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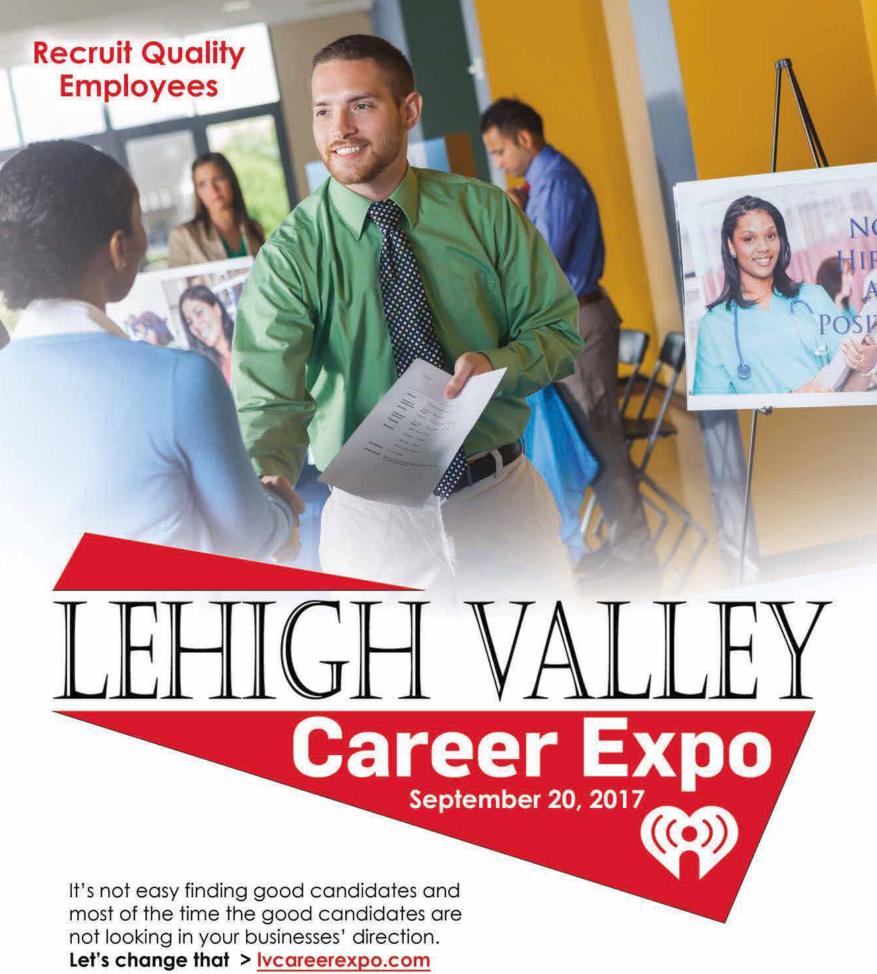
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The Shelby Donny Petridis, owner of The Shelby, was accompanied by his team, Congressman Dent, State Representative Ryan Mackenzie, and Lower Macungie Township Representatives for their Grand Opening.



Hand & Stone Massage & Facial Spa at Hamilton Crossings held a ribbon Cutting on Sunday Aug 13.Pictured are Hand & Stone staff, Owners Clayon Cox and John Krafty, and Regional Manager Samantha Krafty.



Hands On Healing located on Cedar Crest Blvd. in Allentown celebreated their 10th Anniversary on August 10th. Pictured is Director Krishna Khamar and her team and Chamber Staff, Liz Weaver.

Coming Soon

TUES, SEPTEMBER 5-Nimeks Organics 1139 Lehigh Ave, Ste 300 Whitehall, PA 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

THURS, SEPTEMBER 7-David's Italian Market 346 Main Street Emmaus, PA 5 p.m. - 7p.m.

THURS, SEPTEMBER 14-Shepherd Hills Golf Club 1160 Krocks Rd Wescosville, PA 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

THURS, SEPTEMBER 28-Woodmont Valley 3535 Grandview Drive, Macungie, PA 5 p.m. -7p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Register for an event four ways:

- 1. Register online at LehighValleyChamber.org 2. Email or call the person doing registration for the event
- 3. Email info@lehighvalleychamber.org 4. Download a registration form at LehighValleyChamber.org, print & fill it out, and submit.



Affiliated Chamber & Business Council Events

TUES, SEPT 5 - EMSP Ground Breaking Ceremony for South Mountain Memory Care

201 S. 7th Street, Emmaus 5:00 – 6:30 PM/FREE

TUES, SEPT 5- Nemeks Organics Ribbon Cutting 1139 Lehigh Ave, Ste 300, Whitehall 9:30 AM to 11 AM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 7 - EMSP David's Italian Market Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening Celebration 346 Main Street, Emmaus

346 Main Street, Emmaus 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 7 - NACC Karen's Kutz 5-year Anniversary

2006 Center Street Suite 1, Northampton 12 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 7 – HLSC Christmas in September Mixer at Revolutions, Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce

3717 PA-378, Bethlehem 5:30 – 7:30 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 7 - YPC Paint & Sip Night at Brick 1 W Broad St #100, Bethlehem

5:30 – 8:00 PM/\$30

SAT, SEPT 9 - Allentown Beer Festival

500 and 600 Blocks of Hamilton Street, Allentown 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM/\$34 online, \$40

SAT, SEPT 9, - Uptown Northampton Street Fair

Main Street, Northampton 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM/FREE

SUN, SEPT 10 - EMSP Farewell to Summer Festival

Triangle Park, Emmaus Park 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM/FREE

SUNDAY, SEPT 10 THRU SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 -

Downtown Allentown Restaurant Week

MON, SEPT 11 - Downtown Allentown First

(Second) Monday at Centro 530 Hamilton St, Allentown, 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM/FREE

MON, SEPT 11 - Hellertown/Lower Saucon Small Business Roundtable

Braveheart Highland Pub 430 Main Street, Hellertown 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM/FREE THURS, SEPT 14 - Mayors' Update, Whitehall Area Chamber

3020 Fellowship Drive, Whitehall 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM \$20 Members/\$40 non-members

THURS, SEPT 14 - The Town of Phillipsburg Movie Premiere

Philipsburg High School 1 Stateliner Boulevard, Phillipsburg 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 14 - Shepherd Hills Golf Club

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony 1160 Krocks Rd, Wescosville 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 14 - Business Council 2nd Thursday Mixer: Martin Guitar

510 Sycamore St, Nazareth 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM \$10 Members/\$15 non-members

FRIDAY, SEPT 15 - "Sturm Cup" Golf Tournament Jack Frost National Golf Club

1 Clubhouse Drive, Lake Harmony 7:00 AM – 2:30 PM Foursome: \$440.00 /Individual \$110.00

FRIDAY, SEPT 15 THRU SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 - Forks Community Days

Forks Township Community Park 500 Zucksville Road, Easton 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM/FREE

TUES, SEPT 19 - WBC Presents: Redefining Balance DaVinci Science Center

3145 Hamilton Boulevard, Allentown 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM \$35 Members/\$70 non-members

WED, SEPT 20 – Allentown Business Seminar, Marketing in the 21st Century

Velocity
532 Hamilton Street, Allentown
7:30 AM to 9:00 AM/FREE Allentown Businesses/
\$25 Outside of the City

WED, SEPT 20 - EPCC/WLCC Inside Look Tour of ATAS International, Inc.

ATAS International 6612 Snowdrift Road, Allentown 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM \$40 Members/\$80 non-members WED, SEPT 20 - YPC Meet & Greet at House and Barn House & Barn Restaurant

3750 Chestnut Street, Emmaus 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 21 - Destination Arts: Third Thursday

Downtown Allentown 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 21 - Third Thursday in Jim Thorpe Downtown Jim Thorpe

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 21 - EPCC & EPSD Education Foundation Happy Hour Mixer

House & Barn 3750 Chestnut Street, Emmaus 4:00pm-6:00pm/Donations at the door

THURS, SEPT 21 - LGBT Business Council Celebrity Bartending at Apollo 85 West Broad Street Bethlehem

85 West Broad Street, Bethlehem 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM/FREE

FRIDAY, SEPT 22 - NBC Live on the Lawn Outdoor Concert with Sunshine Symphony

Moravian Historical Society 214 E Center St, Nazareth 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM/FREE

TUES, SEPT 26 - China Trip Information Session

Historical Hotel Bethlehem 437 Main Street, Bethlehem 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 28 - Woodmont Valley Ribbon Cutting!

Woodmont Valley at Lower Macungie 3535 Grandview Drive, Macungie 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 28 - EMSP's Where to Be Mixology Hosted at Elite Sports Academy with Lehigh Valley Martial Arts 4651 Colebrook Ave., Emmaus

5:30 PM to 7:30 PM/FREE

THURS, SEPT 28 - African American Business Leaders Council Sharing Solutions DBE Seminar

Penn State Lehigh Valley 2809 Saucon Valley Road, Center Valley 7:30 AM to 10:00 AM/\$20 Members & non-members

Chamber & Council Abbreviations:

AABLC: African American Business Leaders Council ACC: Allentown Chamber of Commerce BCC: Bethelhem Chamber of Commerce CCEDC: Carbon Chamber & Economic Development Corp. FBA: Forks Business Association

DBA: Downtown Bethlehem Association EACC: Easton Area Chamber of Commerce EPCC: East Penn Chamber of Commerce EMSP: Emmaus Main Street Partners

GNLCC: Greater Northern Lehigh Chamber of Commerce

FBA: Forks Business Association

HCC: Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
HDMSP: Hamilton District Main Street Program
HLSC: Hellertown - Lower Saucon Chamber
MC: Manufacturing Council
NACC: Northampton Area Chamber of Commerce
NBC: Nazareth Business Council

NPBPC: Nonprofit & Business Partners Council GBACC: Greater Bath Area Chamber of Commerce PACC: Phillipsburg Area Chamber of Commerce LGBTBC: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Business Council PP: Public Policy (Committee)

SBC: Small Business Council
SLCC: Southern Lehigh Chamber of Commerce
WACC: Whitehall Chamber of Commerce
WBC: Women's Business Council
WLCC: Western Lehigh Chamber of Commerce
YPC: Young Professionals Council

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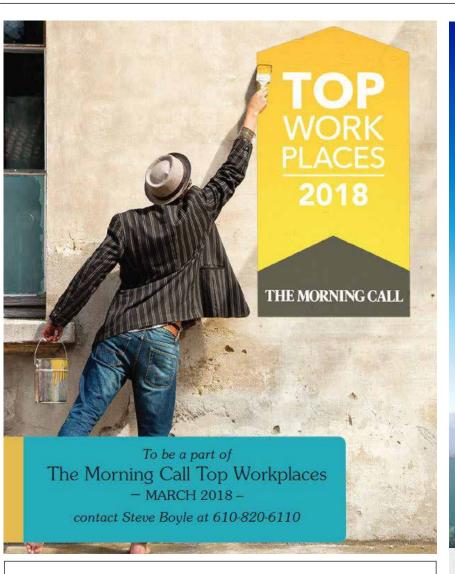
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the youngest chair of the board in The Chamber's 100 year history, I have seen firsthand how beneficial professional development can be to personal success. For that reason, I've made a commitment to ensure that our staff continuously seeks to develop themselves in their respective fields, benefitting them and the organization in the process. Professional development leads to higher workplace performance, improved morale, staff motivation, and the unlocking of talent and potential within the organization, all of which provides evidence to our members of our Chamber's ongoing commitment excellence.

One of our development resources is the Association of **Chamber of Commerce Executives** (ACCE). ACCE serves professionals at more than 1,300 chambers of commerce across North America and offers resources, industry information and data, professional opportunities, development and peer connectivity and best practice sharing through an annual convention, among many other services, to help us achieve our goals and to make a difference in the communities we serve.

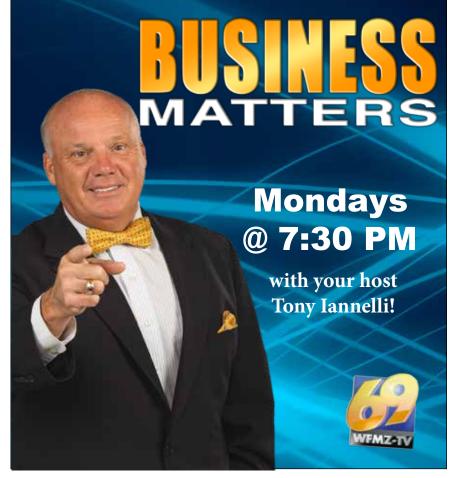
This year, our COO, Frank

Facchiano, traveled to Nashville to attend the conference with staff members Jessica O'Donnell, Liz Weaver, and Angie DelGrosso. The team took advantage of several learning sessions and networking events to bring back and impact our Chamber's success. Our team also presented a learning session Member Engagement and Event Excellence, something for which our Chamber is known nationally.

They also saw results from their engagement. Gina Martens earned a National Sales Contest Award for total new sales and is on the Membership Development Division Advisory Board. Angie DelGrosso was recruited to join the Diversity Division Advisory Board during the conference, and we learned that we have been ranked the 14th most Social Media Friendly Chambers of Commerce in the nation. Meanwhile, back in

Valley, Samantha Cartagena was appointed by Governor Wolf to the PA Commission for Latino Affairs. I could not be more proud of

the entire staff and volunteers of this great Chamber of Commerce and I am looking forward to what lies ahead! www.



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LEHIGH VALLEY ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Dr. Kamran Afshar, Chamber Chief Economist The Chamber's Finance Committee 610-691-3272 • ka@kaa-inc.com

What happened to manufacturing? Are we producing anything anymore?

I am often asked if we produce anything anymore. Manufacturing, particularly in the Lehigh Valley is a very sensitive subject. Manufacturing was the life line of the Valley back in the 1970s; close to half of all workers were employed by a manufacturer. That of course, has all changed in the Valley; many manufacturing companies closed their doors and stopped production.

There are two aspects of manufacturing that are very important, first production of goods and even of more importance is the manufacturing jobs which usually pay higher wages. We will follow both through the recent history.

By the end of the 1970s around 19 million people nationwide and around 90 thousand people in the Valley worked in the manufacturing sector.

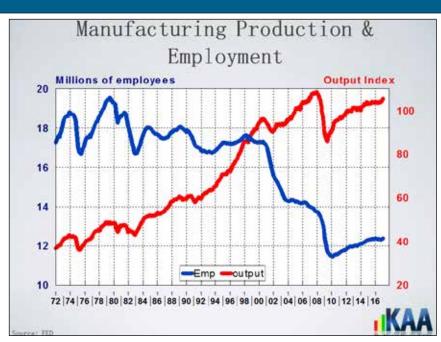
Employment in the US manufacturing sector dropped 7% by the end of the 1980s. However, and despite of the cut in employment, manufacturing production rose by

24%. A lot more production with fewer workers. During the same period, the Valley lost 30% of its manufacturing job, four times worse than the national average.

After the 1990 recession, employment in manufacturing did not rebound like the rest of the economy. By the end of the 1990s, there were 700,000 fewer manufacturing jobs in the country, while employment in other sectors rose by 22 million jobs. Production in the manufacturing sector rose by a whopping 53% during the same period. The Valley lost another 10% of its manufacturing jobs in the 1990s.

In this century, the country has lost another five million manufacturing jobs, and the Valley another 18,000. However, manufacturing output nationwide has increased by 47% during the same period. Manufacturing is the largest and most dynamic sector of the U.S. economy.

China became the leading manufacturing economy in the world in 2010, but the United States maintains a strong second-place standing. The value added by U.S.



factories is more than \$2 trillion a year, equal to the next three countries (Japan, Germany and South Korea) combined.

Most of our manufacturing jobs were lost to technology. And the rapid change in technology is global and no longer limited to the manufacturing sector. The new technology is no longer only assisting humans; it is

starting to make many of their jobs obsolete.

So the answer to the question is that; not only US manufacturing sector is very strong, it is producing twice as much manufacturing products than it did back in 1979, it is just that it is producing it with a lot fewer people.

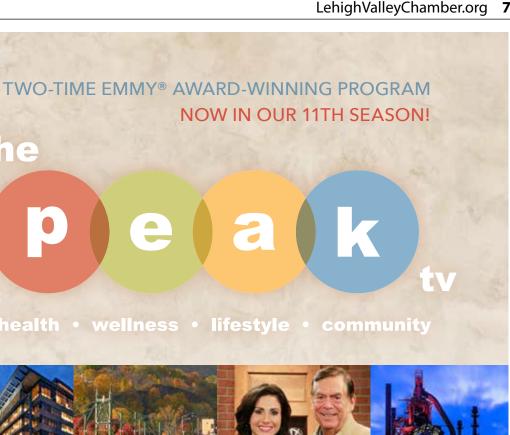




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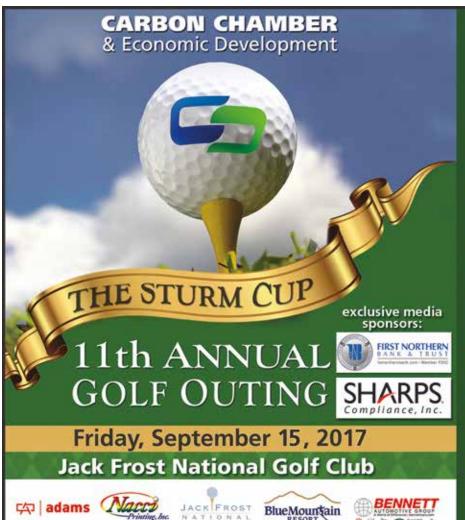
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The Chamber Foundation had a summer like no other! Proudly, we were able to be out in our Chamber communities and on Main Streets all over the Lehigh Valley to see projects and meet with the people making them happen! Having just announced our 10th year of grants, we can see the changes happening around the valley as a result of the funding that goes out into

We gathered our communities. last month to officially announce the winning grant recipients and it was a great celebration of true community work and passion. We are lucky to live in a community where folks come together with a shared mission of promoting our main streets and neighborhoods in cities, towns, and municipalities across the Lehigh Valley!







Photo 1: The Emmaus public library is situated on the main street just as you pass the "Welcome to Emmaus" sign. Thousands of commuters, runners, cyclist, and pedestrians all pass directly in front of the library. New shrubs and landscaping will enhance the appearance of the building, and convey that this is a community building that is open, welcoming, and cared for. In photo left to right: Frank Heston, FNFB and Chair of the Main Street Grant Allocations Committee, Amy Resh, Emmaus Public Library, Laurie Hackett, Air Products and Chair of the Chamber Foundation, Lorie Reinert, staff

Photo 2: The check presentation recognizes the completion of EMSP's Economic Development Committee's parking indicator sign project. This project was funded by the Main Street Lehigh Valley Grant and a matching contribution from Emmaus Borough. Parking indicator signs have been installed throughout Emmaus to direct visitors to convenient parking locations downtown. Pictured from left to right: Teri Sorg-McManamon, JG Press and EMSP EDC Committee Chair, Erin DeLong, ServiceMaster of Allentown and EMSP Chair, Emmaus Mayor Winnfield lobst, Meghan Reed, EMSP Manager, Virginia Haas, County of Lehigh and Chamber Foundation Board Member, Jackie Parks, Alloy5 Architecture and EMSP Board Member, Sean McIntyre, Emmaus McDonald's and EMSP Board Member.

Photo 3: The Downtown Bethlehem Association in partnership with the City of Bethlehem will beautify the National Historic Landmark District and the DBA Historic District areas. Michelle Sandt volunteered to spearhead the planting of the flowers and greenery in the urns in the downtown area. She has a great amount of knowledge for this type of work. She has the horticultural knowledge to pick the right items for the seasons of the year. The end result is a beautiful downtown that people notice whenever they visit. Pictured left to right: Kevin Lott, LV Carpenters Local 167, Tim Brooks, DBA, Lisa Girard, Moravian Book Shop, Emily Krall, DBA, Deb Carey, Merchants Bank, Bruce E. Haines, Aardvark Sport Shop & Bone Appetit Barkery.



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Join CEO Murat Guzel and US Congressman Charlie Dent (PA-15) for a special ribbon cutting and grand opening of the new headquarters for Natural Food Group.

> Tuesday, September 5th 9:30 - 11 a.m.; Ribbon cutting at 10 a.m. sharp followed by tours 1139 Lehigh Ave Ste 300, Whitehall, PA 18052

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- Federal Regulatory and Legislative Discussion
- State/ Federal Regulatory and Legistative Panel Discussion
- Spotlight on Technology
- PJM Presentation
- State Regulatory Water Works and Associated Stormwater Fees

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12:00-12:45 PM Registration, Networking, and Lunch

12:45-3:00 PM Program

3:00 Reception and Conversation - Stay for cocktails and network with our panelists, award recipients, contributors, and product and service providors/exhibitors.





ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT BY THE NUMBERS

#1 The comprehensive cost of complying with federal regulations federal regulations was 36/ year in in 2011 was \$1.82 trillion.

#2 The average number of major the 1990s and 72/year since 2008.

#3 In 2012, the cumulative cost of major regulations on manufacturing reached \$630 billion.

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"Culture eats strategy for lunch everyday" is a great quote I first heard 12 years ago from Rick Neulight, a local consultant with National Management Strategies, Inc., and it's truer today than ever.

In a new Deloitte study it revealed that employee retention, engagement, and culture are now top workforce and talent challenges that companies are facing. The study showed that over 50% of business leaders surveyed rated these issues as "urgent" compared to only 20% a year earlier. Low unemployment rates, combined with increasing demand from other industries, means that the competition is becoming more intense for manufacturers seeking skilled talent. As a result, manufacturers must focus developing workplace cultures that attract and retain employees.

The best way to solve the skills gap is to retain the employees already working for you. Manufacturing companies are getting very creative in attracting and hiring employees, but can you keep them! According to

Forbes, by the year 2025 three out of four people in the workforce will be millennials, and just replacing retirees will require companies to adopt management and retention strategies that will grow job satisfaction for the next generation. It is imperative that your company transforms your talent management into a competitive advantage. We are finding that millennials are much different than the older generations because they expect all their aspirations and goals will be met. If that can't happen where they are, they will leave.

A company's identity is its culture and its values which form the personality and foundation of the organization. The best cultures are built around encouraging innovative ideas, team collaboration, and less top down management. Good leadership is the key to employee retention and successful recruitment. It's time now for your organization to examine your culture to make sure you have a positive working environment with growth potential.

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We all have opinions on the things that impact our lives, including the hot news stories of the day. Your opinion might be strong or indifferent about an issue, but you likely feel one way or the other. I'm guiltier than most; I tend to have extreme opinions on just about everything. I strongly dislike tomatoes (but I'm 100% pro-ketchup).

I have strong opinions on environmental and energy issues, too. In fact, many people do; these issues tend to elicit strong opinions on both sides. This is for good reason, since both the environment we live in and the energy that powers our lives are of crucial importance to us. In all likelihood, you have an opinion from the global scale of the Paris climate accord to the local scale of the PennEast Pipeline. However, what is your opinion on the financial impacts of Municipal Separate Storm

Sewer System Minimum Control Measures (MS4 MCMs)? Do you have one? If you don't - or if you don't have the slightest clue about the issue - you're probably not alone. That ignorance may not be bliss though, since this may have an immediate impact on your bottom line whether you know it or not. There's no need to worry - the Chamber's Energy and Environment Committee is on top of this issue, as well as many others impacting Lehigh Valley businesses.

Come join us on Friday, October 20 from noon to 3:00 at the Mack Customer Center in Allentown for lunch, an engaging program, and industry networking at our annual Energy & Environment Outlook & Expo. Get informed on the environmental issues affecting you. You can agree or disagree, but at least you'll have an opinion.



PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE

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The Chamber is your voice in Government. Given all the goingson in Harrisburg and Washington these days, over the years the Chamber's Public Policy Committee established various subcommittees to track areas of importance to our Chamber Membership: Tax & Energy/Environment, Transportation, Manufacturing, and Healthcare. We also work closely with the Workforce Board Lehigh Valley on matters of education and job training. We are fortunate to have very strong leadership in each of these subcommittees:

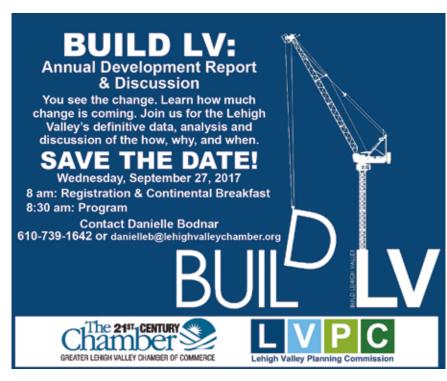
- The Tax & Regulatory Committee is chaired by Jeff Berdahl, CPA/Partner with RLB Accountants
- The Energy & Environment Committee is chaired by Michael Gibson, Operations Manager of K&H Custom Window Treatments.
- The Transportation Committee is chaired by Ralph Eberhardt, Lehigh Valley Region

Manager of Michael Baker International.

- The Manufacturing Council is chaired by Jack Pfunder, President/ CEO of the Manufacturers Resource Center.
- The Healthcare Committee is chaired by Bill Bloss, CPA/Partner with RLB Accountants

Through the hard work of these subcommittees and the Public Policy Committee as a whole, we take proactive measures to ensure that government considers business in every applicable vote. We'll keep you informed of relevant issues, and encourage you to get involved as well. Talk with your elected officials of either political party and at every level of government, make sure they hear your voice and take your views into consideration.

Thanks to all of these Subcommittee Chairs as well as all members of Public Policy. You're making a difference!



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Transportation Committee Member

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One of the most rapidly growing industry sectors in the Lehigh Valley is transportation and related logistics services. Several factors contribute to this growth including the region's proximity to key population and industrial centers, the improved economy, and increased consumer demand for online products. The expansion

of this sector is expected to continue

well into the next decade. Great

opportunity exists for those seeking

employment in this field.

Two high demand occupations in the transportation sector include CDL drivers and airline pilots. Both have projections for above average openings in the next 10 years while offering competitive wages and job security. Industry growth and an aging workforce are contributing to the demand.

According to the American Trucking Association, the industry

will be hiring nearly 900,000 new truck drivers over the next ten years. Qualified CDL drivers are required to secure Class A or B licensing which can be obtained in less than six months through community colleges and technical schools.

The airline industry projects a growth rate of over five percent and estimates that 22,000 pilots are expected to retire in the next 10 years. This combination will lead to a critical shortage of qualified pilots. Commercial airline pilots typically have a college degree and specialized aviation training. Flight time contributes to readiness for the field. Pilot licensing can be obtained through community colleges or specialized flight schools.

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AMBASSADORS COUNCIL

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It has been about a year and three months since I last had the privilege of writing the Ambassador article for Connections. I didn't realize how much I have missed it! So when Julie Knight asked if I would 'pinchhit' for her this month, I gladly accepted.

As I write this, we are in the middle of MusikFest. I was fortunate to get tickets to Santana and saw a terrific show. Last night, I got my "Take-a-Taco" fix on Main St. And I was in my glory!

Being part of this community for all but three and half years of my life, I am blessed to know and work with so many wonderfully talented and passionately caring professionals. When I walk around events like MusikFest, an Iron Pigs or Phantoms game, or a Chamber event, I am proud to see and greet these comrades in arms; all working to make the Lehigh Valley

a terrific place to live, love, learn, and play!

I'm sorry to say that, while I always knew this, I never stopped to realize how much of a treasure this truly is; and how much I appreciate knowing so many fine people. I am truly grateful for all the wonderful leaders we have. If there is a place on Earth that has a higher concentration of principled leaders, I don't know of it. The Lehigh Valley is tops in this measure.

And so with this possibly being the last article I write on behalf of the Ambassadors, I would like to use this time to appreciate and congratulate all of you for your contributions to the Lehigh Valley. You actually live the mission of the Chamber: "To improve the economy and quality of life in the Lehigh Valley Metropolitan Area" Thank you all!





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AN INSIDE LOOK: LCTI LUNCHEON AND TOUR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH

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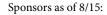








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AFRICAN AMERICAN BUSINESS LEADERS COUNCIL

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Culture: one more time

As I conclude work projects and tasks at LNAA and prepare to transition to a new set of challenges, I want to share some reflections on the framework that makes a difference in the life of an organization, principally leadership and culture.

Two books crystallize the related concepts of leadership and culture: People First Leadership, by Eduardo Braun, which was discussed in the May 2017 article, and The Culture Engine, by S. Chris Edmonds. Leaders in an organization define the culture by their actions and decisions and model the behavior which establishes and develops the culture of an organization. Both books effectively communicate that operational performance and results are a product of the

organizational culture. In fact, the culture is shaped by values. For example, as discussed in the July article, values drive the broad-based positive customer experience we strive for at LNAA.

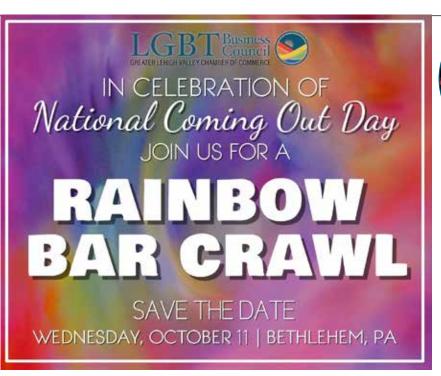
As the organizations you lead operate and transact business on a day-to-day basis, keep these two concepts in mind: Leadership – The ability to envision, motivate and empower others to create strategic change, and Culture – A set of shared values, attitudes and beliefs which influences actions and decisions.

It has been great working with you. Thank you for the opportunity to share a thought. Best wishes. To stay abreast of all AABLC activities and events visit the Facebook page.











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The power of partnerships

Not very long ago this was The Chamber's tag line, it may not be the official tag line now but it is no less a powerful statement about what The Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber is all about.

Your LGBT Business Council is proud of past partnerships that resulted in raising much needed funds for local non-profits. Most recently we collaborated with Carbon Chamber & Economic Development at The Packer Mansions to raise funds for The Special Olympics and with other LGBT/Allied organizations to support Pride in The Park.

On Thursday, September 21 we are partnering with The Apollo Grill in historic Downtown Bethlehem and our own council President (the very dashing) Jonathan Huerta will be providing the star power as the celebrity bartender for the evening.

But, our greatest partnership is yet to happen: Our Partnership with the future.

In June, we announced the LGBT Business Council Scholarship and at our gala we raised \$7,510 to support it, which I not so humbly suggest is a pretty impressive amount of startup funds. The money we raise throughout the year, with your assistance, will benefit LGBT identified students cover some college expenses. We have at least one event each month, I would love for you to attend some of them so we can begin a partnership with you.





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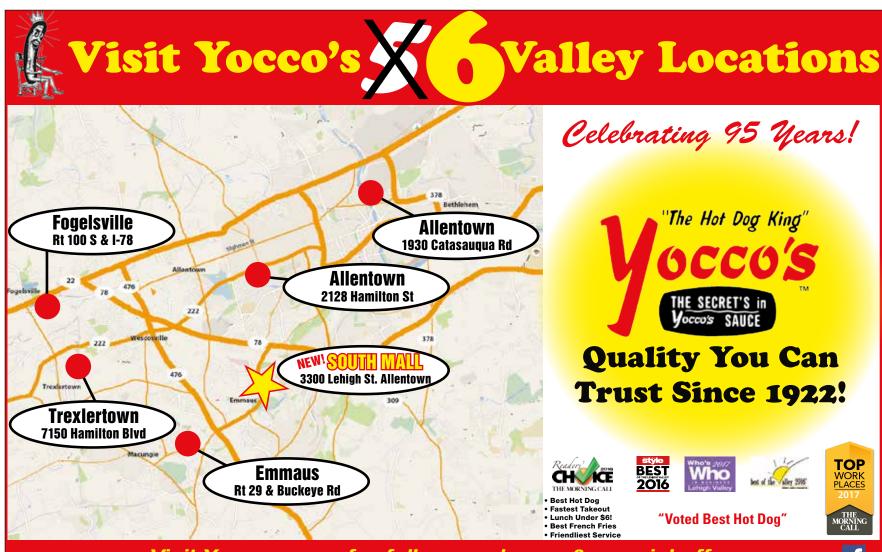
This summer was busy for the Hispanic Chamber. We helped and assisted with the Fe Foundation program which services approximately 30 students from local high schools. The program has helped over 250 students since its inception back in 2009.

The program provides a oneweek training course at De Sales University where they get to sleep on campus. After that, a four-week internship and mentoring program at Chamber businesses. At this year's Fe Foundation graduation, we had the honor of having Dr. Javier Ávila, Professor at Northampton Community College, who was named Pennsylvania 2015 Professor of the Year by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. In addition, we had two past Fe Foundation alumni's speak to the graduating class; Georgia

Gonzalez FE Program Graduate Class of 2016 and Gabriella Salicetti FE Program Graduate Class of 2011. They motivated the graduates with their college and career updates. The Hispanic Chamber is proud and looks forward to maintaining the program in the future. For more information please visit: Fe-Foundation.org.

And to wrap the summer with something fun, we supported The Hispanic Cultural Festival of Easton celebrated in Scott Park in downtown Easton. We thank our board member John Acevedo who is the president of the Latino Cumtural Committee. In addition our very own Danielle and Samantha worked during the event, raising funds for the Hispanic Chamber. To find out how you can get involved with either the Fe Foundation or the Festival Please Contact Samantha Cartageña at 484-547-8970 or samanthac@ lehighvalleychamber.org information.





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The Hispanic Cultural Festival of Easton just celebrated its sixth year in existence and FIRST time partnership with: the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, The Town of Phillipsburg, NJ, and The Easton Area Chamber of Commerce! This year's entertainment included INTERNATIONALLY known artists La Sonora Dinamita, and Ex Adolescent's Orquesta! More pictures can found on our FB page @festivalhispanoculturaleaston!

Hispanic Cultural Festival of Easton: Amigos in the Valley was hosted on July 29 in Scott Park























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Nonprofit & Business Partners Council

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Best in Show is the theme for our Council's Collaboration Breakfast on Wednesday, October 4, Coca Cola Park, 7:30 am. The Collaboration Breakfast is always a great kick-off for the year and this session will follow suit. Laurie Gostley Hackett, Vice-Chair of NPBPC, and committee members from the Council are organizing a program to highlight some of the unique and creative partnerships taking place in our community! We want to show these off and celebrate. When was the last time you were able to celebrate within your organization; celebrating successes of a program or a team in your staff. Recognizing the good work that you do has value for your organization, your staff and your clients or customers. It requires you to slow down a bit to think and reflect on the work being done, builds employee morale which

can in turn increase productivity and increase customer satisfaction. These are probably basic principles for many of you but always valuable to reinforce.

Save The Date - April 25, 2018 is booked for our Spring Collaboration Conference at Moravian College. Attorney Paul Frank is chairing the planning committee and a dynamic speaker is secured - Vu Lee! I'd encourage you to consider sponsoring an event. Our sponsorships are reasonable and allow you time at the podium for your organization – it's a good opportunity for nonprofits or small businesses who may not have marketing budgets. Contact Lorie Reinert - lorier@ lehighvalleychamber.org for more info.

See you October 4 for Best in Show!



you to consider sponsoring an Lots of happy members attended "summer speed networking" facilitated by event. Our sponsorships are Dale Carnegie at Iron Lakes!! Attendees from SBC, WBC and NPBP participated reasonable and allow you time at on August 15.

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EASTERN SURFACES, INC. – CUSTOM COUNTERTOPS FOR A CAUSE

By: Gina Martens

People Gather in the Kitchen

reaming of new countertops? Why not! For more than 20 years, Eastern Surfaces has been serving residential and commercial customers throughout the Lehigh Valley. What began as a small tile business, grew to a full service shop with fabrication, design, and installation. Brian Rocca, President of Eastern Surfaces, saw the demand and growth for countertops and the benefit of a one stop shop approach, and merged with Martin Fabricating. Built in 2008, their existing 55,000 square foot facility now accommodates a full service fabrication shop and designer showroom, showcasing trends in counters, sinks, faucets, and tile.



Meet the Team

The customer –focused team of 117 employees at Eastern Surfaces stands ready to assist with your next project. "We are a customer service company, who happens to sell countertops", says Rocca. "Happy customers are what has built our business. We have the best selection of materials at the best price, with the best service."



Just the Facts:

Organization Name Eastern Surfaces, Inc.

President: Brian Rocca

Public Showroom & Main Fabrication Facility:

> 601 South 10th Street Allentown, PA 18103 610-266-3121

For more information:

www.easternsurfaces.com mail@easternsurfaces.com



Training, Technology, and Thinking Green

All employees are trained to provide the highest level of service. Many members of the staff have over 10 years of industry experience. When you think of a tech savvy industry, countertop fabricating may not immediately come to mind. Eastern Surfaces embraces technology with a paperless process for measuring. When a job is measured, a digital template is used, and it creates a computerized dimensioned drawing of how the countertops are to be cut. Cutting is done with robotics. Additionally, all slabs are photographed when received. With the photographed slab and digital layout, they can super impose the file over the photograph to get an exact look of the countertop before it's fabricated.

Eastern Surfaces is also committed to providing an environmentally focused business, by continually improving daily operations with "green" in mind. 99% of the water used in the fabrication plant is recycled. Waste is reduced by maximizing usage of slabs with their state of the art water jet equipment used to more accurately cut slabs. The use of eco-friendly products such as Cambria Quartz Surfacing, which is Green Guard certified for indoor air quality. Cambria also has the smallest "carbon footprint" of any of the other imported quartz products. The digital templating used in the process is completely paperless, thereby saving trees.

Accreditations

Eastern Surfaces is a Marble Institute of America accredited business. The industries' governing body, the Marble Institute of America accreditation recognizes companies that are among the best in the natural stone industry with respect to physical facility and equipment, business and trade practices, technical knowledge and expertise, quality control, safety, finance, ethics, customer service and education, advertising and promotion, and employee policies for training, advancement, and discipline. Eastern Surfaces is the ONLY Lehigh Valley company with this designation, and less than 1% of companies in the stone industry have received this accreditation.



With the Community in Mind

"Counters for a Cause" event, in its 7th year, will happen on Saturday October 7, from 9am-5pm.

An annual blow-out remnant sale, where a portion of the sale proceeds will go toward the PA projects for Homes for our Troops. Established in 2004, Homes for our Troops builds specially adapted homes for post 9/11 severely injured veterans to enable them to rebuild their lives.

Beyond causes like this, Eastern Surfaces values community engagement with various groups and organizations. Karen Kuranda, Sales & Business Development Manager, served on the Board of the Whitehall Chamber of Commerce, now part of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber. She credits the relationships among her business peers, that have helped grow awareness of Eastern Surfaces.

Looking Ahead

Beyond the Lehigh Valley, Eastern Surfaces has a showroom in Harrisburg. Asked about for future plans for growth in other markets? They're not ruling it out and will continue to evaluate those opportunities, one customer at a time!



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SMALL BUSINESS COUNCIL

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The Small Business Council recently held their annual strategic planning session where we discuss our goals and action items for the fiscal year. The question posed for this meeting was: How do we take our events and go deeper and add value for our Chamber members? Our first Small Business Summit was a direct result of this discussion!

If you're a business owner, you know it is not an easy task to make something out of nothing. Join us as we bring in three keynote speakers to discuss the three major phases of a business; 1. Start-up: from the paperwork to the investments, 2. Resilience: how to manage cash flow and turbulence, 3. Breakthrough: going public, or expansion. Register

today as tickets are going fast!

another note, we've recently ended our Small Business Council Business Golf League! This is a 10 week long league the Small Business Councils hosts every year in efforts to assist business professionals build relationships with likeminded professionals across the Valley; congratulations to our 2017 champions: Paul Lugara, Ray Porambo, Fred Fenselau, Walt Pfiel, Tom Oechsle, John Wilchek, Ken Ringer, Larry Delhagen! For more information on any of our upcoming events, please contact Danielle Joseph daniellej@lehighvalleychamber. org OR visit our Facebook page @ SmallBusinessCouncil.





Small Business Council Golf League Banquet, July 12th, 2017. Wedgewood Gold Course

Photo 1: Congratulations to the winning team of the 2017 Small Business Council Golf League! Golfers celebrated at Wedgewood Golf Course on July 12 with their new stainless steel mugs. Pictured are (l-r): Paul Lugara, Ray Porambo, Fred Fenselau, Walt Pfiel, Tom Oechsle, John Wilchek, Ken Ringer, Larry Delhagen

Photo 2: Attendees claiming their raffle prizes





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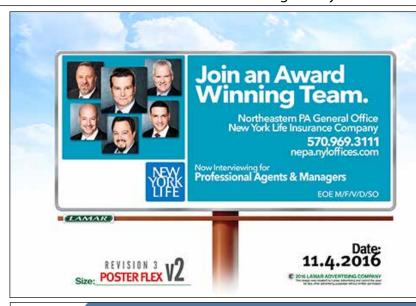
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Being a successful woman comes with many trials. At the Women's Business Council, we look for strategies to overcome challenges and to help build successful and strong female leaders in our community.

When it comes to breaking the proverbial glass ceiling, building credibility is the cornerstone of leadership and success. Women who have a mentor have an advantage in achieving their goals. Whatever the aspirations, someone who's "been there done that" can guide and show you the ropes. WBC programming does just that. Women should never be afraid to ask questions as there are so many who are ready to help! That's why we say, whether in a meeting or attending an event, network with confidence! Asking questions is critical for gathering information.

Make sure to plan ahead and be flexible; not everything goes as planned but knowing when and how to change course will help you reach your goals.

Women owned businesses account for \$3 trillion of the U.S. economy and create 16% of all U.S. jobs. To put that into perspective, if U.S. based womenowned businesses were their own country, they would have the 5th largest GDP in the world. The Lehigh Valley is 2nd in the U.S. for the highest average revenue growth of women-owned business and we would like to think that the WBC has had a hand in bring that to fruition.

If you are ready to seize all the opportunities available for women, be sure to check out the latest events offered by the WBC.









Photo 1: Attendees networking and participating in the raffle at the WBC Scholarship Fundraiser at the Event Center at Blue Outside Patio on July

Photo 2: (left to right) Maggie Waala, ASR Media Productions; Rachel Berrigan, Sorrelli Jewelry; Connie Challingsworth, Certified Life Coach attended the 50 Shades of Summer WBC Scholarship Fundraiser.

Photo 3: (left to right) Tina Hasselbusch, ASR Media Productions; Maggie Prorok, Leader in Me; Dorota Kozak, King, Spry, Herman, Freund & Faul, LLC; Sharon Laudone, Working Dog Press; Christine Brown, Iron Lakes Country Club at the WBC Scholarship Fundraiser at Blue Outside Patio.

Photo 4: (left to right) Melissa Rodriguez; Mary Jo Korp, Firstrust Bank; Heather Heether, Borton Lawson at the 50 Shades of Summer WBC Scholarship Fundraiser.

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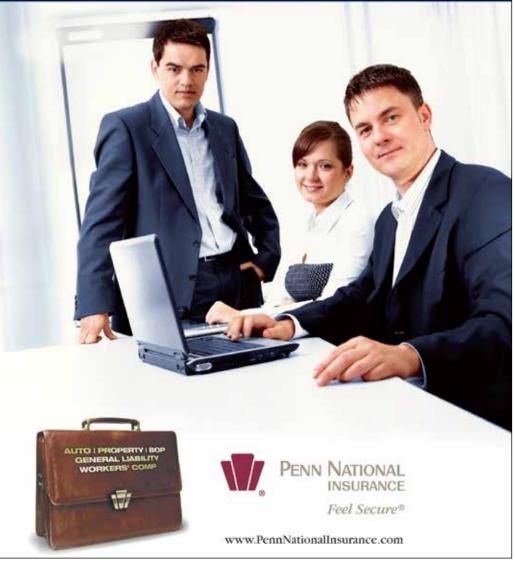
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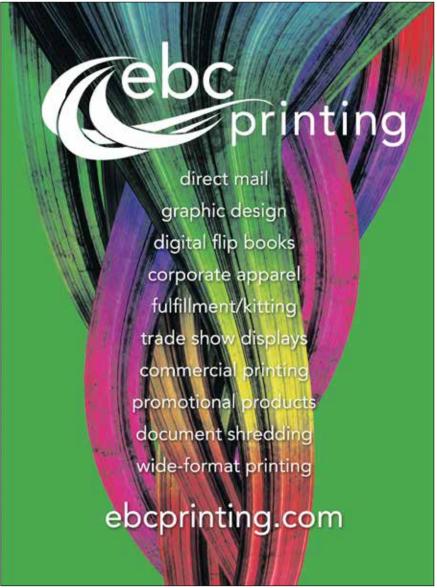
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Young Professionals Council

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The Young Professionals Council (YPC) is excited for this upcoming fiscal year. As a group, we are getting more involved in the Lehigh Valley community by connecting with local colleges and charity organizations. We feel this is a vital part of making Allentown, Bethlehem and Easton preferred areas to live, work, and play. The events committee is putting together some exciting programming for fall, so be on the lookout.

The YPC has recently elected

new Board Members, and they have already begun to make an impact. To the past board members who have paved the way, the YPC would like to thank you for your time and support. An additional thank you to all the sponsors for your continued support, none of the programming would be possible without you.

Upcoming September Event: Meet & Greet at House & Barn (5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.) on September 20, 2017. See you there!







Photo 1: Parker Bourassa, ASR Media Productions, and Rose Hayes

Photo 2: David Rivera, Brittany Towers, Matt Caser, and Perry Petrozelli from Easton Sports Social

Photo 3: Luis Campos, City of Easton, and Stephanie Yachim, Crayola





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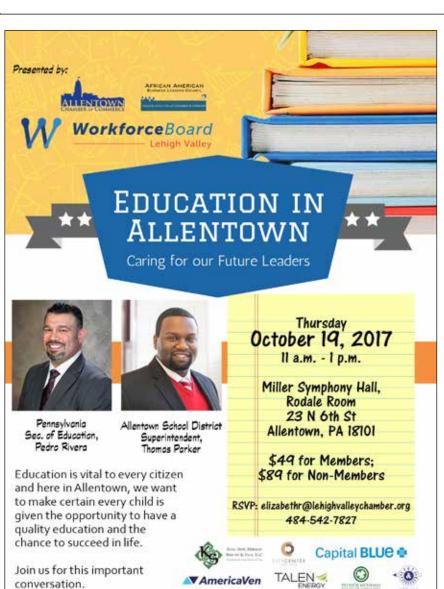
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The important shopping season has started. From September until the end of December, it is a crucial time for our downtown merchants. The purchases made in these months, pay the bills for the following six months. Give or take a few holidays like Valentine's Day and Mother's Day, it's the fall/holiday season that brings people out and about and into the stores.

With e-commerce escalating every year, this season is ever more vital to the livelihood of our shop owners and to our city. In 2012, 54.34 billion dollars were spent on online holiday shopping in the USA. By 2016 that number increased to 94.71 billion dollars, close to doubling the amount in four years. Just recently, the Commonwealth of PA, struck down the proposal to insure that all purchases on-line would have to be taxed, just as they are in our bricks and mortar stores. This environment, while advantageous for the consumer, is another blow to the retail industry which had already been reeling from the impact of the recession, followed closely by the advent of on-line shopping.

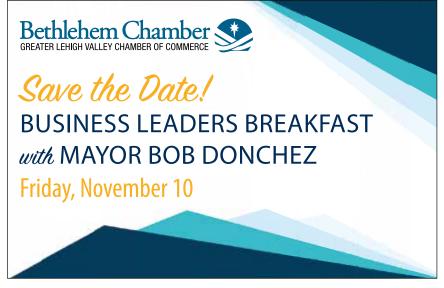
To combat this environment, the Bethlehem Chamber and the Downtown Bethlehem Association diligently work to bring people to

the downtown - and to Bethlehem - throughout this vitally important season. Starting with Harvest Festival, on Saturday, October 7, Main Street will come alive with music, food and craft vendors and tons of different types of beer. It's a fun day with something for the whole family and great exposure for the downtown. The proceeds from this festival go to support the DBA's yearlong efforts.

For the last few years, the Historic Moravian Shopping District was named "Best Downtown" by Lehigh Valley Magazine and Morning Call readers. Understandably, the history, the shops and the restaurants all rolled into one, make it a special experience. To ensure that this atmosphere continues into the future, it is critical that you support your downtown merchants as much as you can. So please put down your electronic devices, and visit our great stores that make Bethlehem so special during our busiest shopping time of the year.

For more information about purchasing food or beer passports for Harvest Festival, please contact Emily Krall at emilyk@lehighvalleychamber.

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I'd like to thank the business community and our members for your support with the Chamber's golf tournament season! Special thanks to our sponsors and participants for your ongoing support.

Playing in a tournament is a great way to step out of the office and enjoy fresh air, beautiful and surroundings networking opportunities! This year, golfers have the great opportunity to join us for Carbon County's "Sturm Cup" at Jack Frost National on Friday September 15. Spanning over 7,200 yards, and more than 200 acres, the course covers magnificent terrain, beautiful landscapes and offers striking vistas and views. The course is located on the crest of Jack Frost Mountain that encompasses an elevation of 2000 ft and the natural Oak Forest highlights the movement of each golf hole (www.jackfrostnational.com).

Tournaments are host to a number of great partnership opportunities:

- 1. Business professionals have the opportunity to network
- 2. The host golf club has the ability to showcase their facility
- 3. Sponsors have an avenue to market their business
- 4. The host organization has a great opportunity to fundraise
- 5. Local businesses have the ability to promote their service and products

A golf tournament has a number of moving parts throughout the day $beginning with a {\it registration} process,$ great meals to fuel up, free give-aways, prize opportunities through fundraising efforts, and rules for the day as you hit the course with your fellow business professionals. There are hole-in-one prizes, contests and special features during the day of play. In addition, local businesses have an opportunity to participate as well. Chad Butters, Owner of Eight Oaks Distillery, participates as a vendor and sets up shop during local golf tournaments to help get the word out about his business "It is a great way to tell our story and share our product with face to face discussions in a fun way." Owner Shelley Roberts from Jim Thorpe Massage and Wellness Studio cannot agree more "Participating in the Carbon Chamber's golf tournament by giving complimentary chair massages was a great way to introduce ourselves to the business community and help players distress before the event."

So when you see the invitation, remember all that you are doing to support local business while participating in a fun and fresh air kind of way! Hope to see you up North on September 15 ... please contact me for more information.











EASTON AREA CHAMBER

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The Easton Public Market was packed last month for the official kick-off mixer of Easton Social Sports League – a brand-new coed intramural sports experience that is taking the Lehigh Valley by storm.

Easton Social Sports League encourages members of the community to get active and meet new people. Athletes can choose from an array of sports and skill levels for their co-ed league games. After the games, team members have the opportunity to get social with coordinated happy hours that bring the whole league together. Best of all, ESSL supports local charities - a portion of all league proceeds goes to a charity chosen by the League Champs each season.

The Kick-off Mixer drew

attendees from throughout Easton and its neighboring communities interested in learning more about this innovative sports league. Guests enjoyed meeting the League Social Coordinators and future teammates, taking advantage of fall league discount codes, and snagging some free ESS gear. Scratch provided delicious coal fire pizzas and beer for everyone in attendance.

The Easton Chamber is thrilled to be partnering with such a unique and exciting organization that is passionate about giving back to our community. We cannot wait to see what is in store for the future of Easton Social Sports League! If you are interested in signing up for a fall league, be sure to check out the Easton Social Sports website!





Easton Chamber representatives had a blast welcoming new member Cedar Park Community at their official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony! Thank you to The View at Morgan Hill and Weyerbacher Brewing for providing delicious food and refreshments for all the guests in attendance.







CHAMBER "SEEN"! EASTON SOCIAL SPORTS LEAGUE KICK-OFF MIXER & ALFIE'S KITCHEN RIBBON CUTTING

The first official Easton Social Sports League kickoff mixer went wonderfully! We were thrilled to see a great crowd interested in playing sports, meeting new people, and giving back to the community. Thank you to the Easton Public Market for providing delicious pizza and beer for our guests!









Last month, Alfie's Kitchen celebrated its Official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. The new family-owned brunch restaurant is located in Park Plaza in Forks Township. Pictured cutting the ribbon is Alfie and his family







PHILLIPSBURG AREA CHAMBER

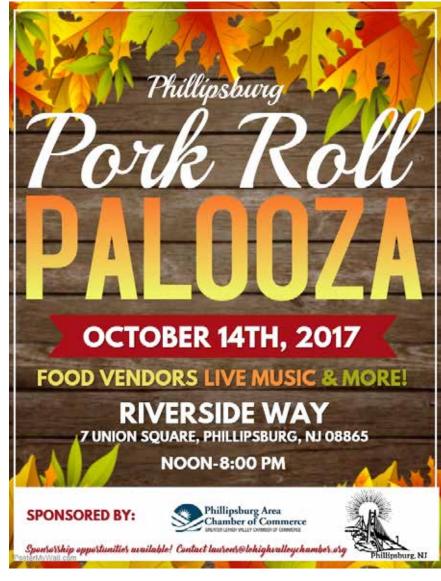
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One of the highlights of this past summer in downtown Phillipsburg was the town's annual Summer Concert Series. Every Thursday night, these free concerts were held in the beautiful Shappell Park at the heart of the town each week leading up to the final concert at Riverside Way. Crowds often gathered more than an hour in advance to set up lawn chairs and grab a bite at one of the local eateries before settling in for the show. However, no one sat still for long - as soon as the bands started to play, people were rocking in their seats or line dancing in front of the stage!

As part of the free Summer Concert Series, the Phillipsburg Area Chamber of Commerce also hosted two Phillipsburg Farmers' Markets in Shappell Park. Sponsored by the Warren County Health Department, these farmers' markets provided individuals the opportunity to buy and taste

fresh produce before the concerts and included a number of free activities, children's games, and benefits. By accepting SNAP and WIC Vouchers, the markets made healthy food options available to all families in the area. Thank you to St. Luke's University Health Network, NORWESCAP, and all the organizations that supported these markets.

The most recent additions to our Summer Concert Series were the free Fitness Classes offered at the beginning of select concerts. Coordinated in conjunction with the Rutgers Cooperative Extension, this year's fitness classes included yoga taught by an instructor from St. Luke's University Health Network, kickboxing with Unlimited Fitness NYC, and Pound with YMCA of Easton, Phillipsburg and Vicinity. We look forward to see what new additions are in store for next year's Phillipsburg **Summer Concert Series!**







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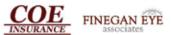






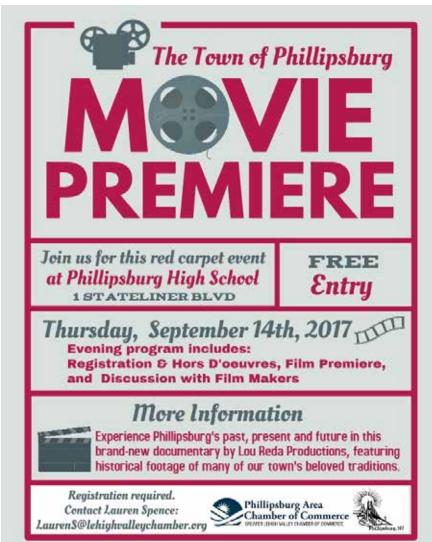


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EAST PENN CHAMBER

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that the Labor Day weekend is over, we are back in business mode and the East Penn Chamber of Commerce is excited about its upcoming activities.

Our meeting with the Western Lehigh Chamber to coordinate our calendar of events for 2017-18 produced some great ideas and what should result in exciting events for the upcoming year. Stay tuned!

Our mixer on September 21, 2017 with the East Penn School District Education Foundation hosted at the House/Barn restaurant in Emmaus was a rousing success teachers, administrators, parents, and local businesses uniting

to raise money for the Foundation's scholarship fund and the East Penn Chamber Scholarship Fund. Thanks to all who participated and a special thank you to Carl Billera and the staff at the Barn for helping make the event so successful.

I personally want to congratulate Larry Delhagen, our EPCC Volunteer of the Year, for his energy, ideas, and hard work. We are grateful to have him on our board!

Don't forget to check us out at on Facebook and Twitter @ EastPennChamber

Hope to see you at an upcoming EPCC event soon!







WESTERN LEHIGH CHAMBER

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As business leaders we all work hard to ensure our business is successful....after all this is why we enter into business isn't it? So how do you as a business leader measure success? The most obvious and apparent answer is typically profit, net revenue, and market growth. While all of these are key elements of success measures, doesn't the real answer lie in customer service and satisfaction? After all, without customers, our businesses cannot survive and thrive no matter what any of the other elements may be.

So how do you measure customer service and satisfaction and who are our customers anyway? While I am certain most of us have some way to measure customer service, is it really effective? Does it help you and do you take the information gathered to improve your business or do you simply collect it and not use it to your full advantage? While I could spend pages on the things I have learned over the years as I am certain you can as well, the real purpose of my article this month is to bring focus to perhaps two of the most valued of customers, your employees and our business colleagues in our Western Lehigh Chamber.

As your chair, I invite you, our customer, to attend our events and share with myself and other Board members what we can do to serve you in the best possible way. We

volunteer our time and our talent to serve you, our customer. We do this by offering you programs of value and sharing information that directly affects, or has the potential to affect, the furthered success of your business. Your employee "customers" can also grow and help you succeed by being your guests at one of our many events. What a great way to develop your internal customers as well as grow your business opportunities by the many ways we network and enhance our business and personal images. This is also your opportunity to bring future leaders to the table and incorporate our events into part of your business plans.

As our customer, we need to hear from you as to how we can continue to add value and programming to you and your business so that we as a collective group of business leaders can grow our customer base and further advance each of our chamber members' success. Please ioin us and let us know firsthand what we can do for you.

In closing, I leave you with one final thought, a quote from author and motivational speaker, Brian Tracy to ponder...

"Successful people are always looking for opportunities to help others. Unsuccessful people are always asking what's in it for me?" Which of these applies to you?

See you at an event soon!







Domino's Pizza Orefield celebrated their Grand Opening Celebration on July 27th. A Community Donated was given to Kids Peace for a scholarship fund.

Contact Meghan Reed 610.739.1273 Meghanr@lehighvalleychamber.org for more information





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SOUTHERN LEHIGH CHAMBER

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Over the summer your Southern Lehigh Chamber of Commerce board of directors met at Penn State's Lehigh Valley Campus to conduct the annual planning meeting. There was a high level of participation and enthusiasm as we discussed events for the upcoming year. Thank you to our volunteers and our GLVCC staff liaisons for their contributions as we look to continually improve the way which we can inform and serve our membership.

We welcomed a new board member to the SLCC board of directors. Attorney Dawn Nicholson is a member of the law firm of Weber Gallagher and specializes in worker's compensation defense. Dawn and her family are members of the Southern Lehigh community and reside in Coopersburg.

There are several construction projects currently underway in Southern Lehigh. We look forward to touring many of them as they are completed in the upcoming year. Construction of the Red Door Early Learning Center is nearly complete. The Chamber will be hosting a ribbon cutting as part of their grand opening on August 24 at 5:30 pm. Their new location is 4777 Saucon Valley Road. Please join us at the event, meet their faculty, and tour this new state-of-the-art learning facility.

Please mark your calendars for our 5th annual Oktoberfest at Link Beverage on October 12. Skip Link, a longtime member and past SLCC president, rallies his suppliers to provide tastings and outstanding raffle prizes. With the recent changes to PLCB regulations, Link Beverage has increased their selection of brews and has added taps to fill your growler with your favorite fresh micro-brews.

This low-cost event (only \$10/pp) is traditionally very well attended. We invite you to enjoy us for an evening of networking in a relaxed atmosphere.

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Sadly, we have to say goodbye to summer, but the good news is, EMSP is all geared up for a jam packed fall, starting with the mother of all sendoff parties! Farewell to Summer, sponsored by Gross McGinley, is sure to be fun for the whole family. Stop by Triangle Park and join the festivities on September 10 from 10 am until 3 pm.

If "Trolling Through Emmaus" isn't enough fun, join us for one of our other EMSP family friendly events. On September 7, come on out to the ribbon cutting for the new Emmaus location of David's Italian Market and mark your calendars for the next Where To Be Mixology event on September 28, hosted by Elite Sports Academy and joined by Lehigh Valley Martial Arts.

I would be remiss if I didn't give a shout out to our friends at the Heritage Alliance, they are hosting their Heritage Day Festival on September 24 and the EPCC and EPSD Education Foundation are hosting a Happy Hour Mixer on September 21 at House & Barn.

Special thanks to the hard work of the EMSP Economic Development Committee. Because of their efforts and the tremendous support of Emmaus Borough, Main Street Lehigh Valley grants were secured for the beautiful blue parking signs currently seen around Emmaus as well as seasonal pole banners that will soon line Chestnut Street.

Saving the best for last, congratulations are in order to the 2017 EMSP Volunteer of the Year, Michael Irwin! Although Mike joined the Board fairly recently, he can be seen at every event, volunteering his time to do whatever is needed. With a smile on his face, his dedication to his community is a shining example for all of us to follow! Our volunteers always have a blast and we have developed some long-lasting friendships along the way. The more the merrier and if you have an interest in volunteering, don't hesitate to reach out to our Main Street Manager, Meghan Reed.

GREATER BATH AREA CHAMBER Mary Kositz, ESSA Bank & Trust Greater Bath Chair 610-837-6729 • mkositz@essabank.com

What happens when you put an Olympic Silver Medalist and a Mayor together? You get an awesome GLVCC HALO event!!

On October 5, the Greater Bath Chamber will be hosting such an event, at the beautiful Red Wolf Bar and Grille in historic downtown Bath. Celebrity bartenders, Olympic Silver Medalist Joe Kovacs and Borough of Bath Mayor Fiorella Mirabito will be serving up a delicious array of signature drinks to the crowd! A portion of the proceeds from this event will benefit the Lauren's Hope Foundation.

Lauren's Hope, is a nonprofit 501c3 that enhances the lives of children with brain injuries. They give hope and support to children and their families through social events and provide partial to full funding for specialized therapies and equipment not covered by insurance.

On July 27, the GBACC board hosted a "Beer Reveal" mixer at Weyerbacher Brewing Company in Easton. At this event, Weyerbacher revealed the name and served up its signature beer "Suds for Spuds" which was made especially for our "Spuds & Suds Festival" on August 26. It is a light, citrusy summer beer which will pair perfectly with all of the delicious potato dishes being served at the event. Thank you to Weyerbacher for hosting us and creating such a delightful

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CHAMBER "SEEN"! "BEER REVEAL" MIXER









Photo 1: The Chamber's Alison Pickel, Denise Tucker, owner of Galleria 126 and The Chamber's Renee Keiderling

Photo 2: Stephanie Bronico, Learn- Play- Daycare and Borough of Bath Mayor Fiorella Mirabito

Photo 3: Owner, Omega Protective Services, Greg Kuhn, ESSA Bank & Trust Bath, Mary Kositz, Stephanie Bronico from Learn-n- Play Daycare, Terry DeGroot of Terraform Engineering

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OK, I've paid my chamber dues. Now, what is the chamber going to do for me?

What the chamber does best is providing opportunities for you to get exposure for your company.

On the "Mark Your Calendars!" page of this Connections magazine there are a few dozen events listed throughout the month that all members are invited to attend. And then, there are other events spread throughout the pages of the magazine, so don't miss your chance to get out and network!

In order to make the most of your membership, attend at least one of these events every month. But if you have the time to go to multiple events, your opportunities to network multiply. Make sure you take plenty of business cards.

Another way to get exposure for your company is to sponsor or host an event.

With that in mind, here in the Greater Northern Lehigh

Chamber we have a few events scheduled for the coming months and we'd love for you to support us by attending and sponsoring if you can! Friday October 6th, First Friday Spirit Walk along the Walnutport Canal, hosted at The Walnutport Canal Association. Saturday, October 7th is "The Gathering", which is a community event with food and refreshments, music and other entertainment at the covered bridge along the Slate Trail. Then on October 20th, we will be hosting our 3rd annual Mountain Road Rumble Tailgate prior to the Northwestern vs Northern Lehigh football game to benefit the Bo Tkack Under the Helmet and Hat Foundation and Brett Snyder's ALS Foundation. We will be looking for sponsors and participants for all of these events, contact Alice for more details at alicew@lehighvalleychamber.org or 484-274-2080.

Hope to see you out and about this month.









Photo 1: Alice Wanamaker swears in the incoming board of directors at the Greater Northern Lehigh Chamber annual picnic. **Photo 2:** The 2017-2019 Board of Directors (I-r, back row) Alice Wanamaker, Jeff Barlett, Andrew Gildner, Drew Maron, Gary Fedorcha, Kevin Schmidt, (I-s front row) Debbie Minnich, Monica Sellers, Jack Bechtel, Nancy Treskot, Cindy Miller, Craig Brady, Mayor Walter Neidermeyer, Marlyn Kissner and Tony Iannelli.

Photo 3: Guests enjoyed a picnic dinner, games, music and great networking. **Photo 4:** Employees from Neff's National Bank took the afternoon to enjoy networking and a great meal at the annual membership appreciation picnic.





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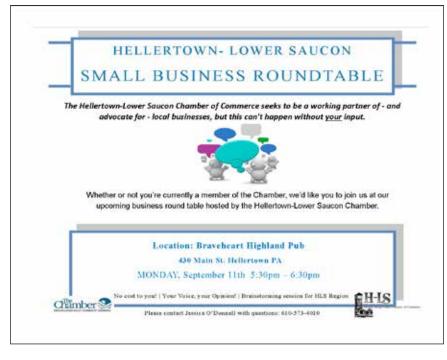
We have just concluded a very successful Music in Dimmick Park Summer Concert Series! Following Hellertown Lower Saucon Community Day on August 19, we enjoyed a fantastic performance by James Supra and Sarah Ayers. Thank you to Lost Tavern Brewing, Hop Hill Brewing Co., Sleepy Cat Urban Winery, Aioli Food Truck, Cool Treats Ice Cream Truck and Licensed 2 Grill for providing delicious food and beverages for the event. A special thank you goes to our Concert Series sponsors: Spirk Brothers, Inc., Lost River Caverns, Heintzelman Funeral Home, Money Mailer of Bethlehem, Law Offices of Mark P. Albright, BB&T of Hellertown, Working Dog Press, and Saucon Source for sponsoring our concert series. We have been overwhelmed with the positive feedback from all five concertslook for our next concert series lineup during summer 2018!

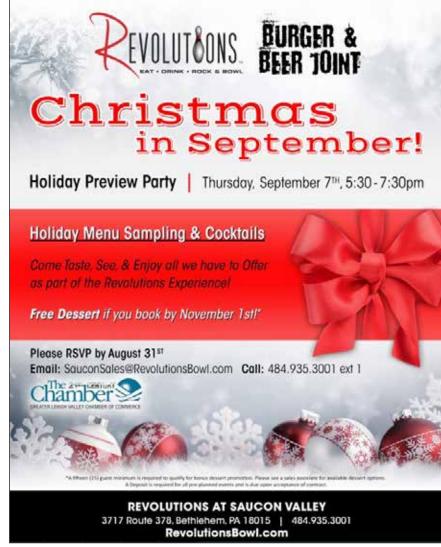
We begin a new round of quarterly Business Roundtables

starting on Monday, September 11, 2017. These informal idea sharing sessions have been very productive for Hellertown/Lower Saucon business owners. Our Chamber and local municipal leadership hear our voices and willingly turn the thoughts, ideas, and concerns into action as evidenced by recent improvements to Hellertown Borough pedestrian cross walks.

Make sure to stay up to date on all the things we have going on, by visiting our Facebook page. Mark your calendars on Thursday, September 7 for the Christmas in September Holiday Preview Party at Revolutions at Saucon Valley. Also, make sure to join the Saucon Valley community at Saucon Harvest Fest on Saturday, October 14 for live music showcasing local tastes of delicious food and beverages. We hope you had a great summer and look forward to seeing you at these upcoming events!









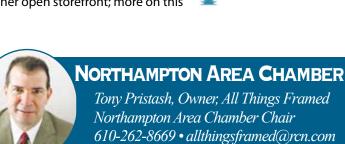
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The Nazareth Borough has just completed its annual celebration of Nazareth Day, a community celebration including an expanded farmer's market, vendors, crafters, discounted admission to the Borough pool and concluding with a phenomenal fireworks display. And there is even more to celebrate: we have just been informed that a new brewpub, Birthright Brewing, will be settling in to a location on Main Street! The pub is owned and operated by Wayne Milford and he will be ready to open in a few months. Wayne's vision for the pub will re-purpose an existing open storefront and that is wonderful news for the community. A second pub is in the wings and the owners are already at work on Belvidere Street in another open storefront; more on this

venture next month!

To continue to encourage economic development and growth, the Nazareth Business Council has been assisting business owners and the Borough Council with the development of a parking permit proposal. Business owner and NBC board member, Amy Cozze of Cozze Cakes on Main Street has been instrumental in bringing the business community together and has now initiated a new Facebook page for business owners and organizations in Nazareth. Her efforts have opened a new and candid dialogue between the commercial business owners, residents and Borough council and we look forward to strengthening that relationship and those efforts.



Greetings and salutations, NACC members. In our boards ever-continuing efforts to help you receive more "value" from your Chamber membership, we recently crafted and distributed a comprehensive survey for your input. By this time, you should have either received one thorough a personal visit from one of our Board members or through the mail.

The purpose of this current survey is to be a valuable tool insuring your opinions and voices are heard. As the survey states:

The Northampton Area Chamber of Commerce conducting this opinion survey by contacting a cross-section "opinion leaders" in our communities both chamber non-chamber members and members - to provide its board of directors with information that can be used to develop action plans to better target business advocacy encourage business development and success in our communities, address deficiencies in its current operating model, and enhance those activities that the business community feels are important, both to our communities and the local chamber. Responses gathered will be assembled and grouped in a manner to maintain confidentiality during the board's discussion, except in those cases where the business asks for specific feedback on points raised during the interview. Completion of the survey and a summary of its findings are targeted for September 2017.

If you have already completed and sent back your survey, thank you! If you haven't please let this be a reminder for you to complete it and get it back to us as soon as possible. Should you have any further questions or need another copy of the survey, please contact Renee at reneek@ lehighvalleychamber.org. thank you, we look forward to your



Uptown Northampton Street Fair

September 9th, 2017 Main Street - 10 am-5pm Rain or Shine!













Happy 5 Year Anniversary Karen's Kutz! September 7th, NOON 2006 Center Street Northampton Join us at Karen's Kutz for a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house to celebrate 5 years of business! Complimentary refreshments!

RSVP: Reneek@LehighValleyChamber.org





Lights On In Whitehall - The Whitehall Area Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that Whitehall Township received a matching grant of \$2,000 for holiday lighting on MacArthur Road. Special thanks and recognition to the Chamber Main Street Foundation, now providing 10 years of outstanding community support.

In The Know - On Thursday, September 14 at 11:30 am visit us for a luncheon at Fellowship Community to hear Whitehall Township Mayor, Edward Hozza present an update on all of the community events and new business development occurring in and around Whitehall.

Celebrate With Us - On Thursday, November 16 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm join us at the Lehigh Valley Mall to celebrate the holidays! Participate in our annual tree lighting, gift basket raffle, wine and food tasting event by bringing a toy in support of Toys for Tots.

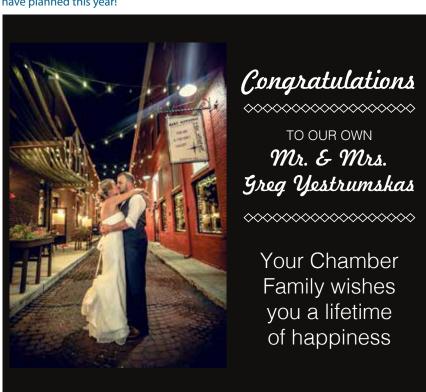
Interested in getting involved? Let us know. We are expanding the number of seats on our board of directors from 18 to 25 to allow more of our members to have a say in the future of our Chamber.

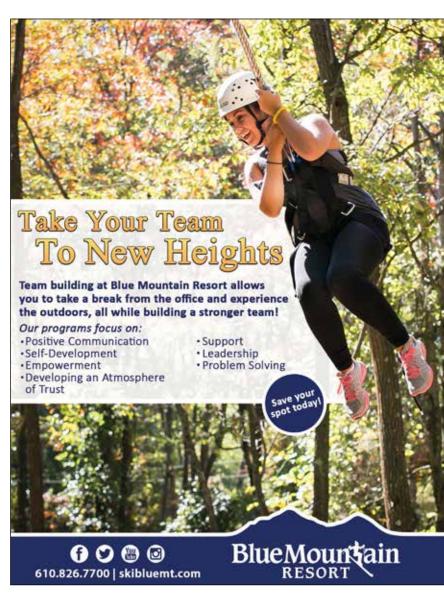
Have an idea for an event or want to help out? Let us know. We want to ensure we're serving the needs of YOU, our members and the community in which we live, work, play and shop. Follow us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/whitehallarea.chamber We look forward to seeing you in Whitehall!





Now presenting to you the 2017-2018 Whitehall Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. We are excited about the merger under the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce for so many reasons, but excited for you, our members to see all that we have planned this year!







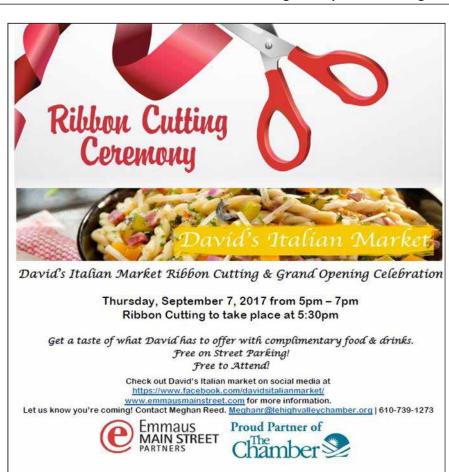
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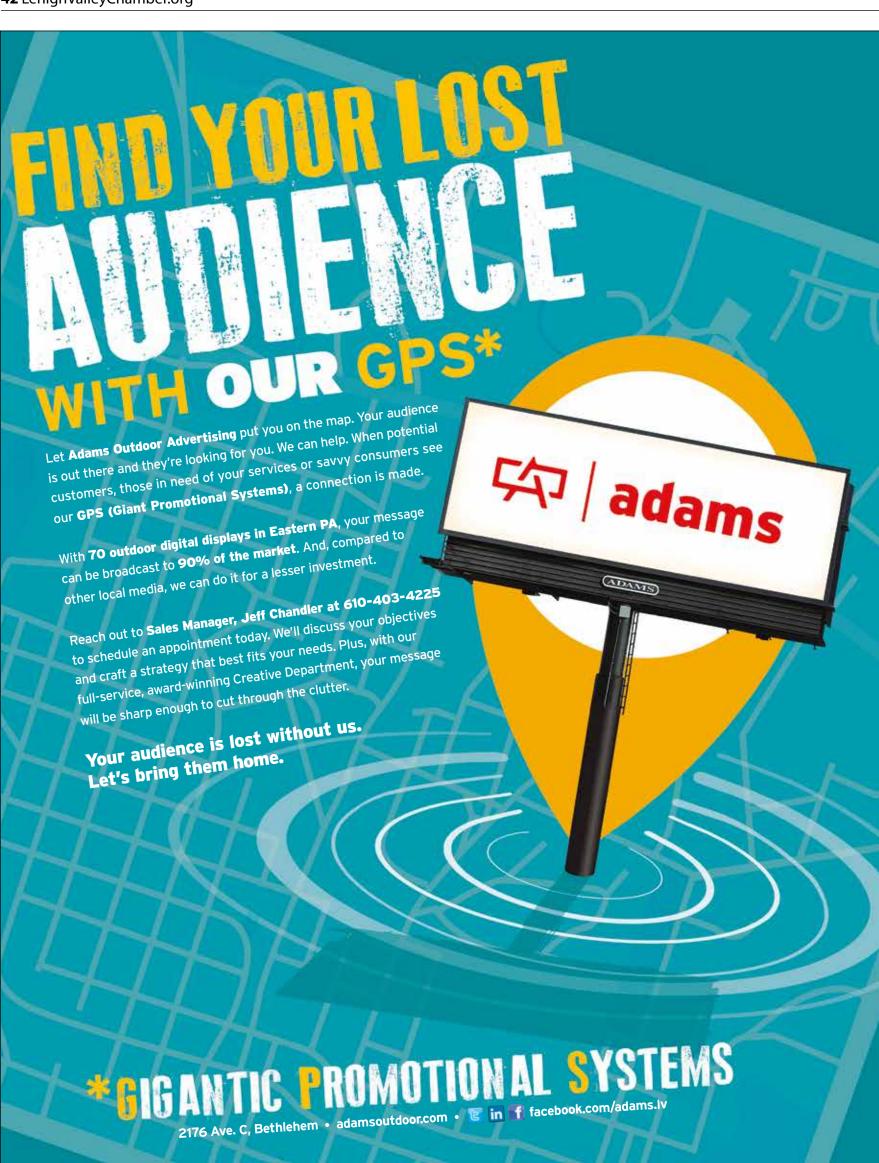
As the Featured Member of the Month you will receive:

- A full page story and photos in The Chamber's Connections Magazine written by professional journalist (\$1500 value)
- Business promotion on WAEB morning show with Bobby Gunther Walsh and Chamber President Tony Iannelli (\$300)
- Social media campaign designed around your story on Facebook, Twitter, Chamber blog, and Linkedin (\$300 value)
- An email blast announcing your story to over 9,500 Chamber members (\$500 value)

For more information contact
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The Bach Choir of Bethlehem announces its 2017-18 Season of Musical Milestones, as we celebrate our 120th birthday! Free Bach at Noon concerts begin on September 12 in Bethlehem; we'll welcome the world-famous German Boys' Choir THOMANERCHOR for our Gala Concert on November 11. BACH.org for more information.

KingSpry is pleased to announce the firm's continued growth with the addition of a new attorney; Alan S. Battisti joins KingSpry as a partner where he will focus his practice in litigation and insurance defense law. He is admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Battisti served most recently as a Director of Forry Ullman. His experience also includes service as a Northampton County Solicitor. Mr. Battisti earned his Juris Doctorate from the Dickinson School of Law and his B.B.A. from Temple University. He is a member of the Northampton County Bar Association, the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and the Wilkes-Barre Law & Library Association.

KingSpry is pleased to announce the firm's continued growth with the addition of a new attorney; Ryan K. Fields as an associate, where he will be focusing his practice in Family and Education Law. He is admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Most recently, he was an associate with Pfeiffer, Bruno, Minotti and DeEsch. Mr. Fields earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of New Hampshire School of Law and his B.S. in Music Industry from Northeastern University. He is a member of the Northampton County Bar Association.

Straight Arrow Products, Inc., the makers of the Original Mane 'n Tail Shampoo and Conditioner have entrusted Derrike Cope to do a repeat performance in the #55 with Premium Motorsports at the Bojangles' Southern 500 Throwback Event at Darlington Raceway on Sunday September 3, 2017. Derrike Cope was the original driver of the 1994 Mane 'n Tail #12 car owned by Bobby Allison Motorsports and will be the only Driver in NASCAR to be driving his own throwback as well as his throwback color scheme reveals the true sponsor for the event! Straight Arrow continues to manufacture all of its own products right here in the USA, adhering to strict quality assurances,

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The Pennsylvania Department of General Services has announced open registration for the PA Procurement Expo & Forum featuring hundreds of suppliers exhibiting the latest in products and services, state procurement officers from a range of commonwealth agencies ready to answer your questions, and more than 50 educational workshops on the best practices in procurement. Register today to be part of that Works Government on September 6-7, 2017 at the PA Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg. If you have questions about the Expo, or want to learn more about being an exhibitor, email the organizers at info@paprocurementexpo.com.

Progressive rock icons **King Crimson**, have announced an extension to their 2017 North American 'Radical Action' Tour, including a stop at Miller Symphony Hall in Allentown, PA on Saturday, November 11. Tickets are on sale at Ticketmaster and the Miller Symphony Hall Box Office.

Vice Christa Martin, Assistant President/Retail Mortgage Loan Officer of QNB Bank, recently completed coursework at the 2017 Pennsylvania Bankers Association (PA Bankers) School of Banking, June 4-8, at the Penn Stater Conference Center in State College, Pa. Martin has served the banking industry for 17 years. At QNB, she is responsible for interviewing customers, originating applications and prequalification's and conducting loan closings and is also responsible for coordinating loan transactions with other parties such as Realtors, title companies and builders.

Lehigh Financial Group LLC has made it possible for a New York investor with Lehigh Valley roots to purchase a portfolio of properties including nine properties on Birkel Street that houses Lehigh University students in Bethlehem and one multifamily property located on Susquehanna Street in Allentown. The \$1,650,000 purchase was completed in July. Christa Rimonneau of Brooklyn, founder of CRTS Properties

LLC, has been investing in the Lehigh Valley for nearly 10 years and has properties in Easton and Bethlehem. CRTS Properties LLC is excited to be adding to their Lehigh Valley portfolio.

Captured LV Escape Room premiered its third escape room, The Mayan Temple- Countdown to the World's End, last month. Captured LV Escape Room is a live, interactive adventure where players find clues and solve puzzles to escape the room within 60 minutes. The Mayan Temple is custom designed and created for six to ten players. Captured LV caters to families, friends, corporate groups, team building and staff bonding. Captured LV is locally owned and operated and located at 559 Main Street, Bethlehem. Tickets are available at capturedly.com.

Join Cedar Crest College Butterfly **Garden** on Saturday, September 9 at 10:30 am in Allentown for a beautiful celebration of life as they release 250 monarch butterflies in honor and memory of a loved one touched by cancer. Event highlights include: Rob Vaughn, Channel 69 News - Emcee, free admission, children's crafts and activities, 50/50 raffle, door prize, live music and refreshments. Special appearance by Pink Heals LV Chapter. Paper and live Monarch butterflies are available with donation. Proceeds benefit the Cancer Support Community of the Greater Lehigh Valley. Rain Date; Sunday, September 10, 3 pm. https://whennow.com/ event/wings-of-hope

Find a place of Calm in the midst of Chaos. Join our Women's Yoga Series offered monthly at Kula Heart Yoga & Wellness, LLC, Bethlehem. If you feel 'lost' within the responsibilities of child raising, romantic relationships, or stressful careers. Then find out how you can create expression and joy in life, reaching your highest potential, and letting go of the things that hold you back so that you can create a real difference in the world. The program will include breathing exercises, meditation, yoga, and community building skills. A different topic each month is offered in this two hour program. Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15 and Dec. 13 from 6:30 until 8:30 pm. Pre-registration is required only \$25, call the studio 610-746-5852(KULA) or r purchase a ticket online at www. kulaheartyoga.com.

The Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences announced 2017 Emmy® nominations at the PPL Public Media Center at PBS39 last month.

ASR Media Productions received five nominations for various segments. Ashley Russo, president and executive producer of ASR Media Productions and the host of The PEAK TV, states, "I am so proud of our team. Their dedication to a superior product was recognized tonight. Sharing the stories of the Greater Lehigh Valley is what drives us each day." The 2017 NATAS Mid-Atlantic Emmy® Awards will be held on September 9, 2017, at the Hershey Lodge, Hershey, PA.

The Animal Food Bank of the Lehigh Valley needs your HELP! We're running low on dry cat food - any donations big or small would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at any of our official Drop-off Location Sites OR at the Animal Food Bank by appointment. Questions? Please contact us: afblehighvalley@gmail. com | Website: http://www.afblv. com/ 'Like' us on Facebook to stay in touch! https://www.facebook.com/ AnimalFoodBankLV We're located in Emmaus - 860 Broad St., Emmaus, rear of the building.

Countess Communications enjoyed an ambitious first year as video provider for ArtsQuest during their biggest event of the year, Musikfest. Video assets were used throughout the festival on ArtsQuest social media channels, with extended versions being used for marketing Musikfest 2018.

Impact Symposium: Privacy & Security in the Era of Big Data will be hosted on September 15 from 9:00 am until 3:30 pm. The symposium is free and open to the public with limited seated; registration is required. Hosted by Lehigh University College of Business and Economics, The era of big data offers significant opportunities to enhance societal and firm value. However, the promise underlying this realization rests upon the dual aspect of privacy and security. Without privacy, individuals can be placed in harm's way. Without security of an individual's data to allow for its use, the value of data may not be realized.

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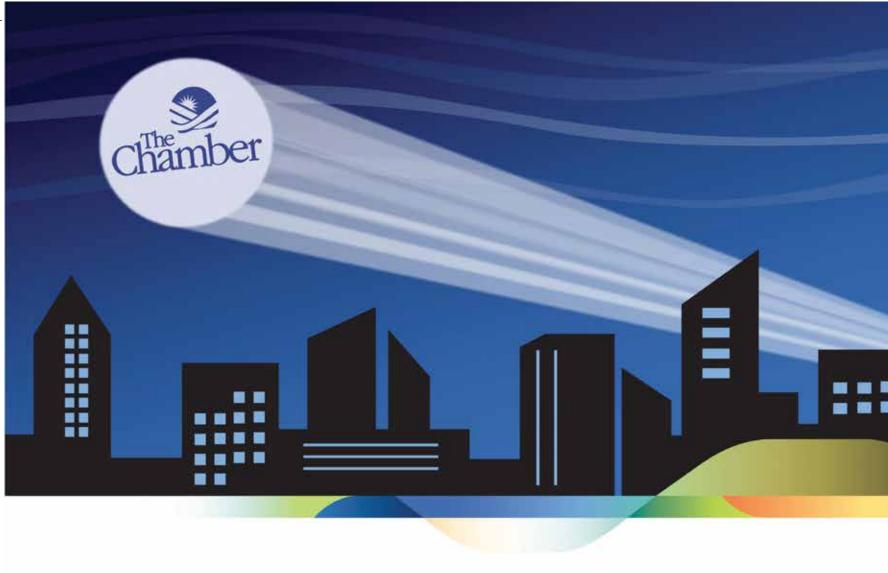
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