



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

### DeCrane Aerospace Aircraft Seating



Jenny Short, Job Force Member (left) and Holly Peoples, Director of Business Services for Michigan Works! The Job Force Board present Jim Tress, General Manager of DeCrane Aerospace Aircraft Seating with the 2009 Marinette Menominee Area Business of the Year Award. The Award was presented during the Marinette Menominee Area Chamber Annual Dinner and Awards Banquet on May 7th.

### Michigan's Mature Workforce: Philanthropy's Response to an Emerging Employment Crisis

**Friday, May 15, 2009 - 8:30am to 3:30pm - Radisson Hotel,  
Lansing**

The goal of this event is to offer cutting-edge information, promising practices and cross-sector discussions to identify strategic intervention for philanthropy to support Michigan's mature workforce, for profit and non-profit sectors.

Topics explored will include:

- How the economic crisis affects the aging population, retirement and volunteering in our communities
- What mature workers want and need to stay engaged in the workforce and the effect on employers
- National and Michigan innovations and best practices for engaging aging populations
- Specific ways foundations can lead and support communities in addressing these workforce issues

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### *Upcoming Events*

**May 15, 2009**  
**4th Annual UP Dental Seminar**  
Bay College University  
Center  
Escanaba, MI  
For More Information  
Contact  
906.789.6902

**May 15, 2009**  
**Michigan's Mature Workforce**  
Radisson Hotel  
Lansing, MI  
For More Information  
Contact  
616.295.6828

**May 20, 2009**  
**Michigan Works!  
Sponsored Business After Hours**  
Marquette Golf Club  
Marquette, MI  
For More Information Contact  
800.562.4808

**May 20, 2009**  
**American Eagle Open House**  
American Eagle Aircraft  
Maintenance Facility  
Sawyer, MI

## UPEDA Summer Session Scheduled



**UPEDA Summer Session**  
**Thursday, June 4, 2009**  
**Pine Mountain Resort and**  
**Conference Center**  
**Iron Mountain, MI**

Energy is a vital component of the success of the Upper Peninsula.  
It fuels our regional economy and the lifestyles of our residents.

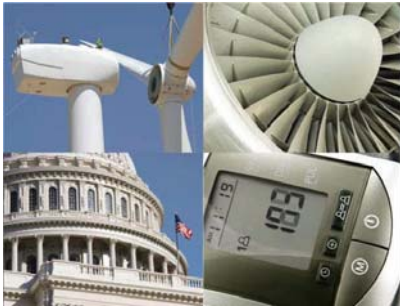
We depend on it for transportation, for manufacturing and business,  
and for our homes and offices.

This year's summer meeting focuses on the context of alternative  
energy and the Upper Peninsula opportunity.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

### Diversifying Michigan Manufacturers

July 15, 2009  
For more information or to register  
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## 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](http://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,**

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