



Leadership Fort Wayne

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LFW NAMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Cheri Becker has been named executive director of Leadership Fort Wayne after a search process led by Clifford Clarke, Board president. "Cheri brings a wealth of experience to Leadership Fort Wayne to help us build on past success and forge new pathways to develop the community's present and future leaders," said Clarke of Becker's choice.

Becker, a Leadership Fort Wayne graduate, most recently was with JobWorks, Inc, as a regional vice president, and she was past executive director of Invent Tomorrow. "Cheri's leadership experience in fund raising, grant writing and marketing along with her development of projects such as "Food for the Fort" provide a background perfect for the top position of executive director of LFW," said Irene Walters, LFW board member and member of the LFW search committee.

Becker's volunteer service includes serving on the boards of Indiana Tech, the History Center, the Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Board of Commissioners and past chair of the YWCA Circle of Women Steering Committee.

As LFW's executive director, Becker will oversee the five programs of Leadership Fort Wayne: the signature Leadership Fort Wayne (LFW) program which trains community leaders in a nine month course of study, the Northeast Indiana Nonprofit Alliance (NINA) which provides training and networking for nonprofit leaders and their staff, Youth Leadership Fort Wayne (YLFW), Youth as Resources (YAR) and Leadership Exploration and Development (LEAD.) She will also be responsible for development and marketing.

ROTARY LOOKING FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS

Rotary International elects and pairs exchange teams of young professionals from around the world and is now looking for its 2010 team members. This vocational and cultural program will focus on the performing arts, pairing northern Indiana with Guanajuato, Mexico. It's a life-changing experience for professional performance artists from northern Indiana between the ages of 25 and 40. For an application (the deadline is September 30, 2009) or more information, send an email inquiry to Rotary6540@gmail.com.

Steak and Taste Dinner for Boys & Girls Club

Mark your calendar for October 8 for this event. Reception begins at 5:30 with the Program and Dinner beginning at 6:30. For more information, call 744-0998 x 19.

ALUMNI EVENTS PLANNED

Meet with the Mayor and hear about the plans for Renaissance Square.

On Thursday, Oct. 8 LFW Alumni and their guests are invited to meet at 5:30 for a social gathering at Renaissance Square, 200 E. Berry St, and then at 6:00 Mayor Tom Henry will discuss the plans for Renaissance Square. Make your reservation by emailing Tonia Fleming at flemingt@ipfw.edu. Cost: \$10 for food & soft drinks. There will be a cash bar.

Meet LFW's new Executive Director, Cheri Becker, and the new Leadership Fort Wayne Class of 2010 at Columbia Street West.

A reception will be held on Thursday, October 29, from 5-7 in the back room at 135 West Columbia Street. Heavy appetizers will be served with a cash bar. Cost is \$10.00 per person collected at the door. RSVP to Tonia Fleming by October 22 at 481-6112 or email at flemingt@ipfw.edu.

NEWS FROM NINA:

Upcoming NINA Events:

- Sept. 23**—Reunion of Emerging Leaders classes of 2007, 2008, 2209, noon, Casa's on Fairfield
- Oct. 9** --- Part I, Nonprofit Leadership Dialogue: Structural Strategies for Uncertain Times, 9 am-noon, Rolland Gallery, Arts United Center.
- Oct. 23**—Executive Director Networking 11 am to 1 pm; location to be determined.
- Nov. 20** --- Part II, Nonprofit Leadership Dialogue: Structural Strategies for Uncertain Times, 9 am to noon, Arts United Center

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ACRES HOSTS EVENTS

ACRES is having its 5th annual nature photography and Wine Tasting Program at Artlink Gallery on Sat. Oct. 3 from 5:00 - 7:00. Call the ACRES office to order your tickets: 637-2273. They will also be kicking off their 50th anniversary with the author of the best selling book "Last Child in the Woods," Richard Louv. Tickets are on sale at the IPFW Rhinehart Box office. To reserve your tickets, call 481-6555.

WRITE A WILL PARTNERS SOUGHT

Leave a Legacy®, a subcommittee of the Planned Giving Counsel of Northeast Indiana, is once again organizing *Write a Will* week, which will take place the week of November 9-13. If you are interested in being a partner in this program, please contact Neil Anderson at 260-426-4083 or NAnderson@cfgfw.org.

OUR MISSION:

The mission of the Leadership Fort Wayne organization is to train, prepare and inspire individuals to positively impact the community through meaningful engagement.

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