



Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

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THE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Friends and Supporters of the Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce:

“Revitalized and Reorganized Chamber of Commerce”

These were just some of the comments made by State Senator John R. Gordner on Tuesday, February 19th, 2008 at the Wayside Inn, Coal Township about the Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Please view the speech of Senator Gordner on the State Budget and Economic Development in the region at: www.newsitem.com, click on video.



State Senator John R. Gordner at the Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Member Luncheon, Wayside Inn, Coal Township

The Wellness Committee of the Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce has completed planning of the new and expanded ‘Wellness Expo 2008.’ Formerly known as the Women’s Expo, this year’s gathering will also address wellness and health concerns for men. **Scheduled for the first Saturday in March 2008 at the rear entrance of the Mt. Carmel High School**, this will mark the 6th consecutive year in which the Chamber has not only promoted the health and welfare of one segment of our citizenry, but will expand to cover the health of every citizen of the lower Northumberland County region served by the Chamber.

Tom Clark, WNEP Chief Meteorologist will be our keynote speaker.

Event Sponsor: Shamokin Area Community Hospital

Chamber meetings & events are posted on the Calendar page of our website which is updated regularly:

www.brushvalleychamber.com

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Questions?

Call us at 648-4675 or visit
www.brushvalleychamber.com

March Member Luncheon

Tuesday, March 18, 2008

12:00 p.m.

Harry's Bar & Grill

Speaker : Gale Zalar, CSO Regional Youth
Supervisor

**Topic : School Counts
Program**



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CHAMBER NEWS & VIEWS

2008 Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce

If you have not signed up already, get your registration forms in for Job Fair 2008 to be held, Wednesday, April 9th, 2008: The Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce and Central Susquehanna Opportunities, Inc., in partnership with PA CareerLink Northumberland County will be hosting an Annual Job Fair on April 9, 2008 from 10:00AM to 3:00 PM at Masser's Banquet Hall, Intersection of Route 487 & Route 61, Paxinos. We are excited to host this quality event connecting area employers and potential employees from the Central Pennsylvania region.

A breakfast is scheduled for the Northumberland County Row Officers on April 22, 2008 at Masser's Restaurant, 7:30 am. Come learn about all the wonderful accomplishments that the row offices have made for Northumberland County. Let the Chamber know if you plan to attend.

Have you mailed in your Awards Nomination form yet? The Chamber of Commerce likes to recognize the hard working businesses in the Region. Please nominate your choice for the following:

Elected Official of the Year
 Small Business of the Year
 Large Business of the Year
 Community Pride
 Member of the Year

The Brush Valley Foundation for Growth Trains are here!

**Model Railroad Collectors ~ Limited Edition Train
 Stations of the Brush Valley Series**

The Brush Valley Foundation for Growth is pleased to announce the 5th train car in its series of O-Gauge model train cars depicting various train stations of the Brush Valley Region. Now available is the Philadelphia & Reading Station (located on Independence Street in Shamokin).

Please pick up your train car at the Chamber office.



John Boback, Community Member and Brian Wagner, Gold N Copy, pack train cars to be mailed.

Chamber reminders:

Have you visited our new our website.
www.brushvalleychamber.com

Please call or email the Chamber office if you plan to attend our Membership Luncheons.

Are you proud of our region? Tell a friend!

If your business needs a rectangular Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce window sticker, please contact the office.

Upcoming Events

MARCH 2008

What IS the BVRCC?

The Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce
IT IS YOU!! - So hey, why not 'Get Involved'?

March 1st
Wellness Expo MCA High School
Guest Speaker: Tom Clark, WNEP
Main Sponsor: Shamokin Area Community Hospital

March 4th 8:30 AM
Foundation for Growth Boardroom

March 6th 11:30 AM
Events Committee Meeting Boardroom

March 11th 11:30 AM
Chamber Board Meeting Boardroom

March 13th 8:00 AM
Project ADVOCATE MCAHS Library

MARCH 2008 (CONTINUED)

March 18th 12 Noon

Membership Luncheon

Harry's Bar & Grill

Guest Speaker: Gale Zalar, CSO Regional Youth Supervisor

Topic: School Counts Program



Sponsored by: [Olvany Insurance Agency](#)

March 20th 12:00 PM
Econ. Dev. & Gov't. Affairs Comm. Boardroom

March 21st
Good Friday Holiday Office Closed

March 26th 8:30 AM
Community Wellness Committee Boardroom

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2008 Brush Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Membership as of 02/29/08

New Members

Kindermusik, Mt. Carmel - Ann Czeponis
Eye Spy Security, Inc., Mt. Carmel - Rick Long
Life Geisinger, Kulpmont - Marc Varano
Marlin H. Fields Real Estate, Shamokin- Harold R. Kauffman & Joan Duncheskie
Wee Ones Daycare, Coal Township - Laura L. Dietterick

Renewing Members

FNB Bank, N.A.-a member of the Fulton Financial Family, Shamokin - Heather Underkoffler
Bonanza Family Restaurant (Hospitality, Inc), Shamokin - Gene A. Welsh, Jr.
A.C. Trucking, Coal Township - Allen Ciborowski
Reinhart Food Service, Coal Township - Patricia Hackman
Joseph J. Stutz, Inc. Funeral Home, Mt. Carmel - Joseph J. Stutz
Community Services Group, Sunbury - Lon Deitrick
John J. Kealy, Mt. Carmel - Community Member
Shamokin Area Community Hospital, Coal Township - Thomas Harlow
International Paper, Mt. Carmel - Sandy Haas
Coal Township Elderly, Coal Township - Allison Wetzel
Nationwide Insurance, Shamokin - Craig H. Love
Coney Island Lunch, Shamokin - Helen S. Gorant & Bill Bacas
Transtar Brokerage, Inc., Kulpmont - Jeffrey Sock
Christian and Missionary Alliance Church, Shamokin - Rev. Sam Bellavia
Michael Foods Egg Products Co., Klingerstown - Frank Anonia
Mid-Penn Engineering Corporation, Lewisburg - Lake Randall
H & R Block, Shamokin - Lamont Masser
Smoker, Gard & Mersky LLP, Mt. Carmel - Nicholas Gard
Miller Gas & Oil, Shamokin - Bill Miller Jr
Bader Furniture Company, Shamokin - Sherri Shebelsky
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Shamokin Area School District, Coal Township - Chris Venna
Williams Appraisal Service, Shamokin - Rodger L. Williams
Shamokin Filler Co., Inc., Shamokin - Don Rosini
Luzerne County Community College, Shamokin - John Politis