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Penn Community Bank Treasurer Presents Economic Forecast to Eastern MontCo Chamber of Commerce

DOYLESTOWN, Pa. (February 2019) – The U.S. economy should be able to grow at a steady pace in 2019, as long as interest rates do not tighten much further.

That was the message from [Penn Community Bank](#) Treasurer Dorothy Jaworski during a presentation Feb. 13 to the Eastern Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce. Speaking at the chamber's annual Economic Forum and luncheon, Jaworski shared the data and economic indices that she tracks in order to make observations about what might lie ahead for the economy in Bucks and Montgomery Counties and the United States as a whole.

"Our business customers rely upon us for sound, up-to-the-minute financial advice, and monitoring the movements of the markets and interest rates is an important part of that" said Jaworski. "We track a wide variety of economic data, so we can continue to make the smart financial decisions that have enabled Penn Community Bank to remain southeast Pennsylvania's leading mutual financial institution."

Among Jaworski's predictions for the first quarter of 2019: no additional interest rate hikes by the Federal Reserve; continued "normal" slow growth in Gross Domestic Product of 2% to 2.5%; inflation that hovers around the Fed target of 2%.

[Click here to read Jaworski's first quarter economic newsletter.*](#)

In her role as Director of Treasury and Risk Management at Penn Community Bank, Jaworski manages the bank's assets and liabilities, oversees its investment portfolio, and is responsible for enterprise risk management and more. A Senior Vice President, she has served in the financial industry for more than 40 years. Jaworski received an undergraduate degree from West Chester University and earned a master's degree in finance from Temple University. She lives in Collegeville.

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