



Pictured at lunch with Congressman Lou Barletta as he began a campaign visit to Susquehanna County from left are: Joe Kopalek (UGI), Art McLain (Main Street Coordinator), John Kameen (GFCI), Bob McGraw (GFCI/Linde Corp.), Gloria Bilotta, Patricia Striefsky (GFCI), Ken Coles (Clinton Twp. Supervisor), Paul Szykman (UGI), Richard Suraci (Susq. Co. Auditor), Edward Tourje (NEP Tel.), Scot Creswell (UGI), Gary Marcho (Clifford), Steven Tourje (NEP Tel.), Carole Kameen, Brian Fitzsimmons (GFCI), Ashley Fitzsimmons, Rick Swiderski (NEP Tel.), and Congressman Lou Barletta.

Cong. Barletta visits Forest City on campaign stop

Candidate visits local businesses and projects aiding the area economy

Congressman Lou Barletta, Republican candidate for U.S. Senate against 12 year incumbent Sen. Bob Casey, began his campaign in Susquehanna County with a visit to Forest City on Monday, April 30. Congressman Barletta told a group of people at a luncheon held at Elegante Restaurant that Sen. Casey is a good man "he just isn't a good senator for Pennsylvania."

His tour of Forest City began with a visit with UGI officials at the Linde Corp. yard on Rte. 247. Linde Vice President Bob McGraw and UGI officials gave a summary of the 11 mile 24-inch natural gas line which has been completed from Union Dale to Carbondale. It will feed the Invenergy electric generating plant in Jessup.

Rail Trail Executive Director Lynn Conrad then gave Cong. Barletta a view of the co-existence which resulted in the construction of the new gas line and the renovation of the local Rail Trail. She noted that allowing the construction of the pipeline on a former railroad bed means that no new land is disturbed as progress moves on.

Cong. Barletta then visited NEP Telephone Company where NEP officials Steven and Edward Tourje and General Manager Rick Swiderski showed him the intricate technology which provides data, TV and phone to a 550 sq. mile area of NE Pennsylvania. President Steven Tourje talked about the difficulties of installing broadband and fiber optic in rural areas with a minimum of population.

Greater Forest City Industries President Bob McGraw then provided Cong. Barletta with a tour of the VISION 2000 Industrial Park and explained the regulatory burdens involved in securing the funding for installing a gas line to serve the Park. He noted the Park has almost 8 acres of shovel-ready pads, all supplied by Borough-maintained roads, electric, sewer, phone and data lines, and water, but lacked natu-



Congressman Lou Barletta receives tour of UGI gas facility and D & H Rail Trail at Linde Corp. yard in Forest City. Pictured from left are Joe Kopalek, Bob McGraw, Scot Creswell, Lynn Conrad (Executive Director of Rail-Trail Council), Paul Szykman, Congressman Lou Barletta, and Brian Fitzsimmons.

ral gas.

Barletta then spoke to about 20 local and area business people at a luncheon at Elegante Restaurant. It was there he emphasized the fact that Sen. Casey has turned left in his policies during his two terms in the U. S. Senate. He noted Casey has no record of supporting Pennsylvania values but is an avid supporter of all Democrat policies including illegal immigration and opposition to tax cuts.

Barletta continued that as a former businessman in the construction field, and then as Mayor of Hazelton, he took the lead in the nation in calling for the overhaul of immigration laws due to the domestic and crime problems being caused by the influx of illegals in Hazelton. Barletta was one of Pres. Trump's first supporters in his bid for the Presidency, and was considered for posts in the Trump administration.

He concluded by stating that he hopes to be the ONE vote in the Senate which will allow the Republican agenda to move forward including defeat of Obamacare which has raised the cost of medical insurance in Pennsylvania by 120%. He asked for votes in the May 15 Primary and, if he is successful, for votes in the November election.



Congressman Lou Barletta visited the NEP Telephone Company on his campaign stop in Forest City. Pictured from left are Congressman Barletta, Edward Tourje, Steven Tourje, and Rick Swiderski.



Congressman Lou Barletta is shown with Mount Pleasant Township Supervisor Albert Wildenstein and Michael Nebzydoski during a campaign stop in Forest City.

Police memorial Service May 19

On Sat., May 19, from 1 to 3 p.m., the Honesdale Borough Police are hosting a police memorial service in Central Park Honesdale. This event is open to the public and especially current, former, or retired police officers. This event is during National Police Week, which is May 15th through May 21.

This service recognizes all officers that are deceased or that have given the ultimate sacrifice while protecting the community.

Any questions concerning the event, please contact Lt. Langman at 570-253-1900.

Chicken BBQ Sat., May 12

The Annual Mother's Day Chicken BBQ will be held Saturday, May 12, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the East Ararat United Methodist Church.

The cost is \$10 for adult, child 6-12 is \$5. Any questions call Jackie Burrows at 1-570-766-5322 or January Roney at 1-570-727-2051.

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Happy Birthday to: Stephen Kulikowski Jr., Emily Mikulak, Sylvia Bonham, Joyce Megivern, Barb Reed, Albert Wildenstein, Jon Hanzl, Phylliss Slocum, Joe Banicky, Jim McCusker, Ashley Banicky, Andrew Robinson, Michael English, Matthew Schupper, Kaitlyn Callan, Jessica Puntar, Brad Saul, Bill Terrell, Trudy Corbett, Bill Komar, Kaleb Leach and Nicole Non.

Happy Anniversary to: Ron and Janet Curtis, Albert and Laura Rodriguez, Joe and Pam Banicky, Tom and Sharon Nezydoski and Steve and Carolyn Non

Events at the Pleasant Mount Library: Wednesday, May 9th: Storytime 10:30-11:30am

Tuesday, May 15th: Art Club - Independent Creativity Time 2-4:00pm

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St. John's RO Church dinner Sun., May 13

St. John's Russian Orthodox Church in Dundaff (off Route 247) will hold its annual Mother's Day Dinner on Sunday, May 13, featuring BBQ chicken and holupki (piggies). Takeouts at 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dinner servings from noon until sold out. The price is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. For more information or advance ticket sales call 570- 955-8758 or 570-585-8940.

lege Planning Seminar -for families with children 8th-12th grade. 6:00-7:00pm

The Lakewood Area Pantry will be held at the Northern Wayne Family Health Center, 412 Como Rd., Lake Como, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Wed., May 16. For emergency need call 570-798-2229.

Pleasant Mount History - 1796 - First Wayne County church organized; Free Communion Baptist; 1798 - First school erected; 1818 - Post Office established; 1845 - Pleasant Mount Borough effected March 27th; lasted 6 weeks.

Jurors drawn

The following is a list of names drawn to serve as Petit and Traverse jurors for May to appear in the Court of Common Pleas, Susquehanna County Courthouse (large Courtroom), Montrose, PA, on the 14th day of May, 2018, at nine o'clock a.m. (9:00 a.m.):

Megan Janine Bungay, Forest City Boro; Michael P. Fiorillo Jr., Forest City Boro.; Matthew V. Hartmann, Thompson Twp.; Jane Ellen Marcho, Clifford Twp.; Patrick Valentine Milos, Ararat Twp.; Jennifer Lynn Portz, Clifford Twp.; Ann Sharpe, Forest City Boro.; Russell Paul Swetter, Clifford Twp.

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