**WORD AROUND THE CITY**

**REDI Resource Meetup a Huge Success!**

REDI’s Resource Meetup event, held last month at the Best Western Plus Hotel was indeed a “Rockin'” event, with the first-ever “Rockin' in Rockville” award presented to The EMMES Corporation.

The award is given to a local company who is making a difference to the local economy and to the community as a whole.

The EMMES Corporation, a professional partner to clinicians, scientists, and program leaders around the world, provides scientific and technical support for clinical research studies funded by industry, foundations and government agencies.

The event, with over 100 attendees, also boasted resource vendors that included the City of Rockville, Maryland Economic Development Association (MEDA), the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development, BioMaryland, the Montgomery County Department of Economic Development, the Rockville Chamber of Commerce, and the Maryland Women’s Business Center (MWBC).

For more about REDI’s R2M 2014 Event, check out the Blog.

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**LATEST ROCKVILLE NEWS**

**Miller, Miller & Canby Awarded “First Tier” Ranking**

Miller, Miller & Canby, Rockville based Miller, Miller & Canby
MM&C announced that U.S. News - Best Lawyers awarded the firm a prestigious "First Tier" ranking in the Washington, DC metropolitan area in Eminent Domain and Condemnation Law for the third year in a row. Tier 1 is the highest rank given with the rankings based on a comprehensive process.

Congratulations to MM&C for this accolade and their over 60 years of real estate, eminent domain and condemnation law focus.

REDI ISO Businesses to Appreciate!

Save the Date for the next Annual Business Appreciation Week - March 9-13, 2015!

Every year during Business Appreciation Week (BAW), REDI (with a fantastic group of REDI Ambassadors) visits over 50 companies in the City of Rockville.

During these visits, REDI learns about the business climate in Rockville including what help businesses need from REDI, the City of Rockville, and other organizations. We also introduce them to resources and assistance they need to expand their businesses.

In 2015, Business Appreciation week is the week of March 9 to March 13. If you are interested in having us visit your company, please email Alicia McLeod to get on the list. Spots fill up quickly, so make sure you are on the list for BAW 2015.

For a look at last year's results, check out this infographic.

MWBC's Gillen Moving to SBA

The Maryland Women's Business Center (MWBC) Managing Director, Lori Gillen has announced that she will be leaving the MWBC to take a position at the Small Business Administration in Washington, D.C.

Gillen has led the MWBC since its inception and has grown it into an organization that is recognized as a valuable resource for start-up companies, particularly for women-owned businesses.

REDI would like to thank Lori for all her hard work and success over the years at the MWBC and wish her well in this next step in her career.

That also means that REDI is now looking for a new Managing Director for the MWBC. If you are interested or know of someone who may be, click here for the job description. All resumes should be sent by email or mail to Rockville Economic Development, Inc. c/o Laurie Boyer, 51 Monroe Street, PE 20, Rockville, MD 20850.
Deadline for applications is November 26, 2014.

AROUND THE STATE

It's time for the InvestMaryland Challenge!

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In 2014, startups took home nearly $1M in cash and prizes from the InvestMaryland Challenge.

For 2015 there are new categories and IMC is racking up partner prizes like cash grants, incubator space, legal advice and consulting services.

Start your application today! Applications are due December 12th.

Click here for more information!