

Ribbon Cutting

CELEBRATION
& DEDICATION

of the

CHARLES CHRIN
INTERCHANGE

and the

CHARLES CHRIN COMPANIES
60TH ANNIVERSARY



THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015



CHARLES CHRIN
President and Founder
Charles Chrin Companies

Charles Chrin has been a leading member of the Lehigh Valley business community for more than 60 years. He has founded and directed numerous successful independent enterprises in a wide range of industries under the Charles Chrin Companies. In addition to residential and commercial development sites, Charles Chrin is the visionary behind the innovative 800-acre Chrin Commerce Centre. The public-private partnership resulting in the Charles Chrin Interchange, at the core of the Chrin Commerce Centre, is the crown jewel of his career. For more than six decades, Mr. Chrin has also focused his personal energy and resources on supporting community-based initiatives to promote quality education, positive youth development and leading-edge health care. In recognition of his considerable business and community accomplishments, Mr. Chrin has received numerous civic and economic development awards and accolades.

PROGRAM

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

David E. Colver
Chairman, Palmer Township Board of Supervisors

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Ann Lipari

INVOCATION

V. Rev. David Clooney

SPEAKERS

The Honorable Lisa Boscola
Pennsylvania Senate, 18th District

The Honorable Joe Emrick
Pennsylvania Representative, 137th District

Don Cunningham
President & CEO, Lehigh Valley Economic Development

John Brown
Northampton County Executive

The Honorable Leslie Richards
Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

The Honorable Tom Corbett
Former Governor of Pennsylvania

GUEST OF HONOR

Charles Chrin

CLOSING REMARKS

David E. Colver

RIBBON CUTTING & DEDICATION

RECEPTION



A MESSAGE FROM CHARLES CHRIN

Dear Friends,

Thank you for joining me today as we celebrate the dedication of the Charles Chrin Interchange. We stand here today after tireless work, patience and enthusiasm to commemorate what will become an essential part of our Lehigh Valley infrastructure.

Over 20 years ago, community leaders recognized the need for a new interchange along Route 33 to keep pace with continued growth in the region. I am fortunate and proud to have the opportunity to contribute to this truly collaborative effort that will continue to bring prosperity to the surrounding communities and the Commonwealth.

Many people have worked hard on this project, and it is impossible to list them all. The benefits provided by cooperation, enduring spirit and community partnerships - which were all vital to the success of this project - are now a reality.

I owe thanks and am deeply grateful for all the help that has made the new interchange possible.

Warmest Regards,

Charles Chrin



GREETINGS:

It is my pleasure to welcome all those gathered for the ribbon cutting of the Charles Chrin Interchange on Route 33 in Palmer Township.

Successful economic development requires partnerships between the public and private sectors. The Route 33 interchange site incorporates the commonwealth's historic strengths in manufacturing and transportation with the mixed-use spaces available in the Chrin Commerce Centre, allowing the Lehigh Valley to address current and future business growth needs. This project highlights the importance of vision, collaboration and perseverance, and I commend all involved for their efforts to make this vision a reality.

As Governor, and on behalf of all citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I am honored to commemorate the opening of the Charles Chrin Interchange. Please accept my best wishes for continued success.



TOM WOLF
Governor
June 2015

COMPANY HISTORY



Charlie, in his 60th year in business, demonstrates yet again that the mark of a true visionary, a legendary leader, is the ability to transform vision into reality.



Sixty years ago a young man with big ideas, but without much business experience, took a chance. He purchased a gas station in Easton, Pennsylvania. That early entrepreneur was Charles Chrin and, as is often said, the rest of the story is truly part of the history of the Lehigh Valley.

Charles, best known as 'Charlie', has always had a no-nonsense, community-focused, hands-on approach to business:

he is as comfortable in a business suit speaking with elected officials as he is at the controls of a massive piece of heavy equipment. Actually, he takes great pleasure in moving the very earth from which his many companies have grown.

Early in his career, the business was a small operation, with Charlie multitasking in every facet of his business and working long hours, seven days a week. To this day, Charlie typically is the first on a job site and on any given day you will find him inspecting and consulting on numerous Chrin projects.



The Charles Chrin Companies encompass many different types of businesses including hauling and a sanitary landfill, a successful excavating company, and both residential and commercial land development. The "Chrinerger" methane-to-energy project at the Glendon Green Energy Park is one of many examples of The Charles Chrin Companies' ability to change with the times. The Chrin Commerce Centre is the latest example of strategic, planned growth. It is expected to create over 5,000 jobs and an estimated \$16 million in tax revenue annually. The opening of the Charles Chrin Interchange will be a culmination of years of hard work and planning by Charlie and his sons, Dennis, Gregory and James. It is also with

great pride that the third generation of the Chrin family is now taking their place in the family business. James Jr., Johnathan, Charles Robert and Gregory are all now active members of the Charles Chrin Companies' workforce. Without question, Charlie has instilled in each of them his unique brand of work, respect for others, and a commitment to giving back to the community.



I have known Charlie for the last eight years. You could not find a more caring and selfless individual – well grounded and one of the more pragmatic businessmen I have had the opportunity to work with in my 30 years in the Valley. Charlie is kind, caring, humble and always remembers "from whence he came." His perspective in business combined with his altruism are inextricably intertwined – all to the good. I am pleased and honored to call him my friend. All of the St. Luke's family wishes Charlie congratulations and well done in his vision to construct the Charles Chrin Interchange.

~Rick Anderson
President & CEO



CHRIN COMMERCE CENTRE



“With the new Route 33 interchange, the Chrin Commerce Centre is poised to be the region’s next center of growth. The Centre represents a great opportunity for high visibility development projects, and will continue to attract top tier companies...”

~Don Cunningham, *President and CEO*



Porsche Logistics Service – The first occupant opened its 130,000-square-foot training center and distribution facility in 2009 on Commerce Lane.



DCT Industrial – This Denver-based distribution company, whose customers include Amazon, Coca-Cola and Ford Motor Co., is developing 425,000 feet of industrial space on Van Buren Road.



Mondelez International - A 100,000-square-foot warehouse and distribution center in Tatamy for one of the world’s largest snack companies.



“The new Route 33 interchange will provide tremendous convenience to our tenants and buildings because they will have direct highway access. The ability to get to and from our properties easily and quickly is a great benefit for companies looking for locations that help them accelerate delivery time.”

~Jeffrey D. Palmquist, *Senior Vice President Northeast Region*



GROUNDBREAKING CELEBRATION...

January 31, 2013



“On behalf of the residents of the 137th Legislative District, I congratulate Charles Chrin and his company not only on the dedication of this interchange, but also on the 60th anniversary of their company. I would also like to thank them for their many investments in our communities and the many jobs they have created. While we will come to know this as the Charles Chrin Interchange, those of us who know him are well aware that today’s event is a mere continuation of his legacy.”

~Joe Emrick
State Representative-137th District



“Charles Chrin should be highly commended as a “visionary” in helping to solve a long-standing traffic problem, as well as enhancing economic development in the northwest section of Palmer Township.”

~J. Lee Boucher,
President



Bardot Plastics, Inc.

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS...



“Today, we celebrate the vision and investment of Charles Chrin as the ribbon is cut for the ‘Interchange’ to jobs for our citizens and prosperity for our families’ future.”

~Glenn F. Reibman,
Former, Northampton County Executive

“The additional interchange will add to the accessibility of the commerce park and other industrial and retail uses we expect to see in the future of the area.”

~Richard T. Grucela
Former, Pennsylvania House of Representatives
137th Legislative District





"Charlie, the local officials and PennDOT have truly collaborated to plan and execute this massive highway interchange that is literally re-shaping the county, bringing jobs to the area, and greatly increasing real estate values for all stakeholders."

~AnnMarie Vigilante
Senior Associate/Vice President
LANGAN
ENGINEERING & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



"There are numerous attributes that attracted DCT to Chrin Commerce Centre including the ability to work closely with folks at the Chrin Companies. However, the leading driver was the exceptional location within the Lehigh Valley market. The opening of the interchange amplifies that and allows our customers direct highway access to the project."

~Tom Meehan
Senior Vice President

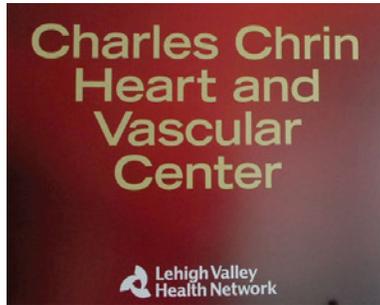


Charles Chrin's "Interchange of Dreams" is now a reality!

PHILANTHROPY



Engaged philanthropy for more than one-half century has been a guiding core value of the Charles Chrin Companies. Charles Chrin leads by example, consistently demonstrating that building communities - from structures and roads to interchanges - is incomplete unless the social fabric is also developed. For many years the acts of philanthropy were quietly undertaken. Today some of the more recognizable examples include the Charles Chrin Community Center, The Children's Home, The Miracle League, Northampton County Historical and Genealogical Society, the Sigal Museum, Easton Hospital, and St. Luke's University Health Network. They are a sampling of Charlie's intense and diverse interests in helping the communities where he lives and conducts business. Recently, his dedication to improving health care delivery was significantly illustrated with the naming of the Charles Chrin Heart and Vascular Centers at Lehigh Valley Health Network.



"A community cannot thrive unless its residents have access to quality health care. Charlie Chrin helps ensure the people of our community do. His generous support of Lehigh Valley Health Network created the Charles Chrin Heart and Vascular Center. It is a gift from a visionary that will undoubtedly save and improve the lives of Lehigh Valley residents today and for generations to come."

~Brian Nester, DO, MBA, FCOEP
President and Chief Executive Officer, Lehigh Valley Health Network



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