COMMUTER SERVICES OF PA Program Update

Serving employers and commuters in Adams, Berks, Carbon, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Monroe, Perry, Pike, Schuylkill and York Counties.

TRANSIT CARPOOLING VANPOOLING WALKING







BIKING TELECOMMUTING STAGGERED SHIFTS

Fall 2015 - Winter 2016



DumpthePump Celebrated on June 18



National Dump the Pump Day, a day of awareness focusing on the benefits of using green forms of transportation as opposed to driving alone, was on Thursday, June 18th this year. To celebrate, Commuter Services encouraged commuters to submit their story detailing how they have saved money and/or improved their quality of life when they "Dumped the Pump" by using a different form of transportation.

The annual event focuses on the benefits of using green forms of transportation as opposed to driving alone. To enter the contest, commuters were encouraged to Dump the Pump by taking public transit, biking, carpooling, vanpooling, walking, or teleworking and then offer a brief written summary for a chance to win.

Lowell Brown of Lancaster, Lancaster County was selected as the grand prize winner. Brown rode Red Rose Transit in the morning to his job at Mennonite Central Committee in Lancaster County and rode his bicycle home in the afternoon.

Two additional runner-up winners were also awarded prizes:

David Shea of Gettysburg, Adams County, who vanpooled to his job at Letterkenny Army Depot in Chambersburg, Franklin County.

Justine Yelk of Hershey, Dauphin County, who rode Capital Area Transit to work at Dauphin County in Harrisburg, Dauphin County.

Lebanon Transit Study Completed

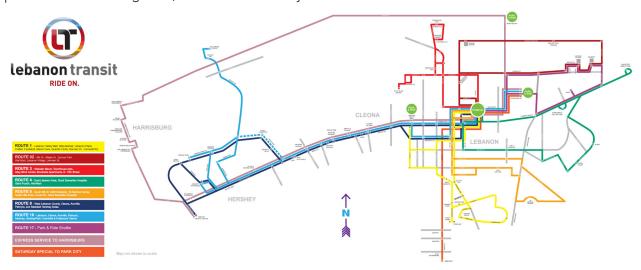
An agreement between the Lebanon County Planning Department and the Susquehanna Regional Transportation Partnership (SRTP) facilitated a unique opportunity in 2015 for the staff of Commuter Services to complete the Lebanon Transit New Service/Route Study.

This Study offered an in depth look at potential growth opportunities for new transit service in the northern half of Lebanon County. An emphasis was also placed on determining what, if any areas in the northern part of the county might be better served by altering or extending existing transit lines.

The content of the Study analyzed data secured from employer, employee and general public surveys which extracted information about individual travel patterns, time of travel, willingness to utilize public transportation, identification of commuter costs and other relevant factors. The Study then disseminated

specific details of employer locations, major travel routes, commuter travel needs, work shift variations, and an overview of recommendations for the most appropriate routes to be considered in the future.

The success of the Study was greatly aided by the cooperation of staff members from the Lebanon County Planning Department, Lebanon Transit and Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce.





Try Transit Month Winners Announced

Commuter Services of Pennsylvania launched its fifth annual 'Try Transit' month in September, encouraging local commuters to try bus or rail transportation options rather than driving alone. This year, a total of 280 participants, logged their transit trips. Sixteen counties were represented with participants logging a total of 204,688 miles traveled by bus or train instead of automobile. To participate, commuters were asked to try local bus service or Amtrak, log the miles traveled, and turn it in to Commuter Services at the end of the month. By logging the mileage, commuters were entered to win a monthly pass from their local transit provider and other various prizes.

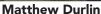
Matthew Durlin of York County was the randomly selected grand prize winner and received an Amazon Kindle. Durlin opted to ride the rabbitexpress for 4 days out of the month, logging a total of 384 miles.

Virginia Reid of Cumberland County and Shelley Carr of Lancaster County each won a pair of round-trip Amtrak coach class tickets on the Amtrak® Keystone Service® valid from Harrisburg to New York City. Reid rode Capital Area Transit, logging a total of 20 miles and Carr rode Amtrak, logging a total of 962.

The following individuals also won a free monthly pass from their transit agency:

- Derek Hauck of Reading, Berks County, logged 648 miles by riding BARTA.
- Judith Narvaez of Highspire, Dauphin County, logged 336 miles riding Capital Area Transit.
- Ric Farr of Palmyra, Lebanon County, logged more than 240 miles by riding Lebanon Transit.
- Terrie Watts of York, York County, logged more than 440 miles by riding rabbittransit.
- Valerie Garcia of Lancaster, Lancaster County, logged 126 miles by riding Red Rose Transit.







Virginia Reid



Shelley Carr

Commuter Services of Pennsylvania announced two new additions to their community education and outreach team

- Rob Mordan will be serving as an Employer Outreach Manager with a primary focus on the NEPA region counties of Schuylkill, Carbon, Monroe & Pike. In his new position, Rob will be tasked with securing new employer participation and educating employees of these businesses on the cost saving programs offered by Commuter Services.
- Julia Gandara will be serving as an Outreach Coordinator channeling
 the majority of her outreach support efforts to counties in south central
 Pennsylvania. She will be working with the Employer Outreach Managers to
 visit employer and community partners throughout our thirteen county service
 area to share the details of Commuter Services programs.



Rob Mordan



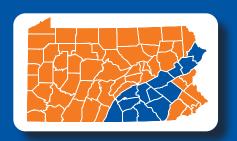
Julia Gandara



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The Susquehanna Regional Transportation Partnership Executive Board meets with Secretary of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Leslie S. Richards.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Matt Boyer, Executive Director of Commuter Services of Pennsylvania; Jon Fitzkee, SRTP Vice-Chair; Teri Giurintano, SRTP Chair; Leslie Richards, PennDOT Secretary; Kim Williams, SRTP Treasurer; Stacy Newcomer, Deputy Project Manager of Commuter Services of Pennsylvania and Tim Reardon, SRTP Secretary.

Commuter Services is a program of the non-profit Susquehanna Regional Transportation Partnership, whose board includes Capital Area Transit (CAT, Cumberland-Dauphin-Harrisburg), Lebanon Transit (LT), South Central Transit Authority (BARTA, Berks & RRTA, Lancaster) and York Adams Transportation Authority (rabbittransit, York & Freedom Transit, Adams). Adams, Franklin, Harrisburg (Cumberland, Dauphin and Perry counties), Lancaster, Lebanon, NEPA (Schuylkill, Carbon, Monroe and Pike counties), Reading and York MPOs. The Harrisburg Regional Chamber & CREDC; the Gettysburg Adams, Greater Chambersburg and Lebanon Valley Chambers of Commerce; the Greater Reading and Lancaster Chambers of Commerce & Industry and the York County Economic Alliance.