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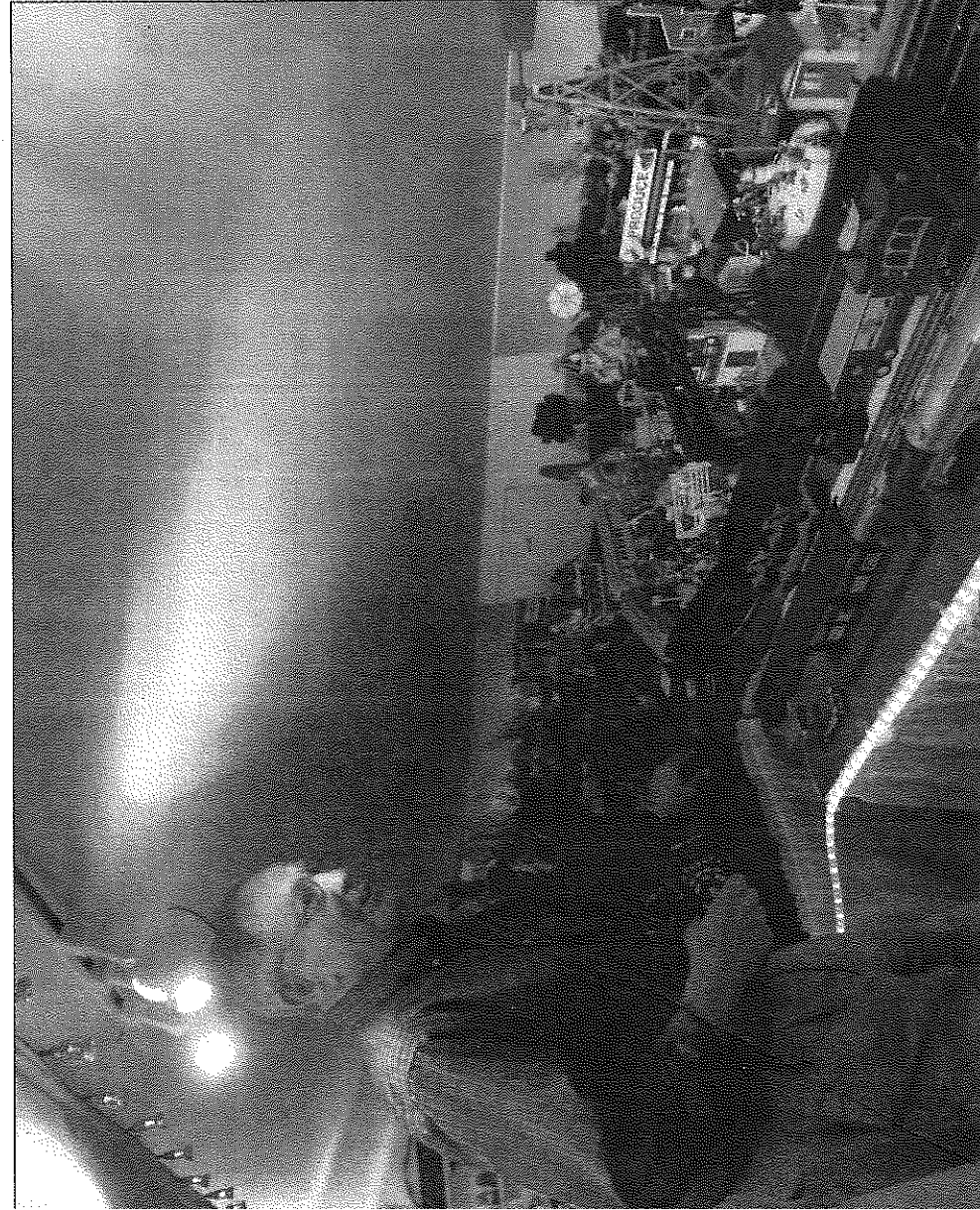
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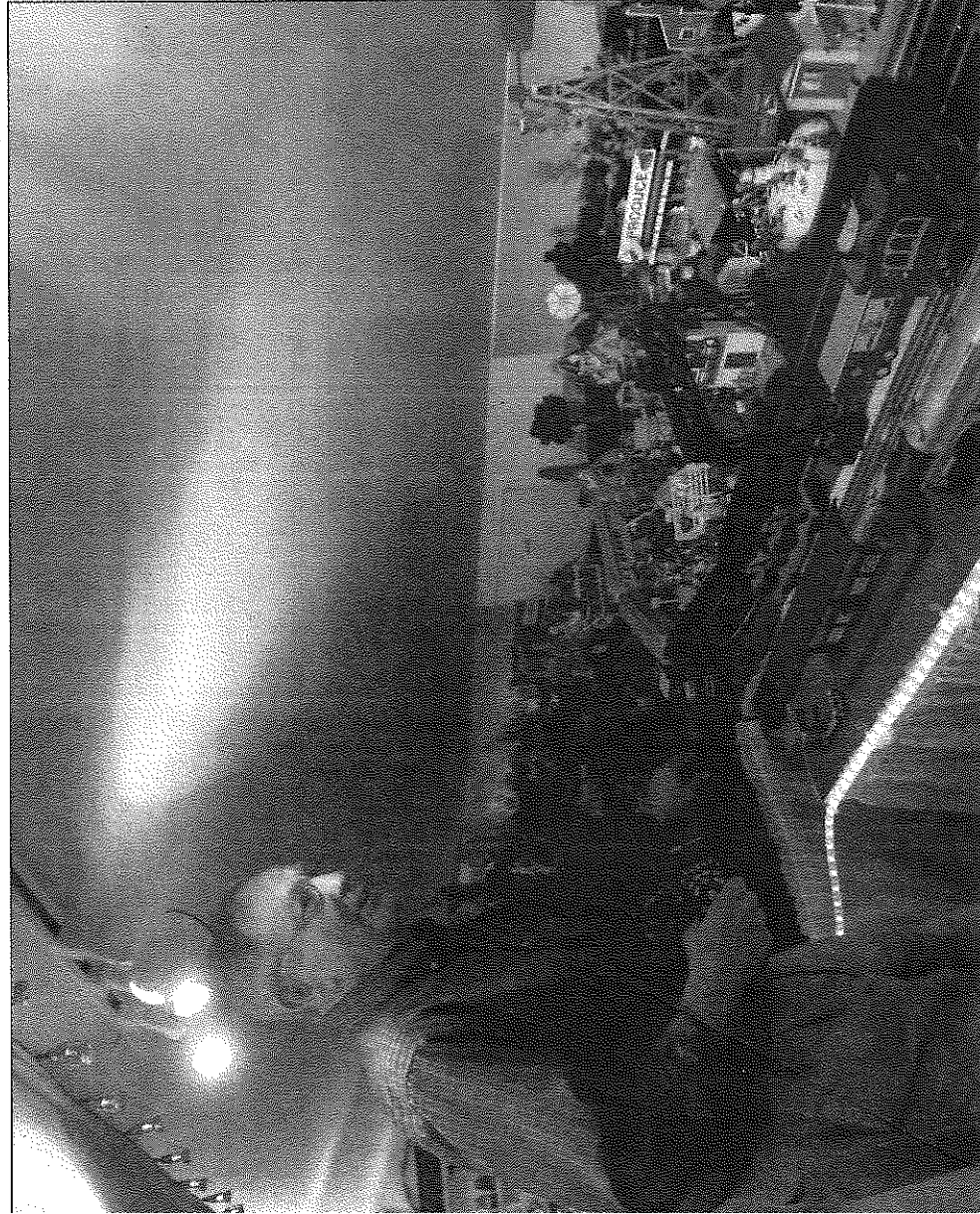
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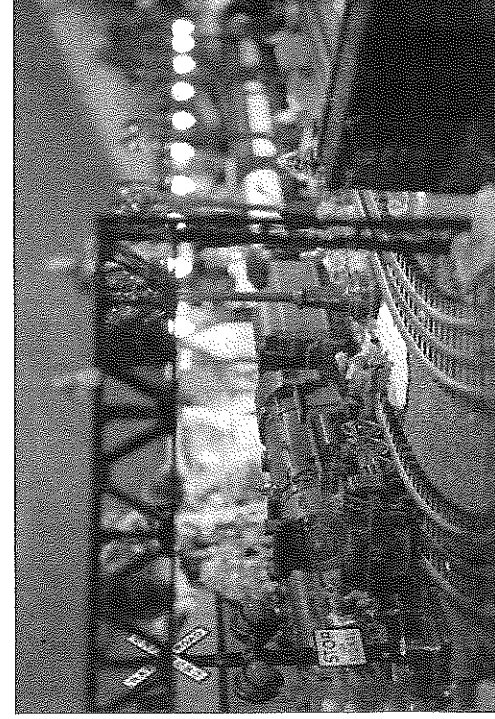
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Spt 2Day: What are some of the unique features of your business?

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We also have Amanda Behring, who receives her hair color training in Paris, France and is now the educator for Dwayne Perrina color line.

Spt 2Day: For you, what is the best thing about coming to work each day? The worst?

PZ: The best thing for me is servicing my clients and looking forward to what new adventure is in store for me that day. Every day is a new and different experience - some challenging and some very rewarding. That comes with the territory

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of owning your own business. I have developed such great friendships that I will treasure forever.

The worst thing for me is the long hours I work every day. Again, comes with the territory of owning your own business, and the profession I have chosen. Our most loyal client is the working woman, so it requires us to work long days.

Spt 2Day: If you could do anything differently, whether that would be a different job or conduct your business in a different way, what would you do?

PZ: I truly enjoy the profession I am in but if I could change anything, I would like to find a balance of managing the business and working behind the chair. I have a tendency to say yes to everyone. My goal for 2009 is to work smarter - not harder. I am also trying very hard to accept people for who they are - whether personally or professionally - and not who I want them to be.

But, if I could have my dream job, I always wanted to be a professional dancer. Who knows? You may see me on Pittsburgh's "Dancing With The Stars" some day. Ha. Ha. Ha. Ha.

..... New website brings employers, students together

The Regional Internship Center (RIC) of Southwestern Pennsylvania will unveil its new employer membership-driven website on June 11.

RIC brings together students and employers throughout the region using targeted outreach and training. The center enables employers and students to explore working together to determine whether they are a good fit for a long-term employment relationship.

Using the RIC website, employers can post job opportunities and review candidate applications. Students can search the database of available opportunities and directly apply to the companies.

More than 4,000 students have been placed into internship positions with employers from various industries and sectors since RIC was founded in 2002. That number continues to grow as more and more students seek real-world learning experiences, and more and more employers look to interns as a way of building a pipeline of talent from which to hire.

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More than 800 employers use the center for human resources support in actively seeking interns. More than 80 percent of the employers that post opportunities with the RIC have 20 employees or less.

The Regional Internship Center partners with more than 70 higher education institutions and has more than 7,000 students with profiles on the website. The RIC staff also provides direct consultation to employers on a number of internship program topics such as starting or strengthening an internship program, writing position descriptions and thinking strategically about how interns can help an organization successfully move forward.

Students seeking internships are offered workshops and trainings through RIC to prepare them for work in a professional setting.

For more information about RIC or the new website, contact tross@coroplitsburgh.org.

..... Employees, wellness focus of May seminar

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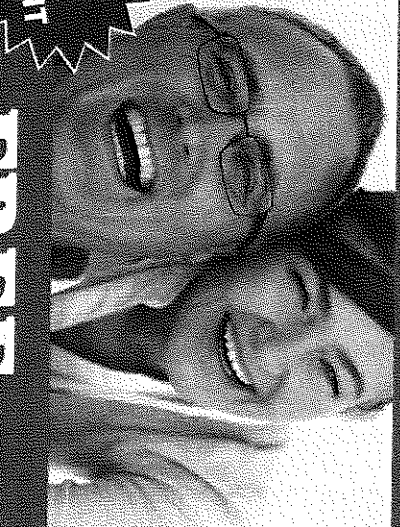
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Registration deadline is May 14 by contacting Southpointe CEO Association executive director Fred A. Perrotta, southpointe-ceo@att.net, 724-743-0974; or fax 724-743-0975.

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