

The Humber Current



Celebrating 15 years

Wow! The Humber Economic Development Board (HEDB) is celebrating its 15th year of operations! This is a significant accomplishment and testament to the hard work of so many who have played a role in making HEDB what it is today.

Since 1996, HEDB has been partnering with organizations in the economic region of Zone 8 to create initiatives and strategies that foster economic growth and create opportunities. With the caliber of projects currently underway, we expect to gather many more years under our belt. Congratulations to our current and past Board members, volunteers and staff.

Business Wings Launches FREE 30-hour Courses

After much success with the Business Wings program, HEDB has decided to expand the program to provide more opportunities for entrepreneurs in the region. What's the best part aside from gaining relevant business skills and expanding your portfolio? It's absolutely FREE!

Our regular three-hour Business Builder sessions will continue to be offered bi-weekly at the College of the North Atlantic this fall, but we will also be offering 30-hour skill enhancement courses at Academy Canada in bookkeeping and Simply Accounting. As well, over the summer, 16 participants successfully completed a Project Management course offered through the Business Wings Program. To register for any of our courses, please contact Andrew.

Upcoming Events:

Business Wings Sessions: There will be Business Wings Sessions on September 15th, and September 29th. Topic to be announced.

BSAN Quarterly Meeting: September 20, 2011. Please contact us for more information.

HEDB Annual General Meeting: The event will be held on September 27, 2011 at the Reidville Community Hall.

Small Business Week: Mark your Calendars for Small Business Week to be held from October 17 - 21.

Bookkeeping 30 hr Course will begin on September 19, 2011 at Academy Canada starting at 6 pm.

Simply Accounting 30 hr Course will begin on October 11 at Academy Canada starting at 6 pm.

"The only way to do it is to go through it."

- Carl Jung

Other Points of Interest.....

- After celebrating our Board Appreciation event on July 19th, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to the HEDB's Board of Directors. This event took our members on a cultural tour of Woods Island. Our Board of Directors is committed to the well-being of our organization and we would not achieve our goals and objectives without you. For this, we say "Thank-you!"
- **AGM - September 27th, 2011**
The Annual General Meeting will be featuring guest speaker, Alisha Grant from the Antigonish Exhibition Grounds in Nova Scotia. This public event will be held at the Reidville Community Hall in Reidville, NL on September 27th at 6:00p.m. You are invited to attend. Please RSVP to info@humber.nf.ca or by calling (709) 686-6390.
- **Small Business Week is coming to Pasadena!**
Mark your calendars! Small Business Week will take place the week of October 17-21. It will kick off with an opening reception at Marble Mountain at 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. on October 17th. This event will be the launch of HEDB's Small Business Week events in Corner Brook, Pasadena and Deer Lake. A full schedule of the Pasadena Small Business Week events will be posted on our website www.humber.nf.ca and on the Business Wings Facebook page www.facebook.com/businesswings.
- **Agriculture Research Coordinator Report Summary - Now Available!**
Visit our website www.humber.nf.ca to download a copy of the Agriculture Research Coordinator Report Summary, written by HEDB's Agriculture Research Coordinator, April Elms and compiled by DINTRD summer student, Nicole Oxford. This was a 6-month project to research the agriculture history in the province including financial supports, products and programming available to farmers as well as the needs, struggles, and successes that farmers have experienced.

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- **Business Wings Takes Flight in Deer Lake**
For the first time, Business Wings will be stepping outside of the city of Corner Brook. That's right, Business Wings will be offering two lunch-and-learn sessions in Deer Lake on October 6 and November 3. The highly successful program has a large participation rate from Corner Brook, but some participants travel from outside communities, such as Pasadena and Deer Lake. So we are aiming to expand the program to other communities in the region. To register for these sessions or to learn more, contact Andrew.

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