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The Chamber View

Vincent J. Matteo, President/CEO

Well, here it comes—all the fun and excitement, (not to mention lots of work for some people), that the Little League World Series brings to Williamsport and Lycoming County. But, before going into that, let me mention a couple of things on my mind.

First, November will be here before we know it and this is a big election year. Obviously, on the national level it will be determined who controls Congress and on the State level, the office of Governor and the direction of Pennsylvania for the next four years will be determined. I doubt there is even a slight chance Congress and the Pennsylvania General Assembly will change from Republican to Democrat, but the result of the Governor’s race will determine how much gets done.

Locally, the citizens of Williamsport will determine what form of government they will live under for the foreseeable future. Will we stay with the Strong Mayor form, move to Council-Manager form (read weak-mayor) or go for a complete change to Home Rule? As I have written before, it is unfortunate that someone dropped the ball in the County Bureau of Elections and allowed two questions, with cross purposes, to be on the ballot. Now, if they both lose or just one is passed—there will not be a problem. But, if both happen to pass, then it will, in all likelihood, end up in the courts. The confusion of allowing both questions to be on the ballot means the citizens of Williamsport will need to be well-informed as to the benefits and disadvantages to each form of government. Toward that end, the Board of Directors of the Chamber have invited representatives from both the Charter Commission and the Home Rule Commission to address the Chamber Board prior to the election. The Board could either take a position or, more likely, simply pass information on to its members who reside in the city.

The Charter Commission Chair immediately accepted our invitation, but as of this writing, we have not had any response from the Home Rule group. It is our hope they will accept our invitation to come and address the Board of Directors.

Enough of that serious stuff. It is summer and it is August so let’s talk about some of the fun things happening in our area. First, of course, is the Little League World Series. It is this time of year that truly makes our area unique. The World Series is something everyone can enjoy and it is free! Think about that. You can go to as many games as you want and, unless you buy food or a souvenir, it does not cost you anything (well some gas for your car); free entrance, free parking and a whole lot of free fun. And, it all starts with the Chamber’s Visitors Bureau’s Grand Slam Parade the Wednesday night before the Series kicks off. Downtown Williamsport will be jammed with people looking to get a glimpse at the teams from around the world who will be vying for the title of World Champions. They will get to see many local businesses and organizations “strut their stuff” in the parade. Then, the following morning, the Chamber will sponsor its annual Grand Slam Breakfast featuring the parade Grand Marshal, Hall of Famer Ozzie Smith. It will be a great time.

Championship Friday will bring with it the annual Williamsport Welcomes the World street fair that will feature dozens of food vendors as well as other vendors selling their wares and fun things for everyone. In addition, we will be sponsoring yet another Hall of Famer who will be there to greet folks and sign autographs. Vladimir Guerrero, one of the greatest hitters of his generation and was just inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame, will visit our community. It should be exciting.

There is so much to do during this two-week period it is difficult to describe it all. One of the highlights of the week will also be the unveiling of our newest addition to our Little League statue project. This year the second outfielder will be added and will go in front of the main entrance to UPMC Susquehanna. The ceremony will take place the Friday morning of Championship weekend. It is always fun to see the newest statue and in what way it celebrates and honors our Little League heritage.

Then after the World Series the community will get to relax for about a week! Labor Day weekend in Williamsport will be full of the “Sound of Music” when the Drum Corps Associates descend upon our community to hold their annual World Championships in Williamsport for the first time. All-age drum and bugle corps from across the country will compete in a series of events scheduled on Friday, August 31st through Sunday, September 2nd. Thousands of enthusiasts will grace our city and bring a lot of excitement and out of town guests. The Chamber’s Lycoming County Visitors Bureau
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Upcoming PM Exchanges...

River Valley Health & Dental Center
Thursday, August 9, 2018
5:00 – 7:00 pm
471 Hepburn Street, Williamsport

Enjoy an evening of networking and behind-the-scene tours as River Valley Health & Dental Center showcases its operations and primary care services – Medical, including reproductive and behavioral health, and Dental. Learn about their comprehensive services, gain valuable information, get free health screenings and register for door prizes as you join them for the kick-off of National Health Center Week celebrations.

Lakeview Apartments
Thursday, September 13, 2018
5:00 – 7:00 pm
948 Main Street, South Williamsport

Lakeview Apartments will be featuring tours of the apartment community, as well as offering refreshments at their PM Exchange.

Call the Chamber of Commerce today at (570) 326-1971 or visit www.williamsport.org to make your reservations.

For a complete list of upcoming Chamber events, visit www.williamsport.org.
Thank you Valley View Rehab & Nursing Center for hosting a relaxing and fun PM Exchange in your beautiful courtyard. (From L to R): Steve Fry, CFO; Board Members, Adam Nicholson and Nicholas Catino; Joe Moyer, President; Michele Brague, Administrator; Board Members, Stephanie Stocki and Chris Kenyon.

Thank you Valley View Rehab & Nursing Center for providing us a meeting room to host the WLCC’s New Member Orientation, Thursday, July 12, 2018. New Chamber members had the opportunity to introduce themselves and to learn about the benefits of their membership from Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, President/CEO, Vince Matteo; Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, Vice President/CFO, Nancy Eischeid; and Membership Development & Retention Committee Chair, Sandy Spencer.

The rain held off for the Stallion Oilfield Services PM Exchange and gave us a beautiful day to network with fellow Chamber members and friends. Sandy Spencer, Membership Development & Retention Committee, presented the Certificate of Appreciation to Brian Brockman and his staff. Thank you for an awesome evening! (This photo courtesy of Tara Rae)

Upcoming

Ribbon Cuttings & Open Houses

Natural Waterscapes LLC - 960 Route 15 Hwy, South Williamsport
Friday, August 10, 2018
Please join us for the Grand Re-Opening Celebration at the new location in South Williamsport.
Open House from Noon to 7:00 pm
Ribbon Cutting @ 1:30 pm

Backhouse Cafe’ Coffee & Tea - 901 West Fourth Street, Williamsport
Wednesday, September 5, 2018
Please join us at the corner of 4th & Maynard Street to celebrate the grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony.
Open House from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Ribbon Cutting @ 4:00 pm

River Valley Regional YMCA - Eastern Lycoming Branch
50 Fitness Drive, Muncy
Saturday, September 8, 2018
Please join us to celebrate the building’s Rededication for the YMCA’s 10th Anniversary!
Ribbon Cutting @ 10:00 am
With product demand growing, it’s turning out to be a good year for Lycoming Engines.

“It is probably going to be our strongest year since the great recession,” Mike Kraft, senior vice president and general manager, said. “We are able to invest in the company and personnel.”

The Williamsport-based company is a manufacturer of aircraft engines and parts and is the only producer of FAA-certified aerobatic piston engines.

Many of the airplanes powered by Lycoming Engine products target flight training and transport flights where demand for those products has increased in recent years.

Professional pilot training is at an all-time high,” Kraft said. “There has been an expansion of commercial aviation routes.”

One of the biggest developments at the company is the launch of the multiple product line, including the Full Authority Digital Electronic Control, or FADEC engines.

“We have three products with FADEC on them,” Kraft said. “It’s a pretty big deal with the industry. The technology we have is a bit of a leap from what others have.”

That’s the nature of the game in an industry where the challenge to remain on the cutting edge and compete with other manufacturers remains great.

Fortunately, Kraft said Lycoming Engines has been able to compete successfully from its Williamsport location.

In fact, 60 percent of the company’s market is overseas, including to Australia, New Zealand and Brazil.

Despite those foreign markets, much of its workforce is drawn from the local area, including many Pennsylvania College of Technology graduates.

Kraft noted those employees are graduates from various programs including the school’s aviation maintenance program, manufacturing engineering, CNC machinery, finance, and IT.

Overall, the Penn State University education system has served as a major personnel pipeline to the company.

People from out of the area, including highly trained and well-qualified personnel, work there as well.

“We draw from a pretty international base,” Kraft added.

With the growing economy, he expects employment at Lycoming Engines to reach 460 by the end of the year.

Lycoming Engines can trace its origins to 1845, when it was known as the Demorest Manufacturing Co., producing sewing machines, bicycles, typewriters, gas irons, and printing presses, according to a company history.

By the early 1900s, when it became known as the Lycoming Foundary and Machine Co., the focus became the design and production of automobile and truck engines.

The company’s first aircraft engine, the R-680, was built in 1929. Eventually, about 25,000 of the engines were produced by the company.

World War II was turned over to the war effort, with the company turning out parts and engines for military aircraft and tanks.

By the 1960s, piston-powered aircrafts everywhere were using Lycoming engines.
Congratulations Timeless Furniture & Interiors on the grand opening of your new location at 500 Pine Street in Aspen Square. (From L to R): Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, Executive Vice President, Jason Fink; Michael Reeder; Jean Lowery; Timeless Furniture & Interiors, Co-Owner, Seidel Shiffer; Timeless Furniture & Interiors, Co-Owner, Carol Bower; and Jim Preziosi.

Mileto’s Sub Shop Ribbon Cutting

Congratulations WLCC Chamber member Mileto’s Sub Shop on your Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Mileto’s provides wonderful food and an awesome family atmosphere in Newberry. (From L to R): Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, President/CEO, Vince Matteo; Mileto’s Sub Shop, Owners, Rock & Kristi Marshall; Williamsport Mayor, Gabriel Campana; PA State Representative Jeff Wheeland.

Heritage Springs Memory Care, Montoursville, Inc.
Ground Breaking w/ T-Ross Brothers Construction, Inc.

It was a beautiful day for a groundbreaking ceremony with Heritage Springs Memory Care, Montoursville and T-Ross Brothers Construction, Inc. The new assisted living community, located at the corner of Hiller & Old Cement Road, will open in the Spring of 2019. (From L to R): Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, Executive Vice President, Jason Fink; Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, Executive Vice President, Jason Fink; Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, President/CEO, Vince Matteo; T-Ross Brothers Construction, Inc., Controller, Chris Helmrich; T-Ross Brothers Construction, Inc, Owner, Tom Ross; Heritage Springs Memory Care, Inc., RN, President/CEO, Colleen Fritz; T-Ross Brothers Construction, Inc., Owner, Todd Ross; PA State Representative, Garth D. Everett.

Helping Hands Home Health Ribbon Cutting

Congratulations Helping Hands Home Health on your Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony during Williamsport’s First Friday festivities! Located at 45 West 4th Street, Williamsport. (From L to R): Brittney Hanley; Helping Hands Home Health, Owner, Kayla Shearer; Karlyna Gygi; Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, Executive Vice President, Jason Fink.
The Community Arts Center, at 220 W. Fourth St., is celebrating its 25th anniversary since being established as the downtown fixture under its current name.

“So the building is actually the Capitol Theater, built in 1928, but in the early 1990s, a community lead restoration effort happened to restore it to be the Community Arts Center,” said Sharon Mack, executive director. “So, the establishment of the Community Arts Center happened in 1993, which makes this our 25th year of operation.”

She said its central downtown location makes the building an important icon in the city.

“This obviously is an incredible architectural gem here in the middle of Williamsport,” Mack said. “As activity lessened and the building started to deteriorate, I think the community recognized it was something that really needed to be replenished and be a beacon for arts and culture to rejuvenate the entire downtown area,” she said. “It really was an important factor in transforming the downtown area.”

The center has become a base for community engagement as well as performing arts entertainment.

“I believe Williamsport is incredibly blessed to have something like this, but we serve not only as an arts performance venue, but we also really serve as a central location for community dialogue and human service organizations to come in and do different programs that support the community... it’s really kind of an arts and cultural hub, not just for Williamsport, but the whole county,” she said.

The building itself is beautiful both in and outside.

“It’s an incredible space to experience the performing arts,” she said. “People are really surprised walking in through the inner and outer lobby, and often times, people are in awe at the decor of the interior of this theater. During the renovation, it was taken back to its original, authentic design. We have very intricate art decor paintings and such throughout the building.”

The theater itself is a treat to visit on top of the performances and shows that are available.

“Just being in the space is an experience of itself, but also, the acoustics and the ease of getting in and out of the theater are great,” she said. “We also pride ourselves on the kind of line up that we offer on an annual basis.”

She said Williamsport is a city to encourage creativity and life enrichment.

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I’ve only been a resident for a little over a year in Williamsport, but one of the things that really attracted me to coming here ... was that it seems to be a very creative environment and an encouraging environment for creativity,” she said. “You walk around the downtown area, and you come across really interesting public art. The downtown area itself just has a very creative aesthetic.”

Some of it is due to the natural resources that frame the area.

“Everywhere you look, we’re surrounded and framed by the beauty of the natural resources of Central Pennsylvania,” she said.

The center offers a strong performance schedule and calendar.

“We bring in national and international artists to the stage here in Williamsport and make an opportunity for a lot of Williamsport people to see artists they would otherwise never see,” she said. “We otherwise offer an important educational performance series which offers the same level of artistic excellence to school children.”

She said the theatre will fill up with children during the educational series, which allows school aged children to enjoy performances during the day.

“The programming selection process is a pretty complex one. We have people who are constantly taking a look at the routing of specific artists,” she said.

She said they also attend conferences and other events to learn about performances.

“We travel to different performing arts conventions to be introduced to new artists. We take a lot of recommendations and suggestions from the community to guide our selection process,” she said.

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A little rain won’t stop the celebration at Cricket Wireless, One-Stop Communications on the Golden Strip, Williamsport. Congratulations on your Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting! (From L to R): Cricket Wireless, Victor Wanamaker; Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, President/CEO, Vince Matteo; Cricket Wireless, Andrew Bentz; Cricket Wireless, Regional Sales Manager, Shane Niman.

Rain and Ribbons! Congratulations AAMCO Transmissions & Total Car Care on your Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting celebrations! AAMCO moved to a new location at 2351 East Third Street, Williamsport offering a wide array of car care services. (From L to R): AAMCO owner, KJ Singh; Stewart Hagenbauch; Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, President/CEO, Vince Matteo; Anthony Bellott; John Guerrisky; Keanu Singh; Adam Blaker; Sean Muthler; Niko Singh and Karen Singh.
We are growing!

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Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce holds Summer Picnic

The Jersey Shore Area Chamber of Commerce held their summer picnic at the Tiadagh- ton Farm in Jersey Shore. The rain held off and the sun was shining as members enjoyed beverages and food from the Gateway Café.

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Garner Behavior Services works with children with autism and communication disorders to help them be more independent in their everyday lives in Montoursville.

“I’ve been working with kids with autism, behavior issues and communication delays for close to 30 years,” said Dr. Dana Garner, owner.

She said she’s been working with autism before people even really knew what autism was.

“In my undergrad psych books, autism was one paragraph,” she said. “Nobody quite knew about it, but for me ... I fell in love. It was a perfect fit for me to work with.”

She said she likes to see the progress that other people might take for granted.

“Other parents, they don’t really need to think about when their kid is talking, walking or going to the bathroom. With these guys, it can be the first time I get an 8- or 9-year-old to say, ‘Mom.’ It happens, and you can watch the emotion with the parents,” she said. “You can watch the kids grow and make progress, and it feels special.”

One of the recent advancements was being able to help toilet train a 7-year-old.

“I’m so excited ... I’ve been so excited watching the toileting program,” she said. “I know these techniques work, but when I see them work, it still excites me. I’ve been studying Applied Behavior Analysis for close to 20 years now.”

She said consistency is key.

“Consistency and clear instructions really matter. Give clear responses. I’m always telling the staff and the parents the difference between asking a question and giving instruction,” she said. “If I’m asking a question, I’m giving the opportunity to say no. Saying something like ‘Why don’t you clean your room?’ versus ‘You need to go clean your room.’ There’s a big difference.”

She said with asking a question, the answer must be respected, even if it is no. An instruction does not give the choice, so following through on making sure it’s done is more appropriate.

“It’s the consistency and a huge part is the data collection. Anything we do isn’t off the cuff or just because I want to ... It’s because it’s assessment driven and data driven,” she said.

She said they can keep track of how often things happen to see what works and what doesn’t, and if the data says something isn’t working, they try a different approach.

“It’s always based on data, not just my own feelings,” she said. “It makes a huge difference ... We can actually say things like this child said seven more spontaneous words this month than they did last month. We’ll have the information.”

The improvements can show her which procedures and techniques help each child focus on their needed behaviors and tasks.

“So, we watch the data, and if it doesn’t work, we’ll brainstorm and find what does. It’s very personal, and we make sure it’s working,” she said. “It’s completely one-on-one and individualized. With the kids here, nobody is doing the same thing, which is why our staff is individualized and works with them one-on-one.”

She said this approach helps each child work on different skills, and they pair the data with fun, interaction and play.

“So every minute, the kids are learning. Every minute is a chance for them to grow and do new targets,” she said. “At the center, we serve 3- to 8-year-olds. We do have two programs starting this fall. We’re starting an after school social skills group of 8- to 12-year-olds with kids that are higher functioning, but need those social skills and interaction, conversation play, things like that.”

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By MIKE REUTHER
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Since it began more than a decade ago, Hughesville Raceway Self and Mobile Storage has grown from a single-site facility to several locations, including an expansion into mobile units.

Lance Thomas, co-owner, described his business as a self-storage site for household goods, business equipment and other items.

“We are one of the few that has perimeter fencing, gated access control and camera control,” he said.

From his office or his phone, Thomas can monitor all storage sites, including the long warehouse-like buildings located along Route 118 outside Hughesville, the site of a former go-cart track.

“This has been up and running for 12 years,” he said.

In recent years, he and his business partner, Scott Moll, have opened up storage facilities outside Muncy and Milton.

Between the three sites, there are more than 500 storage units.

Thomas noted that people and businesses have many reasons for storing items.

They include the contractors who use storage sites as holding areas, stopping by daily to pick up or drop off equipment before heading to or from job sites.

Natural gas companies also have made use of his storage site.

Thomas said he decided to introduce mobile storage after running out of room to grow his Hughesville facility.

Mobile storage allows customers to place items inside containers for drop-off and delivery by the company.

Goods simply can be packed up and sent off to the particular location with free delivery to most locations in the region.

“All our mobile containers are metal, double-ply,” he said.

Hughesville Raceway is the largest residential mobile unit company in the area, according to Thomas.

And, with the strong economy, business has picked up with home construction and remodeling projects bringing more calls for self-storage.

Thomas said his company picks up a lot of work with businesses.

He listed Stanley Doors and Windows as among his company’s bigger contracts.

Many of his customers are long-time clients and much new business comes through word of mouth.

“Hughesville has been a great location,” he said.

Thomas said when he launched the business he did not envision how it would expand.

He feels good customer service is a big part of the business growth.

Hughesville Raceway reaches out to the community, including donations of mobile units to organizations and businesses and individuals.

When asked what may be the biggest challenge running the business, he said, “Just having people know you are here.”

The long warehouse-like storage buildings located along Route 118 outside of Hughesville is home base for Hughesville Raceway Self Storage. The site used to be a go-cart track.
The Selection Committee of Leadership Lycoming chose 25 participants to represent the Class of 2019. The Leadership Lycoming Operating Committee (LLOC) is proud to announce the following to begin the program year beginning with an Opening Retreat in September.

Danielle Bailey, Roche Financial
Kristin Caringi, James V. Brown Library
Holly Chapman, Community Services Group
Valerie Fessler, American Rescue Workers
Matt Frick, Larson Design Group
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Leadership Lycoming Welcomes the Class of 2019

For reservations call 570.326.1971 or go to www.williamsport.org
Thank you to our renewing members.
We do appreciate your membership and involvement in the Chamber!
Join the city of Williamsport on Wednesday, August 15th in welcoming the 16 teams to the 2018 Little League World Series®! Claim your downtown spot early as pre-parade activities start at 4:00 PM. The parade kicks off at 5:30 PM and runs from the corner of Susquehanna St and West Fourth St through the famous Millionaires’ Row National Historic District and ends with a bang at the corner of Market and West Fourth downtown!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2018 • 5:30 PM

Make sure you show some Williamsport love for this year’s Grand Marshal, Hall of Fame Shortstop, Ozzie Smith! Keep an eye peeled for new entries such as the White Sabers (a giant drum corps from Dansville, NY), three famous Philadelphia Mummers bands, and new floats from both local and national businesses! Don’t forget the parade standards such as bands from ten different high schools, local dance troupes, performers and cheerleaders.

Make the evening complete by dining at one of the great downtown restaurants and explore the goods at the fine shopping destinations. Save some room for treats as vendors will be selling plenty of delicious snacks and other goodies during the parade. Can’t make it out? This year’s parade will be proudly broadcast live on WYOU TV-22.

The Grand Slam Parade is produced by the Lycoming County Visitors Bureau, a program of the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce