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Lori A Rexroth, Esquire Fighting Back Against Identity Theft

Our speaker for our October 15th, 2009 meeting will be Attorney Lori Rexroth. Her topic is near and dear to everyone: identity theft. She brings a wealth of experience to this topic with seventeen years as a prosecutor in three of our area counties. Essentially this crime has created many victims of opportunity with computers opening the gateway.

Identity theft is a serious crime. It occurs when your personal information is stolen and used without your knowledge to commit fraud or other crimes.

The Federal Trade Commission established a hot-line to track identity theft cases in 1999. Their web site: www.consumer.gov/idtheft provides a wealth of information and privacy for filing complaints. FTC's 26-page booklet is entitled: Identity Theft – When Bad Things Happen to Your Good Name.

Statistics continue to lead to more prosecution. In recent central court of Clinton County, three news cases of identity theft were introduced. In addition to an overview on this subject, Ms. Rexroth will bring materials for our review. Please bring your questions and plan to leave our meeting equipped with an arsenal of defense against identity theft.



The Williamsport Area Management Association (WAMA) kicked off a new season with Networking Night at the Lodge Bar & Grill held September 17. Several members attended along with guests who will also be joining this season. Membership and advertising information can be found on the website at www.wama-pa.org. The WAMA offers a \$1000 scholarship to a senior living in Lycoming County who has been accepted into a college business program. Find the application online and apply today. Identity Theft is the topic for the next dinner meeting held at the Bridge Tavern on October 15. Reservations in advance are needed. Contact information is available through the website.

What's on the Menu?

October 15, 2009

The October WAMA dinner meeting will be held at
The Bridge Tavern (South Williamsport).

Members and guests should arrive at 5:30pm for social time,
and we will enjoy dinner at 6:00pm.

CHOICE OF

soup or salad

CHOICE OF

Half of a roasted chicken or 8oz sirloin steak

CHOICE OF

*Chocolate Cream pie, banana cream pie,
coconut cream pie, apple pie or ice cream.*

Includes unsweetened ice tea, coffee, or hot tea and cash bar

Reservations are necessary by calling Buffie Kmetz, Keyperson
Coordinator at 321-5561 or emailing her at bkmetz@smurfit.com.

**Please mention your meal selection when placing
your reservations by Friday October 9.**

2008-09 WAMA Member of the Month

I am Suellen Kuzio, mother, fiancée, banker and friend. I was born and raised in Williamsport. My ex-husband was in the military and I have lived in Germany (5 yrs) and North Carolina (2 yrs). I have 2 children Kyle (22) and Erica (20). My fiancé Michael Porter and I recently bought a new home in Cogan Station.

I worked at various part-time jobs and was a stay-at-home mom until 1996. I began my banking career as a part-time teller at the Montoursville office of Susquehanna Bank (then Williamsport National Bank). In 2000 I transferred to the Halls Station Office and worked my way up to an Assistant Branch Manager's position in 2004. In July of 2006 I was promoted to Branch Manager of the the Halls Station Office. I have attended numerous Pennsylvania Banking Association courses and seminars and in 2008 I graduated from the PBA Advanced School of Banking.

As a Branch Manager for Susquehanna Bank I am responsible for developing and expanding commercial and retail sales relationships within Lycoming County. I love the challenges and surprises of working with my customers and staff every day. From helping a business customer finance a major renovation project to opening a savings account for an excitable 3 year old I have my hands in just about every area of banking. I enjoy coaching and mentoring my staff and have watched several employees advance their banking careers with Susquehanna. I like to make up games and contests to help my staff have fun while working to achieve our branch goals and objectives. Their enthusiasm is contagious and we usually have our customers monitoring their progress just as closely as we do ourselves. In a year when there has been so much negative news about the banking industry my "little" Halls Station Office has continued to provide Susquehanna's Star Service to everyone.

I first heard about WAMA last year from my friend (and some day sister-in-law) Angie Porter. I had been looking for an organization I could join to serve the community and to enjoy social interactions and friendships with other business professionals. A few weeks after talking to her I was in Keith Boyle's office and I noticed he had a WAMA plaque on his wall and I asked him to tell me more about it. So now I am very happy and excited to be a member! I am looking forward to getting to know everyone and to helping out in any way that I can!

Company of the Month: Wire Rope Works Inc.

In 1886, with a starting capital of \$26,000, Henry Martin Morrison established Morrison Patent Wire Rope Company, Ltd, in an old hoop factory near the Susquehanna River in Williamsport. Originally importing all wire from England the gradual process of using domestic sources cumulated with the manufacture facility being expanding around the time of World War I.

From producing 13,701 net tons in 1929, with 640 personnel, the company hit hard times and went into receivership in 1932. Bethlehem Steel bought all the company's properties and renamed it Bethlehem Wire Rope. During World War II, the payroll averaged 1,620 workers and production climbed to 31,368 net tons.

In 1989 ownership changed again. The company was renamed Williamsport Wire Rope Works, Inc. – similar to the name established when the company moved to its current site at Maynard Street in 1895. The strongest markets have been in mining equipment and construction materials for elevators. Here are some locations of WWW's products:

Brooklyn Bridge
Denver International Airport
Dulles International Airport
Miller Park Baseball Stadium, Milwaukee WI
Mount Hope Bridge, RI
Bronx Whitestone Bridge, NYC
Tacoma Narrows Bridge, Tacoma WA
I-195 Providence RI Bridge
Pool & Ice Rink Roof, Flushing Meadows NYC
Hood Canal
Met Stadium Roof Truss Cables, NYC

New ownership and continued commitment to meet the exacting demands of offshore and structural industries, the company's current name is Wire Rope Works, Inc. – established in 2004. 'Customer Satisfaction, state-of-the-art technology and pride in craftsmanship' – all have kept Wire Rope Works Inc's future prosperous. The motto is: First Time, Every Time!

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