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THURSDAY EVENINGS WITH THE SCHMIDS: A BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS NETWORKING SERIES

UPPER LAKE, CA –Business owners and community leaders from Lake and Mendocino counties are invited to a series of business-to-business networking mixers on the first and third Thursdays of the month in March, April, and May to discuss ways of coping during this economic downturn, provide a forum for businesses to showcase their products and services, and make local connections.

The first mixer in the series will be held at The Lodge at Blue Lakes on Thursday, March 5, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Appetizers will be provided by the owners of The Lodge at Blue Lakes, Peter and Maryann Schmid. Parducci Wine Cellars and Mendocino Brewing Company will offer wine and beer tasting and guests will be entertained by flutist George Husaruk. Guest speaker will be Hal Bryan, international airline pilot, financial historian, and free-market advocate who speaks on business topics worldwide, will share his economic insights.

Please bring business cards for a raffle. Bert Mosier, CEO of the Ukiah Chamber of Commerce, is giving a complimentary hot sheet insert to the lucky winner.

The 6,000-square-foot Special Events Center at The Lodge At Blue Lakes has been lovingly refurbished by the Schmids. Located at the site of The Lodge At Blue Lakes' former restaurant, Lake county's newest special events center offers panoramic views of scenic Blue Lakes, plus the Magic Ballroom, the Ice Bar and the Waterscape Deck with gazebo. The center is available for events of all types, including weddings, family reunions, meetings, retreats and holiday parties. It also provides in-house catering from 30 to 300 people. For accommodation, luxury lakeside hotel rooms with Jacuzzi tubs are available.

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