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Lehigh Valley Business has named **Barley Snyder** partner Thad M. Gelsinger to its annual Forty Under 40 list. Forty Under 40 recognizes professionals 40 years of age and younger who have been successful in the central Pennsylvania area. Honorees, chosen by Lehigh Valley Business (LVB) editors, were selected based on professional accomplishments, community service and commitment to inspiring change. "It is such an honor to be included on Lehigh Valley Business's Forty Under 40 list along with so many other talented and dedicated professionals from our community," said Gelsinger. "I'm humbled to receive this recognition and offer my congratulations to the other recipients." Gelsinger is a partner in the firm's Litigation, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Construction groups, focusing his practice on personal injury, commercial and fiduciary litigation.

Belco Community Credit Union proudly celebrates the retirement of several long-term employees and board members. Cindy Willhide retired in July after 23 years at Belco. Cindy began her career with Cornerstone Federal Credit Union, which later merged with Belco in 2016. Charlene Lentvorsky, Business Development Manager also retired in July after 22 years with Belco/Cornerstone Federal Credit Union. Both Cindy and Charlene were widely known among Belco members and the community. Both were involved in Belco's business development initiatives throughout the credit union's 7-county footprint. Additionally, recognized for decades of volunteer service are 4 recently retired members of Belco's Board of Directors: Donald Person, 40 years of volunteer service; Richard Lytle, 38 years of volunteer service; Lavern Shearer, 35 years of volunteer service; and Margaret A. Minnich, 20 years of volunteer service.

To help build the infrastructure to support future growth of the firm, **Boyer & Ritter** has named long-time principal Lisa Myers as the firm's first Chief Operating Officer. Myers, who also chairs Boyer & Ritter's Advisory Services Group, was elected the firm's first female partner in 1999 and in 2016 served as Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants' fourth woman president in its more than 100-year history. "I am honored that my colleagues selected me to help lead our firm as Boyer & Ritter's first COO," said Myers, whose team has assisted businesses in all aspects of advisory services including risk management and process improvements, business valuation, fraud and forensic services, and business relief support services. "This new role allows me to promote the growth of our team of professionals and ensure we continue to deliver unsurpassed service to our clients."

Boyer & Ritter CPAs and Consultants is pleased to announce the election of three principals as new equity owners and the promotion of two directors to principal positions. Elected Principal Owners: Benjamin Bostic leads the firm's Chambersburg office, Jeremy Medernach is a CPA with more than 20 years of experience providing accounting and tax guidance for various clients ranging from automotive dealerships to governmental agencies, Nathaniel Yost is a CPA and a senior member of the firm's Dealership group and has experience providing audit and accounting services for closely-held businesses.

Regional premier accounting and advisory firm, **Brown Schultz Sheridan & Fritz (BSSF)**, was recently named one of Accounting Today's 2022 Best Accounting Firms to Work For. This is the eleventh year that BSSF has been recognized as one of the Best Accounting Firms to Work For in the United States. "We are so grateful to have again been

recognized as one of the Best Accounting Firms to Work For in the country," said Ken Wolfe, President and Managing Principal at BSSF. "As a Firm, we focus on creating a culture and work environment where we are helping people achieve extraordinary outcomes, especially our team members. I feel receiving this recognition tells us that we are headed in the right direction to achieving that goal." BSSF hires new team members in Pennsylvania: Nate E. Bashore as a Staff Accountant on the Not-for-Profit Audit team, Trinity Benedict as a part-time Staff Accountant on our Lancaster Tax team, Megan L. Duffy as a Staff Accountant, Jeremy P. Lincoln as an Audit Staff Accountant, Wiliana Lundy as an Audit Staff Accountant.

Central Penn College leaders, community partners, student-athletes and other supporters cut the ribbon on the newly expanded and refurbished Greenly Fitness Center in the Central Penn College Underground on Tuesday. Thanks to the generosity of Central Penn College board member Duane Greenly of Mechanicsburg, his wife Sue, and their charitable foundation, the new fitness center has grown in square footage by almost 50 percent. With varsity athletics in baseball, basketball, soccer, volleyball, esports and cheer, and with cross country and track on the drawing board for 2023, College President Linda Fedrizzi-Williams predicted that the fitness center will be even more heavily used than it has been since its debut in 2014.

Conte Wealth Advisors, LLC (CWA) is pleased to announce that Scott Wray has joined the CWA team as a Financial Advisor. Scott expands the firm's footprint into Fort Wayne, Indiana. In this role Scott will create and monitor financial plans, gather information, and help clients achieve their financial goals. Scott brings over 40 years of experience to the firm, beginning his career in 1982, his 40-year tenure includes working with large firms such as Wells Fargo, CITI Group and Lehman Brothers. Most recently, he was First Vice President, Investment Officer at Wells Fargo Advisors. In his role with CWA, he will focus on services such as comprehensive financial planning, high net worth investors, retirement planning, portfolio growth, multi-generational and estate planning, and custodial accounts and 529 plans. "We are exceptionally proud to have Scott join our team," states Anthony (Tony) Conte, Managing Partner of Conte Wealth Advisors, LLC. "From the first interaction with Scott, it was clear that he would be an incredible asset to our team. We are thrilled to have him spearhead the firm's expansion into Fort Wayne, Indiana."

Save the Date! **The Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation/CVVB** is hosting its 2022 Found it on the Green Golf Event on September 7th at the Carlisle Barracks Golf Course. They are offering AM or PM flights, but spots are filling up fast! View the golf brochure here and contact Janet Anderson to reserve your sponsorship.

F&M Trust is pleased to announce the following recent hires and promotions: Jon Wine has been hired as a Mortgage Loan Officer for the West Washington Street Office in Hagerstown, Maryland; Mckenzie Besecker has been hired as a Financial Services Representative; Nicholas Dattilio has been hired as a Financial Services Representative; Malina Johnston has been hired as a Financial Services Representative; Molly Mayer has been hired as a Financial Services Representative; Amanda Owens has been hired as Data Operations Specialist; Whitney Price McGraw has been hired...

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as a Financial Services Representative; Adrianna Saucedo has been hired as a Financial Services Representative; April Schneider has been hired as a Financial Services Representative; Duke Thompson has been hired as Technology Services Analyst; and Keira Velazquez has been hired as a Financial Services Representative. Tessa Bishop has been promoted to Lead Financial Services Representative; Markayla Burgan has been promoted to Loan Servicing Specialist; AimeeBeth Davis has been promoted to Lead Financial Services Representative; Brittany Gleason has been promoted to Assistant Data Operations Manager; Pam Sheppard has been promoted to Lead Financial Services Representative; and Katelyn Snyder has been promoted to Financial Services Representative III.

McKonly & Asbury – a regional accounting and business advisory services firm – announced it has earned the distinction of being named one of 2022 Accounting Today's Best Accounting Firms to Work For! This marks the 8th time the firm has made this national list of 100 companies identified for excelling in creating quality workplaces for employees. "Our core focus at McKonly & Asbury is 'Helping Others Thrive' so we are intentional about creating a culture where our employees feel valued, doing meaningful work while maintaining a healthy life balance," said Michael Hoffner, Managing Partner at McKonly & Asbury. "Receiving this significant recognition is especially rewarding since it is the result of direct feedback from our employees."

Mid Penn Bank and MPB Financial Services, LLC, reported net income available to common shareholders ("earnings") for the quarter ended June 30, 2022 of \$12.3 million, or \$0.77 per common share basic and diluted. "The team at Mid Penn is proud to deliver these second quarter results to our shareholders. The second quarter was our first full quarter after the completion of the Riverview acquisition and resulting customer conversion and branch optimization plan and it was also the first quarter in the last 8 with very little impact from PPP loans," said Rory G. Ritrievi, President and CEO. "The quarter was successful due to strong, high quality and profitable organic loan growth of 11% annualized, smart balance sheet management, continued strength in asset quality and of course a healthy reduction in expenses. Within the quarter, we saw a 7.6% improvement in net interest margin, a 12.2% improvement in ROA, a 6.4% improvement in ROE, a 6.0% improvement in ROTCE, a 7.3% improvement in our efficiency ratio(1) and an increase in the allowance of loan and lease losses to nonperforming assets to 211.7%. Those trends are all encouraging as we head into the last half of the year." With this successful quarter, the Board is pleased to announce a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.20 per share of common stock was declared at its meeting on July 27, 2022, payable on August 22, 2022 to shareholders of record as of August 10, 2022.

RKL LLP retained its spot among the nation's top 60 accounting firms, according to industry publication INSIDE Public Accounting (IPA). The CPA and advisory firm placed 59th on IPA's Top 100 Firms list for the second year in a row. RKL's ranking was based on its 2021 revenue of \$95.7 million. "Rankings like these are an important chance to stop and appreciate just how far our firm has come from our traditional CPA roots to our current focus on getting clients future-ready," said RKL CEO Ed Monborne. "And certainly none of this success or recognition would be possible without our team's dedication to our clients, communities and each other."

Join **The Salvation Army Harrisburg** for its annual Shoe Strut event on Friday, September 23 at the Hershey Lodge! This event features a networking lunch, silent and live auctions, a fashion trends presentation, contests and more. Proceeds from the event provide funding for The Salvation Army Harrisburg's 11 programs and services to the local community. Best of all, each ticketed guest enables them to provide one shoe voucher to a local child in need. Full event information is at www.shoestrut.com. A sellout crowd is expected, so don't delay!

Saxton & Stump is pleased to announce that 15 of its attorneys have been recognized in the 2023 edition of the Best Lawyers in America, one of the legal profession's oldest and most respected lawyer ranking publications. For almost four decades, Best Lawyers lists have been compiled by conducting peer review surveys in which leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers, with its core mission of highlighting the top legal talent. The firm was named the fastest growing law firm in Pennsylvania by The Legal Intelligencer, having added 53 professionals in 2021, including 22 attorneys. Overall, Saxton & Stump has grown to a team of more than 150 professionals, including 90 attorneys. The firm has added new services and established groups dedicated to franchising licensing and distribution, investigations and criminal defense and environmental, workplace safety and utilities. In addition to bolstering their infrastructure, they have also grown key existing practice areas such as healthcare, senior care, real estate, government affairs and trusts and estates. The firm continues to grow based on their strategic plan for 2022 and will continue to expand its current team of lawyers and professionals, focusing on bringing additional resources to support client needs.

SEK, CPAs & Advisors has been voted Best Tax Preparation Service in the Best of the Best – Franklin County Awards for 2022. In Public Opinion's annual Best of the Best program, readers nominate and vote for their favorite businesses and business professionals. Thousands of readers voted, and SEK received top honors for Best Tax Preparation Service. Other finance service categories included bank, credit union, investment firm, and mortgage lending company. The full list of winners can be found here. Thank you to all who nominated and voted for SEK!

Drink your morning coffee and make connections all in one place with the **West Shore Young Professionals!** Come and go as you please on August 31st between 7:30 - 9am at Idea Coffee Walden, 121 Walden Way, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050. This event is not structured and has a very laid back atmosphere! Bring a friend or colleague from the office. Please support the local business by purchasing a beverage and/or item from our host. [Register here.](#)

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