

Wallace & Pancher expand employee rolls at fast pace

By Dan Wallace
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Wallace & Pancher Inc. was established in August 2001 with sole purpose of providing professional environmental consulting services for private and public projects.

“Our company has grown rapidly over the last five years, more significantly in 2006, where we hired 14 new full and part time employees”, says Dan Wallace, co-owner and chief engineer with the company. Our services have expanded to include engineering design and construction services.

“Wetland and stream resources and environmental permitting are an important part of any project. Our specialty is working with developers, and owners and environmental agencies to obtain the necessary permits and move projects forward”, says Wallace. “Our mission is to bridge the gap between engineering and ecology”, he continued, which is the main theme of the business strategy.

As the company grew the need for space became a critical element for the company.

“We decided to purchase an existing residence on South Hermitage Road, next door to the LindenPointe Innovative Business Campus. This gave us a community exposure to bring awareness of our company,” says Brian Pancher, co-owner and ecologist with the company.

“Completing local projects that the general public can benefit from is important to me as a native of the area,” says Wallace. “It’s important to me to be part of smart growth for my children’s future and the future of the Shenango Valley.”

Our company has provided design and construction services to many local contractors, developers, and private and public institutions. Our work with community schools and local government has been frequently publicized and highly regarded by local individuals and state/federal environmental regulators and

generated an increased awareness of the environment and the process needed to take a project from initial “conception” through “construction.”

Completed projects include a restoration of Bobby Run, a tributary to Pine Run behind Artman Elementary and Delahunty schools, and the recent construction of the Whispering Pines Recreation Park adjacent to the Hermitage Historical Society on Route 62 and the restoration of Indian Run near the Shenango Valley Mall.

“Whether you are talking about a residential development, a highway relocation or stormwater improvements, every project requires individuals skilled in guiding a project through the environmental process,” says Pancher. “This company was founded on that principle and it remains the focus of our ongoing efforts.”