



LBPA TODAY

Information Update for Lansdowne Business and Professional Association Members

News in Brief

Donate Used Ink Jet Cartridges to St. Philomena's

Diane McNitt, McNitt Marketing, helps with marketing and PR projects for her son's grade school, St. Philomena's. If you have any used ink jet or laser cartridges, please let Diane know as she will donate them to school. Their art teacher is looking for old magazines and old calendars especially with art-related images.

LEDC Says "Thank You"

The Lansdowne Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) thanks all the business owners and community volunteers who attended the December 14, 2005 luncheon and met representatives from the Department of Community and Economic Development, (DCED). The LEDC also thanks State Representative Nicholas Micozie for attending the lunch. Tina D's catered the affair which was enjoyed by all. Representatives from the DCED interviewed LEDC Board Members as part of the final process in submitting an application to the Main Street Program, wanted to met business owners and community members and tour Lansdowne's business districts. If all goes well Lansdowne will be accepted into the Program later this year.

SBA Available to Meet With Small Business Owners

A new service is available for small businesses. The US Small Business Administration (SBA) is available to meet with current or potential business owners on the first Thursday of every month, at the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce, 602 E. Baltimore Pike, Media, PA from 9 am to noon. The SBA offers a wide variety of business programs and services, including lending, training and government contracting opportunities. To make an appointment or for more information, please contact Dolores McCabe, Director of Small Business at the Chamber at 610-565-3677 or doloresm@delcochamber.org.

Free 'No Place for Hate' Concert with First Light Group

Calling all Lansdowne Lovers! Lansdowne is celebrating its status as a "No Place for Hate" community with a free concert by The First Light Group from 7 pm-9 pm on Friday, February 25. Celebrate your love for Lansdowne with folk, bluegrass and gospel music. The concert takes place at the Twentieth Century Club, 84 South Lansdowne Avenue. All ages welcome. Refreshments will be served.

*"Success is not the result
of spontaneous combustion;
you must set yourself on fire."*

— Reggie Leach

Next Meeting

When: Wednesday, February 23, 2005
6:30 pm — Meet and Greet
7:00 pm — Dinner
7:45 pm — Program

Where: Central Park Restaurant,
650 Baltimore Pike, Springfield

Cost (for Dinner): \$22 per person

Menu: You may order your choice of three meals offered that evening.

Program: "Save Money on Taxes"
As you are preparing your taxes, do you wish you had taken action to reduce what you have to pay? Come hear Elaine Reid, a former IRS worker and skilled tax preparer, explain how you can "do better next time!"

RSVP: Please make your dinner reservations by Monday, February 21. Remember, you can also attend just the program at no cost. Last minute cancellations and no-shows will be invoiced. (Once we reserve your place, we must pay for your dinner.) To RSVP, or for more information, call 610-623-2091

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**All Phases Bookkeeping Services, LLC**

Taleese Peters, a new LBPA member, is no stranger to what drives many business owners crazy—the tedious, burdensome task of record keeping. After more than 17 years of experience, and with the support of her husband and three daughters, she recently made the leap to form All Phases Bookkeeping Services, LLC, which specializes in maintaining books and records for small businesses, start-ups and individuals on an as needed basis.

All phases of bookkeeping are exactly the services many small and new businesses need, but can't afford, if it means hiring a full-time bookkeeper. "My company's goal is to help clients who need occasional or on-going book-

**Taleese Peters**

keeping to keep up with payables, receivables, general ledger, payroll and regularly scheduled filings."

"It doesn't matter," says Taleese, "whether your bookkeeping system is

receipts in a shoe box, or you're using a sophisticated computer program, my company provides confidential, accurate and efficient service....and, for a fraction of the cost of a CPA firm."

As owner of a new Lansdowne business, Taleese is looking forward to meeting fellow members and hopes to continue to build her business right here in Lansdowne.

Taleese, a Lansdowne resident, has a degree in Specialized Business. If you would like to discuss your bookkeeping challenges with her, please give her a call at 610-623-2064.

You may also email her at allphasebkkeepin@aol.com, or visit her website at www.allphasebkkeepin.com.

NEWS FROM THE GLCA**GLCA, LEDC Team Up on Improvements**

The Greater Lansdowne Civic Association has entered into an agreement with the Lansdowne Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) to form the Lansdowne Partnership for Community and Economic Development. Through the leadership of State Representative Nicholas Micozzie, the partnership will receive \$1.5 million from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for improvements to Lansdowne. The Partnership is comprised of representatives from both organizations. Bill Brown, John Carpenter and Gene Wayne represent the LEDC. Adrian Scott Fine, Bob Jara and Matt Schultz represent the GLCA. Together they have secured funding to carry out three diverse and important projects in Lansdowne. They are:

Gateway Project

If you've driven by the corner of the Baltimore Pike and Scottdale Roads recently, you probably noticed and appreciated how beautiful the trees and natural elements look. This corner, heralding the entrance to the Borough, is the last section of the pike that has not been overdeveloped and has literally been the reason why some home-buyers have chosen to purchase a house in Lansdowne. The Partnership seeks to purchase this property and create an even more welcoming entrance to the Borough by clearing refuse from the site and removing signs that are not essential to safety.

GLCA representative Bob Jara said, "When the property is secured, we will work to clean the site and remove the jumble of signs announcing that you are now in Lansdowne, replacing it with one very attractive and legible sign amid

attractive landscaping." The Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) will make a \$200,000 grant in support of this project.

Lansdowne Theater

Thanks to a \$900,000 grant from the DCED, the Partnership seeks a developer to purchase the property and restore the building. "We want a developer with imagination and vision who will create a business model that will breathe new life into the theater space," said GLCA representative Adrian Scott Fine. "The location is great, the space is full of potential, and there's a generous grant to help a developer come up with a plan for the future of the theater."

Twentieth Century Club

The Twentieth Century Club is one of the most beloved buildings in Lansdowne. While the Borough has done a good job of maintaining the building, it has suffered from the changing tastes of the decades since its construction in 1911. As a result, the building houses a hodgepodge of styles and remodelings reflecting a variety of 20th century fads. "The goal is to restore the Twentieth Century Club to its original splendor, in keeping with the architectural style in which it was originally designed. We will also replace the heater and add air conditioning to the building," said Matt Schultz, GLCA representative. "The building is one of the centerpieces of life in Lansdowne, and deserves to be preserved in a way that is both historically accurate and sturdy enough to see it safely through the next century of use."