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Communities of Distinction Honored

The Lehigh Valley map is dotted with municipalities that have helped make Lehigh and Northampton counties one of the most livable region's in the state, but only a select few have been named Communities of Distinction by the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission (LVPC), for their commitment to planning excellence.

Those communities will now be able to share their honor with motorists entering their municipality to see new "Community of Distinction" road signs being presented to them by the LVPC.

The first presentation will be to 2017 Winner Catasauqua Borough:

What: Community of Distinction Sign Unveiling

Where: Catasauqua Municipal Building

When: 5 p.m. August 27, 2018

For the past four years during its annual Planning & Development Gala, the LVPC has named one Community of Distinction each year for their commitment to sound planning that makes the region a better place.

Catasauqua's designation last year came, in part, on the basis of its Iron Works Redevelopment Project and a masterplan that included the \$11 million borough building and fire station project and improvements to the busy intersection at Front and Bridge streets. Catasauqua Borough has organized a community event with **food and entertainment, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**, around the sign unveiling.

Future presentations will be made September 12 to 2014 winner Bethlehem, September 19 to 2016 winner South Whitehall Township and October 4 to 2015 winner Bushkill Township.

This year's 5th Annual Lehigh Valley Awards + Gala is scheduled for October 10 at DeSales University Center. More than two dozen communities have been nominated for awards.

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