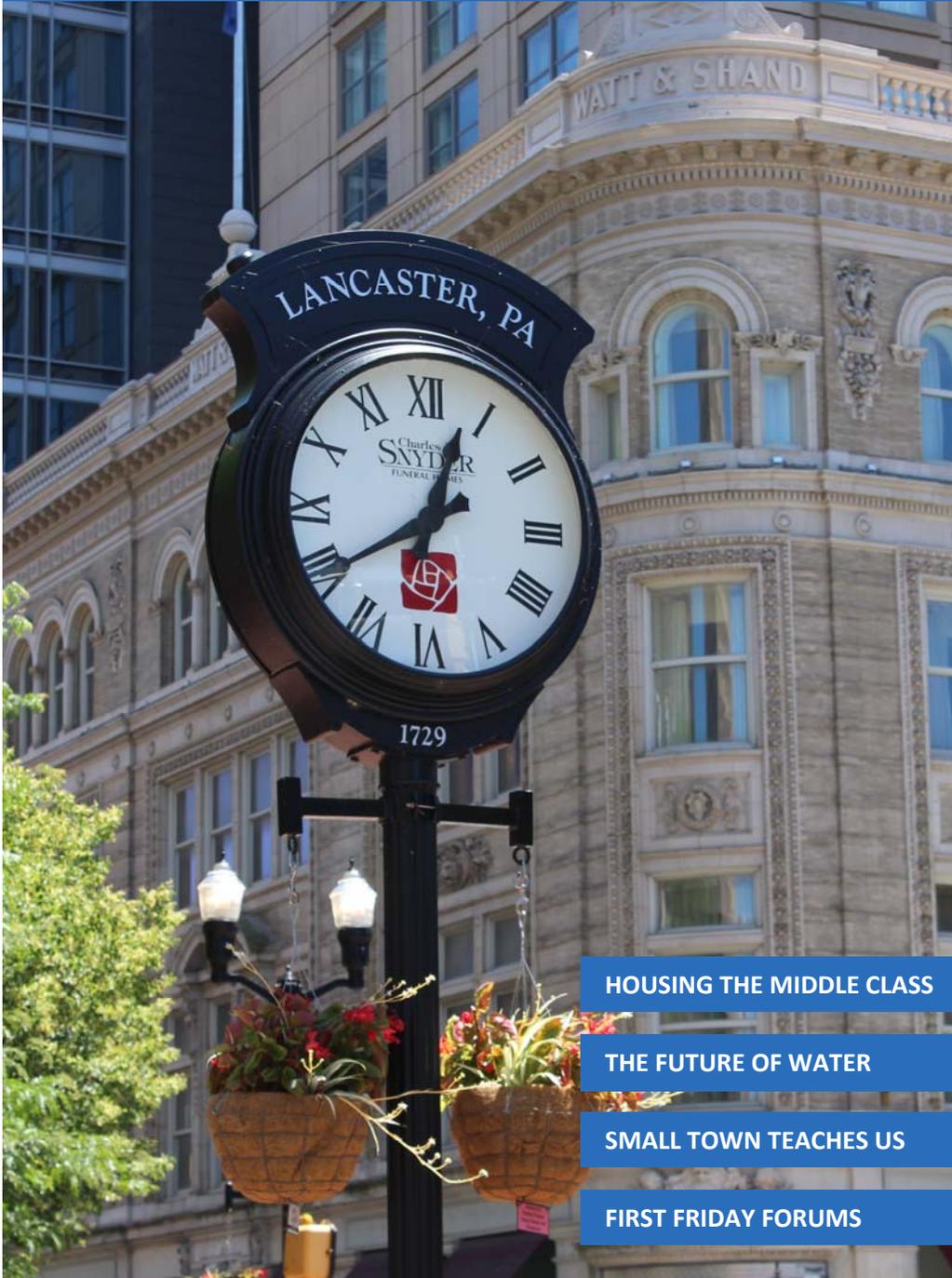


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Highlights From the Last Quarter

April 5, 2019 - Housing in Lancaster County

Moderator: Ray D'Agostino **Panelists:** Regina Coia, Randy Hess, Rick Jackson, Dennis Groff, and Randy Patterson.

The panelists discussed the challenges in the Lancaster County housing market. The County is currently in a seller's market. It is impossible to find affordable housing in the City of Lancaster. Builders are unable to build a new single family home for under \$300,000. The high cost of housing impacts families and professionals such as nurses, teachers, and firefighters.



May 3, 2019 - Lancaster County Convention Center and Marriot Hotel Expansion

Presenters: Kevin Molloy and Josh Nowak

The presenters informed the forum attendees that the Lancaster County Convention Center (LCCC) has increased the number of events and attendees at those events since it was built in 2009. The forum also highlighted the results of a 2018 survey, showing that in 2017 LCCC had a \$34,600,000 economic impact on the City of Lancaster and a \$26,900,000 impact on the County.



June 7, 2019 - Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay

Presenter: Jenna Mitchell

The Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay outlined an exciting new partnership with Turkey Hill Dairy and the Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative Association (MDVA). Turkey Hill has asked MDVA farmers to adopt best management practices and follow a Conservation Plan. In exchange, Turkey Hill will pay a premium for the newly added quality of the milk. The Alliance is working with the farmers to find resources to improve their farms and bring them into compliance. This project is a successful example of how private partnerships can address issues of clean water and the health of the Chesapeake Bay.



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