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BEAVER COUNTY CHAMBER ANNOUNCES BOARD CHANGES

Beaver County Chamber of Commerce has announced several changes to the Board of Directors. The Chamber is adding six new members and reappointing three current board members with terms effective April 1, 2017.

Accepting new three-year terms are:

1. Tina Bequeath - Publisher at Beaver Newspapers, Inc. in Bridgewater;
2. Jenifer Cushman - Chancellor, Penn State Beaver Campus;
3. Alison Douglass Hutchins - Owner & Interior Designer at Hutch & Home in Beaver Falls;
4. Charles R. Jones - City Manager for the City of Beaver Falls;
5. Jeff Krafve - General Manager of Shell Pennsylvania Chemicals Project in Potter Township;
6. Chris Shovlin - Community Engagement Director for Lincoln Park Performing Arts Center in Midland.

Reappointed for their second three-year term are:

1. Judy Diesing – Assistant Vice-President & Banking Center Manager at WesBanco;
2. Edward Palombo – Vice President, Reliability for Peoples Natural Gas in Pittsburgh;
3. Charles Sylak, Jr – Director of Business Development for Levy MG in Pittsburgh.

In addition to these appointments, the Board of Directors has also reorganized the Executive Committee of the Chamber Board of Directors in accordance with by-laws. John Thayer, Director of Polyethylene Sales Strategy for NOVA Chemicals Inc., will be stepping down as Chairman of the Board. Moving into the Chair position will be Craig Pritts, Sales Executive for JRG Advisors & Chamber Choice. Dennis Nichols, of NCS-Nichols Consulting Services, will become the new Vice-Chair of the Board. John Thayer will remain on the Executive Committee as Immediate Past Chair. The current Immediate Past Chair and long term Board member Kathy



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Bingle, Managing Partner at Hancock Architecture, will be leaving the Board after 11 years of dedicated and tireless service.

To see the full roster of the Chamber Board and Executive Committee members or to learn more about the Beaver County Chamber of Commerce and its membership services, please visit our website at www.bcchamber.com or contact us at 724.775.3944.

The BCCC is the leading business development and networking organization in the Beaver Valley region, with over 550 members and growing. Our mission is to prepare, develop and promote the region for economic growth by advocating for the business community and enabling the Beaver County region to become a premier location to live, work and raise a family.

Our diverse membership is comprised of small and large businesses; non-profits and faith-based organizations; as well as major industry and manufacturers. From education and healthcare, to retail and support services, to energy and advanced manufacturing, the Chamber offers the best opportunity for entrepreneurs and established firms to grow their business and collaborate with our nonprofit partners to make a positive impact on their community.



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