

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Lahaska business owner named treasurer of Camden nonprofit



SHEILA JACOBS

Sheila Jacobs, certified financial planner, a personal finance expert and CEO of Life & Money Consulting of Lahaska, has been appointed treasurer of Urban Promise in Camden, N.J.

As the treasurer of the nonprofit organization, which helps to equip Camden's children and young adults with the skills they need to succeed, Jacobs chairs the board's finance committee.

As an investor, Jacobs became intrigued with the financial services industry and began a career in the field in 1995. She settled on a mid-sized regional firm.

She became a branch compliance associate and eventually began an independent practice.

Jacobs is former vice president of Philadelphia's National Association of Women Business Owners, serves on the boards of Educational Solutions Unlimited, Urban Promise Ministries and Women's Business Forum of Bucks County.

She is the founder and chairperson of the Women's Business Forum Mentoring Program.

Revolution celebrated its 84th Charter Day by awarding the Chapter's DAR Community Service Award to local resident Ruth Stonesifer.

This is the first time the Bucks County Chapter has presented the award. The award honors those who have provided a great impact on the community.

Stonesifer is the national president of American Gold Star Mothers, the driving force behind "Pennsylvania Hometown Heroes" project and heads the local Quilts of Valor group. She is also a proud mother and grandmother.

In addition to a certificate, Stonesifer was presented with an American Flag that had been flown over Mt. Vernon in Virginia.

Along with presenting the Community Service Award to Stonesifer, the chapter raised money for veterans and installed two new members: Jane McKenna and Jane Wiberly.

Yardley lawyer joins YWCA committee

Denise M. Bowman, an associate of the Yardley law firm of Hill Wallack, where she is a member of the firm's Business and Commercial Law Practice Group, was appointed as chair of the governance committee of the YWCA of Bucks County.

She has been a member of the board of directors since March 2007 and currently serves as a member of the nominating committee.

Yardley practitioner presents at prosecutor's association conference

New Jersey Sept. 10 to 13.

All 21 counties in New Jersey were represented.

A principle speaker, Brick described the pharmacological and biobehavioral effects of alcohol, cannabis, stimulants and opiates as they relate to criminal behavior. He elaborated on the correct methods of gathering and interpreting forensic evidence, methodology of cross-examination of expert witnesses during trials and how to avoid scientific or evidence-related problems.

Brick works regularly with prosecutors in New Jersey, as well as the Office of the Attorney General in both Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

He is in private practice in forensic psychopharmacology in Yardley and is the founder and director of Intoxikon International.

Bucks businessmen join DelVal board

Two Bucks County businessmen have been appointed to the governing board of Delaware Valley College.

The board of trustees approved the selection of Michael Moss, a director of Team Capital Bank in Doylestown, and Michael O'Connor, president and founder of Independent Professional Services, Inc, a financial services company based in Doylestown.

Moss, along with a group of business leaders in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, helped organize Team Capital Bank in 2005. In addition to his bank work, Moss is CEO of Intercontinental Distributing Inc., a

world-wide trading company with its main office in Easton.

Moss is a member of the Delaware Valley College President's Advisory Council. He lives in Ottsville with his wife, Ellen.

O'Connor, also a member of the president's advisory council, started Independent Professional Services, Inc. in 1997. It is a financial service company providing back office, benefits administration and contract and vendor management services to corporate customers and professional consultants across the USA.

O'Connor also is the president and founder of PrimeNet Enterprises Inc., a New York-based consulting firm, and Traxis Management LLC, a Pennsylvania-based commercial real estate management company that owns and operates commercial real estate in Bucks County.

He is also an FAA certified air traffic controller and served in the U.S. Army as a Spec 5 with tours of duty in Vietnam and Germany.

O'Connor lives in Doylestown with his wife, Barbara. The couple has three sons, Dane, Evan and Drew.



Birthday surprise

Frances Balogh, a lifelong resident of Ottsville, was honored at a small surprise 89th birthday tea party by her daughter, Diane Schaefer, and many girlfriends. Balogh lives with her daughter and son-in-law on land that was part of her original family homestead purchased by her parents Ida and Andrew Timochenko in 1922. Frances is the wife of the late Stephen Balogh.

Camille Granito Mancuso: Chatterbox

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