

MID IOWA GROWTH PARTNERSHIP COUNTIES

Get energized, inspired, and encouraged about our region's future at:

Futures Fortune for MIGP

August 19th @ 11 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Wild Rose Casino (Upstairs Ballroom)
Emmetsburg

FREE Lunch Event packed with ideas, information and an opportunity to play a role in the future of the MIGP region.

On July 8, 2010, about 100 leaders from the 9-counties of the Mid Iowa Growth Partnership (MIGP) region came together to kick-off a regional innovation planning process. The day-long event involved exploration and discussion of global, domestic, and local data and trends that will likely shape the future of the region. With the data and trends in mind, the leaders developed a matrix of four plausible scenarios of the future for the region through a scenario planning method. Join us you will have a chance to learn more about the outcomes of this meeting, the regional innovation planning process, and become engaged in the region's future success.

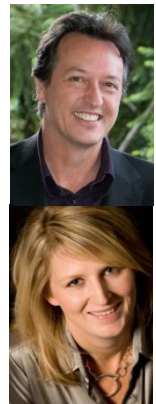
This free lunch event will include:

- Inspiring case studies of rural communities and the key lessons of success;
- Review and explore MIGP scenarios of the future, local implications and opportunities;
- Play 'The Futures Game';
- An opportunity to be part of creating the region's future!

Please RSVP by contacting Kossuth/Palo Alto County Economic Development Corporation at 515-295-7979 or email us at kcedc@kossuthia.com by August 16th

INTERNATIONAL FACILITATORS

David Beurle and *Juliet Fox* are an internationally-recognized community and economic development duo who will facilitate the program. Their company, Innovative Leadership is one of several expert organizations working with the MIGP leadership group to assist them in the development of the MIGP Regional Innovation Plan. The other organizations include the Iowa Innovation Gateway, Maher & Maher, and EMSI. Funding for the planning process is provided by Iowa Workforce Development through a US Department of Labor grant.



This important event is being hosted by Mid Iowa Growth Partnership which came together in 2005 as a nine county-regional marketing collaborative. The nine counties include: Calhoun, Hamilton, Hardin, Humboldt, Kossuth, Palo Alto, Pocahontas, Webster, and Wright Counties. Over time, the Partnership has become known as the most reliable source for regional economic development information for those seeking opportunity and prosperity in the nine county region.