

CHAMBER SCENE

2024: A YEAR IN PHOTOS

1. Hervé Hoppenot, chairman and CEO of Incyte, was the keynote speaker at the 187th Annual Dinner.*

2. Gary R. Stockbridge was honored with the prestigious Josiah Marvel Cup. His children accepted the award on his behalf.*

3. Robert L. Byrd was awarded the Dick DiSabatino Award at the Annual Dinner for his contributions in public policy.*

4. Courageous Hearts (left) and CSC (right) were honored with the Warrior Friendly Business Award at The State of the Guard.

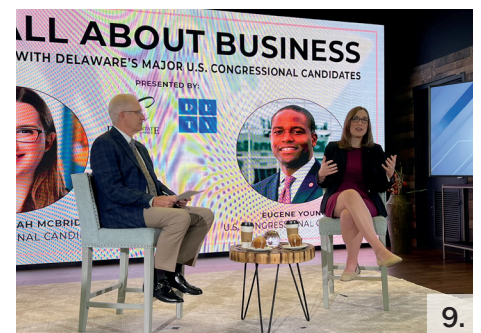
5. The inaugural Coolest Thing Made in Delaware award was given to Hologic's 3Dimensions™ Mammography System.

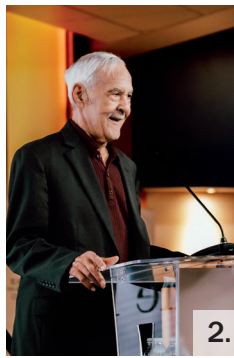
6. The Spring Manufacturing & Policy Conference featured remarks from Ryo Tashiro, outreach economist and advisor at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia.

7. The Delaware Young Professionals Network (DYPN) hosted a panel discussion on involvement with nonprofit boards and community outreach.

8. Skip Schoenhals, former chairman and CEO of WSFS Bank, was the first Chamber Leadership speaker of the year.

9. DSCC hosted a candidate forum with the candidates for Delaware's sole U.S. Congress seat in March, which aired live on DETV.





1. Superstars in Education & Training awards were given to Brandywine School District, Delaware Skills Center, and the John S. Charlton School (top to bottom).

2. Wilmington City Councilman Jea P. Street was named the recipient of the John H. Taylor, Jr. Education Leadership Award.



3. The inaugural Navigating Delaware Pathways Summit featured discussions and interactive cross-sector networking designed to educate educators and employers on workforce development.

4. In honor of Distracted Driving Awareness Month, April's networking breakfast was hosted by the Delaware Safety Council.



5. DSCC's Tyler Micik led the conversation at Small Business Day in Dover, which featured scheduled visits with attendees' legislators.

6. State Chamber staff, former staff, family, and friends celebrated Fred Miller's retirement after 40 years of service to the State Chamber.



7. NERDiT NOW hosted DSCC's May networking breakfast and provided a tour of their 50,000-square-foot warehouse in Wilmington's Riverside neighborhood.

8. Senate President Pro Tempore David Sokola (left) and Speaker of the House Valerie Longhurst (right) updated guests on the top issues before the General Assembly at our End-of-Session Policy Conference in June.



1. Young professionals and their mentors hit the links at the 12th Annual DYPN Golf Outing in June.

2. Intern Delaware participants attended 19 events with more than 40 speakers over the summer.

3. Janice Nevin, CEO of ChristianaCare, highlighted her career journey at a Chamber Leadership Breakfast in June.

4. Guests mingled with furry friends at a July evening mixer with Faithful Friends Animal Society.

5. A ribbon-cutting ceremony for DSCC's newly renovated office space was held during a special networking breakfast in July.

6. The Teen Warehouse, run by The WRK Group, provided student-led tours of their facility during a networking breakfast in August.

7. The 31st Annual Chamber Chase Golf Tournament took place at Kings Creek Country Club in September.

8. Andrew Cottone shared insights about how clean hydrogen will play a major role in Delaware's future at a Chamber Leadership Breakfast.

9. The Delaware Business Expo featured over 80 vendors and brought nearly 450 attendees to the Chase Center.

10. Developing Delaware included multiple panels about retail and economic development and featured Mark Mathews of the National Retail Federation and Neil Bradley of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce as keynote speakers.





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SUPERSTARS IN BUSINESS WINNERS:

1. **1-14 EMPLOYEES:** Courageous Hearts, LLC*
2. **15-40 EMPLOYEES:** RiversEdge Advisors*
3. **41-150 EMPLOYEES:** Surf Bagel*
4. **NONPROFIT:** Delaware Nature Society*

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE WINNERS:

5. **1-14 EMPLOYEES:** Jack Lingo Asset Management*
6. **15-40 EMPLOYEES:** Tevebaugh Architecture*

41-150 EMPLOYEES: Boulden Brothers (not pictured)

7. **NONPROFIT:** Down Syndrome Association of Delaware*

8. Larry DiSabatino, president of DiSabatino Construction Company, was surprised with the Marvin S. Gilman Bowl.*

9. Michael Meoli, president and owner/operator of The Meoli Companies, delivered the keynote address at the 26th Annual Superstars in Business Awards luncheon.*



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10. At a networking breakfast at Hockessin Colored School #107C, former student James "Sonny" Knotts shared stories about the school, which played a major role in the Brown v. Board of Education case.

11. The second annual DYPN "YPs vs. OGs" kickball game took place in October.

12. The Delaware Skills Center showcased their construction trades, nursing, IT, and CDL training programs during a networking breakfast in November.

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