



Inspiring and preparing youth to succeed through goal setting, mentoring, and scholarship programs.

The Home of RARE Everyday Heroes



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MAKE NEW CONTACTS AND ENJOY A FREE BREAKFAST AT OUR NETWORKING CAFE



Please join us at Winning Futures free **Networking Café** mixer, a "thank you" event for our mentors, sponsors, and supporters. This year's event will take place on Friday, November 16 from 8 – 9:30 a.m. at the Winning Futures' office in Warren.

This event enables you to grab a quick breakfast while highlighting your business and growing your network in a relaxed atmosphere. In addition, all registered guests will be entered in a prize raffle.

Corporate display tables are available for guests who wish to exhibit; please notify us when you register. Space is limited and slots will be secured on a first come, first-served basis.

Feel free to bring a friend or co-worker! Please RSVP by Monday, November 12 by clicking [here](#).

BOARD CHAIR SCOTT RICE HONORED BY CRAIN'S DETROIT BUSINESS'S "40 UNDER 40"



Winning Futures' board chair **Scott Rice**, CFO and COO of **Powerlink Facilities Management Services**, has been honored as one of **Crain's Detroit Business's** 2012 "40 Under 40" high achievers.

"40 Under 40" recognizes professionals in Southeast Michigan who have made indelible impacts in business before the age of 40. Crain's website states that "this year's winners have started companies or provided new infrastructure to support business, helped grow established companies and strengthened governments and nonprofits."

Starting in 2003 with just one customer and 20 employees, Powerlink has grown to nearly 400 employees working at health care, manufacturing and utility facilities in the Midwest and Southeast

"When I first became involved with Winning Futures I had no clue what I was getting into. What a rewarding surprise! The relationships I've built with my students are by far the best paychecks I've received all year. The organization itself is second to none and everyone involved with it – from the board to the students – have changed my life for the better. I look forward to a very bright future for all of my 'guys' because of Winning Future's involvement in their life."



– **Dylan Tanaka**, Winning Futures mentor and Founder, **REIA of Macomb**.

CORKS & FORKS TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE



Winning Futures' most elegant annual event – the **Corks & Forks** charity wine tasting and strolling dinner – is set for Saturday, November 10... and you're invited!

Corks and Forks gathers new friends and long-time supporters at **Big Rock Chop House** in

Birmingham, Michigan to enjoy a selection of over 40 wines and martinis as well as a strolling dinner. A silent auction filled with items perfect for holiday gift giving will also take place. VIP guests will have the added bonus of attending a pre-party to sample a collection of unique wines and martinis in a private room along with hors d'oeuvres.

The event begins at 7:00 p.m., with the VIP party preceding it 5:30 p.m. Tickets are just \$75 apiece, while VIP tickets are \$125. Please note that guests must be 21 or older to attend.

For more information and to reserve tickets, click [here](#) or call **586-698-4364**.

Are you interested in attending this event for free? Volunteer wine pourers are needed to assist with serving at sampling tables. No wine knowledge is required to take part - just steady hands! Pourers can serve anytime from 5:00 - 10:00 p.m. Call 586-698-4364 to volunteer and take part in this great networking opportunity!

WINNING FUTURES LAUNCHES COLLEGE PREP SEMINARS

Winning Futures' students at Warren, Michigan's **Community High School** recently participated in a college prep seminar focused on researching and identifying their colleges of choice.



This new, four-part series was developed and led by Winning Futures' **AmeriCorps Erin Crouch**. During the seminar, Erin guided approximately 20 students through a "college website scavenger hunt" to teach them how to navigate a college website and find specific resources.

The series will continue weekly through November and cover important subjects such as how to fill out a college application, writing entrance essays, an ACT and SAT overview and the various forms of financial aid available to students and how to find and apply for aid. We're sure students will find value in this new seminar series and look forward to offering it to other students in future.

United States and Canada.

For the past 15 years, Rice has coached many high school and youth basketball teams. Rice actively supports Powerlink's educational and community initiatives focused on improving opportunities for youth. He leads a summer entrepreneurial workshop for **Kettering University's** AIM (Academically Interest Minorities) program and supports local youth mentoring organizations.

Click [here](#) to see Scott Rice's "40 Under 40" print and video profiles.

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RECRUIT NEW MENTORS AND WIN A \$25 GIFT CARD

Winning Futures is currently giving away \$25 gift cards to anyone who refers three or more new mentors to our program! Three current mentors have already cashed in: **Kevin Sutton** of **Lusk & Albertson**, **James Parks** of **Jaffe Raitt Heuer & Weiss** and **Brittany Crinson**.

Don't let this opportunity - and money - slip through your fingers: Refer three or more new mentors to Winning Futures today and find yourself \$25 richer tomorrow!

[E-mail](#) or call us with your referrals at **586-698-4387**.

DETROIT PUBLIC TV PROFILES WINNING FUTURES



Winning Futures' program facilitator **Rob Otto** recently appeared on a **Detroit Public Television** special celebrating "American Graduate Day." Click [here](#) to watch host Desiree Cooper discover what Winning Futures is and how it impacts hundreds of youth across America.

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