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PA ROUTE 6 SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR "DO 6" AWARDS

The PA Route 6 Alliance wants to recognize six innovators, movers, and initiatives along the Heritage Corridor that made a difference in 2015 and is now taking nominations for the "Do 6" Awards to be presented at the Annual Meeting in May.

The awards are presented to individuals, businesses or organizations that have undertaken outstanding efforts that give new meaning to "DO 6" by supporting and implementing sustainable tourism development along the PA Route 6 Heritage Corridor. The award winners exemplify the mission of the PA Route 6 Alliance to protect, preserve and promote the scenic, cultural, historical and recreational resources in the northern tier.

The awards are presented in the areas of Heritage Partnerships, Leadership, Heritage Community of the Year, Heritage Tourism (projects or events), Artisan of the Year and Lifetime Achievement.

Last year's award winners included the Let's Move Outside! In Erie (*Heritage Partnership Award*) for the development of the Erie County Recreational Passport, which uses art, history and outdoor recreation to encourage people of all ages to be active and lead healthy lives. Endless Mountains Music Festival in Tioga County (*Heritage Tourism Award*) for creating a series of cultural events that promoted different genres of music along the Route 6 Corridor, attracting residents and travelers; Richard "Dick" Snyder of Milford (*Heritage Leadership Award*) for contributions to Milford and Pike County that enhanced the economy and the tourism product in the area; Borough of Conneaut Lake (*Heritage Community of the Year Award*) for their example of moving a major revitalization project forward by involving the residents and creative partnerships; Dan Niebauer of Ralph Miller Jewelers and Galleries (*Artisan of the Year Award*) for creating beautiful works of art with jewels, promoting local art and restoring significant cultural structures; and Kevin Abrams of Northern Tier Regional Planning and Development Commission (*Lifetime Achievement Award*) for continuous support and guidance of PA Route 6 Alliance, serving as President and Vice President for the last 10 years.

Nominations can be submitted by anyone along the PA Route 6 Corridor and are due by Friday, March 11th, 2016. Nomination forms are available on the [paroute6.com](http://www.paroute6.com) website at: http://www.paroute6.com/annual_awards_program. Winners will be notified prior to the meeting. For more information, please contact the PA Route 6 Alliance at 814-435-7706.