

First Friday Noontime Forum Series
“Continuing the Growth and Prosperity of Downtown Lancaster”

Highlights

April 2008 – Hotel/Convention Center—Construction & Hospitality

Update - David Angle, Reynolds Construction, Mark Moosic, General Manager Marriott Lancaster at Penn Square and Josh Novak, Director of Sales and Marketing—Interstate

- ❖ The room levels are in the process of being poured. Anticipated completion of concrete work is September 2008.
- ❖ The tear down of the steel scaffolding supporting the Watt & Shand façade should occur in June.
- ❖ 10 bookings to date - 8 of which will be open to the public. Multiple day events, including weekends. 1,500 visitors/day.
- ❖ The hotel/convention center will employ 225 local employees. A Workforce Diversity Committee has been the driving force to prepare city residents for employment.
- ❖ 15,000 sq. ft. of meeting space is available in the hotel. Space for 5-5,000 people.
- ❖ Valet parking will be available. During the week 1,000 parking spaces will be available and on weekends 3,000.
- ❖ Market forces will improve the neighborhoods surrounding the Hotel/Convention Center.