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LGBT Business Council

Letter from the Council

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Our fiscal year 2016 has just begun, and as you know from the last two Connections articles, Mary Lisicky has passed the baton. I enthusiastically accepted the co-chair position for the LGBT Business Council after a vote from the board and I look forward to working with our co-chair, Liz Kleintop, our board members and all committee members.

I have lived in the Lehigh Valley area for most of my life with the exception of a few years in Tulsa, OK where my first job took me after college. After Tulsa, I returned to the valley and started a 36 year long career with Air Products. I have a wonderful husband, Hugh Marsh, whom I recently got married to a few weeks ago after a 10 year relationship. I have two sons and daughters-in-law. Geoff and Laura are both engineers living in Denver, and Justin and Agy are both financial analysts living in London.

I have been involved since October 2012 in the early stages of the council. We started with only four people attending, and today we have nine board members, four committees with twenty-seven people involved in the council. This is a very exciting time as we continue to grow and benefit the Lehigh Valley and the community. The historic ruling on Marriage Equality in the nation has given the LGBT initiative a huge leap forward! Perhaps as exciting as the ruling is the incredible outpouring of public support. There is truly a reason to celebrate and I am very happy to continue being a part of this movement.

I look forward to our continued growth and support. I want to personally thank Mary for her years of dedication and leadership building the council to where we are today and I look forward for the great things to come!