

If you are interested in attending any of these events available to small businesses in the region or have an idea for an event topic, please contact Jo Cramer at 814.677.4800 x113.

Upcoming Events:

April 20, 2010 **“How to Research and Buy a Franchise”**

9:00 a.m.-11:30 p.m.

Gannon University SBDC

Presented by Gannon Small Business Development Center

Topics covered include:

Determining what you want a business to do for you.

Types of franchises available and cost ranges.

Investment costs associated with owning and operating a franchise.

Using a successful process to investigate a franchise.

Discussion on FTC regulations and Franchise Offering Circulars.

April 29, 2010 **“Doing Business with the Government”**

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Clarion University SBDC

Presented by Clarion Small Business Development Center

Puzzled by government contracts? We will help you put the pieces of the contracting puzzle together. Learn how your business can sell to local, state, and federal government entities.

April 28, 2010 **“Tax & Bookkeeping Issues for the Small Business Owner”**

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Clarion SBDC

Presented by Clarion SBDC

Taxes and bookkeeping issues will always be an important aspect of your business. Join Joy Kennedy, a CPA to learn more about business tax deductions, fixed assets and depreciation, and compiling information for your tax preparer. Joy will discuss tax and bookkeeping issues for Sole Proprietors (Schedule C), Partnerships, Corporations, and LLC's.

April 30, 2010 **“17th Annual Legal Conference Video Replay”**

8:00am-3:00pm

Venango Campus, Clarion University

Oil City, PA 16301

Presented by Clarion SBDC

Family Law - Estate Planning - Worker's Compensation - Estate and Inheritance Tax Update

Federal and State Income Tax Update - Stress Management for Lawyers

Current State Legislation - Judges Panel

“First Step Workshops: Starting and Growing a Successful Business”

Presented by Gannon & Clarion Small Business Development Centers

New business start-ups and entrepreneurs without previous business experience are encouraged to attend one of the Gannon or Clarion SBDC First Step Workshops before meeting with a SBDC consultant.

May 1, 2010

9:00am – 12:30pm

Clarion-presented by Clarion SBDC

May 6, 2010

5:30pm – 8:30pm

Crawford County-presented by Gannon SBDC

May 13, 2010

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Erie-presented by Gannon SBDC

June 5, 2010

9:00am – 12:30pm

Clarion-presented by Clarion SBDC