



The Beacon

February 26, 2009

Third House Sessions

The Michigan City and LaPorte Chambers of Commerce are co-hosting the Third House Sessions on Saturday, February 28 from 9 - 11 am at PNC's LSF building room 002. Come out and meet your area State Legislators and get updates on the economic recovery efforts. This is a free event sponsored by NIPSCO. Please call the Chamber if you have any questions.

2009 Business Expo

The Michigan City Area & Greater LaPorte Chambers of Commerce are partnering to bring Chamber members the 2009 Business Expo on Thursday, March 26 at **Blue Chip Casino, Hotel & Spa**. From 3 - 4 pm will be Business to Business networking and from 4 - 7 pm, the expo will be open to the public. Premier Sponsorship is \$500 and includes booth space, banner ad on Chamber website, signage and on all promotional pieces. Exhibitor only booth space is \$175. Entrepreneurs Row is \$75 and is only for businesses under 5 years old. Food booths are free for restaurants wishing to provide appetizers for the event. Call the Chamber to RSVP by February 27 for the Premier Sponsorship.

Leadership LaPorte County

Leadership La Porte County is inviting local citizens to join this year's adult leadership class to visit the State Capitol in Indianapolis on March 10. They will be taking reservations, until the bus is full. The bus will be leaving La Porte at 6 am and return around 6 pm. The group will take a tour of the Capitol building, visit committees, and view the House and Senate if they are in session. Lunch with local legislators is also included. The cost of the trip is \$40 which includes the bus and lunch. To reserve a seat or for questions contact Leadership at 325-8223.

Lake Hills Dedication

The **Michigan City Area Schools** will hold a Dedication ceremony for Lake Hills Elementary School on Sunday, March 1, at 2 pm. Following a short program in the school cafeteria, visitors may tour the new building, which opened its doors on January 22. All members of the community are cordially invited to attend!

Executive Spelling Bee

The Literacy Council of Healthy Communities of LaPorte County will hold its 3rd annual Executive Spelling Bee on March 19, at the **Clarion Inn & Suites**.

Refreshments and a cash bar will be available at 6 p.m. The "Bee" begins at 7 p.m. Join local businesses and organizations as they vie for the "Bee" basket, "Bee" plaque and bragging rights. Advance study spelling lists are available upon registration. For additional information on sponsorship or to register call Sandy Gleim at 326-6232.

Home Safety Beacon Light Program

The Home Safety Beacon Light Program assists emergency personnel to quickly locate a home in an event of a crisis, day or night. An adaptor is added to your front porch light. It works just like a normal light; however, in an emergency your outdoor porch light instantly becomes a flashing signal for help. When activated, your flashing porch light can alert fire, police and ambulance personnel to quickly locate your home. La Porte County TRIAD is offering these adaptors at no charge to any LaPorte County resident, 65 years of age and older or disabled. Supplies are limited so please call Sharon at 874-4288.

Barker Woods Enrichment Center

Barker Woods Enrichment Center is hosting a fundraiser to benefit their center on Saturday March 28 beginning at 5:30 pm at Rag Tops Museum. It will be a '50's diner themed event. Sponsorships include, The Twist for \$1,000 (table of 8), The Cha-Cha for \$750 (table for 6), The Watusi for \$500 (4 tickets) and The Mashed Potato for \$250 (2 tickets.) Dinner will be diner themed and entertainment includes Dr. Sounds Good and Harbor Lights Acapella group. Regular seats are \$30. Call 872-6996 for more information on sponsorships and to RSVP.

Thought of the Day

Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It is the only thing."

- Albert Schweitzer

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

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