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



Explores the Culture,
Traditions and Economy of the Upper Peninsula

National Public Radio's Weekend Edition Sunday, did a series of stories on the Upper Peninsula. Liane Hansen has been the host of NPR's award-winning Weekend Edition Sunday for more than 18 years, and visited the region recently to explore the culture, traditions and economy of the U.P.

Joe Esbrook, is one of the people promoting these aspects of the U.P. economy. He's the Director of Business and Community Development for Michigan Works! The Job Force Board. "If you look at the Upper Peninsula, even though we are a sticks-and-stones economy - sticks meaning logging and stones meaning mining - we do have a lot of hidden secrets up here," Esbrook says. "One of them is that we're probably one of the most wired rural regions in the United States."

You can access the story and listen to each segment by visiting the NPR website at: www.npr.org.

**William Clay Ford, Jr. to Speak at
Economic Club of Marquette County**

Executive Chairman of Board of Directors - Ford Motor Company and Vice Chairman - Detroit Lions, William Clay Ford, Jr., will speak to the Economic Club of Marquette County on October 19, 2009.



**ECONOMIC CLUB
OF MARQUETTE COUNTY**

Non-members are invited to attend. Dinner cost is \$40 per person. The Ramada hosts the event at 412 W. Washington Street. Social hour starts at 6pm. Dinner begins at 7pm. Speakers follow and conclude promptly at 9pm. Make reservations by calling 906.228.6000 or emailing mqtecon@chartermi.net.

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13th Annual Education
Legislative Summit**

Northern Michigan University
Marquette, MI
For More Information
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906.226.5100

**October 15, 2009
Government Contracting 101**

M-TEC at Bay College
Esکانaba, 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
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Ann Gonyea
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**November 10, 2009
Advance Market Research**

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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
Michigan Works! The Job Force Board

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