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TELEPHONE HOTLINES

Adult Literacy Hotline.....	1-800-228-8813	PACE Fraud and Abuse	1-800-992-2433
AIDS Factline	1-800-662-6080	PACE Information.....	1-800-225-7223
Alzheimer's Disease Association.....	1-800-272-3900	PA Foster Parent Association	1-800-951-5151
APPRISE.....	1-800-783-7067	PA Hunger Action Center	1-800-366-3997
(Health Insurance Assistance Program)		PA Travel Planner	1-800-847-4872
Auditor General's Tipline	1-800-922-8477	PennDOT Highway Maintenance ...	1-800-FIX-ROAD
Banking Complaints/Questions	1-800-PA-BANKS	PennDOT	1-800-932-4600
Child Abuse.....	1-800-932-0313	(License/Registration problems)	
Child Find.....	1-800-426-5678	PHEAA Student Grants and Loans....	1-800-692-7392
Child Support.....	1-877-727-7238	Property Tax/Rent Rebate.....	1-888-222-9190
(Paying/Receiving support)		PUC Consumer Services	1-800-692-7380
Child Support (all others).....	1-877-676-9580	Radon Information	1-800-237-2366
Children's Health Insurance Program		Recycling.....	1-800-346-4242
(CHIP).....	1-800-986-KIDS	Runaway Switchboard (National)...	1-800-RUN-AWAY
Commonwealth Information Center ...	1-800-932-0784	Social Security Information	1-800-772-1213
Consumer Protection Hotline	1-800-441-2555	Special Education (to 5 years of age) ...	1-800-692-7288
Crimestoppers	1-800-472-8477	Special Education (ages 5 to 21)	1-800-879-2301
Corrections	1-800-322-4472	State Health Line	1-877-724-3258
Crime Victims Compensation Board ...	1-800-233-2339	State Park Information	1-888-727-2757
Day Care (Starting a day care).....	1-800-222-2149	State Small Business Resource Center..	1-800-280-3801
Drug Trafficking Tip Line.....	1-877-726-6378	Statewide Adoption and	
Energy Assistance.....	1-800-692-7462	Permanency Network	1-800-585-7926
Elder Abuse.....	1-800-490-8505	Taxes	1-888-PA-TAXES
Eye Care for the Elderly	1-800-222-3937	Terrorism Tipline.....	1-888-292-1919
First Time Home Buyers	1-800-342-2397	Tuition Account Program (TAP)	1-800-440-4000
Food Stamps	1-800-692-7462	Tobacco Quitline	1-877-724-1090
Healthy Babies	1-800-986-2229	Teenline	1-800-722-5385
Insurance Consumer Information	1-877-881-6388	Underage Drinking Tipline.....	1-888-863-3721
Licensed Professionals (Complaints)....	1-800-822-2113	Unclaimed Property.....	1-800-222-2046
Liquor Control Board	1-800-272-7522	Veterans Information.....	1-800-547-2838
Liquor Control Enforcement (PSP)	1-800-932-0602	Victim Advocate	1-800-563-6399
Litterbug Reporting	1-888-548-8372	Welfare Hotline	1-800-692-7462
Long Term Care Helpline	1-866-286-3636	Welfare Fraud Tip Line.....	1-800-932-0582
Medicaid/Medicare	1-800-692-7462	Whistleblower Hotline.....	1-877-888-7927
Missing Children Hotline (National)....	1-800-843-5678	Workers' Compensation	1-800-482-2383
Mortgage Assistance	1-800-342-2397		

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BIOGRAPHY

- Born & raised in Lebanon County.
- Jo Ellen & her husband of 37 years, Jon "Rick," have two grown children and two grandchildren.
- ***Jo Ellen believes in putting people above politics.***
- She is a proven leader who understands that hard work and character serve as the foundation for working families. As the former owner of Lebanon Body Shop, current owner of Litz Company commercial rentals, and a substitute teacher, Jo Ellen knows how hard our families work to build a strong future for our children and our community.
- She has a deeply rooted loyalty to the land, agriculture, and water, serves as president of the Swatara Creek Watershed Association, and grew up learning how to turn obstacles into opportunities.
- She has the ability, time, volunteer resources, & a ***broad-based bi-partisan coalition behind her.***
- In 1995, she won her first bid for Lebanon County Commissioner, and was **re-elected in 2004**. She serves on the Prison board, Election board, Metropolitan Planning Organization board and the board of Cedar Haven, and chaired the Assessment board during her first term as Commissioner. Since then, she also served on the boards of COLT, the Conservation District, Management Information Systems, Penn State Cooperative Extension, MHMR, Renova Center, The South Central Employment Corporation, Tourist Promotion Agency, the Drug and Alcohol Commission, Lebanon Women's Commission; is liaison to the Chamber of Commerce, LV Economic Development Corporation, Housing and Redevelopment Authority, and United Way; and worked with volunteers, House Representatives, Senators, and Governors on business development and preservation of farmland, Swatara State Park, Rails-to-Trails, the Union Canal and Governor Dick. Known as Corridor II, which sets a goal of providing passenger rail to Lebanon, Litz serves on the Modern Transportation Partnership.
- A graduate of both Lebanon Valley College and Kennedy Western University, she earned a reputation as one of the hardest working, most knowledgeable members of the commissioners by developing the **first web site** to keep both employees and the public informed of County business--on topics from droughts to foster parents- www.mbcomp.com/LitzonLebanon . She also earned a reputation as a commissioner who could be counted on to tirelessly serve the working people of this community. In summary, her **experience** as a county commissioner is invaluable. ***Litz Takes Action, and Gets Results.***
- For her **leadership** and diligent work in the community, small business, and the environment, she was:
 - Named a PA Ambassador by Team Pennsylvania,
 - Chosen as Outstanding Business Woman by the LV American Business Women's Association,
 - Presented with the Athena Award by the Chamber of Commerce and Oldsmobile,
 - Recognized as a [Woman of Distinction by the Penn Laurel Girl Scout](#) Council,
 - Awarded national honors by the Daughters of the American Revolution, and
 - Given the Anna Estes Strawbridge award by the PA League of Women Voters.
- Lebanon Valley College honored her with a feature article in the President's Report, in part reflecting the fact that Jo Ellen has given of her time and energy to preserving our land and water.
- Upon completion of the [Academy of Excellence in County Government](#), former Governor Tom Ridge recognized Jo Ellen Litz's leadership on behalf of the people of Lebanon County. In 2006, Litz completed Advanced Academy Certification. In 2007, Litz was appointed to the Academy for Excellence in County Government Advisory Board to establish and review the academy's curriculum, faculty, administration, and marketing to meet the educational needs of the greater CCAP membership.