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Autobodies by Lucas celebrates expansion and goes 'green' with rainwater collection system

Mechanicsburg, PA — September 3, 2013 — Autobodies by Lucas, a Mechanicsburg auto body shop, celebrated its recent makeover and expansion with a ribbon cutting ceremony with the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce.

The shop recently underwent a major renovation including a 5,300 square foot addition to their existing shop located at 526 East Main Street in the borough. The shop not only received an expansion, but also an exterior makeover designed to mimic the architecture of the Mechanicsburg's Old Town District. "We feel very blessed that we could take on this project and very excited that our new look is the first and last thing you see in Mechanicsburg," explains owner Lee Cadwallader.

Aside from the visible changes, a rainwater collection system was also installed. The system was designed to collect roof water runoff and direct it to two underground tanks located under the parking area. "The collected water is then used for washing cars and other non-potable water applications," explains Brent Lewis, General Manager. The water levels are monitored by sensors in the tanks and automatically switch to city supplies during dry periods. When the tanks fill backup with rainwater, the sensor automatically switches back to collected rainwater. "Rainwater runoff creates a significant collection issue for city systems during heavy rainfall," Lewis adds. He also points out that the system will help reduce the amount of rainwater entering that system, as well as reduce the amount of city-produced water used for daily operation of the business.

Autobodies by Lucas is just one of three shops that make up Select Collision Group. Major's Select Collision Center of Mechanicsburg and Select Collision Center of Hershey are also owned by

Callwallader. The shops offer an array of services including paint and body work, mechanical and major collision repair, glass replacement, detailing, and computerized color mixing, paint matching and frame alignment.

For more information, contact Autobodies by Lucas at (717) 516-1866 or visit www.centralpaautobody.com.



Owner Lee Cadwallader (center) cuts ribbon with Jeff Palm, Executive Director of the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce. They are joined by Mechanicsburg Mayor Jack Ritter, Autobodies by Lucas staff and family, and members of the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce.

About Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce

The Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce supports a variety of community, business and economic development programs throughout the year. It has over 400 business and residential members throughout South Central Pennsylvania; and focuses on the Mechanicsburg Borough, Hampden, Lower Allen, Monroe, Silver Spring and Upper Allen Townships.