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TIOGA COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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Tioga County Revolving Loan Fund Loan Closing

Dana L. Hughes closed on a \$35,000 *Tioga County Revolving Loan Fund (TCRLF)* with the *Tioga County Development Corporation* on May 25, 2011. The \$35,000 loan will be used to purchase Bill's Place Restaurant. The Restaurant is located at 3 Cowanesque Street, Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania 16929.

Bill's Place has been an ongoing restaurant in Lawrenceville for several years, first established as the Valley Restaurant in 1960. It "has served as a gathering place for local community and tourist alike for many generations. It offers a comfortable relaxing environment that features American favorite foods." Lucille State owned and operated the restaurant from 1988 to October 1999 when Bill and Sandy Witmer purchased it.

Dana will take over ownership May 27, 2011 and operate as Dana's Diner. Current employees will be retained.

Along with financing from the *Tioga County Revolving Loan Fund*, Dana L. Hughes received funding from the Northern Tier Regional Planning and Development Commission and First Citizens National Bank. For more information and application on the *Tioga County Revolving Loan Fund* Program and other financial assistance, contact Robert J. Blair, *TCDC* President/CEO, at (570) 723-8232 or eMail to tcdc1@ptd.net.

PHOTO CAPTION:

L to R: Carl Hughes; Dana Hughes; Wendy Swartz, *TCRLF* Committee Chair & *TCDC* Treasurer; Samantha Wilcox, Esquire, Owlett & Lewis, PC and Robert J. Blair, *TCDC* President/CEO.

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