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The partnership at law firm **Barley Snyder** has elected Jeff Lobach to serve another term as Barley Snyder's managing partner. Lobach will continue as the firm's managing partner in 2022 and 2023 starting Jan. 1. The managing partner is the firm's CEO, overseeing operations as well as the long-term planning for the firm. With the latest reelection, Lobach will be Barley Snyder's longest-serving managing partner. In his eight years in this role, the firm has nearly doubled in size, from 55 attorneys to almost 110 currently. The firm also has opened five new offices, moved its Malvern office to a larger location and conducted extensive renovations of its York and Hanover offices. He also successfully guided the firm through the COVID-19 shut down.

Belco Community Credit Union is introducing the latest technology in banking to its members. The credit union's newest branch, now open at 5500 Allentown Blvd. in Harrisburg, is the first Belco branch to offer Interactive Teller Machines (ITM's). Combining the ease of self-service ATMs with the benefits of personalized banking, this innovative technology offers an enhanced ATM experience. Everyday transactions with a local Belco team member are available via two-way video at the drive-thru, or, in a branch, just as you would with a teller. Branch hours will be Monday through Thursday, 9am to 5pm, Friday, 9am to 6pm, and Saturday, 9am to 12pm. The drive-up ITM will be available 24/7, with the Teller Assist option also available during branch hours.

Brown Schultz Sheridan & Fritz (BSSF) was recently named #1 in Central Penn Business Journal's 2021 Best Places to Work in PA in the medium-sized company category and recently ranked as one of the largest audit firms in the U.S. on AM Best's list of the Top Audit and Actuarial Firms – 2021 Edition. This marks the second consecutive year that BSSF has ranked first in the Best Places to Work in PA medium-sized company category and the 18th time the Firm has made the list of top 100 organizations to work for in Pennsylvania. BSSF hires new Employment Specialist, Stephanie A. Nicholson. Stephanie earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Gordon College and her master's degree in Industrial-Organizational Psychology from Liberty University. Stephanie brings three years of recruiting experience to the BSSF Human Resources team. Stephanie is located in BSSF's Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, office

Central Penn College delivered during the week of December 14th more 2,700 items collected as part of the Raise the Roof campaign to combat homelessness in the capital region. The college made its first round of deliveries of more than 3,000 items back in August. The six-month campaign, which began in June, concluded this month. So far, the campaign has raised more \$7,600 and collected more than 5,700 items. In addition, Central Penn students and employees contributed more than 300 volunteer hours to local nonprofit causes. CPC has recently partnered with 12 regional high schools on new dual enrollment agreements. "Students at these institutions now have the opportunity take college courses and earn college credits while still in high school," said Michael Fedor, VP of Advancement and Strategic Initiatives, at the Summerdale-based institution. As a result of these efforts, 37 high school students were enrolled in Central Penn during the current fall term. "For high school students planning to attend college, these agreements enable students to save both time and money, while being super-prepared when starting college," he said. High schools and school districts interested in partnering with Central

Penn College can contact Educational Outreach Coordinator Sean Strangeway at <u>SeanStrangeway@centralpenn.edu</u>. To find out more about Central Penn College's career-focused offerings, visit: <u>www.centralpenn.edu/academics</u>.

F&M Trust is pleased to announce the following recent hires and promotions: Justin Witmer has been hired as a Commercial Services Relationship Manager; Scott Cray has been hired as a Residential Mortgage Processor; Tangela Gibbons has been hired as a Financial Services Representative in the Memorial Square Office; Toya Houser has been hired as a Financial Services Representative in the Chambers Pointe and Brookview Community Offices; Brooke Nace has been hired as a Financial Services Representative in the West Side Community Office; Stacy Seville has been hired as a Lead Financial Services Representative in the McConnellsburg Community Office; Keira Velazquez has been hired as a Financial Services Representative in the McConnellsburg Community Office; Ben DeBell has been promoted to Assistant Vice President; Courtney Shauf has been promoted from Assistant Community Office Manager to Community Office Manager for the Orchard Park Community Office.

Gift CPAs, a leading small business accounting and advisory firm headquartered in Mechanicsburg, recently named MaryAnne Reynolds as Partner. Reynolds joined Gift CPAs in 2016 with over 15 years of Marketing experience. She oversees the strategic marketing initiatives and branding efforts as well as the culture programs of the firm. Upon hire, Reynolds successfully led the company through a rebrand and creative overhaul. Her core responsibilities include identifying and positioning the firm in front of its target markets, managing all marketing content, leading digital marketing initiatives, and PR, while staying on top of the ever-changing trends in the industry. "We are thrilled to admit MaryAnne as a Partner in the firm," says Gift CPAs Partner Jamie Beane, CPA. "MaryAnne has been an integral part of our long-term success both externally and internally. We are proud to welcome a Marketing Firm Partner to our primarily CPA based Leadership team."

Following several months of planning and several weeks of collecting, the **Greater Harrisburg REALTORS®** Foundation hosted its Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive Distribution Day on November 19th. The Foundation serves as the charitable arm of the Greater Harrisburg Association of REALTORS® (GHAR) and provides housing-related service to the community. This year is the 35th year for the Food Drive. On Friday at the GHAR office, REALTORS® and Affiliate members distributed 1,200 turkeys and Karns Foods gift cards to organizations in the greater Harrisburg community. Contributions have been collected by member REALTOR® firms and Affiliate firms throughout the fall. The contributions were designed to provide a complete Thanksgiving dinner, including turkey and trimmings, for a less fortunate family.

In a ceremony led by the 2021 **Greater Harrisburg Association of REALTORS®** Foundation President Danielle Wadsworth, MRE, ABR, MRP, SRS, AHWD, CRB, PSA, C2EX, with Dream Home Realty LLC in Lemoyne, the Foundation installed Keith Lipari, SRS, C2EX with RE/MAX 1st Advantage in Mechanicsburg as president for the upcoming year. He will assume his duties beginning January 1, 2022. Wadsworth will continue to serve on the Foundation's Board of Directors as past president.

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In a ceremony led by 2021 GHAR President Adrian Smith, with Keller Williams Realty in Harrisburg, the **Greater Harrisburg Association of REALTORS®** installed Sylvia Hess, CRB, CNE with Turn Key Realty Group in Camp Hill, as president for the upcoming year. She will assume her duties beginning January 1, 2022. Adrian Smith will continue to serve on the Association's Board of Directors as past president.

Annette Cassel Means of **High Associates** Ltd. represented the seller, the Estate of Patricia Ann Cassel, in a recently sold 13.25-acre parcel located on Allentown Boulevard, Harrisburg in West Hanover Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. The commercial highway zoned property is located on a highly visible corner on Rte. 22 and S. Oak Grove Road, near other retail and industrial users. Benjamin Stoltzfus purchased a 154.70-acre campground event and retreat space located in the "Seven Mountains" area of Central Pennsylvania from the Penn Central Conference of the United Church of Christ (PCCUCC). This property is located in Armagh Township, Mifflin County. Annette Cassel Means of High Associates Ltd. represented the Seller and Benjamin Stoltzfus of Pine Creek Real Estate represented himself, as the Buyer, and will continue to operate it as a campground event and retreat space.

Mid Penn Bank and Riverview Financial Corporation announced today that shareholders from both Mid Penn and Riverview overwhelmingly approved Mid Penn's proposed acquisition of Riverview at special meetings of their respective shareholders held on November 18, 2021. "The level of support for this transaction was tremendous," said Rory G. Ritrievi, President and CEO of Mid Penn Bancorp, Inc. "Of the total number of votes received, over 98% of Riverview shares voted in favor of the merger and more than 98% of Mid Penn shares also voted in favor of the merger." The merger will extend Mid Penn's footprint into attractive new markets, including the Lehigh Valley and State College region, and will expand its presence in Western Pennsylvania. Mid Penn, on a pro forma basis following completion of the merger, is expected to have \$4.7 billion in assets. The acquisition is subject to various conditions to closing and is anticipated to close on November 30, 2021.

NAI CIR is pleased to present the sale of the following: the 5,500 SF flex building located at 2117 Orchard Road in Camp Hill has been sold to Reedlee Leasing Inc. Building is comprised of warehouse/storage and office space situated on 0.5 acres. Both Nik Sgagias and Alex Wenger, of NAI CIR, represented the seller in the transaction; A four-property investment portfolio, including 2911 Wayne Street in Harrisburg, PA – a 8,960 SF flex building located at 2911 Wayne Street in Harrisburg along with three (3) income-producing residential rental properties. Amber Corbo and Nik Sgagias, of NAI CIR, represented the seller and Roy Brenner, Landmark Commercial Realty, represented the buyer.

**NAI CIR** is proud to announce our Associate Broker, James D. Ross, was inducted into the Greater Harrisburg Association of Realtors (GHAR) Hall of Fame. The award was presented and accepted at the GHAR Holiday Luncheon on Wednesday, December 15th, held at the West Shore Country Club. With this award, the GHAR Community recognized Jim's 50 year (and counting) professional career. The entire NAI CIR team deeply appreciates his professionalism, mentorship, friendship and knowledge. Congratulations, Jim!

The Bill Gladstone Group, of NAI CIR, handled the following transactions: The 9.42 acres of undeveloped land located on Hanshue Road in Hummelstown has been sold to Hershey Trust Company. The land will be used for investment purposes; Suite 301 located in 1801 Oberlin Road in Middletown has been leased to Christina Sholl, owner of 717 Esthetics. The space will be used for Esthetician Services. Marisa Benjamin, of Trust Commercial, represented the tenant; The 1,726 SF office building located at 718 N. Front Street in Wormleysburg has been sold to M&P Holdings, LLC. TerraViz Geospatial, a land surveying and mapping company, will occupy the space. Sean Fitzsimmons, of Landmark, represented the buyer.

The Public Relations Society of America's Central Pennsylvania Chapter has presented **PRworks** with three awards for public relations projects completed in 2020-2021, bringing the firm's number of industry awards to 10 during the past four years. PRworks, a full-service public relations and marketing firm with a presence in Harrisburg and the Williamsport area, earned a Keystone Award for a media relations campaign for the play The Hand That Holds The Quill, a Keystone Award for a corporate branding project for Voce, and a Silver Keystone Award for newsletter communications for BJE Poultry. The awards recognize campaigns that comprised the four-step public relations process (research, planning, implementation and evaluation) and experienced measurable success. "Receiving this recognition from our peers in the public relations field gives us such pride," said Jason Kirsch, partner and senior counselor at PRworks. "We believe that the best work comes to life through collaboration, and we are so grateful for the collaborative partnerships we have with our clients to produce impactful, award-winning results."

**RKL LLP** today announced a westward expansion of its footprint through a merger with Chambersburg-based Rotz & Stonesifer, P.C. Effective January 1, 2022, the merger will establish RKL in Franklin and Adams counties and provide the firm a local platform from which to serve organizations and their leaders in South Central Pennsylvania, Western Maryland and beyond. "Rotz & Stonesifer has built a respected legacy of expertise and excellence in South Central Pennsylvania, and we are proud to unite under the RKL banner to continue this success," said RKL CEO Ed Monborne. "This merger is an exciting opportunity to advance our firm's strategic growth objectives and introduce RKL to new communities in South Central Pennsylvania and beyond."

The Salvation Army of Harrisburg Capital City Region's first of four distributions took place on Friday, December 10th where they distributed over 1,000 boxes of Christmas goodies, hundreds of Christmas cards, 312 candy bars, and 331 Bibles (in both English and Spanish!). Each family also received information about our year-round programs, and we look forward to working with many of these households throughout the coming year in our youth, nutrition education, and self-sufficiency programs. If you have been on Santa's naughty list this year, here's your opportunity to switch over to the nice side! We've created a wish list of our own on Amazon with items still needed for Christmas distribution (earbuds, basketballs, books, Bibles, etc.), as well as staff member's wishes for their departments. Our Literacy Specialist, Brenda, wants books for read-alouds at Roller Enrichment Academy. Our Nutrition Educator, Meghan, wants supplies for the food pantry. And our case managers want gift cards to assist clients during emergency situations. All items will be shipped directly to our office. The link to shop is here: <a href="https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2IIJSH13VTDHO/ref=hz">https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2IIJSH13VTDHO/ref=hz</a> ls biz ex Thank you for your support!

The Cumberland Valley Business Alliance has selected Bradley H. Kearns, CPA, Member of the Firm with SEK, CPAs & Advisors, as their 2021 Business Person of the Year. This award honors a local business professional in the Cumberland Valley area who has made significant contributions to the community and profession through their accomplishments, business, and volunteerism. Brad was chosen by a group of business and civic leaders through the Alliance and accepted the award at the Annual Business Breakfast on December 7, 2021. Brad joined SEK in 1987 and was admitted as a Member of the Chambersburg office in 2000. His expertise includes business and individual income tax planning and compliance, transaction analysis, choice of entity evaluation and consultation, mentoring and coaching owners and key employees, and business operational success planning. The Members of SEK, CPAs & Advisors are pleased to announce that Angela L. Quigley, CPA, has been admitted as a Member of the Firm effective January 1, 2022. Angi provides tax services, financial statement preparation, bookkeeping, and Sage 50 consulting services for clients ranging from small, family-owned businesses to multi-state corporate manufacturers, distributors, retailers, and healthcare providers. She provides special support for companies that qualify for the Research Tax Credit. In addition to her client responsibilities, Angi is on the firm's Consulting Task Force. She was named a Forty Under 40 honoree in 2021 by the Central Penn Business Journal for her commitment to the accounting profession and the community.

**SVN Latus** offers this incredible opportunity to lease +/-3,992 SF up to +/-11,500 SF retail space located in a well established retail corridor in Mechanicsburg, PA. Available spaces are located on the highly traveled Carlisle Pike with quick access to PA 581, I-81 and Route 11. For more information contact IDA MCMURRAY, CCIM, SIOR, Principal & Director of Commercial Industrial Services, at (O) 717.737.2422 x1002 • (C) 717.443.5500 or <a href="mailto:ida.mcmurray@svn.com">ida.mcmurray@svn.com</a>

Naomi Whittaker, M.D., OB-GYN, and a team of six advanced practice providers including certified nurse midwives, will join **UPMC** Divine Mercy Womens Health in Enola on Monday, Dec 6. This faith-based practice provides compassionate, quality health care to all women in accordance with Catholic teachings. The practice is located at 1824 Good Hope Rd., Enola, PA 17025, just off Interstate 81. An office in Carlisle will open later this month, adjacent to UPMC Carlisle on Dunwoody Drive. The practice is accepting new patients. To schedule an appointment, call 717-988-9015.

Join the **West Shore Young Professionals** for their January events: on Wednesday, January 19 at 7:30am for Workplace Conflict Management & Resolution, Steve Goble, CHBC, Certified Human Behavior Consultant, Certified Coach at Central Penn College; and on Wednesday, January 26 at 7:30am Coffee & Connections at Brew Cumberland's Best. Visit the WSYP website for other future event dates.

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