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2026

NTRPDC

FULL COMMISSION MEETING



Friday, April 17th, 2026
10:30am Registration
11:00am Meeting
Lunch to Follow



Ayres-Stone VFW Post 5642
16972 SR 706
Montrose, PA 18801

- Business of the Year Award
- Craig Harting Award



Guest Speaker:
Ryotaro Tashiro

Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia
Outreach Economist and
Advisor/Research

\$20 Admission - Please RSVP by April 10th

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Growing Your Business from the Ground Up.



Entrepreneur Summit

EVENT DETAILS

Featuring sessions on...

Social Media Marketing & Practical Uses of AI in Business

Thursday, April 23rd

8:45am - 12:30pm

Lackawanna College Towanda Campus

1024 S. Main Street

Towanda, PA 18848

FREE to attend

Breakfast and lunch will be provided

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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!

Career Camp Opportunities

Agricultural Career Camp

July 14th-16th, 2026

8:30AM-4:00PM

North Penn-Mansfield High School

73 W. Wellsboro Street, Mansfield PA 16933



Come explore your future! Ag Career Camp includes career presentations and demonstrations, daily industry field trips, lunch, and fun activities; AND it's a great place to make new friends!

Camp is FREE and open to students entering 6th-9th grade in 2026/2027

REGISTER
HERE



For more details, email
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9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

ELK LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Limited space for students aged 10-14
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Implementing Generative AI in Manufacturing



Manufacturing Industry Partners recently heard from Ronn Cort, President & CEO of Dunmore International, a global advanced-materials manufacturer serving aerospace, packaging, and industrial markets with operations in Bristol, PA; Brewster, NY; and Freiburg, Germany.

With more than 25 years of manufacturing leadership, Ronn shared real-world examples of how Generative AI is being applied across manufacturing operations, from the front office to the shop floor. His message was clear: AI is a business transformation, not just a technology upgrade.

Key takeaways included:

- How AI can support a multi-generational workforce and knowledge transfer
- Break down data silos and improve decision-making
- Address challenges tied to aging infrastructure
- How to introduce AI safely, responsibly, and effectively
- Core AI concepts manufacturers need to understand
- The critical role of buy-in from both leadership and frontline workers

- Practical uses manufacturers can begin implementing immediately

Ronn reminded participants that AI is the latest in a long line of technology shifts, much like the introduction of computers, the internet, and digital tracking systems and that thoughtful AI adoption can position manufacturers for long-term success.

The Manufacturing Industry Partnership brings together employers, educators, and workforce partners to strengthen the region's manufacturing talent pipeline. Together, we identify shared challenges, shape training solutions, and build a stronger, more sustainable manufacturing workforce.

Interested in learning more? Contact Melissa Fleming, Workforce Director at fleming@northerntier.org.

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.

March 2026 Employer Newsletter

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