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Where have all the factory jobs gone?

Local, regional officials seek solution to dwindling factory jobs.

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Tim Scott has suggested borough council work with Carlisle Area School District and Cumberland County to designate old industrial properties in Carlisle as Keystone Opportunity Zones.

A conclusion, Scott made the suggestion last week after Carlisle Tires and Wheel announced plans to close its North College Street plant in 12 to 15 months.

SCD has initiatives now to just what Carlisle needs to retain and create stimulus during jobs, said Scott, chairman of the borough community planning and quality of life committee.

He added SCOA would give the Governor's Action team another tool with which to help companies to either keep or locate plants in Carlisle.

The SCOA program offers companies to develop underdeveloped or under-utilized land

with greatly reduced state and local taxes, according to www.scopa.com - a Web site of the State Department of Community and Economic Development.

Scott explained how the program would require the borough to form a partnership with both the school district and county to reduce taxes on certain properties.

Struggling state
The blue collar segment of the Carlisle area
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Reunited



U.S. Army Sgt. 1st Class (Ret.) Millard Mack Jr., left, of Willingham, N.J., and U.S. Army Lt. Col. (Ret.) Tom Stubbs of Boiling Springs reunited Saturday at the U.S. Army War College after nearly 40 years since they last saw each other during the Vietnam War.

Carlisle

War buddies recall Vietnam memories

Friends reunite after more than 39 years.

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Olive drab fatigues are supposed to be camouflage, but there was no way for Tom Stubbs to hide from his old friend.

An Army lieutenant on his first deployment, he stood out

as the new guy in a unit of seasoned veterans deemed in dirty uniforms faded light given by him.

It was September 1970 and a company had just dropped off the hills of the base Ben had seen the brother whom Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia came together.

Not far away, the first Chet Minh trail wound through the jungles of the central highlands as the major supply line for enemy forces.

"It was obvious I was a share tail," recalled Stubbs, 64, of Boil-

ing Springs. "I even had a bracelet with all my papers."

"Share tail" is military slang for a relatively new and untested lieutenant. It was a true enough description for Stubbs.

A Manhattan native, he joined the Army in 1968 and was commissioned the following year after attending officer candidate school.

He served as a company commander at Fort Dix, N.J., before

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Drug use on the rise

Shippensburg police chief warns officials of increased heroin, prescription drug abuse.

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The numbers may not show it, but Shippensburg police Chief Paul Scott says heroin and prescription drug abuse is on the rise.

Scott warned Shippensburg Borough Council members of increased local drug traffic during a report last week.

"We've seen an influx of prescription drugs, like Oxycontin and Kadian and an influx of heroin," Scott said.

Oxycontin is an opiate derivative used as a pain killer. Kadian is a narcotic system stimulant - more powerful than caffeine, but less potent than methamphetamine - frequently used to treat attention deficit disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

Scott said access to drugs by increasingly youthful users, overdose deaths and the presence of prescription drug dealers are the major concerns.

"This isn't Mayberry anymore," Scott said following Tuesday night's council session. "Heroin and Oxycontin used to be mild problems, but it's growing."

Contributing factors
According to Scott, several factors
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Rendell's legacy, GOP's need for identity collide

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HARRISBURG - When they talk about what they want out of the state's 2009-10 budget, Gov. Ed Rendell and the state Senate's Republican majority have the conflicting visions of the future.

Rendell, a Philadelphia Democrat, insists on more money for public schools to guarantee a vibrant economic future for Pennsylvania, while many Senate Republicans fret about the demands of a bloated government dragging down the economy and business owners like a giant, rusty anchor.

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Both believe they are right.

The opposing end of Rendell's term is adding grit to an already rusty ship. "What the end of the administration does for both sides is it gives them more courage," said David W.

Patti, president and CEO of Pennsylvania for Effective Government, a Harrisburg-based business advocacy group that presses an anti-tax philosophy in state government affairs.

"It's easier for them to stand up to him, it's easier for them to stand up to the Legislature because there's less political consequence," he said.

Patti and other observers note that numerous forces are feeding into this year's stalemate - the longest since 1993, although it took until December in 2009 to finalize a public school budget.

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