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Pressrelease

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MEACO SPONSORS DENNIS E. ECKART TO DISCUSS THE ROLE OF SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE REGIONS FUTURE

MENTOR – Mentor Economic Assistance Corporation's (MEACO), a Certified Development Corporation, is sponsoring the Mentor Chamber of Commerce membership lunch meeting on Tuesday, May 27, 2003, 11:30 a.m to 1:00 p.m, at LaMalfa Centre, 5783 Heisley Road, Mentor, Ohio.

As a sponsor, MEACO President, William Snow, will discuss the role MEACO is playing in assisting Lake County small businesses through the SBA 504 loan program. In addition, MEACO's Board of Directors are to be introduced.

The guest speaker will be Dennis E. Eckart, president and chief executive officer of the Greater Cleveland Growth Association. Mr. Eckart will discuss regional and consolidated economic development efforts in Northeast Ohio, focusing on the role of small business to the region's future.

Cost to attend the lunch meeting is \$15.00 for members, \$20.00 for non-members. Make reservations by calling 440-946-6777. Reservations are required by May 21, 2003.

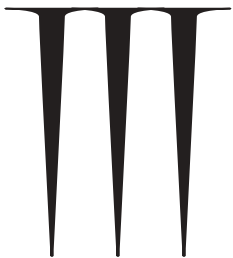
For more than 19 years, MEACO has helped new and existing local businesses obtain long-term, low interest loans for building construction, expansion or new equipment purchases. Working directly with small businesses and their banks to get prompt financing, MEACO also provides valuable assistance to applicants throughout the paperwork process. MEACO has helped finance projects for nearly 60 small and medium-sized businesses, and has resulted in the creation or retention of over 1500 jobs within the City of Mentor.

For more information, or to schedule an interview with Martin Gareau, contact Patricia Daly, Marshfield Group's Vice President of Marketing and Design Communications, at 440-974-8448.

Visit the MEACO web site at www.meacoweb.com.

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