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Job fair at the Mendel Center

BENTON TOWNSHIP — A Hospitality Job Fair and Talent Showcase will be held from 2-6 p.m. on March 27 at The Lake Michigan College Mendel Center.

Lake Michigan College and Kinexus partnered to organize the event with an aim to promote career opportunities in the hospitality and tourism industry, and to help meet the demand for employees in restaurants, hotels, wineries, breweries, golf resorts, athletic destinations and other related businesses.

The event is timed to give employers a head start on summer hiring, while recruiting for long-term positions.

“Employment in the hospitality industry is projected to grow 14.2 percent by 2024, adding an estimated 1,478 jobs to the Tri-County area,” Alex Grumbine, director of Business and Industry at Kinexus, said in a news release. “To address this need, we are collaborating with employers

and educators like Lake Michigan College, to foster a stable community workforce through career ladders to long-term employment within the industry.”

Employers will accept resumes, answer questions and conduct on-site interviews. Jobseekers can participate in breakout sessions to explore options for career growth, education and training, and learn how to effectively highlight their skills in a job interview.

Guests can see demonstrations of employer products and specialty services.

Lake Michigan College hospitality and culinary management students will also demonstrate their skills. Admission is free to jobseekers and guests; details are available at lakemichigancollege.edu/career-center.

Up to 60 employer booth spaces are still available for \$60 including electricity and \$50 without. Information and online reservations are available at lmc-hospitality-fair.eventbrite.com through March 1.

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