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> NEWS & UPDATES

BUSINESS NEWS

ITT & ERAPSCO Secure Defense Contracts

Adding to the region's collection of defense industry contracts and continuing northeast Indiana's tradition of defense/aerospace excellence, the U.S. Department of Defense recently announced that two new U.S. Military contracts have been awarded to Fort Wayne and Columbia City firms, respectively. Fort Wayne-based ITT has been awarded a contract totaling \$22,928,426 while Columbia City manufacturer ERAPSCO was awarded a \$31,316,120 contract.

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Courier Unveils New Warehouse

Following months of expansion and job creation, Courier Inc. has unveiled yet another successful venture. Courier will now continue serving its clients from a new 150,000-square-foot facility which represents a \$10M investment. Collaboration between the city of Kendallville, Noble County and Courier is cited as a pivotal element in the success of this expansion. [Read Article](#)

PearlDiver Adds Medicare Data

PearlDiver Technologies Inc. has announced the initial integration of Medicare data into the company's industry-best database. The inclusion of this data is consistent with PearlDiver's continuing effort to improve health care data analysis to drive better and more cost effective patient care. [Read Press Release](#)

REGIONAL SUCCESS

Weaver Popcorn Credits Area Workforce

For Weaver Popcorn, the workforce and its community has been a driving force behind its success. As the company looks forward to future growth, Weaver Popcorn's relationship with the community will continue to be active and influential. "We want our community to have a good morale," Will Weaver, owner of Weaver Popcorn said. [Read More](#)

Northeast Indiana Cities Honored for Innovation & Sustained Growth

Fort Wayne-based companies, eXcellon Technologies and Sanco Industries were named among the Initiative for a Competitive Inner City's 2009 Inner City

> COUNTY UPDATES

ALLEN

The Fort Wayne-Allen County Economic Development Alliance has named Andi Udris as the new president of the organization. Udris' professional background includes president and CEO of Union Station Kansas City, Inc. and the Economic Development Corp. of Kansas City, director of the Dept. of Economic Development for both Cincinnati and Cleveland and development officer and program specialist for the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. [more](#)

The Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority has announced that Mr. Patrick Dooley has been named VP of airport development and will officially began his duties on May 4. The Fort Wayne-Allen County Economic Development Alliance and the Fort Wayne-Allen County Airport Authority entered into a marketing and development agreement in January 2003. Dooley will be an employee of the Alliance and work out of both the Airport Authority and Alliance offices. [more](#)

DEKALB

Auburn's Rieke Park is now home to one of the area's first "green" pergolas. Constructed from a chemical-free wood product known as Ecoprem, the lumber has a 30-year warranty against rot and decay.

HUNTINGTON

The City of Huntington and the Town of Andrews have approved tax abatement requests from Transwheel Corporation as they consider an expansion at their Huntington facility, potentially creating 21 new jobs as well as the retention of 157 members of their incumbent workforce. [more](#)

100 list. The Inner City 100 list highlights the nation's fastest growing inner-city companies and this year's honorees were recognized for their innovative practices and sustained growth. [Read Article](#)

Avilla Moves to Promote Green Technology Entrepreneurship

Region III-A Development Economic District & Regional Planning Commission's board of directors and the Avilla Town Council have voted to provide \$10,000 respectively towards the creation of a \$2.8M rural business development center in Avilla, located in southeast Noble County. The facility would serve as a small business and entrepreneur incubator with a focus on alternative energy and information technologies. [Read More](#)

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With the help of the Community Research Institute (CRI) and input from our local economic development partners, you now have access to our sales sheets that contain data and information highlighting four of our six industries: [Financial & Insurance Services](#), [Food Processing](#), [Medical Devices](#) and [Transportation and](#)

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Blog Highlight:

"Through Action, EDC Aims to Make Vision A Reality"

Executive Director of Noble County EDC, Rick Sherck, comments on Noble County's strategic planning process, the initiatives that are moving the county forward and the entrepreneurial spirit that is providing a foundation for perpetuating and creating success...

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The City of Huntington has approved waiving filing fees for tax abatement applications through the end of 2009.

NOBLE

Noble County EDC Executive Director, Rick Sherck, emphasizes strategic planning and action in his commentary on Noble County's progress and vision. Published in the Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly, Sherck highlights the county's efforts in three main categories: marketing, site inventory and work force development. [more](#)

WELLS

Special guest Lt. Governor Becky Skillman addressed Wells County Leadership Academy's inaugural class at a special graduation luncheon held on May 20. Graduating leadership students also received special recognition from Senator Richard Lugar. The leadership academy will begin working with their second leadership class in September. [more](#)

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