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The graphic features a light blue background with a pattern of snowflakes. The logo consists of the letters 'nt' in a stylized green font with an orange swoosh above the 't'. Above the logo is the text '50+ YEARS' in orange, and below it is 'EST. 1970' in orange. The main title 'NORTHERN TIER NEWS' is prominently displayed in green and orange. Below the title, the service area is described in green text.

Before you open your gates to the public, learn what agritourism *really* takes.

From Idea to Implementation: Making Agritourism Work for Your Farm

presented by:



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Agritourism can diversify income and build community connections - but, it's not the right fit for every farm. The summit is designed to help farmers realistically evaluate whether agritourism aligns with their goals, capacity, and risk tolerance.

This Summit Will Cover

- Day to day operations
- Common challenges
- Marketing and managing visitors
- How to decide if agritourism fits your farm and family

Who Should Attend

- Farmers considering agritourism
- Existing agritourism operators
- Agricultural and community partners

Presenter:

Winifred McGee, Ag Business Consultant

In partnership with:



Event Details

📅 Wed. March 4th

📍 Bradford County
Public Safety Center
29 VanKuren Drive
Towanda, PA

🕒 9:00am - 12:00pm
8:30am Registration

**FREE to attend and
lunch is provided**

Register Here:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/22r5kcw>



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Save the Date

3/19/2026

Inclement weather date 3/27/2026

Bradford Sullivan Career Day

Please RSVP your intent to participate to Jody McCarty (mccarty@northerntier.org) or Renae Chamberlain (chamberlain@northerntier.org) by Thursday, March 5, 2026.

All presenters will need their PA Criminal History Clearance and their PA Child Abuse Clearance. If you have presented at this event in the past, your clearances are already on record and you do not have to submit them again (unless they are more than 5 years old). If you have not, you can apply for your clearances for free. For assistance contact Jody or Renae.

Employers from all industries are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE!

3RD ANNUAL BUSINESS SUMMIT

TUESDAY, JUNE 9TH

BRADFORD COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY
CENTER

NORTH TOWANDA,
BRADFORD COUNTY

FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

MARK C. PERNA

Join dynamic performance and generational expert Mark C. Perna as he presents groundbreaking insights and proven strategies for engaging today's younger generations. This event is designed for educators, employers, parents, and community leaders seeking effective ways to bridge generational gaps, improve engagement and retention, and equip young people with a lasting competitive advantage.

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SESSION SCHEDULE:

Morning:

Tailored for **businesses** and **employers**

Afternoon:

Designed for **front-line school staff, teachers, superintendents,** and **principals**

Evening:

Open to the **public,** including **parents** and **students**

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!

What's So Cool About Manufacturing



Northern Tier's What's So Cool about Manufacturing 6th year is well underway with eight teams participating from across the region.

Upcoming voting for the People's Choice award will take place from 12:01 am March 23 – 11:59 pm March 25 on the whatssocool.org website – make sure

our teams feel the love by voting as many times as you can!

There will also be an Awards Ceremony for the teams, taking place at the Towanda High School Auditorium on April 10. RSVP details to follow.

Electric Vehicle Interest Survey



We need your input!

The Northern Tier RPO is conducting a short, 10 question survey to understand the public's interest and perspectives on Electric Vehicles and their place in the Northern Tier Region. Any responses we receive from this survey will help influence local discussions and future planning efforts, especially for future transportation needs.

The survey will be open for 3 weeks and end at Close of Business on March 6th, 2026.

Electric Vehicle Interest Survey Link:

<https://forms.microsoft.com/r/Rc9jD07wra>

Government Officials visit Towanda High School



Do you know what inspired someone to become a Mayor, a County Commissioner or a State Representative? The sophomore class at THS was able to learn from Representative Tina Pickett, County Commissioner Zachary Gates and Towanda Mayor Garrett Miller what inspired them. Civics Teacher Jed Lezak worked with the 10th graders to compile thoughtful questions for these government officials to respond to, while Career Coaches Donna Yale and Jessica Pepper, readied the officials and the school for the January 20 event.

Approximately 115 students participated in the “Government in the Classroom” Assembly to ask the questions they were interested in hearing the answers to. We were thankful to have Representative Pickett, Commissioner Gates and Mayor Miller come into our school!

BST Employer Newsletter



The Northern Tier Business Services Team distributes a monthly employer newsletter. Click on the link below to read information on local PA CareerLink® events and other employer specific topics.

February 2026 Employer Newsletter

Empowering People. Developing Businesses. Strengthening Communities.

The Northern Tier Regional Planning and Development Commission (NTRPDC) is the Local Development District (LDD) serving the Pennsylvania counties of Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga and Wyoming. We provide business financing, international trade counseling, government contract assistance, grant writing, transportation planning and workforce development services.

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