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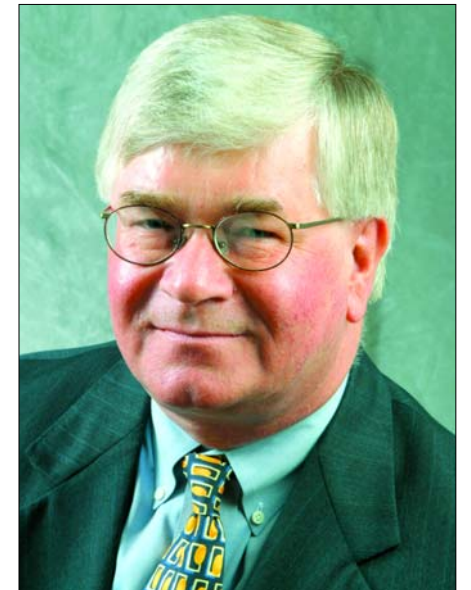
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PENNSYLVANIA NORTHEAST REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY

Monroe and Lackawanna Railroad Authorities merged to more effectively guide the passenger rail project. After a year of negotiations, county officials on both sides have agreed to the merging of the county rail authorities into a new entity called "Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Railroad Authority," which will be managed by Robert Hay, Monroe County Rail Authority Chairman. The joining of the authorities is a giant step in the direction of making passenger rail a reality. The new entity could help the long-delayed, \$350 million Scranton-to-Hoboken, NJ, project to be completed within seven years. The project remains in the environmental study phase, which takes about two years. The preliminary engineering study takes another year, and the construction could take as many as four years.

Lackawanna County Rail Authority has been folding its assets of \$16 million into the new entity. The new formation, with an eight-person board, will run with equal representation from Monroe and Lackawanna Counties. Senator Arlen Specter, a long time supporter of the project, has already assisted in securing more than \$20 million in federal funding and has pledged another \$120 million in the coming years. The key element for the project is to bring New Jersey Transit officials on board. Robert Hay announced that New Jersey Transit officials are making this project a higher priority and they also pledged \$40 million to the project.

The Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce congratulates Robert Hay, its Chairman of the Board, for the well deserved position (Chairman) with the Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Railroad Authority.



Robert Hay

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From the Chairman of the Board

Did you know that during the last eight months our Chamber, on an average, gained 25 new members per month? Did you know that our membership now exceeds 1,800? Did you know that Amber Richardson is our Membership Director?



Thanks to Amber's hard work and her creative approach toward utilizing every benefit that is available to our members, we have now set forth a goal of reaching 2,007 members by the year 2007.

As a result of our incredible growth, we are no longer able to accommodate our New Members Orientation Breakfast in the Board Room at the Chamber's offices. Therefore, we have moved the event to Burnley Employment and Rehabilitation Services, also known as Burnley Workshop. That brings me to my next point! Do you know about Burnley Employment and Rehabilitation Services?

Burnley is a non-profit organization, assisting physically and mentally challenged individuals to reach their highest potential in learning and become productive people in our society. Burnley has a hospitality room that can easily accommodate up to 75 people for any event. Our June New Members Orientation Breakfast was held in Burnley's Hospitality Room. We were so pleased with their facility, catering, and professional staff, we have decided to hold this event there every month. So, if you haven't been to Burnley Employment and Rehabilitation Services, feel free to come to our next New Members Orientation Breakfast on Wednesday, July 12 at 8:00 a.m.

*Bob Hay
Chairman of the Board*

PMCC Announces HR Conference

The Chamber's Human Resource Committee takes great pleasure in announcing its upcoming 2006 Human Resource Conference on September 19, 2006 at The Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort in Shawnee-On-Delaware, PA. The Chamber's last HR Conference was a resounding success, providing numerous area employers with timely and useful information on a variety of human resource issues. Approximately 150 attendees, speakers, volunteers, and vendors participated in the event.

The HR Conference is not just for human resource professionals! It is open to business owners and employers of all sizes, for profit or non-profit, public or private sector, and those experienced or inexperienced with regard to human resource issues. The Conference is intended not only to provide some useful "nuts and bolts" presentations for smaller employers without a human resource department, but also more advanced topics of use to more experienced human resource professionals.

Please mark your calendars now for attendance. If you are interested in possibly sponsoring the event or having a vendor exhibition booth, the Committee still has some available sponsorship and vendor opportunities. This HR Conference is a great way to reach potential clients and create visibility for your business. Please contact the Chamber for more information and to fill out the necessary forms.

The HR Committee extends its warmest invitation to all members to get involved and attend this event on September 19, 2006. See you then!

July 2006 Calendar of Events

- July 5**.....New Member Breakfast
8:00 a.m. – Burnley Employment & Rehabilitation Services - Snydersville
- July 6**.....Membership Committee
9:30 a.m. – PMCC
- July 7**.....Government Affairs Committee
8:00 a.m. – Best Western Pocono Inn - Stroudsburg
- July 10**.....Education Committee
12:00 noon – J.R.'s Grill & Salad Bar
- July 10**.....Business Card Exchange
5:00 p.m. – Pocono Manor Golf Resort & Spa - Pocono Manor
- July 11**.....Women in Business Luncheon
12:00 noon – Dansbury Depot - East Stroudsburg
- July 12**.....Transportation/Economic Development Committee
8:00 a.m. – Mt. Pocono Municipal Airport
- July 14**.....Finance Committee
8:30 a.m. – PMCC
- July 14**.....Leadership Pocono
9:30 a.m. – PMCC
- July 17**.....Executive Committee
8:00 a.m. – PMCC
- July 18**.....Small Business Development Committee
8:00 a.m. – PMCC
- July 19**.....HR Committee
8:30 a.m. – PMCC
- July 21**.....Monthly Breakfast
7:30 a.m. – Best Western Pocono Inn - Stroudsburg
- July 24**.....West End Committee
8:00 a.m. – Western Pocono Community Library - Brodheadsville
- July 25**.....Board of Directors
11:00 a.m. – Best Western Pocono Inn - Stroudsburg
- July 26**.....Women in Business Steering Committee
10:00 a.m. – PMCC
- July 28**.....Environmental Committee
8:00 a.m. – PMCC
- TBA**.....Expo Committee
- TBA**.....Quality of Life Committee

PMCC MISSION STATEMENT

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A Unified Voice of Business
dedicated to the Prosperity of all
Commerce
leading to the Enhancement of the
Quality of Life
in our region and surrounding areas.

Ribbon Cuttings

Shepherd's Maternity House

Shepherd's Maternity House recently held a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to celebrate their Grand Opening. Shepherd's Maternity House provides housing and maternity care to mothers who are unable to provide for themselves. Give them a call at 570-476-1428.



Mangia Baby Family Restaurant

Mangia Baby Family Restaurant, located on Route 115 in Brodheadsville, recently held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in honor of their first anniversary. Mangia Baby Family Restaurant specializes in Italian food with personal service. They also offer catering. Stop by and see them today, or give them a call at 570-992-9446.



Summit Spas

Summit Spas recently held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in honor of their brand new location at 32 Bossardville Road in Sciota. Summit Spas sells spas, pools, pool supplies, billiards, dartboards, and pool tables. Stop by and see them today or give them a call at 570-402-1342.



June Business Card Exchange



The June Business Card Exchange was held at The Lodge at Mountain Springs Lake Resort in Reeders. What an outstanding facility for Chamber members to network, sample the delicious hors d'oeuvres, and enjoy the beautiful view of the property. If you are looking for a facility to have your next event, contact Mountain Springs Lake Resort at 570-629-1120.

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Entries Needed for the First Pocono Business Awards Contest!



The Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce Business Magazine TV Show presents the "Bizzy Awards." It's an opportunity for businesses to compete to be named the top in categories such as "Best New Business," "Best Business Logo," "Best Business Card Design," "Best Business Curb Side Appeal," as well as six other categories.

Entries will be narrowed down to four nominees in each category. Winners will be announced LIVE at a special Awards Banquet in September. The ceremony will air on Blue Ridge Cable TV 13 complete with winner's speeches and more!

Entry forms are available at the Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce office, or online at www.GeorgeTV.com/bizzy. There is an entry fee of \$25 for each category. The Bizzy Awards will donate proceeds to the United Way of Monroe County. Entry deadline is July 14th.

New Member's Breakfast

Howell's Flowers and Greenhouses is a full-service flower shop featuring flowers for all occasions. Their unique arrangements are sure to make your loved one smile. Stop by and see them today at 77 East Brown Street in East Stroudsburg, or give them a call. 570-424-6002.

Creative Printing, Inc. is the gateway to high level means of printing. They do not concentrate on what your image was yesterday, they focus on what your image will be tomorrow. Their phone number is 570-504-1729.

Karaman Accounting, located at 63 Grand Street in East Stroudsburg, offers preparation of business and personal tax returns as well as book-keeping and payroll services. They offer quality work, personal attention, and affordable pricing. Give them a call at 570-476-0259.

Blue Mountain Adult Day Services Monroe Campus offers quality daytime care for seniors. They provide nursing supervision services, assistance with personal needs, caregiver support, daily activities, nutritional needs, as well as transportation services to and from the center. Their phone number is 610-826-1160, and they are located at 35 Weir Lake Road in Brodheadsville. Contact them today.

Paradise Tanning Salon offers five levels of tanning including tanning beds, 2M booths, leg tanners, and sun spritz spray tan. They have a variety of tanning packages and lotions for all skin types. They are located in Monroe Plaza on Route 209 in Brodheadsville, and their phone number is 570-992-0505. Stop by and see them today.

Goin' Postal, located in Monroe Plaza on Route 209 is an authorized service center for DHL, FedEx, and UPS. They offer an array of services such as shipping, packaging, Ebay selling assistance, notary services, passport services, laminating, Western Union, and Lottery. Their phone number is 570-992-0676. Give them a call today.

Four Corners Health & Fitness offers private one-on-one personal training and monthly fitness memberships with inversion therapy. They also offer acupuncture, massage therapy, reflexology, reiki, lomi lomi, cranio-sacral therapy, and much more. Training can be either in the home or the wellness studio. They are located at 554 Main Street, Second Floor, and their phone number is 570-504-5522. Stop by and see them today.

Catholic Social Services of Monroe County is a non-profit counseling and adoption agency. They accept all insurance, Medicare, and have a sliding scale fee for those who have no insurance. They also offer anger management programs as well as parenting courses. They are located at 411 Main Street in Stroudsburg, and their phone number is 570-476-6460. Give them a call today.

Pocono Women's Referral Group is a women's business referral group which has been in existence for almost five years. They meet monthly to help each other with business and generate referrals. Join them! Call 570-620-2438 today, for more information.

Webleaps provides Web site hosting and design services for both commercial and residential. They also provide digital photography services. They will help you to advertise your business. Give them a call today at 570-629-6980.

Summit Spas specializes in retail sales and service of spas, billiards, game tables, pool chemicals, and accessories. With such a large selection, they are sure to have something for you. They are located at 32 Bossardville Road in Sciota, and their phone number is 570-402-1342. Stop by and see them today.

Women in Business Luncheon

The June Women in Business Luncheon which was sponsored by Michelle Chappelle of A Bookkeeper 4 U, was held at Burnley Employment & Rehabilitation Services. The featured topic, "Advocacy for Children & Youth" was presented by Elizabeth Weekes of Bensinger & Weekes, P.A.



left to right: Elizabeth Weekes, Ginny Magda, Michelle Chappelle, Roderick Chappelle

The July luncheon sponsored by Cheryl Jordan of Nutrition 1st will be held at The Dansbury Depot in East Stroudsburg. The topic, "Wellness in Action at Work" will be presented by Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

For more information on future WIB luncheons, to donate a door prize, or to sponsor a luncheon, please contact Miriam Conway at (570) 421-4433

Membership Anniversaries May

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Congratulations!

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need to perform a litter pickup along your adopted section of road several times a year. For more information about the Adopt-A-Highway program and available sections of highway to adopt, please contact Irene Reed at: Irene Reed, Adopt-A-Highway & Great PA Coordinator Monroe County, Maintenance District 5-4 Stroudsburg, PA Phone: 570-424-3024 / ext. 100.

The second option is to sponsor the Litter Maintenance of a stretch of Route 80. For a nominal fee, your company can join in the Pocono Mountains Vacation Bureau program which contracts with outside companies to pick up litter along Route 80. In return, your company is listed on signs along the stretch of highway you sponsor. For additional information contact the Pocono Mountains Vacation Bureau at 570-421-5791.

Monthly Breakfast

May's Monthly Breakfast was held at the Best Western Pocono Inn and was sponsored by Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Carl Rosencrance of Blue Cross gave a PowerPoint Presentation on "Wellness in Action at Work." Carl discussed ten easy steps to a healthier workplace. Healthcare costs continue to be a rising issue in the workplace. Medical care costs can consume half or more of a company's profits and chronic disease as well as life-style choices also impact the cost of healthcare. Wellness in the workplace can make a difference. For more information please visit www.bcnepa.com.



left to right- Robert Phillips, IOM, Lisa Grilli, Betty Arenz, Mary Bruck, Carl Rosencrance



left to right- Robert Phillips, IOM, Kristi Young, Jamie Keener

The Special Program was Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Bridge, Serving Monroe County. Jamie Keener of Big Brothers/Big Sisters spoke on behalf of their organization. Their mission is to help children reach their full potential through professional support via the development of one-on-one relationships. Their vision is successful mentoring for children and contributing to brighter futures and stronger communities for all. The Telethon, held at East Stroudsburg University and the Bowl for Kids Sake, held at Sky Lanes was also recounted by Jamie during his presentation. The awards for the Bowl for Kids Sake were presented last Friday at a pizza party at the Lockwood Center.



left to right- Commissioner Suzanne McCool, Douglas Arnold, James Becker, Jamie Keener

James Becker was awarded the "Bowling Pin" for the highest score. For more information on Big Brothers/Big Sisters visit their Web site at www.bbbswb.org.

Janet Holmes, JanRich Enterprises, won the \$100 Savings Bond. Lisa Grilli and John Davis won the door prizes, tickets to Great Wolf, which they donated to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Robert Phillips also donated six tickets to Great Wolf to Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

The 50/50 was won by Jamie Keener, who donated it to Big Brothers/Big Sisters.



2006 Youth Appreciation Day Award Winners

2006 Youth Appreciation Day Awards Sponsored by PPL

The Pocono Mountains Chamber of Commerce honored nine area high school students at its Youth Appreciation Day Luncheon on May 23, 2006. The event was sponsored by PPL and was held at the Best Western Pocono Inn. The guest speaker was Charles Green from Stroudsburg School District. Mr. James Becker, Chair of the Education Committee and Carol Huffman, Youth Appreciation Day Chair presented the students with their awards. The recipients were also given certificates from Senator Lisa Boscola, Senator Pat Browne, Representative Mario Scavello, Representative John Siptroth, and the County Commissioners.

Youth Appreciation Day recognizes students who have overcome significant challenges to achieve success. They are awarded based on their overall accomplishments and are not necessarily the top athletes or scholars.

The students who were honored this year were: Devyn McNeil, East Stroudsburg High School North; Kathleen Finn, East Stroudsburg High School South; Joshua Leap, Monroe Career & Technical Institute; Rebecca Graf, Monroe County CareerLink; John Martin, Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School; Kristal Nemeroff, Pleasant Valley High School; Jason Vinansky, Pocono Mountains East High School; Konwlorh Grace Nah, Pocono Mountains West High School; and Renee DeVino, Stroudsburg High School.

The recipients received gifts donated by Access Office Electronics, Inc., Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Bushkill Falls, Camelbeach, Citizens Bank, Citizens Savings Association, ESSA Bank & Trust, First National Bank of Palmerton, Gap Systems, Gene Dickison, General Flooring, Hair Alternatives, Keystone Nazareth Bank & Trust, M&T Bank, North Penn Bank, Odd-Lot Outlet, Inc., Penn Security Bank & Trust Co., Pennstar Bank, Pocono Community Bank, Pocono Family YMCA, Wachovia, and Wayne Bank.

The afternoon was topped off with complimentary lunches, sponsored by Access Office Electronics, Dr. LaShun Carroll, Core People Resources, Bruce Denlinger, Jamie Keener, Elizabeth Koster, M&T Bank, Monroe County CareerLink, Paul Moore, North Penn Bank, Northampton Community College, Pocono Mountains Economic Development Corp, Frank Revitt, Barbara G. Samet Real Estate, and Senator Robert Mellow.

Environmental Committee

Clean Marketing

Marketing your company and helping to keep our environment clean can go hand-in-hand. PMCC members currently have two opportunities available to do just this. Join us to help protect our environment while receiving a little exposure for your business at the same time. The first opportunity requires a little work and the second, a little money.

"Adopt-A-Highway" offers Pennsylvania businesses and citizens the opportunity to show their pride in our beautiful state by caring for the environment. We all know that a cleaner, more attractive Pennsylvania will draw more tourists and businesses to our region, thus helping all of us. The signs designating you or your company as the adoptee of a section of highway keep your company name in the public eye. You will

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From the President



During the year, I like to inform our members about some of the bills that are being debated and voted on in Washington, DC. As you know, some of these bills may have a profound impact on the way you do business, health care costs, and taxes. Here are some of the bills that we are watching closely.

Small Business Health Plans: H.R. 525, S.1955. These bills would enable small businesses to join together to purchase health insurance through well-established trade or professional associations. They would allow associations to offer uniform insurance plans across state lines, spreading the risk and achieving administrative efficiencies. These bills would allow small businesses to leverage the same purchasing power as their large competitors.

STATUS: H.R. 525 passed the House on July 26, 2005. Senate vote to overcome filibuster on S. 1955 failed May 11, 2006.

Medical Liability Reform: H.R. 5, S. 22. These bills would put reasonable limits on non-economic damages and contingency fees in medical liability cases and would ensure that patients are compensated for their injuries while curbing excessive and unnecessary liability costs. These bills would reduce the cost of and expand access to healthcare.

STATUS: H.R. 5 passed the House July 28, 2005. Senate vote to overcome filibuster on S. 22 failed on May 8, 2006.

Tax Relief Extensions: H.R. 4297. This bill extends tax relief because it expands the amount of capital and spurs economic growth.

STATUS: Signed by President Bush on May 17, 2006.

Health Savings Accounts: H.R. 5262. This bill would make health savings accounts (HSAs) more attractive by increasing the maximum annual tax-free contribution, making premiums for HSA-compatible insurance tax deductible, creating low-income tax credits, and allowing workers to roll over money in their flexible spending accounts into an HSA. This would create a greater ease and flexibility to pay for healthcare expenses.

STATUS: Introduced in the House May 2, 2006. Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

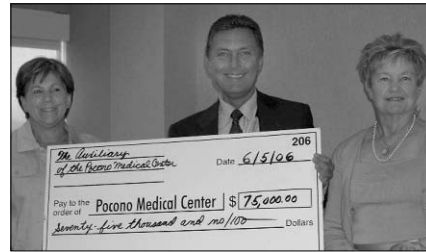
If you have any comments or concerns about these bills, please contact me at the Chamber. Additionally, if you would like information concerning other legislative bills, please let me know.

Robert Phillips, IOM

Members in the News

Achieve Business Solutions recently hosted an abbreviated Peer Advisory Board meeting for area business owners at the Pocono Chamber of Commerce on June 8. During the meeting Chamber members serving local, global, B to B, and B to C markets, learned how the Alternative Board empowers and enables business owners to overcome challenges, grow revenues, and achieve both their personal and business visions. To reserve your seat at the next meeting or to inquire how TAB can help your business, please contact Marcy Turkington at 973-940-2020 or mturkington@tab-nwjerseypoconos.com.

The Auxiliary of the Pocono Medical Center recently held its Annual Meeting and Betty O'Neil Recognition Luncheon. The event culminated with Auxiliary President Denise Cunningham and Auxiliary Treasurer



Margie Conahan presenting a \$75,000 check to Richard Henley, President and CEO of Pocono Medical Center. The Auxiliary raised the money at fund-raising events throughout the year, including the annual TV auction; the annual charity gala; a fashion show; and jewelry and book sales. The Auxiliary has been supporting the growth and development of Pocono Health System since 1915 by spreading goodwill and a spirit of fund-raising.

Core People Resources' Victoria K. Mavis, CEO and President recently received approval by the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) as a qualified independent vendor to conduct Sexual Harassment and Title VII-related training. The approval ensures that training conducted by CPR will meet the strict guidelines and requirements set forth by the commission in these areas. For more information on CPR's training packages, visit www.corepeoplere-resources.com or call 1-888-CPR4BIZ.

East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania's Applied DNA Sciences Facility announces its new Northeast Infectious Disease Diagnostic Laboratory. The purpose of the new laboratory is to understand and combat the threat of infectious diseases. It will focus on vector borne diseases that affect humans, domestic pets, and wildlife, and its services, which are available to local, regional, state and national markets, including the general public, will complement those of the Applied DNA Sciences Facility. For more information contact Gary Fromert, laboratory manager, at 570-422-7885 or 7891 or visit www.esu.edu/biology/diagnostics.

George Roberts Productions of Sciota has been announced as a winner of the 26th Annual Telly Awards. Pocono Landscape Challenge walked away with two bronze awards in this year's contest, which had a record 12,500 entries from all 50 states and numerous countries. The program entitled "Patios" won for its "use of music." The program entitled "Rehab Project" won in the Miscellaneous Category for TV productions. Pocono Landscape Challenge, hosted by Jim Scocozza and Connie Roberts, airs locally on Blue Ridge Communications TV 13. For information on Pocono Landscape Challenge, contact George Roberts at 570-992-4842. For information on the awards, contact Linda Day at the Telly Awards for public relations inquiries: 212-675-3555.

John J. Riley Inc.'s Scott A. Miller, CPA, CFE and shareholder has been selected to join Community Associations Institute (CAI) Distinguished Speakers Club. Mr. Miller spoke at CAI's 55th National Conference and Exposition in Palm Springs, California. His Session entitled Planning & Budgeting to Get Your Association through Severe Weather and National Disasters, covered identifying hazards based on communities locations, how to manage the development and finance a contingency plan in the event of a natural disaster. Scott A. Miller, CPA, CFE is both a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Fraud Examiner. John J. Riley, Inc. is a full service accounting and computer services firm with offices in Stroudsburg and Mt. Pocono.

Kinsley's ShopRite, the Kinsley Family, and the American Cancer society would like to invite you to be a "Celebrity Bagger" at the 12th Annual Grocer's Against Cancer Day on Tuesday, August 8 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Kinsley's ShopRite in Brodheadsville. The Kinsley Family will be donating a portion of the sales that day to the Monroe Chapter of the American Cancer Society. Please contact Rosie Francis at 570-992-2670 if you are available for an hour or two to help bag groceries that day. It promises to be fun for all!

The Pocono Mountains Vacation Bureau (PMVB), Inc. announced that Thomas & Taylor Music Works won four Telly Awards, for films aired on Blue Ridge Cable's TV-13, at the 27th Annual Telly Awards program. The Telly Awards is the premier award honoring outstanding TV commercials and programs, as well as video and film productions. Winning a Bronze Telly, "In the Presence of the Enemy" is a community program spotlighting historical negative racial events; Native Americans; the history of the Poconos; coal miners; and the growing diversity of the region, community, and family. "Flowers of the Battlefield," a poem about the bombing of the World Trade Center brought home a Silver Telly. The second Silver Telly was awarded to "The Sound of Jazz," a profile of three local musicians (Phil Woods, Nelson Hill, and Lamar R. Thomas, Sr.), who have all achieved national and international success. Another Bronze Telly went to the Rudy Beck Group for its co-production of "Bass Line," an original film about some of the things that young people in our society and in our schools are faced with on a daily basis including diversity, sexual orientation, racism, child abuse, suicide, and homicide. The video is available to all school districts in the region. The PMVB, Inc. commends Thomas & Taylor Music Works on its achievement. Comprehensive visitor information is available at 800poconos.com or 800-POCONOS (762-6667).

Shawnee Place recently hosted the Pocono Family YMCA's annual Kid'z Fair on Saturday and Sunday, June 24 and 25. Serving as a yearly fundraiser for the Monroe County based YMCA, Pocono Kid'z Fair features more than 30 child and family related activities, shows, and exhibits plus all the fun of Shawnee Place Play & Water Park with its Waterslides, Splash Pools and Play Elements. For more information on Pocono Kid'z Fair and Shawnee Place, call 570-421-7231 or visit www.shawneemt.com. Shawnee Place is located at Shawnee Mountain Ski Area just off Exit 309 of I-80 in the Pocono Mountains.

Gallagher & Gallagher CEO Wins Renowned "Artemis Award"

The Euro-American Women's Council (EAWC) under auspice of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic awarded the renowned "Artemis Award" to several women and men leaders from around the globe for their distinguished achievements in the fields of business, politics, academia, and the arts at a star-studded gala at the historic Zapiro Megaro during its 10th Annual Global Women's Forum.



left to right- Artemis Award Gala, Athens Greece; featured Loula Loi Alafoyiannis, Executive Director, EAWC; U.S. Honorees, Marilyn Tam, National Director of Score, Antonia Newman, WNBA, Barbara Kasoff, Co-Founder, Women Impacting Public Policy; Daisy Gallagher, CEO/Founder of Gallagher & Gallagher, Inc.; also featured in photo is Ms. Gallagher's daughter Lori Marie Gallagher.

Among this year's EAWC "Artemis Award" winners was Daisy Gallagher, CEO, Gallagher & Gallagher, Inc. of D.C., PA, and NYC. During the gala, Ms. Gallagher had the honor of delivering a presentation on Branding Your Business during the "Success Strategies for CEOs" topic.

Gallagher was honored by the EAWC due largely in part to her firm's receipt of a prime contract to coordinate the five-day Office of Personnel Managements Workforce Conference - the largest to date - held at the Baltimore Convention Center, Baltimore, MD. The Federal Workforce Conference was aimed at providing training to the government's top human capital leaders.

With 300 breakout sessions, 200 speakers, and more than 150 exhibitors, the conference featured some of today's leading individuals and companies connected with workplace management and personnel success. More than 2,000 different federal employees attended daily, where they were enveloped in the future direction of human resources.

Gallagher & Gallagher, Inc. won the contract while competing against several top agencies nationwide. The agency was the prime contractor with overall project responsibility, overseeing all areas of planning, marketing, and implementation of the conference until its completion. The Gallagher & Gallagher team managed the event working with several subcontractors including Lockheed Martin.

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