

Former Chamber Director Pleads to Theft, Tampering with Records

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Sara Arseneau, 52, of Goshen pled guilty today before Warren County Common Pleas Judge Robert Peeler to grand theft and tampering with records, both felonies of the 4th degree. Arseneau stole over \$20,000 from her employer, the Lebanon Chamber of Commerce, by issuing herself 13 additional payroll checks from November 2012 through June 2015. Arseneau was employed as the Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce. Her duties included writing checks and releasing documents for tax purposes. Arseneau's sentencing is scheduled for March 8, 2016.

"This case is yet another reminder to charitable organizations of the need to implement basic safeguards to prevent internal theft," said Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell.

Fornshell praised the efforts of Detective Greg Spanel of the Lebanon Police Department and Assistant Prosecutor Carrie Heisele.

Fornshell also highlighted that the Prosecutor's Office conducts anti-theft training for employees, volunteers, and directors of not-for-profit, youth, charitable, and other community organizations. For more information, please contact (513) 695-1325.



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