

THE SPIRIT OF ENTERPRISE

Upcoming Events in Kosciusko County

Take advantage of free one-on-one business assistance provided in Warsaw by the South Bend Small Business Development Center and Kosciusko Development Inc. Wednesday, December 2nd. Call 267-6311 to schedule a one hour counseling session.

President's Point of View Joy McCarthy-Sessing CEcD

With all the hype about national health care reform at the federal level, we must maintain our vigil on other prominent national legislative issues affecting businesses.

The Employee Free Choice Act, commonly referred to as "card check," is still alive in congress. This is the proposed federal legislation that would remove the secret ballot provision in voting to be unionized. There are other provisions of this proposal that would be detrimental to all businesses regardless of size or type.

Additionally, proposed federal legislation dubbed the "cap & trade" bill is in the hopper. This proposed legislation would be devastating to all Midwest energy consumers because the majority of our electricity comes from coal-fired generating plants. The best approach will be fair public policy that does not burden any consumers (residential or business) and uses proven technology that actually reduces carbon emissions.

Let's not let congress slip anything through!

DA-LITE SCREEN

The Indiana Historical Society recently honored Da-Lite Screen at its annual Foundation Dinner. Da-Lite Screen Co. Inc. received a Centennial Award on October 5th and will be added to the Historic Business Register. In 1909, Adele DeBerri developed a silver painted canvas projection screen that quickly became the standard for the motion picture industry. The successor of that business, Da-Lite Screen Co. Inc., relocated to Warsaw in 1957 and emerged as the world's top manufacturer of projection screens.

Da-Lite's current core business is the manufacturing of standard and custom projections screens, including a 3D projection screen it introduced in 2008. The company's projection screens can be found in conference rooms, education institutions, entertainment venues, meeting rooms and churches. www.da-lite.com

DePuy Orthopaedic, Inc.

DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc. has won this year's **Governors' Award for Environmental Excellence**. DePuy was commended for their innovation.

The award honors their achievements to goals set over the course of five years. Some of those achievements include reducing hazardous waste generation by 9%, reducing carbon dioxide generation by 0.7% and using 19% less water. www.depuy.com

KDI and Chamber Sponsor ODT Expo in Ft. Wayne



More than 400 leading manufacturers and industry experts gathered for the 4th Annual Orthopedic Design & Manufacturing conference in Ft. Wayne. The event builds its reputation for providing timely and relevant educational conference presentations. This year, the conference and exhibition was expanded to two full days offering ample educational and networking opportunities.

Kosciusko Development Inc. and the Warsaw/Kosciusko County Chamber of Commerce were major sponsors for this years event and provided an information booth to market Kosciusko County.

Danco Anodizing recognized for Customer Service

Danco Anodizing was recently featured in Metal Finishing magazine for their high level of customer service. The company's motto—**It Isn't Finished Until It's Finished**. Since 1971, Danco has been meeting the needs of many diverse industries for technically superior surface treatments of machined parts, castings, extrusions and sheet metal products. Danco is approved by most major aerospace and medical corporations.

Danco provides knowledgeable personnel to provide clients with in-depth technical assistance prior to finish application. They also boast perhaps the most important attributes of all: responsiveness to customer requirements, attention to detail and flexibility. www.danco.net

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