

Tom Marino

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Marino to business owners: You are 'heart' of the economy

Rep. Marino described business owners as the "heart of our economy" during his June 8 address to the Manufacturers and Business Association at the Williamsport Country Club, Loyalsock Township.

Noting that small business has created 64 percent of all new jobs in the last 15 years, Marino said: "...you – the men and women who make the difficult decisions, who invest time and effort into your companies, who take an idea or a product and turn it into an enterprise – then you truly are the heart of our economy."

The freshman legislator provided a snapshot of the national economic scene: \$14.3 trillion national debt; record-high deficit; and nearly 14 million unemployed Americans.

But, he left the group with a ray of hope.

"For us, nothing is ever hopeless; no situation is ever beyond repair," he said.

He compared the nation's bleak economy status to troubles the business owners may have encountered. If government stays out of the way, Marino said American companies would see better times and reassured them that the new lawmakers have "more faith in the great American entrepreneurial spirit than they do in any federal stimulus program."

Marino said the solution is an economic trifecta: cut government spending; downsize Washington; and keep taxes low.

The congressman gave a rundown of his first piece of legislation, the Federal Hiring Freeze Act of 2011, which would stop all hiring within the executive branch until the federal deficit is eliminated.



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Bradford County salutes its hometown heroes

The Bradford County Hometown Heroes dedication ceremony put faces to the national statistics, Rep. Tom Marino said at the June 4 program at the American Legion Post 42, Towanda.

The congressman commended Americans for their observance of Memorial Day and Veterans Day, adding: "But unless we have lost someone who is close to us, it is often difficult to put a face on these statistics. We attempt to do that today." Marino congratulated Kelly Bradley for spearheading the countywide program that honors residents who served in the military with banners hung along the town's thoroughfares. "She wanted us to look at the banners waving proudly on the streets of Towanda and see the



faces of the heroes who walk among us," Marino said, and thanked her "the consummate teacher, for this great lesson."



Marino Presents Medals to Parents of Veteran

Rep. Marino presented U.S. Army medals to Josette and Joe Zielinski, Elysburg, in a June 8 ceremony at the Sunbury VFW. The medals were earned by the couple's son, E-4 Specialist Joseph Zielinski who died in 2008 at age 26.

Zielinski served from 2001 to 2005 and did a tour in the Middle East.

Telephone Town Hall Attracts 8,000-plus Constituents

Constituents from Snyder, Union, Northumberland, Montour, Lycoming and Sullivan counties took part in the June 15 telephone town hall. At one point, more than 8,500 people were on the line. Here are the results of the questions posed to participants.

Q. In their budget proposal for fiscal year 2012, House Republicans propose significant changes in the current Medicare system through patient-centered reform. Many Democrats in Congress, along with President Obama, want to leave Medicare alone, and allow the already insolvent program to become bankrupt in 2024.

Participants registered these votes:

- 49 percent support the Republican plan;
- 13 percent believe Democrats & the Administration offer a better solution;
- 38 percent feel they need more information

Q. On June 3, 2011, the House passed, with the support of Rep. Marino, House Resolution 292, declaring that the President shall not deploy, establish, or maintain a U.S. military presence on the ground in Libya.

Participants responded:

- 92 percent said President Obama should get the approval of Congress if he wants to continue U.S. military action in Libya
- 8 percent said they think the President does not need congressional approval for continued U.S. military action in Libya.



SCRAPBOOK

Counter-clockwise from near left: Eye Care Specialists, Kingston; Academy Service Day at Wyoming Valley West; representatives of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation; Associated Building and Contractors, Central Pennsylvania Chapter; and Endless Mountain Stone Company, Susquehanna County.

