



The Beacon

August 13, 2009

Next Business After Hours

September's Business After Hours will be at **Villas of Briar Leaf Townhomes**, 3233 N SR 39, LaPorte from 4:30 - 6:30 pm on September 17th. Mark your calendars and watch for details in the September Catwalk of Events.

Website Design Class at ECMC

The **Entrepreneur Center Michigan City (ECMC)** in partnership with the Hammond Development Corporation is hosting a "Website Design Class" from 1 to 4 pm on Thursday August 20 at the ECMC, 422 Franklin Street. This workshop will show you how to create your own **FREE website** using Microsoft Office Live. This is a great way to get your business card on the internet. The cost for the workshop is a special price of \$40 offered for MC Chamber members. This covers the workshop and all course materials. Attendees may bring a flash drive containing any photos or text they would like to use to create the site. Space is limited so pre-registration and pre-payment is required. To register or for questions please contact Heather at 219.809.4200 ext. 300 or by email at heather@ec-mc.org.

ED Grad Certificate at PNC

Purdue North Central is now accepting applications for the newly approved Graduate Certificate in Economic Development. This program consists of a series of three graduate level courses that can be taken as a standalone certificate or as part of the MBA program. The program, slated to start on September 12, will consist of the following three project-based courses that work to promote economic development in our region: ECON 551: The Competitive Advantage of a Region, ECON 553: Economic and Social Analyses, ECON 552: The Process of Economic Development. For information regarding the application process, please contact Stephanie Wallace, swallace@pnc.edu, 219-785-5524. For information regarding program content, please contact Dr. Derek Bjonback, dbjonback@pcn.edu, 219-785-5694. Interested participants can apply directly online at: <http://www.pnc.edu/mba/admissions.html>.

Lakefront Art Festival

The **Lubeznik Center for the Arts'** 28th Annual Lakefront Art Festival will run Saturday, August 15th from 10 am to 6 pm and Sunday, August 16th from 10 am to 5 pm, and will be located just east of the park entrance in Washington Park. Festival entry fees are \$4 adults and children under 12 admitted free. Members of the **Lubeznik Center** presenting member tickets also receive free admission. For information, call 219-874-4900 or visit www.lubeznikcenter.org. The Festival is a juried art show, committed to accepting only the finest original and highest quality handmade art. This year 122 artists will display works that include collage, basketry, ceramics, drawing, fiber, glass, jewelry, leather, metalwork, paintings, photography, printmaking, quilts, sculpture, watercolor, wood (furniture, carving and wood burning) and other more specific processes.

Rittenhouse Senior Living of MC

Rittenhouse Senior Living of Michigan City will open in the fall of 2009 at 4300 Cleveland Avenue. Please join us on Saturday, August 15th, from 9-11 am at the **Michigan City Public Library** Meeting Room (100 E. Fourth Street). There will be staff on hand to answer questions, give out information on the community as well as VA benefits, look at floor plans and interior designs. Light refreshments will be served. To reserve your place at our Open House, or for information, call 219-872-6800, email: kdamnell@rittenhousesl.com, or visit, rittenhousesl.com.

Free movie presented by LPSB

LaPorte Savings Bank Westville office has a FREE outdoor showing of WALL-E, in the office parking lot, 1 Parkman Drive on Friday August 21st. Food & Fun at 6:30 pm, the show begins at 8 pm. Free Popcorn & PoPo's Balloon Animals! Bring your blankets and lawn chairs for a great night of family fun! Limited food and soft drinks will be available for purchase.

Thought of the Day

"About the time we can make the ends meet, somebody moves the ends."

- Herbert Hoover

Please route to your staff

The deadline for The Beacon is 3 pm every Wednesday. If possible, send articles in advance.

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