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Four businesses pitch to Angel Investors

POUGHKEEPSIE, NY -- Dutchess County Economic Development Corporation presented four local businesses and their projects to a group of local angel investors. Looking for early-stage investments in their start-up or expanding company, the businesses put their best foot forward at a dinner meeting held at the Beekman Country Club.

Angel Investors, LLC, established in 2009, is looking to invest in early stage companies, to provide development capital for growing companies and bridge capital for established companies.

The four companies making presentations in Hopewell Junction, Pipesnapper Welding Supply, LLC; Crew Evolution; VisionScape Interactive, LLC and H4K, LLC each made 15 minute PowerPoint presentations followed by 10 minutes of Q&A.

“We are appreciative of DCEDC and Angel Ventures for the opportunity to present our plan and unique, patented product,” said Dave Bishop of Pipesnapper Welding Supply, LLC. “There is a large market and we want to get out there quickly.”

“We see great potential for our business,” says Crew Evolution’s Rachel Diamond. “My partner Nicholas Wise and I have over 18 years of industry experience and want to change the way crew and contractors are hired.”

According to John Porco of VisionScape Interactive, LLC, “we are anxious to get our funding in place so we can create jobs and grow our business. Events like this are critical to our success.”

H4K, LLC founder, Christopher Daly said, “We are looking for investment in our organization so we can expand our manufacturing operations and add jobs in Dutchess County.”

Richard Chazen, a principal with Angel Ventures LLC said, “Our partnership with DCEDC is valuable to us. They are able to provide access to projects and work with the applicants to polish their presentations.”

“New business start-ups and existing business expansion are the basis for a strong local economy. The partnership between DCEDC and Angel Ventures LLC is great way to leverage our private and public efforts.” said County Executive William Steinhaus.

Dutchess County Economic Development President John MacEnroe said that he believes “innovation and entrepreneurship will be the engine that propels Dutchess County back to its leadership position in the regional economy.” And that business people are will to “take the risk to start businesses now; will be rewarded as the economy recovers.”

Dutchess County businesses interested in learning more about presenting to the angel investors can contact Catherine Maloney at cmaloney@dcedc.com or 845.463.5415 for information or to obtain an application.

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The Dutchess County Economic Development Corporation, (DCEDC) is a private, nonprofit organization serving the cities, towns, and villages of Dutchess County. Funded annually by the County, the County’s Industrial Development Agency, and through private-sector investment, the DCEDC supports and promotes business development in Dutchess County through a variety of business attraction, expansion, and entrepreneurial development programs.

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