

Delaware Tech's Terry Campus Kent County Economic Summit



DOVER – More than 230 citizens, educators, business leaders and local government officials were brought together on Tuesday, Sept. 25, by the Delaware Tech Terry Campus and the Central Delaware Business and Entrepreneurship Consortium—with support from the Delaware Economic Development Office – to advance the common goal of improving the economic life in Kent County.

Delaware Gov. Jack Markell, a speaker at the event, was thanked for his bipartisan efforts to create jobs in Delaware and for his support and belief of the College's mission by President Orlando J. George, Jr.

"In 2009 when we came to Delaware Tech for the first economic summit, we were losing tens of thousands of jobs. The economy was moving in the wrong direction. We pulled together and have come a long way in four years," said Gov. Markell. The Governor outlined his education plans, including early childhood education, "Race for the Top" program to raise proficiency in math and reading, and immersion schools for students to learn different languages and become competitive in global markets.

Eleven speakers and 32 exhibitors helped showcase many economic opportunities in Kent County in order to build better communities.

Delaware Tech is a major employer in Kent County, employing more than 600 county residents at its four campuses. Delaware Tech connects Delawareans with jobs in healthcare, surgical tech, certified electronic health records, and energy, to name a few. Their Program Advisory Committees help ensure that Delaware Tech graduates have the right competencies for today's and tomorrow's workforce.

Pictured in the photo are Maxine Lewis, Maxine's Fashions; and Bobby Pancake, Buffalo Wild Wings

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