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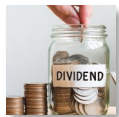
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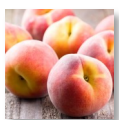
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CCAP 2018 Summer Conference

We are very proud that the 2018 County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania Annual Summer Conference is being held in Adams County beginning tomorrow August 4-8. The PA County Commissioners last met in Adams County in 1909. There is an iconic photo of the county commissioners meeting in Adams County in the late 1890's and having their picture taken in front of Devils Den with their high collars and bowler hats. From all reports this will be the largest attended summer conference in many years with over 500 already registered – minus the bowler hats.

The conference will be based at The Gettysburg Gateway complex and besides the general sessions and informational sessions, there are activities planned throughout Adams County. Featured speakers include Governor Tom Wolfe, Guberna-



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date Scott Wagner, Senator Bob Casey and Congressman Lou Bar-

letta. As a member of the CCAP Board of Directors, I am somewhat cognizant of the amount of work it takes to put on a conference; but having it in your own backyard and being involved in the details illustrates just how much work goes into having a successful event.

Thank you to the CCAP staff for their efforts in making the Adams County conference personally and professionally valuable. My instinct tells me that the attendees will leave here on Wednesday having had a great experience in Adams County!

Congratulations Controller's Office

Congratulations to all the folks in the Adams County Controllers Office for compiling and submitting the first ever Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) to the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This effort has been a multiple year work in progress and financial goal for Adams County to file for GFOA recognition of our financial procedures and condition. Also a shout out to the many other county departments that contributed to this accomplishment with their partnering to provide information, details, statistics and general information for this document.

Adams County Receives PComp Dividend

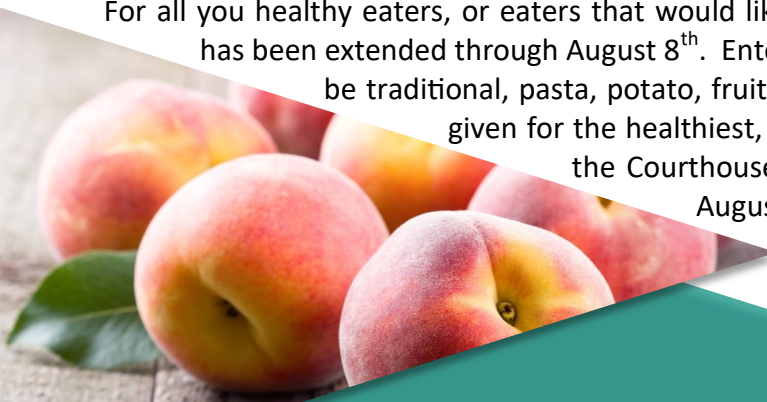
The Compensation Insurance Pool (PComp) is our provider of compensation insurance through CCAP. At a recent PComp Board of Directors meeting, Commissioner Martin as a PComp board representative, voted to distribute \$2.5 from reserve funds to pool members. As a pool member, Adams County has been projected to receive \$226,115 in dividends based upon actuarial calculations. Of particular note is that Adams County received the largest distribution of all the pool members. The sizeable dividend is dependent upon a combination of factors such as timely and accurate processing of claims, claim types, level of occurrence, and the level of income received by investing our reserve funds. PComp is in a strong financial position due to excellent management of the pool. By only allowing pool members that meet the standards of a strict vetting process, and following the recommendation of an excellent financial advisor, the pool has taken advantage of good market conditions.



South Mountain Fair Time

You still have two more days to attend the 96TH Annual South Mountain Fair. For \$7 you can enjoy all the fair has to offer including entertainment for all ages, and rides for the kids are included in the price. The fair has something for everyone including livestock, needlework, photography, canned goods, 4-H displays, and local produce. The food deserves its own recognition - especially the milk shakes and chicken corn soup. When I was in grade school, the fair was held in early September, and we used to get a free ticket at the beginning of school so we would bug our parents to take us. I was usually successful in making that happen. I was there on Thursday evening and there is no doubt The South Mountain Fair is part of the fabric of Adams County and needs your support. I am happy to report the milk shakes, chicken corn soup, hot dogs with kraut and French fries were delicious!

A Healthy Contest



For all you healthy eaters, or eaters that would like to eat more healthy, the County Salad Contest sign-up has been extended through August 8th. Enter your favorite summer salad into the contest. Salads can be traditional, pasta, potato, fruit, etc. They will be taste tested and judged. Prizes will be given for the healthiest, most unique and the tastiest. The salad contest will be at the Courthouse on August 15 from 11:30AM to 1:30PM and at HSB on August 29 from 11:30AM to 1:30PM.



The **End**

Besides the Commissioners Conference which begins for me on Saturday afternoon, I'm going to squeeze in Mamma Mia at the Totem Pole on Saturday evening. I always try and get to the Totem Pole at least once each season - and before you know it their season will be over and summer will be gone. In thinking about the benefits of summer, peaches are in and I believe I am eating 2-3 per day. What is better than a good tree ripened peach – especially in partnership with fresh sweet corn and fresh tomatoes? Get out there to your local farm market or produce stand and dig in while you can.

There are a lot of things to do this time of year. To mention just a few, every weekend there is music at our local wineries, One Hundred Nights Of Taps in the Gettysburg National Cemetery, farm produce on Saturday morning at the Gettysburg Square and the Outlets gazebo, night golf at Caledonia Golf Course, Songs & Stories of the Civil War at the Christ Lutheran Church and the Peach Festival at Hollabaugh Brothers.

No matter what you do, get out there and experience all the historical, recreational, agricultural, natural and cultural opportunities that beautiful Adams County has to offer!