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New Director of Economic Development: Lynchburg City Manager Kimball Payne announced the appointment of Marjette Glass as the Director of the City's Department of Economic Development. Glass replaces former director Mary Jane Russell who retired July 30.



Grow One™ a huge success this summer: A collaborative partnership between The Center for Economic Education at Lynchburg College, nonprofit blue KIWI™, and The City of Lynchburg Office of Economic Development resulted in the inaugural residential Grow One™ Summer School. The one-week camp for area rising 7th graders to learn how to become entrepreneurs and business leaders. Students said:

- *I liked the fact that we actually got to experience business.*
- *...meeting new people and learning to start businesses. It was a great experience.*
- *Before I came here I already wanted to start a vet business of my own but now it has made me know how and really want to.*

Grow One instills entrepreneurial spirit in area kids, News & Advance, July 17, 2007



The Industrial Development Authority approved an estimated \$20K conversion of warehouse space to engineering labs at its Millrace Dr building, which houses AMTI. According to AMTI President Larry Hatch, the project will provide room for 8 new engineers. AMTI specializes in product-to-market services, works in product development, providing prototyping services as well as manufacturing and distribution for electronics. August 16, 2007.



Lynchburg Named Among Top 20 Small Metros for Recruitment and Attraction. by Expansion Management. August 21, 2007.



Lynchburg, VA named among Best Places to Live + Play by National Geographic September 2007

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411 Informational Series: September 11.: How local employers are utilizing talent in our own backyard. Hear from college interns and their supervisors about the scope and value of internships. RSVP to Marjette Glass at marjette.glass@lynchburgva.gov



Business to Business Luncheon: Meet your neighbors, find out what we're working on, voice your opinion and tell us what you need. We want to hear from you! Held annually for each Industrial Park as well as some industry sectors, and geographic business neighbors. Open to members of the business sector being addressed. RSVP to Mariette Glass, 455-4492 or

marjette.glass@lynchburgva.gov. **October 10** - Rock Castle & Mill Ridge Industrial Parks. Hosted by Charley's



CEO Mixer: September 26. A special event where chiefs of Lynchburg's 25 largest employers and their spouses meet in a purely social setting. For information, contact Marjette Glass at 455-4492 or marjette.glass@lynchburgva.gov



Women's Executive Luncheon Series: September 27 will feature the theme of The DALE Principle: Dreaming, Acting, Living, Excelling! Join the Lynchburg Regional Chamber of Commerce for each luncheon designed to provide you with resources, tips, and interaction with other professionals that deal with the same issues as yourself!

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Business to Business Luncheons: August 29, 2007 The Annual Business to Business Luncheon for Lynchburg Center for Industry was held on August 29th, 2007. The luncheon was graciously hosted by Wegmann USA. Business neighbors had the opportunity to discuss their biggest challenge over the next five years. Chuck Warren gave everyone a tour of Wegmann USA.



City Hall Display: La Li D's Boutique (Wyndhurst) is a full service boutique for women who want a special look for an affordable price. Offering apparel, accessories and gifts in sizes x-small through 3x. For more information or directions call 582-5006 or www.LaLiDs.com



411 Informational Series: July 20 on Grow One™ Summer Camp Launch. in partnership with Center for Economic Education at Lynchburg College and blue KIWI™



Business to Business Luncheons: July 18, 2007 The Annual Business to Business Luncheon for Downtown was held at Riverviews Artspace. Joan McCallum, one of the original visionaries for Riverviews and a current Board member, welcomed the group. Discussion ranged from parking to downtown re-development.

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