

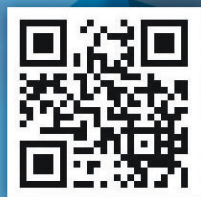
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From Jason's Desk

Jason Fink, President/CEO

This year has flown by fast. We're already sitting here in the first week of December and staring 2023 right in the eyes. Given what we had been through with the previous two years, I'll easily take what we've had in 2022.

In this month's newsletter you'll see a wrap-up of our Pie Day 5k held on Thanksgiving morning. We had a record turnout for the event which is indicative of some of our programming here at year end.

The Santa Express train excursions sold out in 3 weeks with almost double the capacity available compared to 2019 when we ran them. Our Trolley Tour of Lights programming has less than 100 seats available for it as I write this column. From what I hear for other organizations doing programs and activities during this time of year, they too are seeing great attendance and support by the public. Hopefully, we see this trend continue into the coming year.

You may have recently seen in the last month, the Lycoming Mall is under contract by a regional development group out of State College. They are looking to close early next year. Once that happens, we should be seeing work done there to quickly revision and repurpose the buildings and land that comprise the over 130-acre site.

This isn't going to happen overnight, given the size and scope of the work to be done there. However, I'm anxious to

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see what they are able to do with it. There's plenty of land, some of it covered in asphalt, that can see new commercial and retail ventures or hous-

ing. It could be a great mixed-use redevelopment that addresses several needs here in the market with the limited volume of available housing and the demand for new dwellings.

The same development group is also taking on another project located in Williamsport on Maynard Street at the former Williamsport Foundry site. Plans there include a convenience store and a national chain restaurant. Given the high visibility of the Maynard Street corridor, it's good to see this site finally being repurposed after sitting vacant for over six years.

With the pace that 2022 is ending, 2023 should hopefully continue to be busy and active here in Lycoming County. Enjoy the upcoming holiday season and have a great Hanukkah, Christmas and New Year!



Congratulations to The Muncy Bank & Trust Company for their new branch opening in South Williamsport, scheduled to officially open December 8. Cutting the ribbon is Rob Glunk, President & CEO of Muncy Bank and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce. With Rob are Muncy Bank board members and employees, representatives of Anthony H. Visco, Jr. Architects, Pine Ridge Construction Management and South Williamsport Borough. Don't forget that the December PM Exchange is going to be at the new branch in South Williamsport on December 22. You can register by going online to www.williamsport.org or call the Chamber at 570-326-1971.



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Received between October 31 and November 30, 2022

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 PM Exchanges...

December PM Exchange...

The Muncy Bank & Trust Company

Thursday, December 22, 2022

5:00 - 7:00 pm

201 South Market St., South Williamsport

The holiday PM Exchange at The Muncy Bank & Trust Company will now be celebrated on December 22, just a little later than expected as they prepare to open their newest location. Come kick off the holiday season with The Muncy Bank & Trust Company in South Williamsport. We look forward to seeing you!



January PM Exchange...

The Meadows, A Park Home Personal Care Community

Thursday, January 26, 2023

5:00 - 7:00 pm

2160 Warrensville Road, Montoursville

The staff at The Meadows, A Park Home Personal Care Community, invites you to join your fellow Chamber Members for an evening of delicious hors d'oeuvres and beverages as we commemorate our 30th Anniversary! Attendees are invited to tour our community, enjoy our one-of-a-kind art collection, and learn about all The Meadows has to offer its residents! Be sure to bring your business cards and we hope to see you all there!



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FROM THE STAFF AT YOUR CHAMBER!

**The Chamber offices will be closed December 23 through
December 26 and December 30 through January 2**

November PM Exchange/Ribbon Cuttings

Treasure Castle Playland Hosts PM Exchange



Thank you to Treasure Castle Playland for hosting a family-oriented PM Exchange. Some members brought their kids or grandkids to a play date. Costumed characters greeted the attendees and the kids enjoyed playing on the slide, the tunnel and interactive games. Ken Willis, Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce Membership Committee, presents a Certificate of Appreciation to Brenda Lukasiewicz, The Princess, and Sharon Markle, The Queen, for hosting a very enjoyable evening.

Willard's Saddlery Anniversary Ribbon Cutting



Congratulations Willard's Saddlery on your anniversary ribbon cutting! 50 years at the current location on Westminster Drive; 125 years of continuous operation. Stop in to check out their beautiful leather goods, clothing, shoes, accessories and more! (from l to r) Jason Fink, Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce; Elsa Alexander, Taylor Alexander, Vance Alexander, Sue Quigel, Ron Quigel, Sara See, Katie See, & Amy See, Commissioner Scott Metzger & Leslie Mayes of the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce Membership Committee.

On a Whim Past & Present Ribbon Cutting



Congratulations, On a Whim Past & Present, on your grand opening and ribbon cutting! Check out their new location on the Golden Strip! Stocked with a wide selection of collectables, antiques, primitive & estate items.

Centered Earth Ribbon Cutting



Congratulations, Centered Earth, on your newly remodeled studio, located at 21 Kristi Road, Muncy. Centered Earth provides creative fun for people of all ages and abilities in a welcoming, community-oriented art studio and gallery. Classes include ceramics, jewelry, weaving, painting, glass, fibers, sculpture, and year-round children's programs.

FEATURE MEMBER

Student needs at forefront of school district's goals

By **MIKE REUTHER**
Sun-Gazette Correspondent

With their eyes on the future, Loyalsock Township School District administrators, teachers and school board members are embracing change to bring about the best overall education for their students.

Perhaps the most tangible evidence of change is the buildings construction project under way in the district.

Highlights of the project include new classrooms at Donald Schick Elementary School and a completely updated cafeteria at the building as well as additional rooms for students, according to District Superintendent Dr. Gerald McLaughlin.

The high school is getting a new gymnasium and renovations and expansions to the food service area.

McLaughlin noted that facilities improvements are possible because the district is in a strong financial position.

Loyalsock is a district of nearly 1,600 students bringing a solid education both academically and in its extra-curricular offerings.

"No matter what a student is interested in, we have something for them," McLaughlin said. "We have many, many AP (Advanced Placement) courses. We are part of the Lycoming Career and Technology Center consortium."

COVID-19 with its new and unique challenges to school districts was at least partly responsible for changes to Loyalsock.

There has been, for example, an increased awareness to address mental health issues.

"We are one of the first school districts to add a trauma counselor," he said.

Among the curriculum changes is the addition of a Pre-Kindergarten program in the district currently enrolling 24 children.

McLaughlin noted there was a good reason for bringing Pre-K to Loyalsock.

"We discovered we had learning gaps," he said. "It was something I wanted to explore. We just knew we had a need."



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Students work on a science project in lab biotech at Loyalsock Township School District

In recent years, administrators and teachers found that many children simply weren't ready for school by the time they entered kindergarten.

McLaughlin and other school officials pitched the concept to the school board earlier this year.

Marc Walter, Pre-K through Second Grade Principal, said the program is going well in its first year with students enrolled in morning and afternoon sessions.

"The goal is to get them ready for kindergarten," Pre-K teacher Jackie Puckey said.

Ashley Sekel, middle school principal, noted the benefits of the iready program for students in kindergarten to eighth grade.

"It's a basically a learning pathway to support mainly reading and math," she said.

Iready is described as personalized learn-

ing time for 45 minutes per week.

There exists a need, McLaughlin said, for many students to learn at their own levels.

Students looking to get a jump on academic instruction include eighth graders enrolled in Algebra I.

"We identified a group of eighth graders we think are ready for advanced math," middle school math teacher Jennifer Bomboy said.

She noted that many students are initially challenged by the prospect of taking Algebra I one year early, but the benefits seem to be in evidence.

"We've been very successful in the Keystone Exams specific to Algebra 1," she said.

Brad Grey, a teacher and science depart-

ment chair, offers a unique class allowing students to apply science to everything from forensics to common medical issues.

"We do mock crime scenes and go into forensic investigations," he said. "It's like the application of biology."

It's all part of what Grey calls "thinking out of the box" for the approximately 20 students in grades 10 to 12 enrolled in the class.

Overall, many students excel academically at Loyalsock and continue their education at institutions of higher learning.

McLaughlin noted that agreements with universities allow students to earn college credits while still in high school to help better prepare them for college and further

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learning.

The high school has been consistently recognized by U.S. News and World Report Best High Schools.

The district points to a proud tradition of athletics and extracurricular activities.

David Timi, middle school band director, noted that many Loyalsock kids are involved in music and are demonstrating passion for it at a time when other districts are experiencing dwindling numbers in musical programs.

"We had a successful marching band season," he said.

Students put on concerts and other musical programs, and in March, the jazz band will go to Harrisburg to play at the state capitol.

"We are super fortunate to have a supportive community," Timi said.

Special programs such as Odyssey of the Mind and Vex Robotics have challenged Loyalsock students to successfully compete among the best and the brightest from other schools.

Recently, the district brought back its Veteran's Day event at the elementary school with approximately 75 veterans attending the student program.

"This is just one small example of how our students rise to the occasion to show their support," McLaughlin said.

Meanwhile, the district receives solid parental and community support.

"Parents will do anything for their kids," McLaughlin said.

He gives much credit as well to the many employees of the district.

"From students getting on the bus in the morning, getting breakfast from our food service personnel and receiving a welcome greeting from our secretarial staff, these touch-points contribute to the success of our students throughout the school day," McLaughlin stated. "Our facilities are very clean, and this adds to the educational experience. Students and staff appreciate the work that our custodial and maintenance staff do on a daily basis."

McLaughlin feels the future is bright for the district.

"This is the first year since COVID we've been back to full programs," he said.



PHOTOS PROVIDED
Above, a student in the Loyalsock Township Pre-K program shows off his drawing to their teacher. Left, Children enrolled in Loyalsock Township School District's Pre-K program pause from play during a morning session.

LEGACY MEMBER

The Sottish Rite keeps events eventful

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The Valley of Williamsport Scottish Rite, located at 348 Market Street, offers several elegant and unique spaces that can be rented by the general public.

Events that are often held in the building include wedding ceremonies, receptions, school dances, reunions, banquets, dinner theaters, business meetings, conventions, dance recitals, stage shows and concerts.

The building's event spaces include the Acacia Club, Auditorium, Grand Banquet Hall and "Little Theater."

"The 348 Market entrance opens into the Acacia Club area, completed in 1910, which features classic elegance on two levels with an open space in the center. It features marbled columns, a terrazzo and tile floor, and ornate woodwork," Bruce Huffman, Business Manager/Fraternal Secretary said. "This space is a favorite for wedding receptions and proms," he added.

"Just south of this entrance are the stained-glass doors for the entrance to the Auditorium and Grand Banquet Hall, built in 1968. The auditorium features a large stage, dressing rooms, and a seating capacity of approximately 1,180. The Grand Banquet Hall, on the lower level, can easily accommodate up to 650 guests seated at tables," Huffman said.

The William Howard Memorial entrance, first opened in 1903, is located on East Fourth Street.

"This part of the building contains the 'Little Theater' which is perfect for a wedding ceremony, dinner theater, or reception. A



PHOTOS PROVIDED

A wedding ceremony is set up at the Scottish Rite at 348 Market Street.

large dressing room area is also available," Huffman said.

The Valley of Williamsport Scottish Rite got its start in 1899. At the time, 28 members of the Valley of Bloomsburg, living in Williamsport, petitioned to have a dispensation granted to open a Lodge of Perfection in Williamsport.

"This was followed by the institution of three additional Bodies, which were granted in 1901. After initially meeting in the Masonic

Temple, the Valley of Williamsport began construction on its own building in 1902, with funds provided by one of its members, William Howard," Huffman said.

"The funds to begin construction on the Acacia Club in 1909, were provided by three additional members: John L. Hall, Timothy S. Clark, and David A. Howe," Huffman said. "All four benefactors had made their fortunes in large part from the lumber industry in Williamsport," he added.

In addition to caring for its members, Williamsport Scottish Rite has been involved in helping and donating to several local charities over the years through financial and/or in-kind contributions.

"Our building will be the site for an American Red Cross blood drive on January 27, 2023," Huffman said.

The office is generally open from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except major holidays. Rented spaces can usually

be used any day of the week until midnight.

"For a worry-free experience in one of the area's most elegant settings, Williamsport Scottish Rite is ready to help you create a truly special and memorable event," Huffman said.

To learn more, visit The Valley of Williamsport Scottish Rite at their website at www.williamsportscottishrite.org or Facebook page at www.facebook.com/williamsportscottishrite.

SMALL BUSINESS

Vannucci Foto & Video adapts with the times

By SETH NOLAN

Sun-Gazette Correspondent

Vannucci Foto & Video has adapted to 75 years of change, but one thing remains at its core: family.

The shop, at 8 W. Fourth St. in Downtown Williamsport, is owned and operated by Ryan and Beth Rafferty.

The business specializes in museum quality printing, photo restorations and manipulation, photo enhancements, and slide and negative transfers, video transfers, video editing, and video content creation.

"Additionally, we specialize in custom framing and matting," Ryan Rafferty said. "We have been at the cutting edge of photography, videography and audio services for over 75 years, which allows us to offer specialized services for all the technologies that have been available for close to eight decades."

The Rafferty's took over the business in 2000 and have proudly carried the tradition that the Vannucci family started.

"My family was approached about buying the business for two main reasons," Ryan Rafferty said. "There was a desire of the founder to keep the shop a family-run business. The second was the knowledge and experience of my father, Mike Rafferty, and the lab experience of my brother and brother-in-law Brennan Rafferty and Joe Nevill. For our family, it was an honor to take over a business with such a fine reputation and a chance to work together."

Each member of the Rafferty family involved in the business has brought their own unique talents and skills to the business over

the years.

"My father started as a photo-journalist for local papers," Rafferty said.

Ryan Rafferty's brother and brother-in-law ran and worked at corporate photo labs.

"As for my wife and I, we both joined the business as the digital revolution took over in the early 2000s. We have been training in all the latest cameras, software, and printers since they began to emerge on the market," Rafferty said.

Since the Vannucci's began the business in 1947, a lot has changed in the technology used. The Rafferty's have worked diligently to remain aware and involved in the newest products to offer their customers.

"Our business changes as quickly as technology changes," Rafferty said. "We are constantly learning and updating in order to keep up with a business landscape that changes by the day."

Most recently, Vannucci Foto & Video transferred 8mm film reels from the 1920s into high definition 4k digital files for a professional presentation.

"The different tools and technologies for this one job spanned close to a century," Rafferty said.

Although the Rafferty's have owned the business for decades now, they still enjoy a relationship with the Vannucci's.

Within days of taking over the shop, Putsee Vannucci, the founder, and his wife became regulars at the store.

"Putsee's presence and knowledge were invaluable when it came to the quality of our products and traditional customer service," Rafferty said. "The Vannucci family are valued friends to this day.



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Vannucci's Foto & Video, above, is located at 8 W. Fourth Street.

They attended our Grand Opening when we moved downtown and still stop in for work and visits regularly."

For the Rafferty's, running the business has been an ongoing source of pride and lifelong memories.

"Every day is literally working in a highlight reel," Rafferty

said. "We are lucky enough to see Christmas, birthdays, and special occasions every day in pictures and film. For us fixing a damaged family heirloom, printing a set of baby pictures, or transferring home movies to a format that allows a family to view it for the first time is an honor to be part of and a highlight every time."

Moving forward, the hopes for the future are simple. "We strive to be as synonymous with quality as possible," Rafferty said. "We hope to be the place that our community continues to trust with the care and preservation of their memories. We simply want to keep carrying on the fine reputation that we have been honored with."

NEW MEMBER

Axe of Faith brings fun activity to Muncy area

By MARK MARONEY
Williamsport Sun-Gazette

MUNCY — Three years ago, John T. Henninger went to his best friend's birthday party at an axe throwing venue and decided to give it a try. That sparked a sharp idea.

Henninger wanted to open an axe throwing business that would help grow the sport of axe throwing as a recreational activity for family and friends, as well as increase the competitive side of the sport through leagues and tournaments.

That is when he got together with his wife, Lisa; brother-in-law, Michael Myers and friends Christie and Mike Badger.

"I thought, 'We need one in our area,'" Henninger, who goes by JT, said.

The axe throwing club would become known as Axe of Faith because this is a Christian owned business. The name openly declares that faith. It's also a fun play on words because sometimes it truly is an act of faith when people throw their first axe.

Through Axe of Faith, the owners see an opportunity to provide a community atmosphere that not only looks different but feels different. Customers may not always be ready for Jesus, but they'll immediately feel welcomed and at home when they walk through the door.

The owners give back to the community through a program they call "Random Axe of Kindness" by donating to local charities.

"We give back because we appreciate what we have received," Henninger said.

The sport has grown across the nation.

It can be seen on the popular ESPN Sports Network as the World Axe Throwing League.

"We wanted it to be more than recreation," Henninger said. "We wanted it to grow here in north central Pennsylvania," he said. It has.

It has a major presence on Facebook, with axe league members following the latest information and news.

Today, there are three different leagues at Axe of Faith. One is recreational (partners). One is an Official World Axe Throwing League (WATL) competitive league. The third is an all-women's league on Fridays. Women do compete evenly in the other leagues, but the Bad Axe Women's League provides an atmosphere that novice throwers feel comfortable participating in.



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Above, Customers at Axe of Faith, 10 S Market Street, Muncy, gather for axe throwing. One customer, left, takes aim at a wooden target with his axe.

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Leadership Lycoming - History and the Arts

The Leadership Lycoming Class of 2023 had their second Program Day; History and the Arts, beginning at the Community Theatre League. Hosts Adam Dincher, Class of 2021 and Michael McCullen, Class of 2022, welcomed the class and gave a little background of themselves before introducing the first presentation; tour and presentation of the Community Theatre League by Andree Phillips, Founder/Board Chair and Seth Sponhouse Executive Artistic Director followed by a presentation of the James V. Brown Library by Barbara McGary, Executive Director, Class of 2014, Dana Brigandi, Development Director, Class of 2009 and Deb Goff and Shirley Alters, Friends of the James V. Brown Library.

The class then continued to the Thomas T. Taber Museum for a presentation on the History of Lycoming County by Dr. John Piper, Retired Professor of History, Lycoming College. Lunch was provided by Ed's Market before the Millionaires' Row tour, by Gina Edwards, to end at the Rowley House for a tour and presentation by Anthony H. Visco, Jr., Registered Architect/Owner, Anthony H. Visco, Jr. Architects.

The afternoon continued with a tour and presentation of the Community Arts Center, by Jim Dougherty, Executive Director, Community Arts Center/Pennsylvania College of Technology. The class continued on to their last location at Lycoming Arts for a presentation by Debi Burch, Class of 1998, Williamsport Lycoming Arts Council.

Thank you to our Tier 3 sponsors, James V. Brown Library, Friends of the JVB Library and First National Bank! Thank you to hosts Adam Dincher and Michael McCullen. Special thank you to River Valley Transit for our transportation for the Millionaire's Row Tour. And thank you to Christopher Gayman, Lycoming Engines, Amanda Falls, Hope Enterprises, and Kevin Fountain, Little League International.

Tier 3 Sponsors



Leadership Class of 2023 stands on the balcony at the Park Home.



The Leadership class toured the Community Theatre League during History and the Arts Day. Thank you to Andree Phillips, Board Chair and Founder, for a wonderful history of the CTL.



Debi Burch, Williamsport Lycoming Arts Council, talks to the class about what the Arts is and how they support the local arts community.

Last Chance to get Leadership Lycoming Lottery Tickets!

Watch the PA Lottery Pick 3 Evening Drawing every night in the month of January!

If your 3 digit number matches the number drawn, then you win that day's prize.

For more information or to purchase a ticket, call the Chamber at 570-326-1971



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There you will find all 2022 and previous Chamber Connections.

Oh, and don't forget to like us!

MONTOURSVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WINTER SOCIAL



THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2023
FROM 5PM TO 7PM
SIMPLY SAVOR ON THE FLY
724 AIRPORT ROAD
MONTOURSVILLE, PA 17754

Your \$25 registration includes:

Appetizers, Dinner, Desserts and 1 (one) Drink Ticket
Enjoy beverages by Rosko's Brew House (cash bar available)

Register online at <https://business.williamsport.org/events> by January 10, 2023

Help us make this evening a success with your

\$200 SPONSORSHIP!

Your sponsorship includes:

- 2 complimentary tickets to the event
- Company logo displayed at the event
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Call for exhibitors!



SCIENCE FESTIVAL

Thursday, February 16, 2023

Pennsylvania College of Technology
FIELD HOUSE

5-8 p.m.

Open to the public (up to 500 attendees expected)

Science festival is geared toward elementary and middle school students and their families. Hands-on activities and demonstrations should be STEM-related and encourage exploration in the STEM fields of study.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity to spark excitement about STEM (science, math, engineering, and technology) in our youth.

Reserve your FREE booth today.

Booths are limited and available first come, first served.

☐ Yes, we would like to exhibit.

Company _____

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How many tables (6' x 30") will you need? _____

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TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW!

Leadership Lycoming is selling raffle tickets for the month of January. Each numbered raffle ticket will give you 31 chances to win. When the PA Lottery **Pick 3 evening number** is drawn and it matches your number, then you win that day's prize. Prizes range from \$25 to \$250.

(Winners are paid two weeks following the drawing)



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Get your tickets now before they are gone! They make great stocking stuffers or a gift for that hard-to-buy-for person or a small thank you gift. Contact Leadership Lycoming to purchase your tickets: 570-326-1971 or visit the Chamber at 102 W. Fourth Street in Williamsport.



Lycoming County
Visitors Center

Winter HOURS



MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	10:00am - 3:00pm
WEDNESDAY	10:00am - 3:00pm
THURSDAY	10:00am - 3:00pm
FRIDAY	10:00am - 3:00pm
SATURDAY	CLOSED
SUNDAY	CLOSED



Chamber Holds Thanksgiving Pie Day 5K Run/Walk

Keeping up with the Thanksgiving morning tradition, the Chamber held the 6th Annual Pie Day 5k Run/Walk. Over 500 runners & walkers began the race at Court and Fourth Streets in downtown Williamsport and ended at the Chamber offices on 4th and Pine Streets. In keeping with the events donations, a portion of the proceeds were donated to local charities including K's for Cancer, created in memory of Justin Flannery Hilton, and the YMCA Livestrong Program benefitting their Cancer Survivors Program.

Thank you to the Pie Day 5k Run/Walk Sponsors; Geisinger, EQT, UPMC, Traditional Home Care, Wood Whims, Cheryle & Jim Fink, The Muncy Bank & Trust Company, Hutchinson Realty Development LLC, and UGI Utilities.

Awards were given to overall Male & Female winner and top 3 Male & Female Runners in each age group. Pies were given to 1st place winners in all categories. Congratulations to all the winners!



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Revolving Loan Fund

To assist businesses with their financial needs for construction, renovations, equipment purchases and working capital.

Information and applications available online:
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or call Bo Hornberger
at 570-326-1971.

Chamber Members...Have Your Business Featured in the Chamber Connection! It's Free!

Showcase your business in our monthly newsletter. It's published inside the Sun-Gazette on the first Wednesday of each month.

To be featured on the cover, we require 10+ years as a member. To be featured as a Legacy Member, we require 20+ years as a member.

Newer to the Chamber? Our 'New Business' and 'Small Business' features are a great way to promote yourself.

Contact Sharon Jones at sjones@williamsport.org or (570) 320-4202 for more information.

Chamber Recognizes High School Students

The Education Committee of the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize the following students for their hard work and achievements as the Student of the 1st Quarter for their high school.

Congratulations!



Emma Freidhof
Hughesville High School



Cy Cavanaugh
Loyalsock High School



Gavin Rine
Montgomery High School



Christian Smith
Montoursville High School



Lacy Eckard
Muncy High School



Mark Roman
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Visit princefarrington.com to get your passport!

*Passport holders must be 21 years old or older to participate. Only one passport per person is permitted.

Upcoming Ribbon Cutting

ACME BBQ Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening

Friday, December 9, 2022

ACME BBQ...delicious as you remember!
Meet the new owners, Amber & Chris Snyder!
Grab lunch with us & enjoy your ACME favorites.

Location: 445 Market Street, Williamsport
Ribbon Cutting @ 11:00am
Open for lunch 11:00am-3:00pm

Chamber Members...

Do you have a new business, location or special occasion for your company?

Are you interested in a ribbon cutting or open house?
Contact Taryn Hartle for more information at 570-320-4209.



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