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First National Bank of Chester County holds reception for Phoenixville's business, community leaders

Event featuring artist Adrian Martinez takes place at Columbia Station

PHOENIXVILLE _ First National Bank of Chester County is holding a reception for Phoenixville's business and community leaders on June 27 at Columbia Station.

"Phoenixville has a rapidly expanding business community," said John A. Featherman III, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of First National. "Also, the community leaders make the region a wonderful place to work and live. We want to introduce them to First National and emphasize our commitment to helping Phoenixville continue to grow."

First National has just opened a Regional Lending and Trust and Investment Office at 347 Bridge Street. The office offers commercial loans, commercial real estate loans and residential mortgages. First National's Business Development representatives will also be available to discuss cash management and deposit product services. In addition, representatives of First National's Trust and Investment Division will be available to discuss trust, investment and retirement services.

First National has also announced that branches will be open in Giant Food stores in Phoenixville and Royersford later this year. The branches will feature full-service banking.

The Columbia Station reception will feature nationally known artist Adrian Martinez of Downingtown. He will display selected works from his series of paintings entitled, *Where Two Worlds Meet: Quakers and Indians in Pennsylvania 1700-1720*. The paintings recently were featured at a show at West Chester University.

"We are honored to have Adrian Martinez take part in the reception," said Kevin Quinn, President of First National. "His paintings are known not only in Chester County but throughout the country."

Martinez's work, which includes portraits, still life paintings, landscapes and historical paintings, combines a classical technique with an intensely emotional vision. His art has been shown in galleries across the United States, including New York, Texas,

California, Delaware and Philadelphia, and his creations are parts of many public collections. In January of 2003 he completed a 10 x 18 foot three-panel mural which was commissioned for the White House by United States President George W. Bush and First Lady Laura Bush. In 2001 the President and Mrs. Bush chose him to design the White House Christmas card. He has had numerous solo shows, including three in Texas.

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