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From Jason's Desk

Jason Fink, President/CEO

It was a mixed bag in September all around, from the weather to business in our community. Those anticipating the opening of Texas Roadhouse should be excited to see that construction is well underway at the site of their future home on the Golden Strip. We should also be expecting to see the new Geisinger Hospital in Muncy opening here by the end of this year.

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Unfortunately though, we saw the last scheduled flight with American Airlines take place at the end of the month. We shouldn't be surprised to hear that the last official flight actually didn't occur on the 30th as they had announced. American ended up canceling it due to "mechanical issues". And so ends the stellar service relationship we had with American Airlines and their predecessor US Airways.

I'm sorry but, those of you that view this as something that was a mistake by local elected officials to fund the new airport, are way off base. No one could have foreseen the factors that came into play the last 18 months. This market is a financially viable market for air service. Numerous leakage reports clearly illustrate that we have the customers here that fly to easily support having a regional carrier here in Williamsport. Unfortunately, we were stuck with a carrier that has no interest in serving our type of market. We thought that things

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may have turned better for us shortly after the new airport director, Richard Howell, came aboard. He was able to announce in February of 2020 that beginning on August 18 American Airlines was going to switch 썒 service from Philadelphia to

Charlotte with 2 flights daily. Richard was able to get for us what this market had been asking for the past several years. We were to be serviced with a 65-seat regional jet that included 9 businessclass seats.

This announcement came roughly 1 month before all hell broke loose here, across the country and throughout the world. No one at the time knew how far reaching the impact of the pandemic would be; affecting not only lives, but so many other components of our world. Included in the multitude of impacts was air travel. We were pleasantly surprised to learn in the summer of 2020 that American was still planning to begin this service to Charlotte. There was a minor change in the size of the jet going from the 65 to a 50-seat jet. As we know, that service was quickly pulled by American when we became a pawn in their push to Congress for more pandemic subsidies. No matter how hard the push by the airport staff and authority board, American was not going to change their position.

So now we're officially without air service and the finger pointing is in full earnest. Someone locally must be accountable and I've heard the names of those supposedly at fault. If there's blame to be placed, focus it on the one that has the final decision in whether we get air service or not, American Airlines. They are the ones that made this decision to pull from the market. The local community for years worked to show them how their schedules and hub choice didn't fit the local air traveler's needs. Having participated in various meetings with them, I can attest to the amount of data that was provided detailing the leakage from this market. In the end, it was their decision and now we need to move forward to work as hard as we did to try and keep American, in trying to get a new carrier here. The good thing is that we have a solid director of the airport who has years of experience in working with carriers. One key thing that we all need to appreciate is that it will take some time. There are a host of factors that haven't been faced before that need to be navigated by the airlines, consumers and the airport in securing a new carrier. We need to expect that it will be next year at the earliest until we see flights out of here.

Enough on the airlines. At the end of September, I had the opportunity to be involved with a tour hosted by PMF Industries. They were showcasing their manufacturing facilities to the Director of Apprenticeships from the PA Department of Labor, Tara Loew, and some of her staff. Others in attendance included local government officials from the Lycoming and Clinton County Commissioners offices, State Representatives offices, Mayor Slaughter, Advance Central PA (formerly Central PA Workforce Development Corp.). and member high schools currently participating in our apprenticeship program.

PMF highlighted in their tour the high level of technology being deployed today in advanced manufacturing and the need to invest in their employees with training thru the apprenticeship program. In collaboration with local high schools and their CTC programs in CNC Machining, PMF is helping to create an ecosystem of Pre-Apprentices that can go directly into a state-approved apprenticeship.

We not only had a chance to talk to the apprentices and hear from them, but we also got to speak to educators. We heard how the state can help support the programs that students are so passionate about, in particular, this pathway for them to recognize and realize as an alternative to going to college. There are a number of thoughts that people not involved in today's manufacturing have on it. I'm still blown away that there are parents out there that don't encourage their kids to look into it for a career. Not everyone is made to go into a white-collar job. The vast majority of opportunities for kids are in the trades fields. Many of these don't require the up front investment of going to college. We need to look further down the road in doing a better job of supporting all pathways for students, not just one. Thanks to PMF for taking the time to showcase what they're doing there. And I can also share that if any manufacturer reading this is interested in learning more about this to give PMF a call.



They're happy to show you how the apprentice program can be incorporated into your business at little to no cost for your business.

In speaking of manufacturing, I want to offer congratulations to the Innovative Manufacturers' Center (IMC) for hiring Dennis Gilbert as their next President. The IMC is dedicated to driving economic success and profitable growth within the 12 counties they serve, of which Lycoming in one of them. They have a team that works with manufacturers offering expert advice and actionable solutions for small and medium sized manufacturers. We're looking forward to working with Dennis and

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September Ribbon Cuttings/PM Exchange

Centered Earth Ribbon Cutting



Congratulations on your ribbon cutting ceremony Centered Earth! The studio provides hands-on creative fun for people of all ages & abilities in a welcoming, community-oriented art studio and gift shop. Experience handmade arts & fine crafts at their location in the Penn Hills Plaza, 21 Kristi Road, Muncy. (from L to R) Taryn Mueller, Williamsport/ Lycoming Chamber of Commerc;, James Jenkins; Lemon Jenkins; Melissa Jenkins, Owner of Centered Earth; Jason Fink, Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce.

Bedrock Communities Ribbon Cutting



Williamsport North & South Rehabilitation Centers, a Bedrock Communities facility, participated in an outdoor ribbon cutting ceremony on a beautiful fall afternoon. The facility, previously Manor Care North & South, is a fullservice care center, open for admissions 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Bedrock Communities brings a personal touch to your experience, no matter what services you require. (holding ribbon) Brian Powers, Abigail Potts, Kelsey Ecker, Troy Long. (middle) Paul Scaramucci, Lisa Kneipp. (Back row) Bobbi-Jo Thompson, Jordan Lamey, Brianna Barber, Rachel Hutchinson, Christa Gehr.

Tula Virya Yoga Ribbon Cutting

Tula Virya Yoga, is a yoga studio and wellness center is located in the T.J. Maxx Plaza on the Golden Strip. Owner, Cate Wenrich, celebrated her 1-year anniversary with a ribbon cutting ceremony! (From L to R) Jason Fink, Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce; Ken Mothersbaugh; William Page; Instructor, Nancy Butts; Instructor, Stacie Young; Karen Mothersbaugh, Owner/Instructor, Cate Wenrich; Instructor, LueAnn Clark; Instructor, Ser-



ena Chapman; Tanya Weber, WLCC Membership Development & Retention Committee. (Not pictured, Instructor, Julie Gardner)

H2 Health of Williamsport Ribbon Cutting

H2 Health of Williamsport hosted the Grand Opening of their new location at 1948 E. 3rd St., Suite C in Williamsport. Those in attendance had a chance to win a variety of raffle baskets full of awesome treats and prizes. H2 Health is a high-quality provider of health care services including physical & occupational therapy, orthopedic rehabilitation, cardiac rehab and chronic disease management, just to name a few.



Susquehanna Community Bank PM Exchange

Thank you to Susquehanna Community Bank for hosting the September PM Exchange. After a morning of steady rain, the sky cleared for a nice evening. Attendees had the chance to talk to the staff about all their services. (From L to R) Doug Zehner, Chris Sullivan, Mike Loeh, Krysia Ziegler, Amy Alexander, WLCC Membership Development & Retention Committee, Jesse Osborne, and Amanda Lichtenfels. Thanks for a great evening!



From Jason's Desk

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his team where we can in providing the support and growth of the manufacturing sector here in Lycoming County.

Before ending this month's column, I do need to recognize and congratulate two people that I've worked with over the years who now are taking that next step in their lives and jumping into retirement. Arnie Kriner from Senator Yaw's local legislative office and Laura Jansen at the Sun-Gazette both retired at the

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end of September. Many knew Arnie

from his time with both Senator Ma-

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tirelessly in assisting both senators

in representing and advocating for

paper came to know Laura through

ing editor of the Sun-Gazette. She

was open, fair and accommodating

and how they did it.

in talking to anyone about the paper.

Both will be missed for what they did

her time in writing and later becom-

our area. Likewise, those reading this

October PM Exchange... Mel's Deli & Cafe

Thursday, October 14, 2021 5:00 - 7:00 pm 365 Broad Street, Montoursville

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Member Renewals Received between August 26 and September 29



Thank you to our renewing members!

We do appreciate your membership and involvement in the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce!

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Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings

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Check Out Our New Sign! Ribbon Cutting: Tuesday, October 19th at 1:30 PM 1445 Sycamore Rd, Montoursville, PA 17754 Masks required, thank you!



Help Us Celebrate Our New Office Ribbon Cutting: Thursday, October 21st at 3:00 PM Open House until 4:30 2211 Reach Rd, Williamsport, PA 17701

Leadership Lycoming Welcomes the Class of 2022 at Opening Retreat

The Leadership Lycoming Class of 2022 would like to thank the following for making their opening retreat at Camp Susque a great bonding experience; Peter Swift, Davis Swift, Jamie Sanders, David Vest, Alyssa Black, and the rest of the Camp Susque staff; Donna Bastian; Brian McClintock, Little League International; Adam Dincher, M&T Bank; Jason Fink, Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce; Heather Allison, Pennsylvania College of Technology; Michele Tagliaferri, Jersey Shore State Bank; Mackenzie Howe, Hope Enterprises, Inc.; Emilie Ertel, Mc-Cormick Law Firm; Rob Dunkleberger, Lycoming College; Ed Alberts, Ralph S. Alberts Co., Inc.: Rob Glunk, The Muncy Bank & Trust Company; Maigrette Polanco Rodriguez, Sojourner Truth Ministries; Carolyn Strickland, Loyalsock Township School Board; Keith Kuzio, Intentional AdVennTures, LLC; the class sponsors and everyone who attended the reception and dinner. Thank you to our Tier 3 sponsors, The Muncy Bank & Trust Company and North Central Sight Services Inc, Tier 2 sponsor, Leadership Lycoming Class of 2021, and Tier 3 sponsor, Intentional AdVennTures, LLC. The class is excited to begin their Leadership Lycoming program year.

Thank you Mikayla Arnold, Ralph S. Alberts Co., Inc.; Shameka Grey, Transitional Living Centers, Inc.; and Renee Peluso, BLaST Intermediate Unit 17, for being class reporters.



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Class of 2022: Front Row Left to Right: Angelique Labadie-Cihanowyz, Sojourner Truth Ministries, Inc.; Amber Roudabush, UPMC Williamsport; Renee Peluso, BLaST Intermediate Unit 17; Marisa Rau, International Development Corporation; Brandy Moon, North Central Sight Services, Inc.; Mikayla Arnold, Ralph S. Alberts Co., Inc.; Second Row: Kevin Renehan, James V. Brown Library; Heather Wood, Lycoming-Clinton Joinder Board Programs; Carolyn Lakis, Hope Enterprises, Inc.; Alyssa Black, Camp Susque; Emily Helm, Lycoming Engines; Heather Reeder, YWCA of Northcentral PA; Emily Drick, River Valley Health & Dental Center; Emily Ebersole, PALCO Federal Credit Union; Nicole Bower, American Rescue Workers; Olivia Lopatofsky, Lycoming County Water & Sewer Authority; Audriana Empet, Pennsylvania College of Technology; Third Row: Chris Erdman, UPMC Williamsport; Shameka Grey, Transitional Living Centers, Inc.; Matt Martin, UPMC Muncy; Drew Boyles, Lycoming College; Zach Mihalov, Lycoming Engines; Kevin Newman, The Muncy Bank & Trust Company; Kaylee Caruso, Larson Design Group; Herbert 'Trip' Kemp, Brodart Co., Josh Wrench, Pennsylvania College of Technology; Mike McCullen, Geisinger; Not Pictured: Jae Ellison, Lycoming College.



Lunch is served! Huge thank you to the staff at Camp Susque for providing us with this delicious meal. #leadershiplycomingclassof2022.



Spending time team building and getting to know each other. Depicted is the "A-TEAM" of the game rounds.



At the Leadership Lycoming Opening Retreat, we

spent some time learning

everyone's names and fun

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FEATURE MEMBER

Phoenix Physical Therapy individualizes quality services

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Phoenix Physical Therapy, located at 816 Westminster Drive, has been providing high-quality, community-based physical therapy services to their patients since the opening of the Williamsport location in 2007 by Nancy Wood, PT, who now serves Phoenix as a regional director of clinical operations.

"Phoenix is a company that provides outpatient physical therapy services with the goal of providing quality rehab services to people in local communities, from therapists that know and are engaged in the community," said Brian Haas, clinic director.

Haas described Phoenix as "full service," offering physical therapy services to post-surgery patients with total knee and total hip replacements, as well as shoulder injuries and surgeries, and also help with muscular-skeletal injuries, in addition to general aches and pains from activities such as shoveling snow, falls on ice, and other "weekend warrior" type injuries.

"We have various modalities we use in therapy," Haas said, such as "electric stimulation" which is used to "override" the pain sensations a patient may be experiencing. "It may help them to move better for other more functional activities," he said. Patients may also warm up by using the treadmill or exercise bikes before they perform their functional exercise programs.

"We use heat often for warming up the tissue that we are going to work on," Haas said. "We typically use cold at the end of appointments for swelling and pain after the exercises we do. However, our main focus is getting people better by using movement and exercise."

In addition to their physical therapy services, Maria Ungard, licensed occupational therapist and certified hand therapist, helps the location with a niche service, providing specialized hand rehabilitation after tendon-related injuries, contractures, and providing care to any problems and dysfunctions where the hand is involved.

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censed occupational therapist and certified hand therapist and Brian Haas, clinic director, of Phoenix Physical Therapy, located at 816 Westminster Drive. The two work together to provide quality and full-service outpatient physical therapy services to the local community. Out front of Phoenix Physical Therapy, located at 816 Westminster Drive. Phoenix has been in this same location since opening in 2007.

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FEATURE MEMBER Phoenix Physical Therapy individualizes quality services

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Haas also said that the Williamsport location helps with patients that are post-stroke or have neurological issues, tailoring each patient's treatment to their needs.

"What's most important is that we develop relationships with people in the community," Haas said. "We want to have good communication and good relationships so they are confident that we are giving them quality care. Building relationships is at the top of the ladder when it comes to having a successful business that serves the community."

Haas, who has practiced physical therapy for over 30 years was an active athlete in school who needed physical therapy himself.

"It led me in that direction (to become a physical therapist)," he said. "I have enjoyed it a lot. It's a hands-on way to make a difference in people's lives."

Since opening in 2007, the center has not moved locations, but Phoenix, which was a Pennsylvania-based company, has expanded to Maryland, Ohio, as well as southern states like Georgia and North and South Carolina.

Phoenix is open Monday through Friday at the following hours: Monday and Wednesday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, please visit: https://phoenixphysicaltherapy.com/williamsport/. Other locations in the greater Williamsport area include Jersey Shore and Montoursville and Hughesville.

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LEGACY MEMBER Your Building Center invests in the 'YBC family'

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Your Building Center in Williamsport has been serving local contractors and other professionals for more than 32 years.

The YBC company is 100 percent employee owned and operated and has 14 YBC locations and four other locations throughout Pennsylvania.

"Being an employee owner, we have a stake in the outcome. And we share the profits with each other, each and every year ... We call it the YBC family, because if we have a good year, we share in the profits. And that gives most of our employees the incentive to work hard," said Fred Lorson, regional sales manager.

Lorson has worked in the building for 36 vears, since before YBC took over in 1989.

He now works as Regional Sales Manager for the Northeast region of Pa.

"We also are compassionate for each other. When somebody runs into hard times, or circumstances come up, we help each other, and have developed some very, very, very good friendships through this and industry to this business, within the company," Lorson said.

All together, the company has around 350 employees. Many of the employees have been a part of the company for more briani stand at YBC's show room. At than 25 years.

Because the company is owned by the liamsport's YBC employees, that means that each employee has a stake in the company's success.

"The profits don't just go to a single owner's pocket, they get split back amongst employees, and it's exciting when that happens, and a month or two later, as the year progresses you have an employee that says, hey, this is costing us a lot of money. They look at it because it is theirs. It's literally money out of their pocket. ...It's exciting when somebody clicks with somebody. ...I always tell people when we sit down for the interview, we're a large company, yeah, over \$100 million a year, but yet we still have that family atmosphere," said Mark Embriani, store manager.

BETHHANY BARRETT/Sun-Gazette Above, Fred Lorson and Mark Emright is the show room kitchen at Wil-

Along with the YBC stores, the chain also owns a number of other stores, many of which have been bought by family businesses.

"We continue to grow, we always are active in looking at acquisitions. We will buy family owned businesses that run out of family that doesn't have anybody else to take it over," said Lorson.

All together, the company owns 18 locations.

YBC is open Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Their online website is www.ybconline. com.





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SMALL BUSINESS

Heritage Springs offers compassionate care in a safe setting

By MIKE REUTHER mreuther@sungazette.com

Heritage Springs Memory Care prides itself on its quality care of residents at its Montoursville area living community.

"It takes a really special person to work in memory care," Executive Director Emily Anthony said. "It takes dedication and compassion."

Heritage Springs opened its doors two years ago to help meet the demand of seniors suffering from dementia and Alzheimer's.

Some 40 employees are involved in the care of those living at the 60-bed facility located along Old Cement Road.

Residents receive compassion combined with a strategic care model, according to Anthony.

Different levels of care are used to meet the special needs of individual residents, and for good reason. Every time someone makes a transition, it decreases their level of functionality, Anthony said.

"That is why we have three levels of care. Activities and various amenities help make residents comfortable and feel at home. We try to keep them in a routine," Anthony said. "All of our staff are dementia trained, and we are very big on activities."

Heritage Springs, unlike a traditional hospital or health system, focuses solely on caring for those with dementia and Alzheimer's.

The goal is to do as much as possible in house.

Hertitage Springs provides on-call physician services, therapy, and diversions geared toward physical activities. Most residents are house in single-person rooms. There are semi-private rooms as well.

Overall, demand for community living residences such as Heritage Springs is high in this area.

"We generally have about two admissions a week," Anthony said.

Staff are specially trained to take care of residents and undergo ongoing education.

"We haven't had great turnover (of employees)," Anthony said.

The COVID19 pandemic, she said, presented its own challenges, but staff has been able to adapt while still meeting the needs of residents.

"All of our staff are very dedicated to residents, because they are like our family," she said.

Heritage Springs Memory Care also has a living community in Lewisburg.

Alzheimer's disease is an irreversible, progressive brain disorder that slowly destroys memory and thinking skills and, eventually, the ability to carry out the simplest tasks, according to the National Institute of Aging.

It is the most common cause of dementia in older adults.

An estimated 6.2 million Americans age 65 and older live with Alzheimer's dementia.

> PHOTOS PROVIDED Heritage Springs Memory Care is located at 878 Old Cement Road, Muncy. At right is one of the areas where residents can gather.





NEW MEMBER Sojourner Truth Ministries serves community through faith

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Sojourner Truth Ministries is an expanding nonprofit ministry in Williamsport that offers meals six days a week, an after school program for children, a space for fellowship and much more.

One of the main goals of the ministry is to offer a comfortable and safe space for everyone who walks through the door.

"Everything we do is faith based. We want to continue the work of Sojourner Truth herself. ...At the foot of the cross, everyone's equal. It doesn't matter what your ethnicity is, it doesn't matter what your background is, it doesn't matter your gender. We are all equal," said Rev. Angelique Labadie-Cihanowyz, Executive Director of Sojourner Truth Ministries.

The nonprofit currently provides a hot lunch six days a week, Monday through Saturday, with additional meals to go.

"We're most known for the feeding program. And that is in partnership with United Way. We receive a grant for a good chunk of that feeding program. Last year, we served nearly 21,000 meals to the hungry, food insecure, homeless, and those wanting company," Labadie-Cihanowyz said.

Sojourner Truth Ministries also runs House of Hope, a transitional living program for women leaving homelessness.

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"With the population that we serve and so we want to encourage sisterhood and community building and unity and so this space, every single thing is intentionally (chosen) that even the colors are trauma informed and really well thought out," said Labadie-Cihanowyz.

The intentionally thought out space also has a Healing Garden, in partnership with UPMC Susquehanna, which is meant to be a peaceful getaway for those staying.

"The healing garden extends the living space, it gives people individual little pockets of nature to be in and to have quiet time, and just kind of escape from the world. So it incorporates all five senses," said Labadie-Cihanowyz.

The ministries is continuing to expand their community living spaces to a house nearby that they recently obtained.

"Women are still in transition, but it will offer them an opportunity to save up some money and work toward, and goals more long term while still living within our program expectations. So we know that they will be good neighbors. They'll be contributing to the community. And for us, that's really important," said Labadie-Cihanowyz.

House of Hope also has mentors that help the women in their time of life transition, and to make sure that the women feel safe in the home.

"I just fell in love with the ministry and everything. ...It's been my desire for years to help people since I was a kid, and women in particular. It's just such a tremendous opportunity to provide healing and help women to get back on their feet. ...It's fun. I have no other word for it. It's just amazing. Fulfilling, exciting, fun, enjoyable, and it's what our job should be," Said Pamela Temons, Supervisor at House of Hope.

The nonprofit is currently open to anyone willing to vol-



unteer their time, or make donations.

They are always in need of help with cleaning, serving meals, and more.

"Pretty much anything that someone can do or feels passionate about, we probably need it," Members of a bible study, at top, have fellowship in the main room of Sojourner Truth Ministries. Pamela Temons (Left) and Rev. Angelique Labadie-Cihanowyz (right) stand together in the House of Hope Healing Garden.

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said Labadie-Cihanowyz.

To learn more about volunteering or donating to Sojourner Truth Ministries, visit https:// www.facebook.com/stmwil-

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ChamberLinks Golf Outing – another good time!

The 32nd annual ChamberLinks Golf Outing was another great success. Forty-six foursomes came out to enjoy the day with other Chamber members. Thank you to everyone who golfed, the volunteers and the following sponsors:

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The competition was fierce for the Longest Drive on the Heritage course! Congratulations to Larry Allison for taking home the prize!



The Fischer Insurance Agency group enjoyed a fun day on the course at the 32nd Annual ChamberLinks Golf Outing.

Leadership Lycoming 2021 Alumni Campaign a Success

Thank you to all who donated to the 2021 Alumni Campaign and shared information with your class members! With your help, we were able to surpass our \$3,500 goal to raise \$4,933.55! Way to go LL Alumni!

Congratulations to the Class of 2018 for being both the class that raised the most money and the class with the highest participation!

Most Money Raised: 1st: Class of 2018 - \$610 2nd: Class of 2015 - \$565 3rd: Class of 1988 - \$425

Highest Participation: 1st: Class of 2018 - 18 donors 2nd: Class of 2015 - 12 donors 3rd: Class of 2020 - 10 donors

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•Class of 2017: Tier 2 Sponsorship for Leadership & Community Service Day, October 2021 and Tier 1 Sponsorship for Graduation, June 2022 •Class of 2021: Tier 2 Sponsorship for Opening Retreat, September 2021

W.B. Konkle Memorial Library Receives Donation



The Montoursville Chamber of Commerce learned about the W.B. Konkle Memorial Library's renovation project, "Time to Refresh" at their August luncheon. Dennis Correll & Robert Weaver spoke about the details of the renovations and sponsorship opportunities. The Chamber presented the library with a \$1,000 donation in September to help reach their fundraising goals. (from l to r) Dennis Correll, W.B. Konkle Memorial Library; Steve Bagwell, Montoursville Mayor; Taryn Mueller, Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce; Donna Miller, W.B. Konkle Memorial Library; Jolinda Chamberlain and Trey Phillips, Montoursville Chamber of Commerce.

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