



## Talking Feather News for the week of August 27, 2007

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### Business Opportunity



#### Open Call for Native American Landscape Architecture Firms

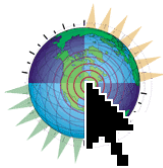
The **Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians in Palm Springs, CA** is facilitating five large public art pieces and is looking for a Native American owned Landscape Architecture firm to provide one or all of these artworks. If you are interested in bidding on this job, please contact David DeRosa, Assistant Planner, Planning & Development Department at (760) 883-1941 or e-mail him at [dderosa@aguacaliente.net](mailto:dderosa@aguacaliente.net).



#### Detroit Water & Sewerage Department Request for Proposals for the Renovation Of 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Security Offices

The **Detroit Water & Sewerage Department (DWSD)** has put out an announcement requesting proposals for Design-Build Contract No. DWS-868: "Renovation of 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Security Offices". They are seeking a qualified firm to provide design-build services under a negotiated fixed-price contract. The intent of this project is all labor, materials and equipment to fully perform the work of design, furnishing and installation to renovate the Security Offices and Security Control Room located on the 12<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Main Office Building. **RFP packages may be obtained beginning September 4, 2007** from the DWSD Contracts Section, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor Room, 1504 Water Board Building, 735 Randolph Street, Detroit MI 48226 on business days between 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **You may contact Yolanda Phippen at (313) 964-9548 for more information on the RFP distribution. Proposals are due on October 10, 2007 at 12:00 noon;** questions regarding the RFP submission process should be directed to Miriam Dixon at (313) 964-9465.

### Deadline Approaching



#### iTroy Accepting Nominations For Best of the Web Competition Deadline: September 7<sup>th</sup> - Troy, MI

The **Troy Chamber of Commerce's iTroy Committee** is seeking nominees for their 8<sup>th</sup> annual **Best of the Web Competition**, a statewide web excellence competition. Winners receive the coveted Helen eWard; these prestigious awards are presented annually to industry professionals for web excellence and are a great public relations tool for the winners. The categories are: Business Services, Consumer Services, Business Products, Online Functionality, Innovation, eCommerce, Interactive Experience, Informational, Community Organization, and Best of Show. Visit [www.internettroy.com](http://www.internettroy.com) to review the guidelines for each category and to enter your favorite site. The deadline for nominations is **Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**. Winners will be announced and honored at a Troy Chamber Luncheon on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Upcoming Events



### **How to do Business with Lockheed Martin Aero 2007 - August 30, 2007** **Lockheed Martin Bldg. 15, Fort Worth, TX**

The **American Indian Chamber of Commerce** is partnering with **Lockheed Martin** and **PLAINS PATC** to present a workshop on Lockheed Martin Aero's procurement process & procedures. This event will be held on **August 30th** in Fort Worth, TX. If you are interested in registering for this event please e-mail AICCT Executive Director Diana Woodward at [dwoodward@aicct.com](mailto:dwoodward@aicct.com) or call her at (817) 429-2323.



### **MED Week 2007** **August 31, 2007** **Westin St. Francis Hotel** **San Francisco, CA**

**National Enterprise Minority Development Week's 25<sup>th</sup> (Silver) Anniversary** will be held at the Westin St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco, California. The theme, "Celebrating the Legacy of Innovation and Competitiveness", is their message that promises to inspire today's entrepreneurs to compete and explore a global economy with new and emerging market opportunities. The event includes an awards dinner where minority entrepreneurs will be honored, along with others who have helped further the cause of minority business development. More information can be found on their website: [www.medweek.org](http://www.medweek.org).



### **Wall Street Summit** **September 5-7, 2007** **Hyatt Regency Jersey City – NY, NY**

The **Native American Finance Officers Association's 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference** is being held in New York City this year. This conference is an opportunity for the many businesses in Indian County to come together in the center of world finance. This event will be held **September 5-7, 2007** in New York, NY. There will be a Wall Street Summit at the Hyatt Regency Jersey City and other events will take place throughout the New York metropolitan area. For more information on this conference and to register, see [www.nafoa.org](http://www.nafoa.org).



### **DaimlerChrysler Matchmaker** **September 20, 2007** **DaimlerChrysler Tech Center** **Auburn Hills, MI**

**DaimlerChrysler Corporation** is holding their annual **Matchmaker** event on **September 20<sup>th</sup>** this year at the DaimlerChrysler Tech Center in Auburn Hills, MI. The purpose of this event is to provide business opportunities for over 200 minority business exhibitors and to enable the building of relationships with DaimlerChrysler and its suppliers. For more information or to register as a visitor, <http://63.236.15.78>.



**Women's Business Development Center  
Entrepreneurial Women's Conference  
September 26 & 27, 2007  
Navy Pier – Chicago, IL**

The **Women's Business Development Center's Entrepreneurial Women's Conference** will be held **September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>** at Chicago's Navy Pier. This is the oldest conference and business opportunities fair for women in business in the United States, and the premier event for women business owners in the Midwest. Information on the conference and details on how to register can be found on their website at: [www.wbdc.org/conf/conf.asp](http://www.wbdc.org/conf/conf.asp).



**NMSDC National Conference  
October 28-31, 2007  
Miami Beach Convention Center  
Miami Beach, FL**

The **National Minority Supplier Development Council's** 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration will bring together meetings, special events and minority businesses and corporations on **October 28-31, 2007** in Miami Beach, Florida. This conference will deliver up-to-date information on minority business development and features plenary sessions and workshops to enhance your knowledge and an 850-booth Business Opportunity Fair. To register, go to <http://www.nmsdcus.org/events/conference07.html>.



**Toyota Opportunity Exchange  
November 13, 2007  
Duke Energy Center – Cincinnati, OH**

**Toyota's Opportunity Exchange** is a one-day event where MBEs have the chance to do build relationships and do business with Toyota Tier I Suppliers. This annual trade fair and conference is hosted by the Toyota Supplier Diversity section and was created with the intent to build lasting relationships between their Tier I suppliers and MBEs. 2007's event will be held on November 13, 2007 at the Duke Energy Center in Cincinnati, Ohio. More information can be found at: [www.toyotasupplier.com/sup\\_diversity/activities.html](http://www.toyotasupplier.com/sup_diversity/activities.html).



**2008 NABA Fund Business &  
Procurement Conference  
April 27-29, 2008  
Pearl River Resort - Philadelphia, MS**

**The Native American Business Alliance** is partnering with the **Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians** to bring the 2008 NABA Fund Business & Procurement Conference to the Pearl River Resort in Choctaw, Mississippi. This event will be held on **April 27-29, 2008** and is being sponsored by DaimlerChrysler Corporation. Registration for the Conference will begin on January 1, 2008. Beginning in November, you will be able to find more details on the NABA website: [www.native-american-bus.org](http://www.native-american-bus.org).

## *Congratulations*



### **Connect Consulting Solutions Helps Oneida Gain Long-Term Care London, Ontario**

**Connect Consulting Solutions**, a company that leads negotiations between the Canadian government and businesses, has been successful in negotiating a long-awaited 64-bed long-term care home for the Oneida Nation of the Thames. CCSolutions' consultants are persistent when it comes to presenting their clients' issues at the negotiating table and ensuring that their clients' lobbying initiative doesn't fall off of the Canadian government's radar. If you are interested in learning more about how Connect Consulting Solutions can work for you, please see their website at: [www.ccsolutionsgr.com](http://www.ccsolutionsgr.com).

## *Thank you!*



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### **Thank You Again to Every Sponsor & Participant of the NABA Fund Golf Outing**

The **2007 NABA Fund Golf Outing & Cultural Event** was a great success. Participants were able to network with representatives from several Fortune 500 companies and they saw a wonderful cultural presentation by Wingushk and dancers from Aamjiwnaang First Nation. In spite of a rain delay, attendees also got in nine holes of golf on the world-class Indianwood Golf Course. With their many spectacular items and prizes, the silent auction and the raffle were both successful fundraisers as well.

Look for our upcoming edition of Moccasin Print to see our Sponsor Thank You page and for photos from this year's Golf Outing. You can find more information on the Golf Outing and on upcoming NABA events at [www.native-american-bus.org](http://www.native-american-bus.org).