

The Center for Regional Development at Bowling Green State University is pleased to announce that Thomas Klier, an expert on the automotive industry from the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago, has been added to the January 28th State of the Region program. Klier, co-author of *Who Really Made Your Car?: Restructuring and Geographic Change in the Auto Industry* will offer his assessment of recent challenges in the automotive industry.

Dr. Klier is a strong addition to an already full agenda. He joins Jack Schultz, author of *Boomtown USA: The 7½ Keys to Big Success in Small Towns* and two talks will provide unique perspective of our region's economic potential. Other speakers include Larry Dillin of Dillin Corp. and Michael Carroll, Director of the Center for Regional Development.

If you have not already registered, you may register online on the CRD website at www.bgsu.edu/crd or by contacting CRD at 419-372-8710. Space is limited so please register soon. We know this will be a very informative morning and genuinely hope you plan to attend.

8:00-9:00 **Registration and continental breakfast**

9:00-9:30 **Welcome Remarks and Economic Address**

Michael Carroll, Director of Center for Regional Development

9:30-10:30 **Rural Development Address**

Jack Schultz, Author of *Boomtown USA: The 7½ Keys to Big Success in Small Towns*

10:30-10:45 **Break**

10:45-12:15 **Regional Economy Address**

Automotive Industry

Thomas Klier Co-author of *Who Really Made Your Car?: Restructuring and Geographic Change in the Auto Industry*

Retail

Larry Dillin, President Dillin Corp.

Questions and Answers