Dr. John Bowling is the President of Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Illinois. In addition to his work at Olivet, Dr. Bowling is very active with a variety of professional organizations and in local community affairs. Dr. Bowling holds a bachelor's degree, two master's degrees and two earned doctorates. In 1990, Dr. Bowling was chosen as a Resident Fellow for post-doctoral studies at Harvard University. Dr. Bowling has been referred to as the best motivational speaker in Kankakee County.

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"Inherently, each of us has the substance within to achieve whatever our goals and dreams define. What is missing from each of us is the training, education, knowledge and insight to utilize what we already have." — Mark Twain

**EMPOWER** — To enable: To give power to: To make self-reliant through education and by providing the emotional and material support necessary for such development.

The economic development of a state or community is usually 'defined' in terms of business development, but is 'determined' by the balanced development of business, community, and human resources."—Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs Certified Cities Brochure

"When a community and its people are empowered, they have the capacity to articulate their needs; to identify actions to solve those needs; and to mobilize and organize resources in pursuit of commonly defined goals. When the people of a community come together to visualize a common future and then work together to achieve it, there develops a recognition that everyone — regardless of education, job, race, background or whatever — has something important to contribute to personal and community empowerment."—Lorraine Garkovich, University of Kentucky

**The Great Community** by Arthur Morgan

"Where there is no vision, the people perish.' So it is with communities. Americans have had no great expectations of theirs, and have had no picture of what a great community might be like. The hope of the small town has been, not to be a great community, but to become a city. Seeing our communities as of little importance, we have neglected them, robbed them, and fled from them.

Only as we come to see them as the sources of population and of national character and culture, and as possible centers of interest and opportunity, will our young people choose them for their life careers. Economic and social security are not enough. If a community is to hold its boys and girls, building with them a great community, it must be to them a place of significance and of high adventure.

Because economic security is so generally lacking, many have felt that if a whole community should be economically secure, other limitations would disappear and the good community would emerge. Yet often where economic security has existed the community has been uninteresting, if not banal, and young people have fled from it.

Other communities, with the idea that education is the magic key have staked their hopes on schools and colleges, only to find their young people driven from home to seek careers.

There have been many ethically fine communities in which nearly every family lived in a spirit of good will. Believing that fine human relationships is the one essential of a good community, they rested on their fortunate condition. Young people of such communities, finding few home opportunities for adequate careers, and lacking a vision of the Great Community, left for more promising fields. In this manner, many fine communities have been almost depopulated.

The Greatest handicap to human progress has been a partial view of life. When people set their hearts on achieving some particular excellence, their success has sometimes been remarkable, but the resulting lopsided development has often resulted in social breakdown. All-round growth may be slower and less spectacular, but is more enduring. That is true of communities as of people. The Great Community must be built on a full all-round view of life and its possibilities.

The Great Community will achieve a living unity. It will not be just an aggregation of individuals, families, congregations, firms, cliques, and interests. Holding that 'that which unites us is greater than that which separates us,' it will develop unity of outlook, purpose, and program without thwarting individual or group autonomy. Its various organizations will not tear the community apart to advance themselves, but will be agencies of an enlarging and unifying community life."

Arthur Morgan wrote **The Small Community** and **The Great Community** in the 1940's. He also founded Community Service, Inc.
KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"! proudly presents:
DR. JOHN BOWLING and LES BROWN, "The Master Motivator"

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Dr. John Bowling
"A Winning Combination: The Role of Community In Successful Living"

Introduction of Les Brown
Charles Betterton and Sharon Ann Smith

• Featured Presenter •

Les Brown
"The Power of a Larger Vision"

Acknowledgments and Closing Remarks
Richard Clark
KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"!

KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"! is a multi-faceted program to provide opportunities for residents of Kankakee County to take advantage of the wealth of available resources which foster personal, organizational and community development and empowerment.

KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"! will feature major events on a regular schedule, bringing nationally known speakers such as: Les Brown, Zig Ziglar, Brian Tracy, Steven Covey, Wayne Dyer, Dennis Waitley, Dr. Joyce Brothers and Lou Holtz. The proceeds from these events will be used to support Kankakee Community Development Corporation and other community programs and activities.

In August, 1995, a group of community leaders was organized to bring Les Brown, one of the top motivational speakers in America, to Kankakee County. Because the Steering Committee was intentionally set up to represent all groups in Kankakee County, and its goal is to benefit all individuals, organizations, and political entities, the participants decided to adopt the name KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"!

Committee members recognize the many organizations in Kankakee County that are making great progress in addressing various economic, social and community problems. At the same time many individuals seem to focus on negative aspects of society resulting in a less than positive image of Kankakee County as a good place to live, work, and raise a family. We believe that Kankakee County may benefit from motivational programs and we will be able to produce this type of event and even generate income locally, which could be used to support other positive programs.

In addition to the regular major events, KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"! will offer ongoing workshops and seminars on topics such as : goal-setting, motivation, time management, creative thinking and problem solving, conflict resolution, organizational development, community development, strategic planning, etc.

KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"! – MISSION STATEMENT

1. Foster community unity and multi-cultural understanding.

2. Promote positive thinking within and about Kankakee County.

3. Foster personal, organizational and community development and empowerment.

4. Provide expanded access to development training programs.

5. Generate funds for worthwhile community service projects.

More information on KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"! is available from the Kankakee Community Development Corporation; c/o Community Resource Center, P.O. Box 2278, Kankakee, IL 60901, Phone 815-933-3356.
WANTED

Men, Women and Young people interested in success, achievement, vision, positive thinking, community and unity. — KANKAKEE COUNTY "CAN DO"!
"CAN DO"! will continue to work with other organizations to co-creatively produce development training programs that foster personal, organizational and community development and empowerment. Please help us determine how we may best meet your needs by taking a few moments to answer the following questions. If you would like further information, please call us at 815-933-3356.

Our greatest need(s) for technical assistance and training is:

We would be most interested in the topics checked below:

- Personnel management and recruitment
- Professional selling techniques
- Customer satisfaction
- Building effective boards
- Grantsmanship training
- Developing a master fund-raising plan
- Time Management
- Effective communication skills
- Conflict resolution
- Building effective teams
- Public Relations and marketing
- Setting and achieving goals
- Business plan development
- Strategic planning
- Stress management
- Motivation
- Creative thinking and problem solving
- Program monitoring and evaluation
- Volunteer recruitment and management
- Needs Assessment
- Design and use of multi-media
- Building multi-sector partnerships
- Development of organizational policies and procedures
- Sales management
- Negotiation skills
- Leadership development
- Total Quality Management
- Self-employment training
- Developing an effective mission statement
- Access to training equipment: television and video cassette recorders
- Lending library services: audio and video cassette programs, self-help books and self-assessment tools
- Other (please specify)

We would be most interested in attending a training program with the trainers marked below:

- Brian Tracy
- Tom Hopkins
- Lou Holtz
- Tom Peters
- Kenneth Blanchard
- Zig Ziglar
- Steven Covey
- Jim Rohn
- Harvey Mackay
- Wayne Dyer
- Les Brown
- Dennis Waitley
- Others:

Please send me more information on:

- "CAN DO"! Membership
- Audio Video Cassette Tape Programs
- KCDC Resource Center
- CENTER SPACE
- The Peoples Network

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Thank you for helping determine what training programs "CAN DO"! might bring into the community in the future to help you and your organization. Please return your completed survey to: "CAN DO"! c/o Community Resource Center; P.O. Box 2278; Kankakee, IL 60901.
"Each of us must take responsibility for our actions, for our well being, and for the attainment of our maximum potential." — Les Brown
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thanks everyone ofyou who participated in the workshop and tonight's seminar. We deeply appreciate your investment of time and money and trust that you agree with us that this has been one of the best investments you've ever made. We believe that this initiative is an outstanding example of the positive results that can be produced when a community comes together to foster personal, organizational, and community development and empowerment. "CAN DO!" also thanks the following individuals and organizations whose support and participation made this program with Les Brown such a tremendous community success:

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