

# THE NORTHEAST ENTREPRENEUR

Serving Technology, Light Industry & Food Production Companies

Northeast Pennsylvania's LONGEST OPERATING BUSINESS INCUBATOR



### SPOTLIGHT ON EMPLOYMENT



#### Jobs are being created at the Carbondale Technology Transfer Center!

JKF Technologies, a company that specializes in supplying tooling and fixtures, special machinery, short turn-around/prototype components and assemblies. JKF Technologies is more than just a machine shop; it is a solutions shop, providing solutions to those problems requiring technical expertise coupled with the latest technology. With a wide range of capabilities, JKF Technologies has provided design and manufacturing solutions in various industries, including paper converting (sawing/stacking/unwinding), food & dairy (chopping/labeling/packing), fire & rescue (pump components/control panels), heavy industry (transfer mechanisms/ejectors), bulk packaging (powders/slurries) and the semiconductor industry (project management/transfer systems). In January they were named the Northeast Pennsylvania Alliance Business Client of the Month. They have added an office manager and a machinist to their operation, creating 2 new full time positions at the CTTC!!

The CTTC has also added 1 additional staff person with the appointment of Nancy Perri as Kitchen & Center Services Manager. In her new position, Mrs. Perri will focus on growing and administering the Kitchen Incubator at the CTTC through grant research and marketing opportunities. As the current project manager for the Carbondale Industrial Development Authority and the Carbondale Enterprise Development Zone Corporation, Mrs. Perri brings over twenty years of grant administration and economic development experience to this position.

With a number of other hires along with the new companies that have joined the CTTC recently, there are now 35 employees at the CTTC every day up from 27 one year ago.

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#### **GUIDANCE FOR SPECIALTY FOOD START-UPS**

Carbondale - The University of Scranton Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and Carbondale Technology Transfer Center (CTTC) are teaming up to offer "Starting Your Own Food Business" sessions in Carbondale. The one-hour information session will walk participants through the necessary steps to get a food business up and running. In addition, details will be available about the programs and services of the Scranton SBDC and the Kitchen Incubator at CTTC, a shared-use, licensed commercial kitchen with state-of-the-art equipment.







## Are you interested in starting your own specialty food business?

Do you already have a specialty food business and need a licensed kitchen to produce your products?

Attend a one-hour session to learn the steps needed to get your food business off the ground.

- Find out about SBDC programs & services available to you.
- Learn more about the Kitchen Incubator at CTTC.



Space is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. RSVP required to reserve a spot.

Choose one session:

Wednesday, February 29 Wednesday, April 11 or Wednesday, May 23

6:50 to 7:50 p.m. @ CTTC, 10 Enterprise Drive, Carbondale

To RSVP or for more information: 570-941-7588 or 570-289

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The Mission of the CTTC is to provide technical support, business assistance, financial resources and appropriate facilities to entrepreneurs, small businesses and light industry/light assembly manufacturers working with technology applications or innovative products or processes as well as food industry companies. For information on how we might help you, call Paul at 570-282-1255 or via email at paul@cttc.org