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City of Kankakee Administration Building Open House

The public is invited to an open house **Saturday, September 13 from 1pm – 4pm** at the Administration Building, located at 304 South Indiana Avenue in Kankakee. The Administration Building houses the Mayor’s Office and the other City of Kankakee administrative offices. The limestone landmark may be best known for housing the City’s public library from 1899 to 2003. The building still has “public library” engraved on the limestone over the front doors. While the building is nearly 110 years old, through the use of modern environmentally-friendly technology the historic structure is a model for “green” renovation design. Countertops made from recycled glass, insulation out of blue jeans and rainwater basins are all examples of innovative green aspects in the Administration Building.

There will be small group tours led by city officials. Highlights of the tours will include: the green features of the LEED-certified project; new uses for salvaged materials; energy saving systems; and geothermal heating and cooling are among the environmentally

sound components. There will also be DVDs featuring highlights from the newly renovated Administrative Building to take home.

The Open House is being held at the same time as the Half Paddy Festival at St. Patrick's Parish next door to the Administration Building to the south.

For more information on this event, please contact Bill Yohnka at 815.933.0462 or email kankakeechamber@gmail.com.

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