Philadelphia Foundation’s donor-advised funds. This grant is in support of BHF’s 2020-2022 strategic plan priority, To Lead Positive Community-Driven Change. “We are grateful to Philadelphia Foundation and its donors,” said Vanessa B. Briggs, president & CEO of Brandywine Health Foundation. “The generosity and passion for community focused work allows us to substantially affect real change, by focusing first on the ideas, opinions and concerns of the community to assure that their voices are at the forefront of plans to advance a more equitable, resilient and healthy Greater Coatesville.” The funding will help support the following three activities: engaging community with diversity, equity, and inclusion trainings; creation of communication tools through community stories; and building a community advocacy infrastructure.

## Tower Health-Brandywine Hospital Launches First-Ever Residency Program

Tower Health-Brandywine Hospital is pleased to announce that it has initiated the hospital’s first-ever residency program. The first-year class of the Tower Health-Brandywine Hospital General Psychiatry Residency Training Program will begin July 1, 2020. There are eight students in the first class. The four-year accredited general psychiatry residency program has 32 positions with approximately 8 residents per training year. The program offers experiences in inpatient, outpatient, consultation-liaison, geriatric, community, substance abuse, and child and adolescent psychiatry in a range of clinical settings throughout the Philadelphia area.

## United Way Continues Its Commitment to the Community

The United Way of Chester County announces a transition after its Covid-19 Response Fund awarded 83 Chester County Non-Profits with grants totaling \$612,758 to address emergency needs created by the worldwide pandemic. The organization will shift its strategic focus from COVID-19 rapid response funding to a new community impact and innovation phase with the launch of Chester County Stronger- A Campaign To Rebuild Our Community Better Than It Was. This new effort will transition its work from the Chester County COVID-19 Rapid Response Fund to a new impact agenda centered around recovery, rebuilding and reimagining a stronger community. With gifts ranging from \$1.30 to \$250,000, the community response was unprecedented, with contributions totaling \$840,000 in just 88 days. In just 10 weeks the organization distributed \$612,758 to 83 nonprofits in every corner of Chester County to address food insecurity, maintain critical service delivery, provide COVID testing, supply critical PPE supplies, prevent homelessness and help residents with financial stability services. This fund will continue releasing the remaining funds for direct COVID related needs until 100% of funds raised are distributed.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Register at [westernchestercounty.com](http://westernchestercounty.com)

JULY  
29

### Agricultural Update Virtual Town Hall

6:30 pm to 7:15 pm

A panel of ag professionals will provide an update on the "pulse" of the local agricultural community.

AUGUST  
24

### Chamber Golf Outing French Creek Golf Club

10:00 am registration / warm-up  
11:00 am Lunch  
12:00 pm Shotgun Start  
5:00 pm Dinner

OCTOBER  
21

### Annual Dinner

The Barn at Stoneybrooke  
5:00 pm - 8:30 pm  
Join us at our new member's beautiful venue as we dine in its English Quaker barn overlooking the countryside of Chester County.

OCTOBER  
27

### SCORE Educational Seminar

What it takes to Start and Run a Successful Non-Profit  
Presented by: Mike Dileo  
Time TBD  
Virtual Event

NOVEMBER  
20

### Municipal Update Luncheon

G.A. Vietri, Inc.  
11:00 am - 1:30 pm  
Municipal and community updates from local leaders from the 24 municipalities that make up our Chamber region.

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### Chester County Home Show

10:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Technical College High School  
Brandywine Campus

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