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Charles Weaver Selected for Ancilla Award

***SCEDF Executive Director Honored
for Service to College and
Community***

Ancilla College, located in Donaldson, Indiana, recently awarded its highest honor to long-time College Board Member Charles W. Weaver. Weaver has served as Executive Director of the Foundation since August of 1985 and prior to that, served as legal counsel to the Foundation, along with serving a term as its President, and also as a Board Member.



Ronald May, Ancilla College President presents the Ancilla Award to Charles W. Weaver.

Weaver has served on the Board of Trustees of Ancilla College for 20 years, including 5 years as

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Foundation to Host "Prospectus and Achievements Night"

***Inaugural Robert E. Hamilton Award
Among Honors to be Handed Out***

Public Invited to Attend

The Starke County Economic Development Foundation will play host to its "Prospectus and Achievements Night" on November 10, 2011 beginning at 5:30 Central Time at the Knox Community Center. Plans call for Hors d'oeuvres and beverages to be served with a program commencing at 6:15. That program will honor four industrial companies who have operated in Starke County for over 50 years each, as well as four companies who have announced expansion plans during 2011. Also scheduled to receive honors are the ten members of the Lead Track and Cross Dock Facility Team that was recently inducted into membership of the Society of Innovators of Northwest Indiana.

Charles W. Weaver, Executive Director, will give a report of the economic development highlights of 2011 and what might be expected in 2012 for Starke County, and the night will culminate with the awarding of the initial Robert E. Hamilton Award,

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Chairman of the Board. He has served on numerous committees of the Board and has always been known for his enthusiasm and support for the College. In addition, Weaver has given his expertise to any number of Starke County organizations.

In accepting the award, Weaver paid tribute to his own father along with his mentor and partner in the practice of law Orville Nichols, for his father's teaching of the need to make positive contributions of service to the community that you live in, and for Nichols having first introduced him to Ancilla College.

The Ancilla Award was initiated in 1975 and honors someone who has a distinguished record of community service as well as having been a loyal and dedicated supporter of the College.



UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

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| November 4 | QuickBooks Essential Training . 2nd Session at Purdue Calumet Academic Learning Center in Crown Point from 1:00 . 4:00 p.m. |
| November 15 | Launch Your Own Business Workshop . Hammond Innovation Center from 6:00 . 8:00 p.m. |

More information is available on the NWSBDC website at

<http://www.isbdc.org/location/northwest-isbdc/>

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named in honor of the now deceased banker widely believed to be the Founding Father of the Foundation. This Award was established by action of the Foundation's Board of Directors and first announced at last December's 25th Anniversary of the founding of SCEDF. It is to be awarded to a person who has contributed a great amount of service in the field of economic development and well as the community as a whole.



The Starke County Initiative for Lifelong Learning (SCILL) was created by the Foundation in 1996 to assure Starke County employers that a qualified workforce would be available. SCILL works in communication with area employers to provide a customized, innovative training program that meets the needs of area employers and employees.

One of the programs offered at the SCILL Center is an Automotive Technology program where students from 10 area high schools can learn the ins and outs of automobiles. Several students go on from this program to attend training school, while others go directly into the job market. Recently, representatives from Lincoln Tech, University of Northwest Ohio, UTI, Baker College and School of Automotive Machinists have all been at the Center with recruitment efforts.

Another aspect of this program is community service. Scheduled activities this fall include leaf raking for the elderly, in conjunction with the City of Knox, a used coat drive, and a Lady's Car Care Clinic. The students help in all aspects of these projects.