



FYI

May 18, 2017



The Committee of 100 is continuing our 50th Anniversary celebration with a billboard campaign showing our support for the City of Wilmington. Our offices have been in the City for our entire existence – we’ve even had the same telephone number since 1967! We were honored to unveil the billboard campaign for Mayor Mike Purzycki at our April 18th Dinner Meeting. Special thanks to Clear Channel Outdoor for donating the billboards – look for them on arteries leading into Wilmington through mid-June.

Welcome New Board Members

The 2017 Annual Membership Meeting of The Committee of 100 took place on April 18th. The following nominees to the Board of Directors were recommended by the Nominating Committee and duly elected for three year terms by voice vote.

Gregory Ritter - Whiting-Turner Company

Brent Shaffer - Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor

The Members were also notified that the Board of Directors, at their March 21, 2017 meeting, appointed the following new Directors to replace Board Members who resigned during their term of office:

Rob McMurray - Christiana Care Health Services

Jonathan Reese - Bryn Mawr Trust

President Mike Scali thanked departing Directors Anthony Manerchia and John Tracey for their service to The Committee of 100.

Pam Scott Appointed to the Council on Transportation

Pamela J. Scott, Assistant General Counsel at Delmarva Power and Second Vice President of The Committee of 100, has been recently appointed by Governor Carney to the Council on Transportation.

The Council serves in an advisory capacity to the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Directors of the Department of Transportation and the Governor on issues relating to transportation and other matters which may aid the Department in providing the best possible transportation services for the traveling public. Pam joins First Vice President Ted Williams on the nine-member advisory panel of business and community leaders.

DelDOT Long Range Transportation Plan Survey

DelDOT Secretary Jennifer Cohan met with our Transportation Committee earlier this week. She requested input from our Members on current transportation services and future challenges in Delaware. Please take a few moments to participate – click on the image below to be taken to the survey.



DelDOT would like your opinions about the current transportation services in Delaware and future transportation challenges.

Please visit the link below or scan the QR code to participate in our survey. Thank you!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C5WD82Y>



2017 Academic Scholarship Award



Connor J. Sweeney was awarded The Committee of 100 Academic Scholarship for 2017 at our Dinner Meeting on May 16th. Connor is graduating from the Charter School of Wilmington with a 4.608 GPA and an impressive resume of academic, leadership and athletic achievements. He is a member of the National Honor Society, the National Spanish Honor Society, and a National Merit Scholarship finalist. Connor is a competitive swimmer for CSW and the Delaware Swim Team, earning All-State Team honors all four years.

Outside the classroom, Connor conducts research at the Delaware Biotechnology Institute and has already authored a scientific paper published in *Frontiers in Plant Science*. You can learn more about his research in the recent UDaily article - [Plants call 911, too](#). Connor has received numerous awards for his scientific accomplishments, including being named a semifinalist in the 2017 Regeneron Science Talent Search, the 2016 Delaware Envirothon State Champion, the 2016 Delmarva Power Young Scientist Award, and winner of the 2016 Delaware BioGENEius Challenge and a finalist in the International BioGENEius Challenge.

Connor will attend the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the Fall and plans to double major in Biochemical Engineering and Economics to prepare for a career at the intersection of biotechnology and agriculture.

Each year, we offer a \$3,000 merit scholarship to a graduating high school senior who is a resident of New Castle County, and who intends to major in business, economics, or a related field. The scholarship is awarded based on academic excellence, as well as well-rounded involvement in extra-curricular and community activities.

This year, we are also pleased to award a special Book Scholarship to Johnny Means in recognition of his outstanding community service work. The Committee of 100 contributed \$500 with an additional \$500 donated by several generous Members. Johnny is graduating from Delaware Military Academy and heading to the University of Delaware in the Fall. In 2015, he was appointed by Governor Markell as one of two student commissioners on the Wilmington Education Improvement Commission. Johnny is an avid chess player and founded the [Wilmington Urban Chess Initiative](#) teaching the game to his peers and younger students in his Southbridge neighborhood. The WUIC started at one community center, but is now a city-wide initiative and has gathered hundreds of new players across Wilmington.

Special thanks to Education & Scholarship Committee members Jeremy Abelson, Peter Bailey, Bert Green, Dev Sitaram, Paula Swain and Ted Williams for reviewing and scoring this year's applications, and interviewing our four outstanding finalists. It was a challenge to select among such talented and accomplished candidates!

The Committee of 100 Annual June BBQ



Monday, June 19, 2017
5:30 - 8:30 PM
The University & Whist Club

Kick-off the Summer with the last and best networking opportunity of the season. Rub elbows with business colleagues, as well as federal, state, and local elected officials invited for this casual, fun, and filling event. Same all-you-can-eat low price of \$50.

The Annual June BBQ will be held on the lawn of the University & Whist Club. Cocktails will be served at 5:30 with the BBQ buffet beginning at 6:30. Dress is casual. In the event of rain, we will move indoors to the ballroom.

BBQ Table Sponsors

Put your company's name in front of Delaware's public and private sector leaders by becoming a Table Sponsor. An investment of only \$300 earns you a table sign, poster listing, and recognition on The Committee of 100 website. Each table sponsorship also includes one event registration (\$50 value).

For convenient online registration and payment for both tickets and table sponsorships, visit:

[Annual June BBQ Registration](#)
