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Commuter Services Announces Dump the Pump Contest Winners

YORK, Pa. (July 26, 2016) – Commuter Services of Pennsylvania has announced the winners of their 2015 Dump the Pump essay contest. This year, National Dump the Pump Day took place on Thursday, June 16. 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.

In 250 words or less, commuters wrote about how much money they have saved and/or how their quality of life has been improved when they “Dumped the Pump” by using a mode of transportation to commute to work other than a single occupancy vehicle.

Julie DeShong of York County has been selected as the grand prize winner. DeShong rides the rabbitEXPRESS and teleworks to her job at KPMG LLP. As the grand prize winner, she received a Kindle Fire and Smart Commuter prize pack. Her Dump the Pump essay can be read at https://pacommuterservices.org/2016-dump-the-pump-winners/.

Smaller prizes were also awarded to two additional runner-up winners:

- Carol Long of York County, who rides her bicycle to work at Lincoln Intermediate Unit #12 in York County.

- Glenn Hamilton of Biglerville, Adams County, who vanpools to his job at US Department of the Navy in Chambersburg, Cumberland County.

About Commuter Services

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