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## **Chester County Economic Development Council presents 5<sup>th</sup> annual Economic Outlook and Review**

*Event takes place Friday, December 19, 2008*

**EXTON** \_ The 5<sup>th</sup> annual Economic Outlook and Review will be presented by the Chester County Economic Development Council on Friday, December 19, 2008.

The panelists will include Patricia C. Brennan, President of Key Financial, Inc., Ryan Sweet, senior economist at Moody's Economy.com and Gary Smith, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Economic Development Council. The panelists will analyze growth trends, provide project updates, identify challenges, discuss broad economic development strategies, and offer their perspectives on where the regional, national and global economies are heading.

A graduate of Georgetown University and a Certified Financial Planner, **Brennan** not only provides comprehensive wealth management advice, she creates integrated strategies that are unique for each client. Brennan communicates complex financial concepts in simple, understandable and meaningful terms. She has been a guest on various news shows including, CNBC and Comcast's CN8. She has been recognized the last three years in "Barron's TOP 100 Women Financial Advisors In the Nation" and "One of the 50 Most Influential Women in Wealth Management" in *Wealth Manager Magazine*.

**Sweet** is a member of the U.S. macroeconomics team, responsible for forecasting high-frequency economic indicators. Sweet is a regular contributor to the Dismal Scientist and Consumer Flow web sites. He is also responsible for tracking the Pennsylvania economy. Sweet received his master's degree in economics from the University of Delaware and his bachelor's degree in economics from Washington College.

The program begins at 7:45 a.m. and concludes at 9:30 a.m. The event takes place at the Economic Development Council at 737 Constitution Drive, Exton. The cost is \$20 for CCEDC members and \$30 for non-members. For questions contact Kathleen Nader at 610-458-5700 ext. 210 or [knader@cceconomicdevelopment.com](mailto:knader@cceconomicdevelopment.com). Registration can be completed at [www.cceconomicdevelopment.com](http://www.cceconomicdevelopment.com).

The Chester County Economic Development Council is a private, non-profit economic development organization that has been nurturing economic growth in Chester County and the surrounding region for more than 45 years. The Council's portfolio of business growth services includes: low-interest financing, small business lending, workforce training, retention and expansion, customized international business assistance, land and building site selection,

brownfields consultation and remediation, urban redevelopment, and agricultural economic development. The Council also offers state-of-the art conference and training facilities at its brand new facility in Eagleview. For more information, see [www.cceconomicdevelopment.com](http://www.cceconomicdevelopment.com).