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**The EDC mission
is to promote
the economic
well-being of
Pennington
Borough.**

Annual Business Award Comes to Pennington Borough

The Pennington Borough Economic Development Commission announces the first annual Business Award to be presented in January 2009. The purpose of the award is to recognize, promote and reward the achievements and accomplishments of Pennington Borough business men and women who have made a difference and contributed to the success of their business, as well as contributed to the betterment of the quality of life in the community.

Selection criteria and eligibility requirements include maintaining a permanent business location in Pennington Borough; one year in operation prior to year of the given award; stability and successful growth as a business; strong community involvement and customer friendly service.

Let us know about a Pennington Borough business person who deserves recognition for his or her outstanding achievements and contributions. Nominating forms are available to download on the Pennington Borough website at www.penningtonboro.org, or can be picked up at Borough Hall, located at 30 North Main Street.

Businesses can be nominated by anyone, including owner, employee or customer. Self-nominations are encouraged. Deadline for nominating a business is October 31, 2008. The award will be presented in January 2009.

Prizes for the winner in recognition of their achievements include permanent certificate to hang in your place of business, commemorative plaque in Borough Hall, and Mayor's proclamation.

For more information about the Pennington Borough EDC 2009 Business Award go the Borough website at www.penningtonboro.org, under Economic Development, or call Rachel Torpey at 737-7344.

Upcoming Events

Music and a Movie, Kunkel Park, 5 pm, Oct. 10 (Oct 17 raindate).

First ever Hopewell Valley Green Market scheduled for October 18th on front lawn of The Pennington School. Believing that locally-owned businesses contribute to the economic and environmental health of a community, Hopewell Valley Green Market on October 18th will highlight the “green value” of Pennington's merchants and showcase the variety of earth-friendly products available in our neighborhood. A super-celebratory—almost giddy—atmosphere will pervade the front lawn of the Pennington School from 10 AM-3 PM. Rain or shine. For further info, call event chairman Tom Adelman at (609) 303-0035, or check out www.hopewellvalleygreenmarket.org

Pennington Presbyterian Church annual Harvest Fair celebration also Saturday, October 18th will take place on South Main Street

PBPA announces 24th Annual Holiday Walk to be held December 5th

The Current Economic Situation in New Jersey

At the recent Economic Development Workshop at Rutgers University, Dr. James Hughes, Dean of the Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, stated that New Jersey has been among the hardest hit states by the economic downturn, but that New Jersey's per-capita income has remained well above that of the nation. He also said that New Jersey's second-highest household income in the nation combined with the highest population density in the nation (over 1000 persons per square mile), gives New Jersey a very strong consumer base.

New Owner in the Borough

The Potter's Alley, 23 West Delaware, is now owned by local residents Karen and Arthur SanFilippo. We heartily welcome them. They invite you to come in, say hello, and tap into your creative side. In addition to traditional pottery pieces, they now have fused glass to paint also.

Commercial Spaces Available

There are several spots available in the Borough for lease or sale. Please inform your business contacts about these opportunities and tell them that Pennington Borough is OPEN FOR BUSINESS.

Send us announcements about your business so that we can include them in our next newsletter. Contact Will Dickey at 737-0914 or wdickey@lawrenceville.org.

This newsletter and previous issues are available online at www.penningtonboro.org

Take pride in the appearance of your business by planting fall flowers, keeping sidewalks clean or creating new window displays as a way to attract customers.

Always remember to support Pennington Businesses!