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ACED Investors in the News

Ascent Solar Technologies, a manufacturer of state-of-the-art, flexible thin-film photovoltaic modules, debuted the company's EnerPlex solar assisted battery case for the Samsung Galaxy S III. The EnerPlex Surfr for Galaxy S III takes advantage of Ascent's ultra-light, thin and flexible solar panels and enables Galaxy users to charge their smartphones with sunlight in addition to conventional charging methods to extend the usage time. For more information visit www.AscentSolar.com.

Fitzsimons Redevelopment Authority (FRA) has entered into an agreement with the University of Colorado Tech Transfer Office (CU TTO) and the Innovation Center of the Rockies (ICR) to help commercialize Colorado biotech research and present the best technologies to investment professionals from around the world. Working within its state-wide network of approximately 200 bioscience advisors, the ICR will develop a pilot program with CU TTO to identify research and associated faculty teams with near-term commercial potential. The teams and technologies will be matched with ICR advisors who have the commercialization expertise, and the ability to present the most promising projects to the appropriate investors. The program will be facilitated through FRA resources at the Fitzsimons Life Science Campus as the FRA and CU TTO match the best commercial opportunities with venture capital firms and potential strategic partners. For more information visit www.fitzscience.com

RK Mechanical establishes RK Foundation building upon a long standing commitment to community giving. The mission of the RK Foundation is "to build better lives by strengthening communities and providing opportunities for those most in need." As one of the Rocky Mountain region's leading mechanical contractors, RK Mechanical embraces the opportunity to give back and positively impact lives. According to RK Mechanical's Jon Kinning, "the RK Foundation allows us to affect real change for individuals by supporting organizations that provide services vital to the health and viability of our community." For more information visit www.rkmi.com

At age 47, the **Denver Mart** — a wholesale, trade-show and events center — is experiencing a rebirth of sorts. Its new owners are one year into a \$4 million upgrade and rebranding move they hope will put a fresh face on an iconic local business. Previously, John Doyle and his business partner of 25 years, Ted Herrick, had a preferred-equity investment in the sprawling, 807,000-square-foot complex on 34 acres of land on the northeast corner of 58th Avenue and Interstate 25. But they had no say in its management. Doyle said that when the previous owners, American Realty Investors Inc. of Dallas, became willing to sell, the partners saw an opportunity and moved in to "recapitalize the mortgage debt on the property" and inject "substantial new equity" into the Denver Mart. "We're trying to transform the mart into something that's got a little broader appeal to a larger audience," Doyle said. To that end, the partners began a four-year plan to invest \$4 million in the aging structure, and rebrand it with a fresh marketing and outreach campaign. For more information visit www.denvermart.com

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ACED Welcomes New Investors



RK Mechanical is a new Board Member. **Donnie Hirschfield** and **Rick Kinning** are the primary and alternate representatives. For more information visit www.rkmi.com.



Colorado Business Bank is a new gold level member. **Dale Algrim** and **Cindy Grove** are the primary and alternate representatives. For more information visit www.cobizbank.com.



Altezza Motorsport Park is a new gold level member. **Ted Morris** is the primary contact. For more information visit www.altezzamp.com.



BKD is a new silver level member. The primary and alternate contacts are **Travis Hudson** and **Greg Kalkwerf**. For more information visit www.bkd.com.



Cherry Creek Insurance Group is a new silver level member. The primary and alternate contacts are **Mike Rosser** and **T. Scott Kennedy**. For more information visit www.thinkccig.com.



LT Environmental is a new silver level member. The primary and alternate contacts are **John Cocroft** and **Susan Borden**. For more information visit www.ltenv.com.



Sill-Terhar is a new silver level member. The primary and alternate contacts are **Beau Smith** and **Dean Wagoner**. For more information visit www.sthmotors.com.

ACED Upcoming Events

Please RSVP by calling 303-453-8510 and press 0 for the receptionist or email RSVP@AdamsCountyED.com. Be sure to include the event(s) you plan to attend.

Aerospace & Aviation Taskforce

Tue. Mar 14

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
ACED Board Room

Business Policy Strikeforce

Mon. Mar 18

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Panera Bread (13th & Grant – 1 Block from Capital)

ACEC Open Meeting

Wed. Mar 20

7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
ACED Board Room

ACED Roundtable

Wed. Mar 20

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
The Ranch Country Club (120th & Tejon)

ACED Board of Directors Meeting

Thu. Mar 28

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
ACED Board Room



Noteworthy Activities

Major Projects:

Sector Summit: Region 3 is charged with creating and launching an advanced manufacturing sector partnership by June 30th. Region 3 Champions are: ACED, Northglenn, Commerce City, Brighton, Denver, CCD, FRCC, and Arapahoe County. Other Sector Partnership in Region 3 include: Health and Wellness and Software/Systems Design.

EDCC Spring Conference: April 3 – 5, 2013 at the Antlers Hotel in Colorado Springs. ACED is on the planning committee. ACED and Commerce City will create a panel on Public Private Partnership. ACED will moderate the panel.

Brighton EDC INSight Conference: Brighton EDC received \$25K from the Lodging Tax Committee to promote Brighton to local and national site selectors. The event is slated for June 24 – 25, 2013. ACED is on the Steering Committee and in charge of organizing the 'Regional Partnership Overview' breakfast.

ASARCO: ACED and Denver OED will reconvene the ASARCO Project Team. The team (made up of AC and Denver Planning, Public Works and attorneys; EFG Brownfield Partners, DURA, EPA, CDPHE, ACED and Denver OED) will begin holding quarterly meetings starting in March. The purpose is to update the stakeholders and hash out challenges as the site reaches full remediation.

Business Retention

Number of Visits YTD (2013)	23
Jobs Represented	1125
Service Requests	165
Service Requests Completed (%)	100%
Projected Jobs	342
Projected Capital Investment	\$6.5M



SAVE THE DATE

2013 Annual Awards Luncheon

*Today's Innovations.
Tomorrow's Industries!*

Accelerating Advanced Manufacturing: A Billion Dollar National Experiment

Thursday, April 25, 2013

The Plaza at the Denver Mart

11:00 a.m. Networking

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch and Program



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BACKPACKS 2 BRIEFCASES

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CONSIDER PARTICIPATING IN THIS UNIQUE EVENT!

Host seven hand-selected students from among our Adams County high schools and introduce them to the concept and practice of networking!

BE A ROLE MODEL FOR PROFESSIONALISM!

Students who participate in this working etiquette meal are eager to learn how to conduct themselves professionally! This may be the first time they have participated in a professional environment. You have the opportunity to help them learn what it means to demonstrate professionalism and etiquette!

HAVE FUN AND ENGAGE WITH YOUTH!

There will be a guided networking activity that each table host will lead. Directions will be provided prior to the dinner and hosts will be led through the process by our featured speaker, Katherine Mason Young.

Students will learn tips on professional etiquette and table settings. You might learn something as well!

This event will be an honor for these high school juniors and seniors, and a chance for them to best represent their school as well as themselves.

The B2B program occurs on **April 8th, 2013** and will begin promptly at **3pm** and will conclude at **5pm**. This event is free to students thanks to your \$210 sponsorship.

[Download the registration PDF](#) and email/fax it no later than **March 16, 2013**
egalvin@adamscountyed.com/303.453.8505

FEATURING:



Katherine Mason Young, Vice President of JDWC Social Education Programs since 1994, has been speaking and instructing etiquette courses on a national basis since 1997. Her education in international business from the University of Colorado, and her work as assistant to the Chief of Protocol for Governor Romer during the World Economic Summit of the Eight, have added an international perspective to the organization.