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From Jason Fink's Desk - President/CEO of the Chamber

As I started my column for the month, I heard from the developers for The District at Lycoming Valley that they were under contract with a new operator of the movie theatre there. They were excited to see it coming back online and shared that this will be a completely new experience for moviegoers in the market. Based upon what they've shared and what's been put out on their website, this is going to have more elements of what is found in much larger markets. The food options aren't just going to be popcorn and candy and it looks like the seating will be very different than what we're used to experiencing. You can follow the details as they update it by visiting www.thedistrictlycoming.com.

Not sure if you've been following some of the non-political federal activities that took place recently. The other day the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) voted to ban employer non-compete agreements. There aren't a lot of industries that utilize these and over the past several years they have been challenged in court and ruled against their enforcement in a number of those cases.

The US Chamber and PA Chamber have both come out against this decision by the FTC. The day following the decision, the US Chamber filed suit against the FTC over this ban of non-compete agreements. This decision by the FTC was widely expected, so it was no surprise to see such quick action by the US Chamber in filing against this ruling.

We received emails from both the US and PA Chamber sharing their reasons for being against the banning of the non-compete agreements. They assert that that the FTC's action sets a dangerous precedent for government micromangement and will harm employees, employers, and the economy.

I get the concern on this level of government intervention but do have to admit that I've always had heartburn philosophically about non-compete agreements. At this point, let me state a couple of things that people might not understand about Chambers. The Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce is a separate organization from the PA and US Chamber. Each of us operate independently. We are members of both and actually are a founding member of the US Chamber.

The US Chamber shared that the FTC contends that by using regulation they can simply declare common business practices to be "unfair methods of competition" and thus illegal. This is despite the fact that non-compete agreements have been around longer than the 110-year-old FTC and until now no one has suggested that they are illegal.

Their decision to challenge the FTC in court is about more than non-compete agreements. It is about stopping an astonishing power grab by the FTC. The FTC has not been granted the constitutional and statutory authority to write their own rules relative to this type of agreement between an employer and employee.

A little detail is important at this point about the FTC. The Commission is headed by five Commissioners, nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate, each serving a seven-year term. No more than three Commissioners can be of the same political party. The President chooses one Commissioner to act as Chair.

The non-compete vote was not unanimous, as it was passed by a 3-2 vote of the Commission. It is estimated that this will affect approximately 30 million labor agreements between employers and employees.

This move by the US Chamber to sue the FTC is more than just the vote to ban non-compete agreements. It is more driven by concern about what else they can decide to regulate or even ban any other business practice. The key point is that these are five appointed officials taking this level of action and not a vote from Congress. That argument I get completely. No appointed body should have this level of power and oversight without some elected entity other than the legal system to ensure they are staying within their purview of statutory authority.

Regarding non-competes, as I mentioned I get some heartburn when seeing the various industry sectors that they're used. Some are easy to understand, especially when you're dealing with the tech and pharmaceutical industries. There's proprietary knowledge and investment in that employee that a company wants to protect their investment in research and development and the workforce investment in training. However, there are areas of the country within industry sectors like hair stylists and warehousing that these are used. For these instances, I would see where they shouldn't be permitted as the free market should be allowed to play out with companies hiring the best talent they can access. I'd be open to hearing a reason why they should still be used for these employment circumstances if someone has a differing thought.

In light of the fact that they project roughly 30 million people have a non-compete in place with their current employer, I would bet that there are a few of those locally employed. This ruling will almost certainly affect their respective situations. In the end, taking all of this into consideration, I agree with the action by the US Chamber in suing the FTC. It's an overreach by the FTC and is not within their statutory authority to regulate them. Given the pace of our legal system, I would not expect that we shall see any type of final ruling on this until 2025 or later.

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C.H. Waltz Outdoor & RV celebrated their new store with a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at their location at 5335 North Route 44 in Jersey Shore.



TLC Fitness moved to a new location in South Williamsport. You can check it out at 396 East 2nd Avenue.

Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings

Ribbon Cutting - Positive Medium

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Ribbon Cutting - Taco Loco

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11 West 4th Street, Williamsport



Ribbon Cutting - Mark's Outfitters

Friday, May 10, 2024 | 5:00 PM
22 South Main Street, Hughesville



Ribbon Cutting - Divergent Travel

Saturday, May 25, 2024 | 11:00 AM
430 South Alley, Montoursville



Bec's Beauty Co. celebrated their new business with Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at their new location at 425 Market Street in Williamsport.



Leadership Lycoming Holds Health & Human Services Program Day

The Leadership Lycoming Class of 2024 had their Health and Human Services program day, Thursday, April 11th. Beginning at UPMC Williamsport, in the Walnut Room; hosts Brittany Fischer, Class of 2020 and Paula Holmes, Class of 2023 welcomed the class and introduced Tyler Wagner, Director, Public Relations, UPMC, Class of 2020; who then introduced the first presentation, "Getting to know UPMC in the Region", with Patti Jackson-Gehris, President, UPMC North Central PA, Class of 2016. The morning continued with a presentation, "Strategic Thinking in Healthcare with Geisinger" with Ron Beer, Chief Administrative Officer Northeast Region and Interim COO, Geisinger.

The morning continued with the class participating in the Human Services Fair hosted at the YWCA. Class members had the opportunity to meet multiple agencies within the Human Services industry, including; North Central Sight Services, Sojourner Truth Ministries, Lycoming County Children and Youth Services Foster Care and Prevention, STEP, Lycoming County United Way, and the YWCA.

Lunch was hosted by Hope Enterprises, Inc., followed by an overview and tour of Hope Enterprises, Inc. and MaxWorx with Rob Labatch, President, Mackenzie Howe, Director of Development, Class of 2019, Carolyn Lakis, Director of Community Living Services, Class of 2022, Cheryl Yoxtheimer, VP Human Resources, Class of 1990, Hope Enterprises, Inc. and Mark Tiburg, Assistant of Production, MaxWorx, Class of 2012.

The class then had the opportunity to learn about River Valley Health and Dental Center from Max Houseknecht Jr., President & CEO, Class of 2017 and Jackie Oliva, Chief Operating Officer, Class of 2018, River Valley Health and Dental Center.

The afternoon ended with a tour and presentation of American Rescue Workers, by Jennifer Rempe, Director of Development and Community Engagement, and Melanie Shutt, Marketing and Community Engagement Coordinator.

Thank you to this year's Leadership Lycoming Annual Sponsors, UPMC and North Central Sight Services. Thank you to our Tier 3 sponsors, Geisinger, Hope Enterprises, Inc., and River Valley Health and Dental. We would also like to thank our Tier 2 Sponsors, Valley View Rehab and Nursing Center and STEP. Thank to Brittany Fischer and Paula Holmes for hosting the day. Thank you to Susanne Glisan, Hope Enterprises, Inc.



The Class of 2024 at Hope Enterprises, Inc.



Suzanne Glisan, Dawn Hall, Toni Levandoski and Rebecca Bay



FEATURE MEMBER

Kiwanis Club of Williamsport strongly supporting youth programs

From Staff Reports

Friendly, outgoing and serving with a purpose.

That is what the 60 members of the Kiwanis Club of Williamsport say the club is all about.

“Making a difference in our community!”

It is what is on their comprehensive website and what each of the members in Greater Williamsport believe.

A global organization of volunteers, Kiwanis is dedicated to improving the world “one child and one community at a time.”

Members attend regular weekly meetings at Holiday Inn Express, 900 Pine St., where they have such fun and engage in fellowship, banter and most importantly prepare their programs that help to raise funds for various causes and plan many service projects to help the community.

Among the most notable of these activities was done during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic with a ribbon cutting at the Kids United Playground dedication at Cochran Primary School on Sept. 13, 2021.

The club has several service projects that are children-focused and centered and strive to uplift youngsters by fostering their growth and empowering them for a brighter tomorrow.

These service projects include: Book supply for our Little Library at Cochran Primary School.

Early Learning Guides for STEP Resource Center; the annual Soap Box Derby June; Kids First Friday in August and Holiday Bells in December.

The Club is big on raising funds and donations supporting higher education through granting annual scholarships to graduating Key Club seniors.

Today, Miranda Kujawa, serves as club president. There are many ways the club engages with the children in the community and their families, including holding



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John Troisi thanks the members of the Kiwanis of Williamsport for their good wishes at a party in late November to celebrate Troisi's 50 years in the organization at the Holiday Inn in Williamsport.

events like Breakfast with Santa, Blueberry Sales and hearing the latest from Kiwanis International visitors giving inspiring testimonials.

Since 2018, the Club and Foundation have granted over \$30,000 in scholarships.

The club honors its legacy membership. It will celebrate with 20 of its members who have achieved at least 25 years of membership with a Legion of Honor award.

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Celebrating 65 years, T-Ross Brothers serves community

By **MATTHEW COURTER**
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T-Ross Brothers Construction, a mainstay in the area recently celebrated their 65th anniversary, and though known mainly for their commercial development, the company's offerings reach far beyond.

Founded in 1958 by contractor and builder, Thomas Ross, the company was known by many names throughout the years until Ross' sons, Tom and Todd bought the business in 1996, re-dubbing it T-Ross Brothers, marketing director Robert Tomlinson explained.

The company marked a major milestone in 2021 when they relocated their office.

"They took over the old elementary school in Montandon and renovated it into our corporate offices," Tomlinson said.

"We mainly focus on commercial construction, but we do have a home building division called Ross Custom Homes, and we have a metal roofing division called Bend-fab, which is popular in the area. They're long-lasting," Tomlinson explained.

"We also have a metal building division called Metal Building Solutions, or MBS," Tomlinson explained.

"When a lot of people think of T-Ross, they think of the commercial side, and they don't realize that we do custom houses," he said.

"A lot of times with big box stores, they'll have cookie cutter designs and they might be able to modify this or that, but with Ross Custom Homes, the client can come in and if they have a dream of the house they want, our project managers and our designers can put together exactly what they're dreaming of," Tomlinson said.

"No matter how unique the house, we can do that for them".

"When it comes to custom kitchens or bathrooms, we're also cheaper than a lot of big box stores, who will sit down and design the same thing," he said.

The company generally serves a 50-mile area extending from Milton, but has done projects as far as the Sullivan County Courthouse.

Closer to home, the T-Ross Brothers has put its stamp on several recognizable properties, including an addition to the Pysmian plant, Little League headquarters and dormitories, and the Eastern Lycoming Branch YMCA in Muncy.



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A T-Ross Brothers Construction crew reviews plans at a construction site.

"Todd has told me a couple times, he finds it fascinating when he drives around and he sees the different buildings, whether they were built by him, his father, or his brother, it gives him a lot of great pride in knowing that, 'hey, I built that building,'" Tomlinson said.

"They look at Central PA and the Susquehanna Valley, and they see how much they've contributed to what it is today."

One current project underway that Tomlinson is particularly excited about is Jackass Brewery, which broke ground in January.

"That's gonna be really cool when that's ready," he said. There'll be a restaurant and bar on the first and second stories, and the third and fourth floor will be for special venues like weddings, etc."

"We built their brewery in Lewisburg, and they're good friends with us."

The company also recently broke ground on the Newman Commons in Lewisburg..

"That's going to be, I believe, 44 cottages for elderly people," Tomlinson explained.

In addition to their focus on providing excellent service to their clients, T-Ross Brothers have an eye on those who have the itch to join the construction business.

"Last year we started the Ross Construction Academy.," Tomlinson said.

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SMALL BUSINESS

Owners of Pizza 2 Go love, take pride in staff

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Pizza 2 Go has been a mainstay in the Jersey Shore area for over 20 years, and with a customer base that built in, it's normal to be apprehensive when there's a change of ownership. But luckily for the clientele of the eatery, new owners, Michael and Abbie Allison quickly dispelled any anxieties when they took over in 2017.

"I'm originally from Indiana County, near Pittsburgh," Michael explained. "I started in the restaurant industry down there, and transferred up this way to attend Penn College."

Michael began his culinary career with Ruby Tuesday when he was 16 years old, and stayed with the company for about 10 years, working his way up into lower level management positions.

"I had the restaurant background, and my wife went to Lycoming College for business management and marketing, so it was a really good combination."

Owning a business was always in the cards for the Allisons, though what form that would take was a mystery until they discovered that Pizza 2 Go was for sale in 2017.

The couple purchased the business, knowing they would have to relocate, as another business was interested in purchasing the real estate.

They purchased the former Flagstone Bar with initial plans to renovate the building, but quickly discovered the building was in too poor of shape to be salvaged affordably.

"So we went back to the drawing board and we did blueprints on a brand new building."

During a two month gap between moving from its previous location to when their new building was operational, the Allisons set up shop in downtown ice cream parlor, Phil-It-Up.

"We didn't want to lose any of the staff that we had at the time, because we knew we were going to need them once we opened up in our new spot."

"Brett and Julie Bowes were gracious

enough to open up their space to us, so we moved there for about eight weeks," Michael said.

Utilizing a 50 foot shipping container retrofitted with propane, water, and electricity, the business was able to thrive, while avoiding the loss of any of its staff until officially opening in their current location on April 16, 2018.

With so many unknowns in the mix, the couple didn't know what to expect, but luckily, the community welcomed them with open arms.

"We did our grand opening, and it was absolutely crazy."

Though he and his wife are the owners and operators, Michael credits their staff with much of the continued success of the business.

"We love our staff," he said. "We treat them all like family."

"We take great pride in hiring good people; in making sure they're not only going to be able to handle the job, but also be able to intermingle and work great with the team."

The couple were eager to change up the menu, but took things at a measured pace so as to not throw off those who had stuck with the restaurant.

Once they felt comfortable, a few new items were added onto the menu at a time, including a pretzel dough stromboli, beer cheese, and a variety of different flavored wings.

"We also added our saucy chicken wing pizza, so you can put our wing sauces right on a chicken wing pizza," Michael said. "It's been a wonderful addition," Michael said.

"We launched our frozen pizza line in February of 2023 last year, and it's been a whirlwind ever since," Michael said. "They're incredible, and the demand for them is amazing."

Taking over the business shortly before the COVID-19 pandemic, there was much uncertainty in the air, but due to the relatively small size of their dining area, the business

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Michael and Abbie Allison look at blueprints for the then-new building after Nichols Run flooded Pizza 2 Go's old building.

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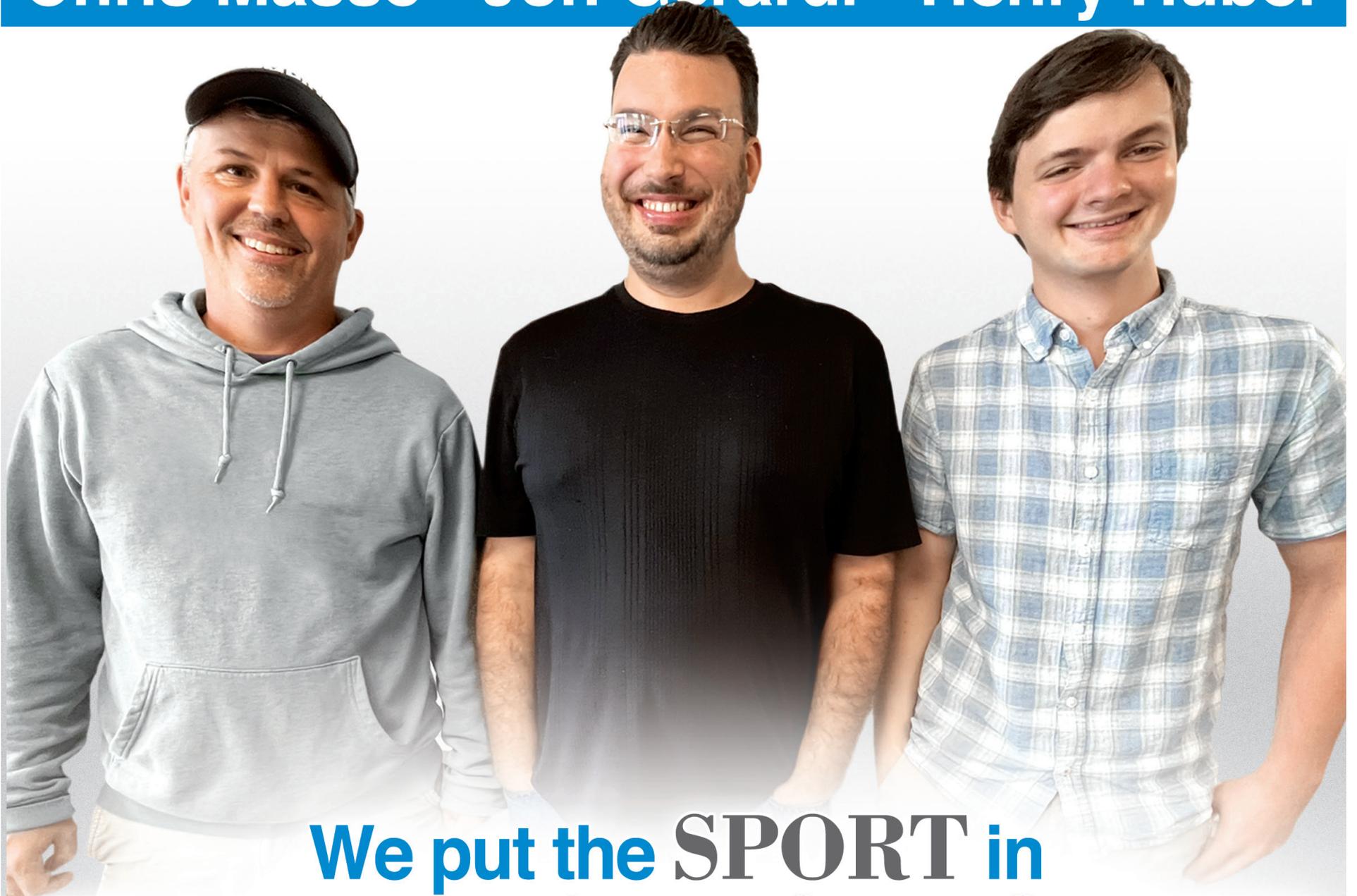
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was able to remain open for takeout and delivery services.

“We were actually busier than we were when we first opened at our new location,” Michael explained. “We would have folks in the parking lot call us, and we would take their order out to the car, and take payment in the parking lot. It was a wild time.”

Always having an eye on community needs, the Allisons organized to fill a massive void left by the mass closures of schools and

daycares.

“We provided school lunches for free to all the kids within the district,” Michael said. “I think we ended up providing around 3,500 lunches during that time until the district at least had a good lunch program set up.

“We had a lot of community support for that too. A lot of folks donated to it.”

“Pepsi and FritoLay got involved and a lot of wonderful customers around the area pitched in and helped make that happen. A lot of teachers actually volunteered to help

deliver the lunches to these kids.”

Looking forward, the couple are always looking for new ways to serve their dedicated patrons.

“We’re thinking about a few different exciting options to add into our menu mix as time goes on,” Michael said.

Michael describes himself and his wife as “simple people” who just want to provide a great experience for their customers.

“One of the things we try to drive home is to remain humble, stay true to yourself,

and try to help others as you can,” Michael stressed.

“At the end of the day, we’re so thankful for our wonderful staff, and a wonderful, supportive community that’s rallied around us for years now, and that gives us the drive and motivation to get up every day and go to work.”

“We also have a great following on our Facebook page, which is incredible,” he said. “That’s been very eye opening to us, just how many people do follow our page.”

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The academy provides graduating students the opportunity to earn certifications through on-the-job training with the company.

“They’d have a kind of trade school education, where we pay for the education part of it,” he explained.

Tomlinson said the academy was started by Tom Ross’ oldest son, Cody.

“He has a background in education, and he came back to work here and came up with the idea of doing the Ross construction Academy.”

“It’s normally open for seniors, but also during the summer we have a junior internship program for juniors that want to earn some money over the summer.”

Those interested can reach out to Cody at cody@tross-

brothers.com or by at 570-556-8695.

“We also offer an annual scholarship for students that are studying construction that rewards \$2,000 towards the tuition. And, that is through the First Community Foundation Partnership,” Tomlinson said.

Another popular event, devised by Tomlinson, that he looks to do again in the fall is a scavenger hunt.

“We partnered with about 80 businesses last year, which was free for businesses to be a part of,” he explained.

“We had a poster with hidden clues, messages and riddles to lead people from one business to another, to ultimately find 10 keys. They then came to our 65th anniversary party, and there were 10 boxes for them to try their keys in. All the boxes had prices of various kinds, including cash ranging from \$500 to \$2,000.”

While Tomlinson cites the company’s “top notch quality” as one of its core attractions, T-Ross’ continued success goes much deeper.

“We also create close friendships with the people we work for,” he said.

“We build their buildings and we become friends with them. And any future projects they have, they just stick with us.”

Tomlinson also cites the Williamsport-Lycoming Chamber of Commerce as among the most helpful organizations he has worked with.

“They’re probably my personal favorite, just because they’re there for you,” he said.

“If you have something that you need help with, they’re there for you.”



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The Lycoming County SPCA held a PM Exchange on April 11. Guests were treated to tours of the facility as well as food and drinks.

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Join us at the Today Farm & Market for a farm-to-table buffet, farm tour, specialty beverages from the Bullfrog Brewery taproom, and take-home goody-basket of PA Made items from our farm store.

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The Lumber Heritage Region Supports Lycoming County Tourism with a Mini Grant.

Williamsport, PA – April 23, 2024 - The Lumber Heritage Region is pleased to announce that it has been granted a mini grant for \$5,000 to the Lycoming County Visitors Bureau to support the development of four new brochures highlighting the rich heritage and attractions of Lycoming County.

The mini grant, provided by the Lumber Heritage Region, has enabled the completion of four distinct brochures, each offering unique insights into the cultural and historical treasures of the region. These brochures are part of ongoing efforts to promote tourism and preserve the legacy of Lycoming County.

The brochures completed through this grant include:

Millionaire's Row Walking Guide: This guide provides an immersive experience into the opulent history of Millionaire's Row, showcasing the grandeur of the area's historic homes and landmarks. The project received invaluable assistance from the Pennsylvania College of Technology Graphic Arts Department, ensuring a visually captivating and informative resource for visitors.

Ghost Tour Brochure: Delve into the mysteries and tales of Lycoming County's haunted past with the Ghost Tour Brochure. Created in collaboration with Lycoming College, this brochure promises an eerie yet fascinating journey through local legends and supernatural phenomena.

Bases Loaded Map: Celebrating the legacy of the Little League World Series, the Bases Loaded Map offers a comprehensive guide to the iconic statues scattered throughout the county. Visitors can explore the history and significance of these statues, enhancing their experience of America's favorite pastime.

Antiquing Brochure: For enthusiasts of vintage treasures and antiques, the Antiquing Brochure presents a curated selection of antique shops and markets across Lycoming County. Discover hidden gems and unique finds while exploring the area's rich heritage.

"We are grateful to the Lumber Heritage Region for their support in bringing these projects to fruition," said Gina Edwards, Tourism & Group Tour Director of the Lycoming County Visitors Bureau. "These brochures not only showcase the diverse attractions of our region but also highlight the collaborative efforts of our community partners and institutions."

The newly completed brochures are now available to the public and can be obtained from the Lycoming County Visitors Bureau and various tourism outlets across the region.



Gina Edwards (Lycoming County Visitors Bureau), Senator Gene Yaw and Holly Komoncz (Lumber Heritage Region)



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Event Details

- **Location:**
 - Pennsylvania College of Technology's Heavy Construction Equipment Operations Site: 782 Fritz Station Road, Montgomery, PA 17752. Please access Fritz Station Road from Route 15. No parking will be permitted on Fritz Station Road.
- **Admission: Free**
- **Parking:**
 - Free spectator parking for Saturday and Sunday events is available at Penn College's Schneebeli Earth Science Center: 203 Allenwood Camp Lane, Montgomery, PA 17752. Free shuttle service will be provided from there to the competition location.
 - Please note: On Sunday, beginning at 9 a.m., only the free shuttle bus from the Earth Science Center will have access to Fritz Station Road and the competition site.
- **Comfort Facilities: Available**
- **Concessions: Food trucks will be at the site.**
- **Seating: There are no bleachers, so spectators are encouraged to bring a chair if they wish to sit.**



Information and photo taken from Penn College website.

Jersey Shore Area Chamber of Commerce Takes Flight

The Jersey Shore Area Chamber of Commerce was treated to a Lunch & Learn program hosted by the Life Flight team from Geisinger Medical Center. Those in attendance had the opportunity to learn about the lifesaving work the team does and tour the helicopter. Thank you to Geisinger for a wonderful experience.





Lycoming County Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund

The Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) provides low-interest loans to developers and grants to non-profits and local governments for the cleanup of contaminated sites.






RLF Overview

The Lycoming County Revolving Loan Fund Program, funded by an \$800,000 U.S. EPA award, makes loans and grants available for site remediation and subsequent redevelopment. The goal of the program is to return Lycoming County Brownfield sites to productive use. Lycoming County has lead a brownfield program since 2005 and has inventoried over 80 sites and conducted over 30 site assessments through its program.

Acceptable Use of Funds

- Cleanup of hazardous substances and/or the mitigation of threatened release of hazardous substances
- Preparation of Remedial Action Workplans
- Construction of a site's engineered remediation cap which could include foundations/ roadways
- Demolition of structures to the extent that the demolition is integral to accessing contamination
- Site monitoring and data collection

Terms and Conditions

- Grants available for municipal and non-profit entities
- Loans for private entities
- Low interest rates and flexible repayment terms determined on a case-by-case basis
- All sites and work subject to EPA approval and site cleanups overseen by PA DEP Act 2 Program
- Davis Bacon Act wage rates, wage notices, and payroll required
- No-prepayment penalties
- 20% match requirement

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**Apply Online/
Information:**
<https://www.lyco.org/brownfields>





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