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Entrepreneur Opportunity

GMEN announces **2008 Micro Products & Services Catalog**. You are encouraged to have your entrepreneurs participate in this marketing opportunity that will be released throughout the state. Please refer to the recent member email for details and the submission form. The deadline for submission and a guaranteed placement in the catalog is **December 31, 2007**.

Spread the News!

Do you have news about your program that you would like to share with other members? If so email pcwill@bellsouth.net by the last calendar day of each month.

GMEN's Mission

To create opportunities and support for microenterprise

This monthly e-mail is one of your many benefits as a member of the statewide microenterprise industry association.

Training & Technical Assistance

NAWBO 6th Annual WE Awards: Call for Nominations!

National Association of Women Business Owners-Atlanta is paying tribute to a select group of Women Entrepreneurs at the 6th Annual WE Awards! And we think you or someone you know might be one of those women! **Nomination deadline is December 7**. Go to www.nawbo-atlanta.org for more information and to download the nomination form.

Georgia Economic Outlook 2008. The Georgia Economic Outlook series annually draws several thousand influential business and governmental leaders to luncheons around the state. Directed by the **Terry College of Business at the University of Georgia**, this popular program has become the most comprehensive and detailed look at the future economy in Georgia. This year luncheons will be held in Albany, Athens, Atlanta, Augusta, Columbus, Jekyll Island, Macon, Savannah, Swainsboro, and Thomasville. For more details about locations, dates and registration go to www.terry.uga.edu/exec_ed/programs/eol/

Congratulations to **Karen Dublin** for being chosen as one of the top 100 applicants nationwide in a **Case Foundation** contest! In order for her to continue her efforts as one of the top 20 chosen in the next round she needs your help. Please take the time to check out her webpage on the Case Foundation website below, and donate to the cause in securing funding for her Rome project. If you believe in rebuilding your communities through grassroots efforts then please join us by supporting this initiative and pasting the link into your web browser. <http://miyo.casefoundation.org/save-our-street>

Access to Capital

Get Your Capital Raise off to a Fast Start in 2008! Plug into LAUNCHfn's 'Fund Raising System' and get connected to angel

development as an avenue for economic self-sufficiency in Georgia.

investors, VC's, lenders and other funding sources at the **NBAI Private Equity Investor Forum** on January 17, 2008 in Atlanta. **Apply by December 17** to qualify for \$500 Discount. [Learn more](#)

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Energizing Angel Investors, Encouraging Entrepreneurs. The [Georgia Centers of Innovation](#) (COI) is working to accelerate Angel Investing in Georgia; one of the first ways is by sponsoring a series of seminars designed to provide continuing education to people who either are angel investors or who want to participate in this type of investing. Led by a member of the nationally recognized Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, the seminars are being held in locations throughout the state over the next several months. Read the story in the [feature project section](#) to learn more about the first seminar - and about how Angel Investing helps one of our favorite subjects: entrepreneurs.

Standards and Accreditation Support

Essentials of Fundraising courses offered by Georgia Center for Nonprofits. Two 5-part series beginning January 17 and 24. For more information and course registration go to the [Nonprofit University](#)

Events of Interest

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December 5 Georgia Tech's Innovations in Economic Development Forum. **Building a City Business around New Urban Music.** Further details are at www.cherry.gatech.edu/forum

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January 14 President of U.S. Chamber Thomas J. Donohue to Keynote [Georgia Chamber's Annual Dinner](#)

January 14-15 Financial Research Associates announces [Microfinance for the Institutional Investor conference](#) in New York City

January 16-18 [Georgia Lenders Quality Circle Capital Challenge Conference](#) at the Ritz-Carlton, Reynolds Plantation on Lake Oconee in Greensboro

January 24-25 CDFA's [Tax Credit Finance Course](#) in Washington, DC

Feb 23 - Mar 1 **National Entrepreneurship Week** focus is on

education <http://www.nationaleweek.com/>

March 9-11 [9th Social Enterprise Summit](#) in Boston

April 29 - May 1 [CDFA's 2008 Annual Development Finance Summit](#) in St. Louis, Missouri

May 4-7 [National Business Incubation Association's 22nd International Conference on Business Incubation](#) in San Antonio, TX

May 20-23 [2008 AEO Annual Conference](#) in Anaheim, CA

September 11-13 [2008 Assets Learning Conference](#) in Washington DC.

November 17-23 **EntrepreneurshipWeek USA** focus is on global entrepreneurship
www.unleashingideas.org

Success Story!

Do you have a microentrepreneur "Success Story"? Share it with us and it may be featured as our *Entrepreneur Highlight*.

Email it with the subject line "Success Story" to pcwill@bellsouth.net

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