

**April 1, 2013**



**SEE PAGE 3 FOR A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!**

**The Northern Indiana Rail Conference**

The Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce and the Crossroads Regional Chamber will host The Northern Indiana Rail Conference: Junction 2013 at on Friday, April 19, 2013 at Dynasty Banquet, 4125 Calumet Avenue, Hammond, IN 46320 from 11:00 am- 1:00 pm. The cost is \$25.00.

The conference will feature Hammond's New Potash Project & It's Impact on Northwest Indiana and much more.

Due to limited spacing, prepayment is required.

Please confirm your reservations by calling the Lakeshore Chamber Office at (219) 931-1000 by Tuesday, April 16, 2013. Please note that you can prepay over the phone with Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express.



The Northern Indiana Rail Conference:

**Updates on the Nine Span Bridge Demolition**

The demolition is alive and well for the Nine Span Bridge which is formally located on the corner of Michigan Street and Indianapolis Blvd. For a quick look into the demolition, please click the following link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gTWi5Eleag> For updates on the Nine Span bridge project and news from INDOT in Northwest Indiana, [www.trafficwise.IN.gov](http://www.trafficwise.IN.gov). Contact the LaPorte District toll free at 1-855-GO-INDOT.

**Corps of Engineers Public Meeting for 2013 Indiana Harbor Dredging**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Indiana Harbor and Canal dredging contractors will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at East Chicago City Hall, 4525 Indianapolis Blvd. (2nd floor) East Chicago, Ind. 46312 at 5:00 pm to present the 2013 schedule and dredging activities, which is expected to begin the first week of April. additional project information is available at the dredging air monitoring data website <http://www.indianaharbordredge.com> For more information please contact Vanessa Villarreal at 312-846-5331 or e-mail: [Vanessa.villarreal@usace.army.mil](mailto:Vanessa.villarreal@usace.army.mil)

**Wine Down Wednesday At El Taco Real!**



**Join the Ambassador Committee and increase your visibility at our events!! For more info, please call (219) 931-1000**

**The TIMES Presents "It Pays To Buy Local" Business Promotion**

The Northwest Indiana Chambers of Commerce have partnered with each other and The Times Media Company in a MEGA promotion called "BUY LOCAL" to drive consumer traffic to local chamber member businesses. As a chamber member, you will automatically receive "BUY LOCAL" in-store promotion pieces as well as have your business name listed on the "BUY LOCAL" website at no charge. Additionally, you are eligible to participate in other exclusive advertising packages that maximize exposure for your business and fit ANY budget. 26-week packages are available for a total investment of \$150, \$840 or \$2,250. Your local TIMES Media Company representative will be contacting you to discuss this program in the next couple of weeks. These opportunities will only be available through April 2013. Contact Kate Stephens at 219-662-5354 to schedule an appointment.





### APRIL 3

#### Entrepreneurship 2.0 “Leading the Way in the New Economy”

11:30am – 1:000pm; Hammond INnovation Center, 5209 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, IN. Brian A. Thompson, Principal Consultant at Black and Essington Solutions, LLC. Advises companies and organizations on business strategy and decision- making. The fee is \$20 – includes a boxed lunch. To get more information or to register contact the Hammond INnovation Center at (219) 750-1200 or email [register@hicnwi.org](mailto:register@hicnwi.org)

### APRIL 5

#### 2013 Methodist Hospitals State of the Organization Address

11:00 am; Genesis Center, One Genesis Plaza, Gary, IN 46402. Buffet lunch will be served. Please RSVP by calling (219) 886-5972 or e-mail [CorporateCommunications@MethodistHospitals.org](mailto:CorporateCommunications@MethodistHospitals.org)

### APRIL 11

#### An Evening to Benefit The Catherine McAuley Clinic

5:30 pm; Towle Community Theater, 5205 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, IN 46320. Join us for a special presentation of the comedy, “Laughing Stock”. Come enjoy Hors d’oeuvres, sparkling water & soft drinks and special desserts included with ticket, cash bar, and silent auction. For reservations, please call (219) 937-8780 or visit [www.towletheater.org](http://www.towletheater.org)

### APRIL 13

#### Centier Bank Hosts Health & Wellness Fair at Morton High School

9:00 am– 12:00 pm; For more information, please e-mail [kblack@centier.com](mailto:kblack@centier.com)

### APRIL 17

#### McShane’s, Inc. presents McShane’s Promo Expo

10:00 am– 2:00 pm; Avalon Manor, Merrillville, IN. Come enjoy plenty of giveaways, door prizes, food & spirits. Win over \$100 in promotional products. For more information, please contact Ed Thompson at [ethompson@mcshanes.com](mailto:ethompson@mcshanes.com) or call 219.924.1400 x336

### APRIL 19

#### The Northern Indiana Rail Conference Junction 2013

For more information, please see first page or call (219) 931-1000 to register.

### APRIL 20

#### It’s Just Serendipity Record Store Day & the Find Indoor Garage Sale!

2 FAB events in one day! 10:00 am- 6:00 pm, 5630 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, 46320 219.932.NEAT (6328)

### APRIL 20

#### Haven House Presents “Comedy in the Region”

7:00 pm and 9:00 pm; Tickets are \$20.00 each with 25% of all ticket sales going to Haven House. Haven House is a shelter for victims of domestic violence. Please visit [comedyintheregion.com](http://comedyintheregion.com) for ticket sales or call Nicholette at Langel’s Pizza at (219) 923-4900. Must be 21 and older to attend.

# Save The Date



## 2013 LAKESHORE CHAMBER CROSTOWN CLASSIC

Chicago Cubs vs. Chicago White Sox



TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2013

*Game Time: 7:00 pm*



## 2013 LAKESHORE CHAMBER GOLF OUTING

Lost Marsh Golf Course

JULY 10, 2013



## 2013 LAKESHORE CHAMBER BASEBALL OUTING

Chicago White Sox vs. New York Yankees



AUGUST 5, 2013  
*Game Time: 7: 10 pm*



## 2013 LAKESHORE CHAMBER BUSINESS EXPO



Dynasty Banquet  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2013

For inquires contact our office at: 219.931.1000