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Please take a moment to view our weekly update to keep current on the exciting happenings around the Upper Peninsula.

Governor Granholm Met with Local Employers and Students During Annual Visit to the U.P. Last Week



During her annual visit to the Upper Peninsula, Governor Jennifer Granholm met with individuals who took part in training coordinated by Michigan Works! The Job Force Board through Bay College. The Governor toured the College and its new Besse Center, then met with local employers, students and workers who received assistance from The Job Force Board with training needs.

"You've got to train a workforce; make sure that the young people got to college, make sure that the more mature people have a chance to go back to college, and make sure you've got employers that are willing to hire them," Governor Granholm stated.

Bay College is a key partner with The Job Force Board to meet the training needs of local businesses.

These partnerships not only help local workforce but the participating colleges as well. The Bay College Western Campus has increased enrollment by 15% this semester, and Escanaba's campus is looking at a 10% increase. Online course numbers are also looking up, increasing 20% compared to last semester.



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August 26, 2009
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Michigan Works! Service
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September 3, 2009
Government Contracting
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September 16, 2009
Upper Great Lakes
Economic and Workforce
Development Summit
NMU Great Lakes Rooms

7th Annual U.P. Fall Forum Slated for October

In response to the need for human resource education, idea sharing opportunities and support of the human resource departments of Upper Michigan employers, several area organizations have once again joined forces to present a unique learning opportunity. The Superiorland Chapter of Human Resource Professionals (SCHRP), Upper Peninsula Human Resource Association (UPHRA), Upper Michigan Chapter of the American Society for Training and Development (ASTD) and the Wellness Council of the Upper Peninsula (WELCUP) are pleased to announce the 7th Annual U.P. Fall Forum: Human Resources, Training and Wellness - "It's Not Your Father's HR Anymore!" - open to all interested Upper Peninsula employers, businesses and organizations.

Friday, October 16, 2009
Don H. Bottum University Center
Northern Michigan University
8:15am - 4:00pm

For more information on quest speakers and educational break-out sessions or to register, contact Linda Otto at 906.428.7382. The cost to attend, including lunch, is \$40 for members, \$50 for non-members and \$10 for students. Please register by Friday, October 9, 2009.

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September 17, 2009
IT in the UP
M-TEC at Bay College
Escanaba, MI
For More Information
Contact
906.789.6902

September 30, 2009
**13th Annual Education
Legislative Summit**
Northern Michigan University
Marquette, MI
For More Information
Contact
906.226.5100

October 15, 2009
**Government Contracting
101**
M-TEC at Bay College
Escanaba, MI
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Contact
Trisha DeGrand
800.562.4808 x.231

October 23, 2009
**5th Annual UP Non Profit
Conference**
Northern Michigan University
For More Information
Contact
Ann Gonyea
906.228.8919

2009 Upper Great Lakes Economic & Workforce Development Summit

Save the Date! September 16, 2009

Economic and Workforce Development Summit

9:00 AM – 3:30 PM EST
NMU Great Lakes Rooms, Marquette, MI
Agenda and Program to Follow –
More Information Soon at www.jobforce.org

Here is what last year's participants had to say:

“**E**very year
I leave the Summit
renewed & re-charged! ”

“**G**reat event!
Informative, relevant
and inspiring! ”



Lodging:
A block of rooms are reserved at the
Country Inn & Suites (906-225-1300),
Ramada Inn (906-228-6000) and
the Landmark Inn (906-228-2580).



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Our vision is to create and maintain a healthy and growing economy with a local workforce that has the knowledge, skills and abilities to enable local employers to compete and succeed in a global and technologically sophisticated market place.

Thank you for your continued support of economic and workforce development efforts throughout our region.

Sincerely,

Orrin Bailey
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