



CAMBRIA

REGIONAL CHAMBER

Leadership
Cambria County

The John B. Gunter
Community Leadership Initiative

2026
Class Directory



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Vision

To be the leading community organization dedicated to creating an environment where business growth and the quality of life are maximized.

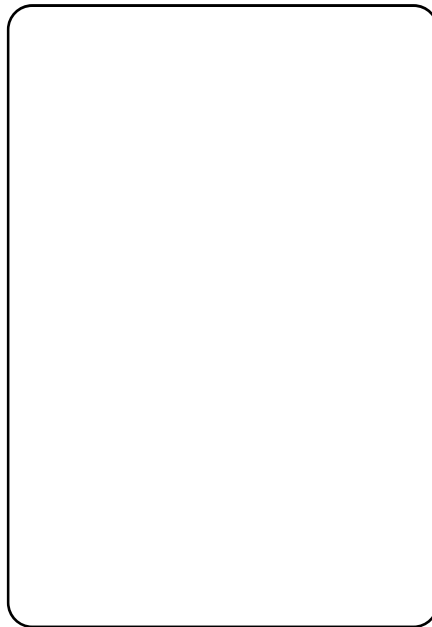
Mission

To support and educate our membership, to be the business advocate and to form partnerships that develop our community.

Goals

1. Provide educational and developmental and networking experiences to enhance the effectiveness of the Chamber membership
2. Be a partner in the economic development of the region
3. Advocate for business friendly legislation, encourage collaboration and provide a forum to inform, educate and develop awareness of governmental issues
4. Promote highways, transportation, technology and infrastructure development
5. Enhance effective and efficient cooperative efforts of local agencies
6. Provide community leadership training to improve understanding of community needs, build project management skills, develop longer term leadership assets in the region, and enhance teambuilding

The John B. Gunter Community Leadership Initiative
Class of 2026



Hali Andresky

Growth & Outreach Director

Conemaugh Health System

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Current Community Involvement

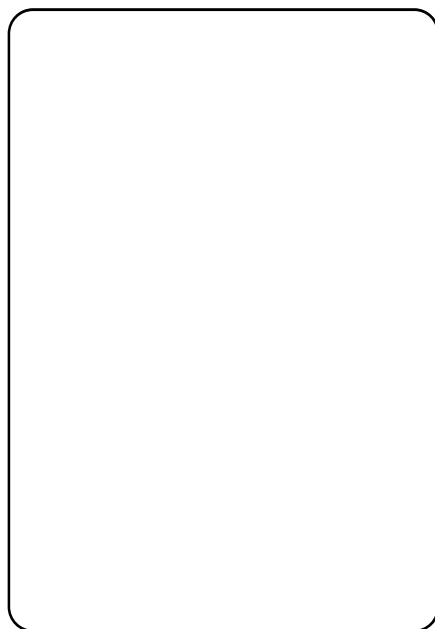
Rotary Club of Johnstown Board Member & Past President

Areas of Interest

Community development

Community improvement

Community impact



Brady Bachota

AVP/Human Resources Officer

AmeriServ Bank

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Current Community Involvement

Finance Officer, Ebensburg Sons of American Legion

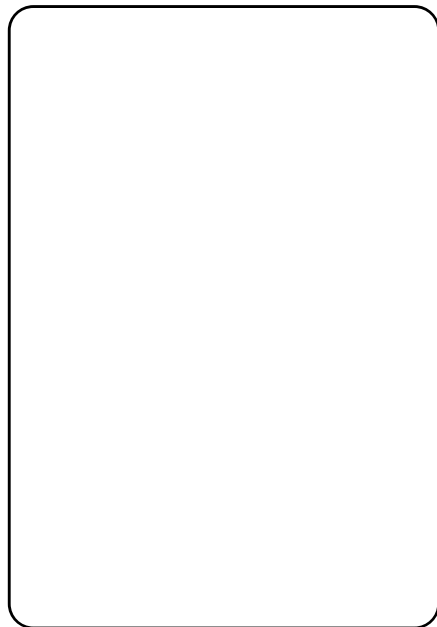
Character Award Selection Committee, Heidi Allison Character Award

Areas of Interest

Youth Programs

Recreation

Economic Development



Mercedes Barnette

Community Development Director

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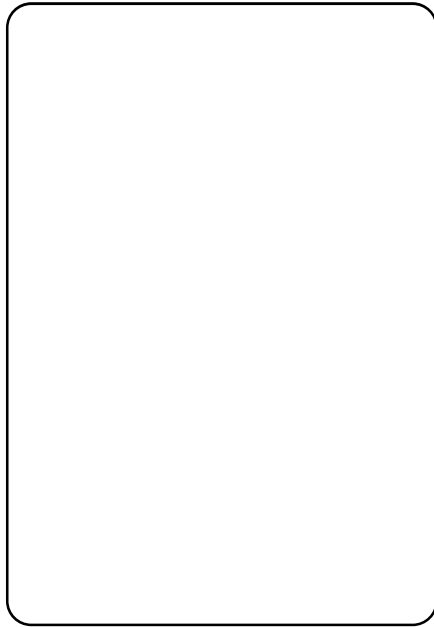
Email: mercedes@johnstownvision.com

Current Community Involvement

Girl Scouts; Capture Team management including Kids Career Fairs (K-middle school for 8 districts); Vision Youth Leadership targeting high schools; Flood City Youth Academy After School Program coordination; Juneteenth coordination in collaboration with NAACP; Style & Grace Women's Showcase coordinator for Women of Color

Areas of Interest

Program and event planning and coordination; youth safe spaces; youth programs; career exploration programs; minority programs; writing; art; poetry; fashion merchandising & styling; public speaking; music writing & performing; mentoring all ages; youth & adult development, writer for Soul Pitt and Johnstown Magazine; helping people, organizations and businesses impact others.



Vaughn Burnheimer

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Current Community Involvement

Santa Fund

Gallery on Gazebo

Greater Johnstown Occupational Advisory Committee

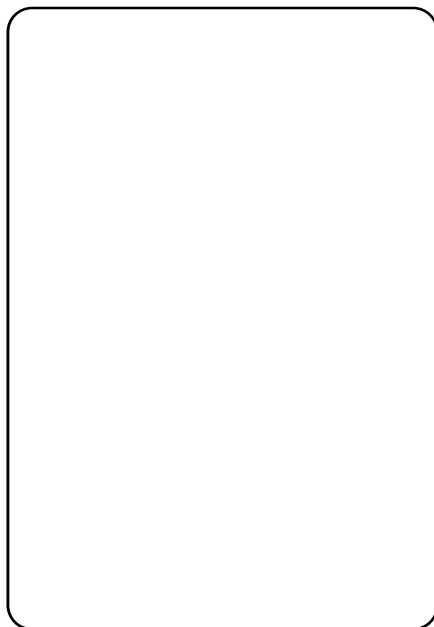
Areas of Interest

Environment

Arts

Economic development

Literacy programs



Stephanie Carden

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Current Community Involvement

Immaculate Conception Church Finance Council

Areas of Interest

Community events

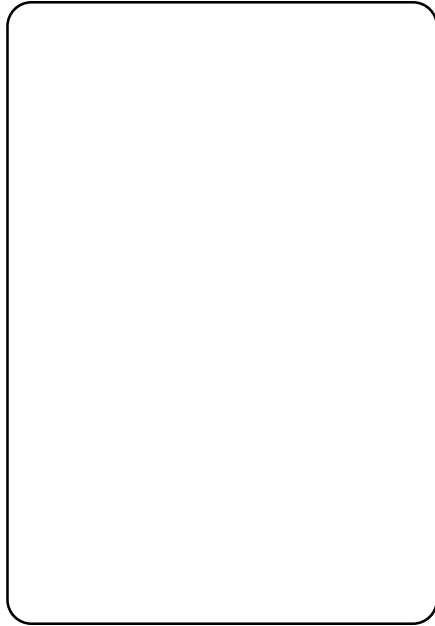
Financial literacy

Outdoor recreation

Youth development and mentorship

Leadership development

Youth sports



Courtney Cavalier

Marketing Communications Coordinator

Conemaugh Health System

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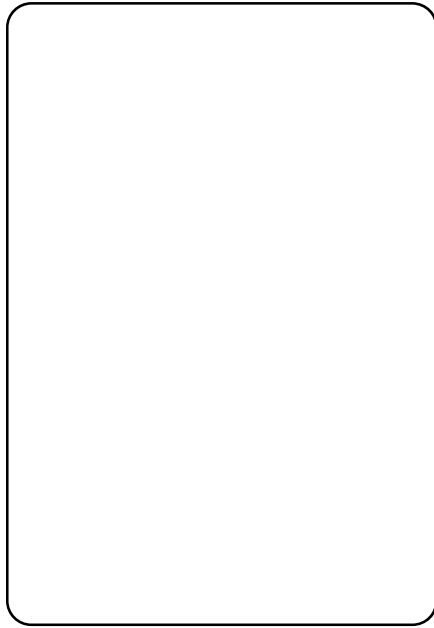
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Current Community Involvement

Areas of Interest



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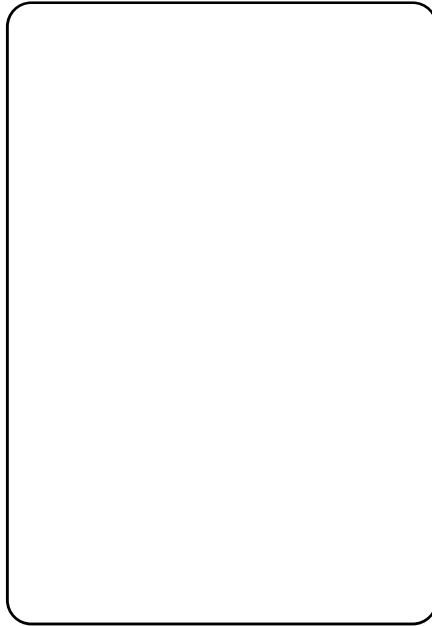
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Areas of Interest

Recreation

Economic development

Animal welfare



Jennifer Fisher

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Current Community Involvement

Discover Downtown Johnstown Partnership, Secretary of the Board

Areas of Interest

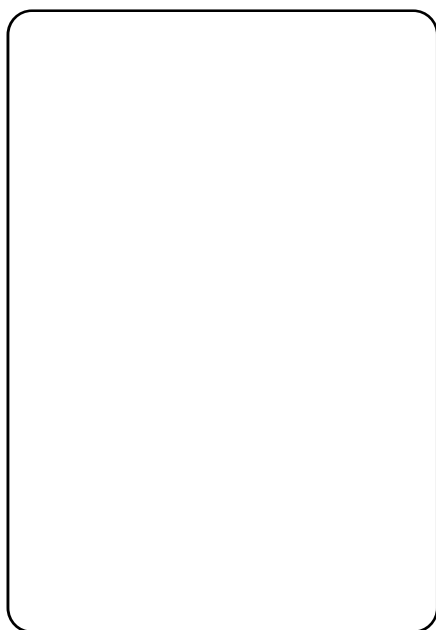
Community service

Youth programs and mentorship

Community gardens

Neighborhood improvement

Clean-up initiatives



Nicholas Gjurich

Donor Services Administrator

Community Foundation for the Alleghenies

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Current Community Involvement

Volunteer, Johnstown Walk of Hope

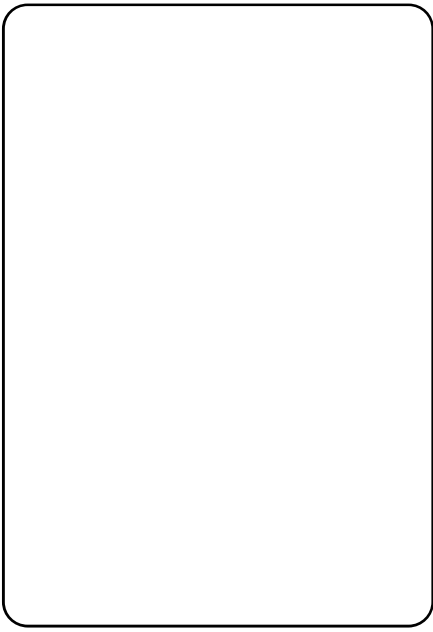
Areas of Interest

Outdoor recreation

Golf

Pittsburgh sports

Working with Johnstown Walk of Hope



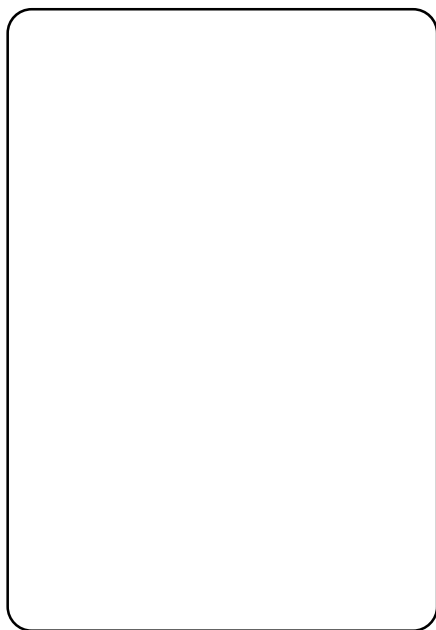
Jennifer Gottwald
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Current Community Involvement

Chairperson, Stonycreek Township Civil Service Commission

Areas of Interest

Humane Society--development of the new facility
TNR in Moxham



Kevin Hillegas

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Current Community Involvement

Hooversville VFW

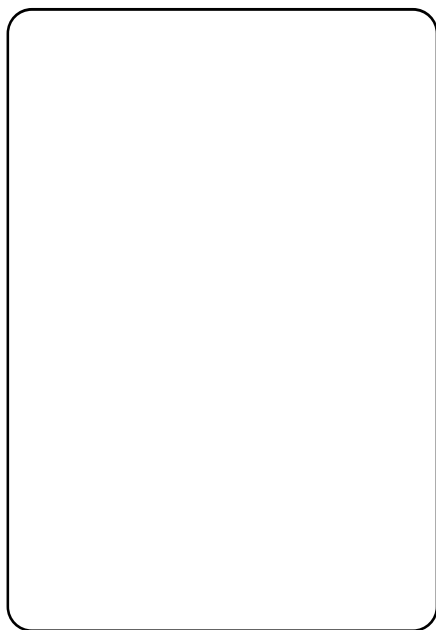
Pleasant Hill Methodist Church

Areas of Interest

Veteran health services

Veteran mental health

Youth programs



Michael Jenkins

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Current Community Involvement

Shanksville-Stonycreek School District Board

Somerset MisFitz Baseball Board

Areas of Interest

Youth programs

Coaching kids



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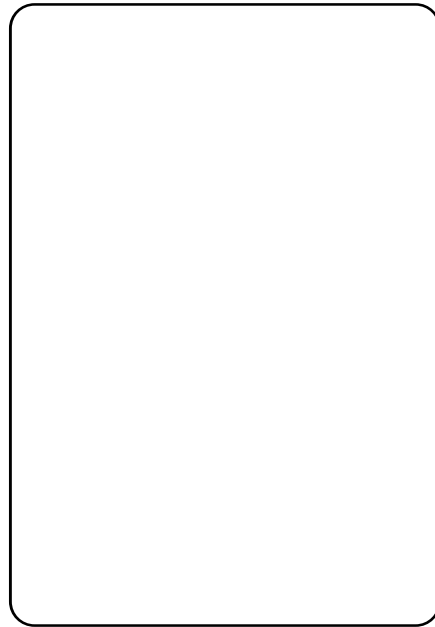
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Areas of Interest

Economic development

Small business growth

Workforce development



Marie Lamer

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Current Community Involvement

Salvation Army

Various festivals in the area

Path of the Flood

Areas of Interest

Youth development programs

Mentoring

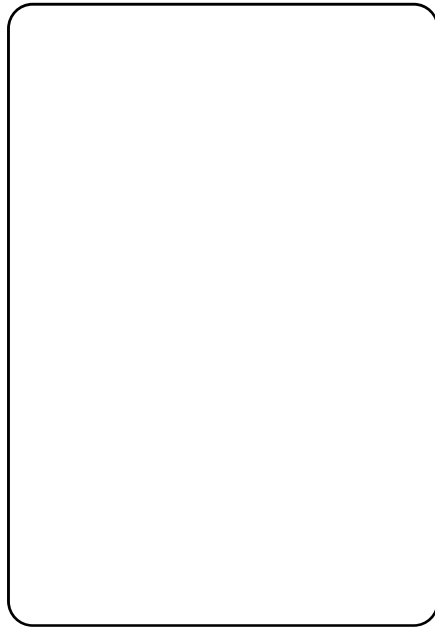
Volunteering

Traveling

AI trends

Recreation

Economic development



Scott Mamula

Bookkeeper

**Redevelopment Authority
of the County of Cambria**

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Areas of Interest

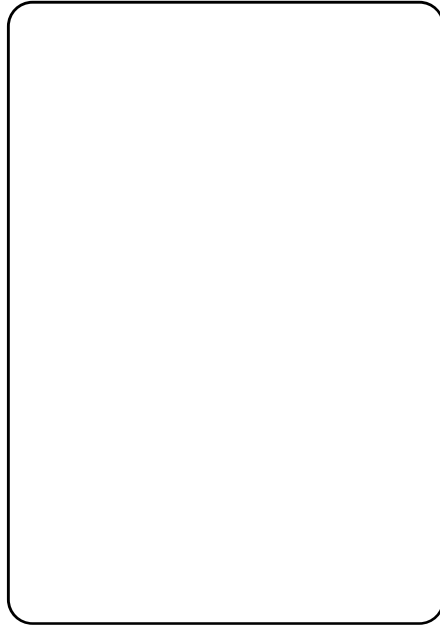
Youth programs

Recreation

Community development/beautification

Mentoring

Economic Development



Amanda Martin

Finance & Accounting Administrator

**National Center for Defense Manufacturing
and Machining (NCDMM)**

699 Scalp Avenue

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Current Community Involvement

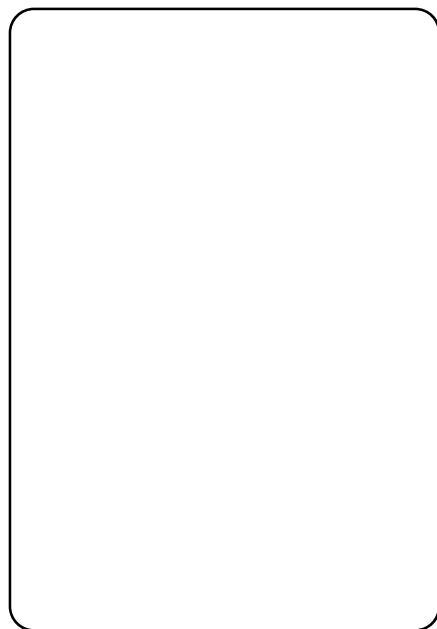
Through NCDMM: Cambria County Backpack Project

Toys for Tots

United Way of the Southern Alleghenies

Areas of Interest

Recreation



Michael Matlin

Quality Auditor

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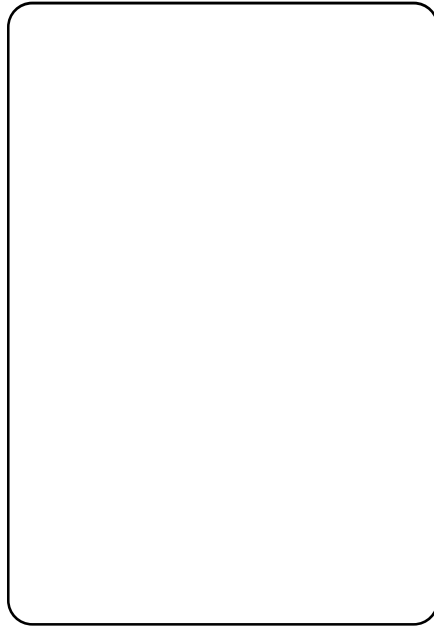
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Areas of Interest

Outdoor recreation



Melissa Mock

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Current Community Involvement

HRAA Co-Treasurer

Areas of Interest

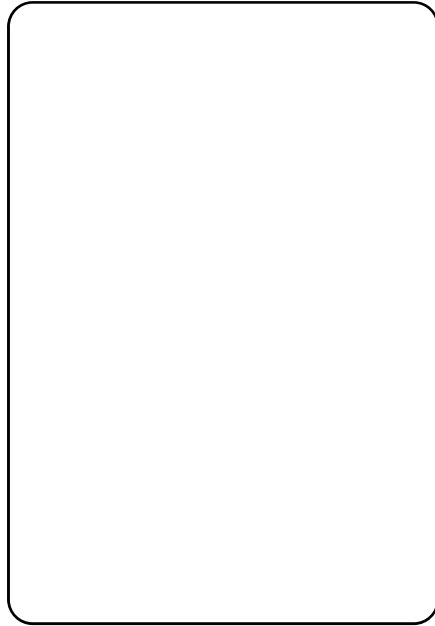
Youth programs

Leadership development

Outdoor recreation

Workforce development

Community engagement



Katie Perich

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Current Community Involvement

Community fundraisers (Church firehall)

Kids' sporting events

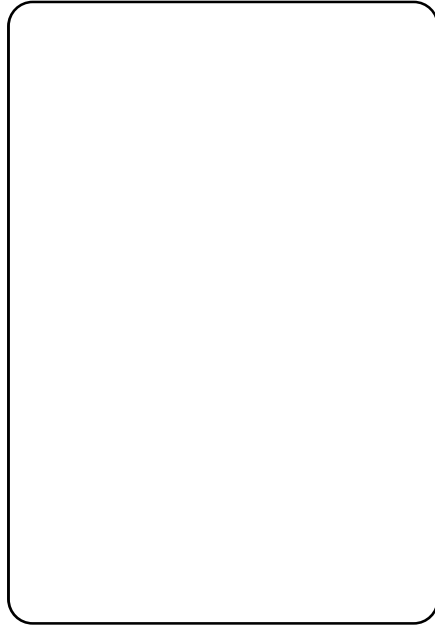
Areas of Interest

Youth development

Youth fitness

Recreation programs for youth

Soup Kitchen



Erin Rockwell

Relationship Manager

RedefinED School Advancement

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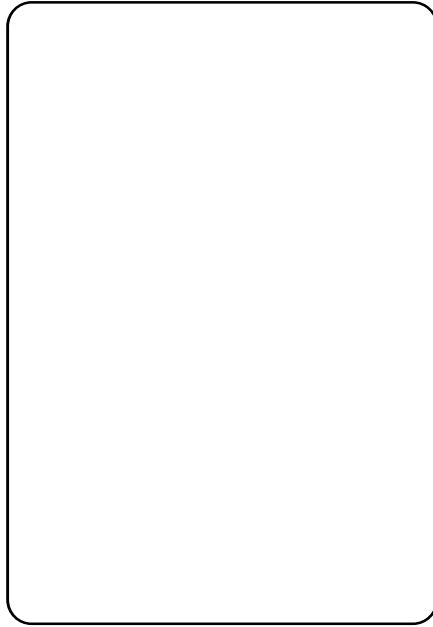
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Areas of Interest

Youth programs

Women empowerment



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Current Community Involvement

Run Home Camps (Baseball camp for boys 9-12 who have experienced traumatic situations or who are underprivileged)

Areas of Interest

Developing youth

Faith in Christ

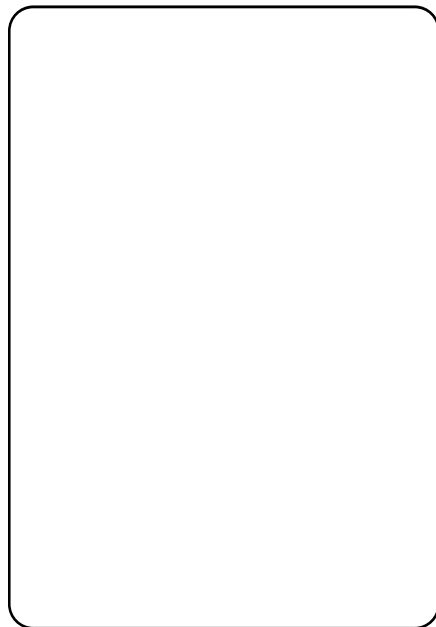
Outdoor recreation

Family life

Education

Outdoor activities

Health & fitness



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Current Community Involvement

American Society for Quality (ASQ)

Polish National Alliance (PNA)

Sons of the American Legion

Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA)

Areas of Interest

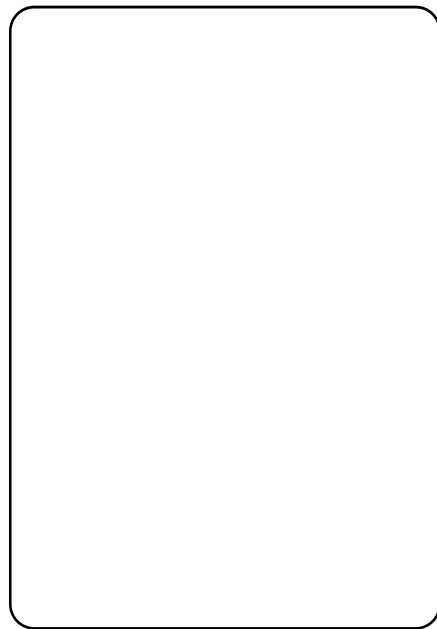
Aviation

Business development

Community events

Local sports

Quality systems



Jody Vavrek

Engineering Director

WJAC-TV

49 Old Hickory Lane

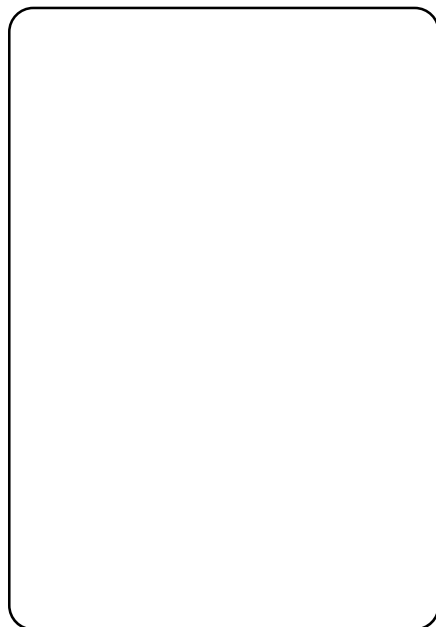
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Areas of Interest

Coaching youth sports



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Areas of Interest

I enjoy working with children and creating meaningful experiences for them. I'm also passionate about helping others and supporting those in need.

2025 - 2026 Leadership Initiative Presenters

Teambuilding Session

Mike Hruska, Problem Solutions

Amy Bradley, Cambria Regional Chamber

Angie Berzonski, Community Foundation for the Alleghenies

Renee Daly '18, Redevelopment Authority of Cambria County

Rob Forcey, Vision Together

Melissa Komar, HRG, Inc.

Nick Nunu, Antiochian Village

Melissa Radovanic, RDM Johnstown, LLC

Lisa Stofko, The Learning Lamp

Josh Yoder, Community Action Partnership of Cambria County

Project Management

John Zlater '20, Pennsylvania Highlands Community College

Scott Crynock, NCDMM

Tourism/Quality of Life

Lisa Rager, Visit Johnstown

Honorable Leadership

Evan Offstein, PhD, SPHR, Frostburg State University

Bridges Out of Poverty

Cindy O'Connor '04, Catholic Charities

Kimberly Robertson, Poverty Solutions

Challenge the Process

Ken Salem, Thomas Automotive

Keith Kuckenbrod, Sheetz, Inc.

DISC Training

Dr. Scott Fitzgibbon, Fitzgibbon & Associates

2025 - 2026 Leadership Initiative Presenters

Servant Leadership

Bobby Anderson '08, Saint Francis University

Morgan Shumaker, Saint Francis University

Team Project Review

Amy Bradley, Cambria Regional Chamber

Scott Crynock, NCDMM

Renee Daly '18, Redevelopment Authority of Cambria County

Rob Forcey, Vision Together 2025

Dave Jones, Toastmasters International, Johnstown Club

T.J. Rose, Toastmasters International, Johnstown Club

John Zlater '20, Pennsylvania Highlands Community College

Effective Presentations

Dave Jones, Toastmasters International, Johnstown Club

Tina Dallape, First National Bank of Pennsylvania

T.J. Rose, Toastmasters International, Johnstown Club

Structure of Local Government

Thomas Chernisky, Cambria County Commissioner

Scott Hunt, Cambria County President Commissioner

Keith Rager, Cambria County Commissioner

Rev. Sylvia King, Mayor, City of Johnstown

Art Martynuska, Johnstown City Manager

Emotional Intelligence

John V. Moore, Moore Power Sales Vision

Conflict Management

Angie Richard, LCSW, Croyle-Nielsen Therapeutic Associates

Non-Profit Management & Board Service

Dr. Leah Spangler, '04, The Learning Lamp

2025 - 2026 Leadership Initiative Presenters

Regional Leadership Workshop

Dr. Maureen Dodson, Leadership Blair County

James Colino, Sheetz, Inc.

Jen Blough, Sheetz, Inc.

Matt Riley, Sheetz, Inc.

Bill Ward, Ward Transport & Logistics

Greg Drew, Operation Our Town

Michael Fiore, Operation Our Town

Dano Burkhardt, Dick's Homecare

AI-Powered Leadership

Diane Lazarowicz, Top Performance Results, LLC

The Power of Followership

Trish Corle, Corle Consulting

Leading & Managing Change

Nick Jacobs, Senior Management Resources

Year-End Reflection

Cade Scott, Antiochian Village



***John B. Gunter Community Leadership Initiative
Alumni Association Mission Statement:***

"The John B. Gunter Community Leadership Initiative Alumni Association honors the Cambria County Region's heritage and fosters lifelong connections among alumni and the community.

We encourage meaningful involvement and leadership from all alumni to benefit our region.

We cultivate goodwill and support for the region by offering opportunities to learn and by stimulating interest to get involved through service-oriented, community based programs."

The graduation of the Class of 2026 brings the total number of alumni to 590, representing over 200 organizations throughout the Cambria County Region.

Our alumni have served almost 300 non-profits throughout our region since 1994.

John B. Gunter once said, "Where business philosophy is concerned, I sometimes think of myself as the old angler, fishing from a leaky boat, using worms for bait, and catching some pretty big fish for tomorrow's breakfast...while the younger guys zip by in flashy bass boats with the newest super-dooer lures from the Orvis catalog." John knew how to get it done – not with a lot of sizzle, but with a lot of substance.



Leadership is a matter of determining how to be, not how to do.
--**Francis Hesselbein, Johnstown native**



If you want to improve the organization, you have to improve yourself and the organization gets pulled up with you.
—**Indra Nooyi**



There is no limit to the expansion of each of us.
— **Charles M. Schwab, raised in Loretto**



The things you are passionate about are not random, they are your calling. —**Maya Angelou**



I will find a way, or make one.
— **Admiral Robert E. Peary, Cresson native**