

THE SPIRIT OF ENTERPRISE

Upcoming Events in Kosciusko County

Taste & Trade Expo 2008

October 10 & 11 at the Orthopaedic Capital Center at Grace College. County-wide businesses, food samples and local talent.

Take advantage of free one-on-one business assistance provided in Warsaw by the South Bend Small Business Development Center and Kosciusko Development Inc. Monday, October 6. Call 267-6311 to schedule a one hour counseling session.

Interesting Links

Partners in Contracting Corp.
www.piccorp.org

President's Point of View Joy McCarthy-Sessing CEcD

Education and training drives employment and economic growth. Two recent studies by Federal Reserve economists indicate educational attainment as the strongest driver of per capita income and overall output.

In Indiana, our ranking is among the bottom ten states in educational attainment, both for bachelors and associates degrees. We are blessed with excellent public and private schools at all levels in Kosciusko County. It is vital that we continue to invest in making higher education and advanced training more accessible and affordable for our workforce just out of high school and incumbent workers seeking additional skills.

NGINSTRUMENTS

NGInstruments (NGI) located on State Road 15, north of Warsaw is owned by the Nicholas family. It was created from the son Tony's senior project while attending Manchester College. The father, James, worked for several years at a local orthopedic company. The other son, Tim, joined the team after attending Purdue. Daisy, the mother, is active on a daily basis in running the company. The family saw the unmet need for a manufacturer of surgical cutting tools for the medical industry. The company was started in 1995. NGInstruments recently expanded their building to 50,000 sq.ft. and doubled their workforce in the last year.

NGInstruments, Inc. is a contract manufacturer of high quality drills and precision instruments; offering specialized manufacturing services including 5-axis CNC Swiss turning, CNC multi-axis grinding, and laser-etching. They have the capabilities to machine products to a customer's specifications for the medical, dental, and veterinary markets. For more information:

www.nginstruments.com

Biomet

Biomet's Orthopaedic Skills Academy (OSA)

opened in Warsaw in September. The OSA is designed to further improve the communication and efficiency for Biomet's training and educational efforts. The mission of the OSA is to offer orthopedic training and educational programs to orthopedic surgeons, sales representatives and healthcare professionals worldwide. For more information:

www.biomet.com

CTB, Inc. will provide advanced training for 350 of their employees and plan to hire 60 new employees.



Public Invited

October 10 11:00 to 6:00 October 11 10:00 to 4:00
Orthopaedic Capital Center at Grace College
Food Entertainment Exhibits of Local Businesses

CTB, Inc., agricultural equipment maker is upgrading its manufacturing operations in Milford and providing advanced training opportunities for nearly 350 employees over the next two years with the help of a grant from the state's **Skills Enhancement Fund**. Sixty additional employees are expected to be hired during this two-year period.

One of CTB's five core values is that people make the difference. Having the best possible equipment and training is important as they strive to serve customers. www.ctbinc.com

ZIMMER EXPANSION WILL CREATE 100 JOBS

Zimmer Holdings, Inc. recently announced it will expand its operations in Warsaw, adding about 100 jobs in the next several years. Zimmer will invest more than \$19 million to expand its foundry operations. State and community leaders applaud the fact that Zimmer chose Warsaw to continue growing the company, rather than expanding elsewhere. Zimmer and local officials agree that it is because of the quality and expertise of the local workforce. www.zimmer.com

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