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Unique special events facility opens in Mechanicsburg

August 22, 2013 – Mid-staters now have another special events venue option in Mechanicsburg. Strock Enterprises, Inc. has recently opened *The Catering Barn* and celebrated its grand opening with an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony with the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce.

Strock Enterprises, Inc., a local farm fresh meats catering company based in Upper Allen Township, restored the 19th century barn as a venue for special events. Restoring the barn into a special events facility is a project that owners Kent and Raelene Strock have wanted to conquer for years. "We're so thrilled that our vision has finally come to life," Raelene exclaimed. Kent noted that it took a little over a year to complete the project. The 175-year old barn is constructed of chestnut, oak, pine and cherry lumber. Although the barn now boasts modern features such as heating, air conditioning and handicap accessible restrooms, the Strocks noted that it was important to them to use as much of the original features and materials as possible.

Specializing in large group gatherings such as weddings, showers, parties, and corporate functions, the venue holds a capacity of up to 200 people. The all-season facility is handicap accessible and offers abundant convenient parking.

For more information on Strock Enterprises or The Catering Barn, visit <u>www.strocksmeats.com</u> or call (717) 697-2824.



Photo CAPTION:

Owners Kent and Raelene Strock cut the ribbon with Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jeff Palm in celebration of The Catering Barn's grand opening. Also present are Mechanicsburg Mayor Jack Ritter, Beverly Kawaller, District Office Manager for Rep. Sheryl Delozier, and numerous 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.

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