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# SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

*Success is our connection!*

## April 2011 Newsletter

April 7, 2011 meeting of SECBA will be held at Forest Oaks Country Club at 6:00PM

We meet the first Thursday of each month. Members must be in good standing to attend meetings.

### President's Message

Spring time has arrived with warmer days and longer daylight, so it is a good time to plan on attending the next SECBA meeting. Thank you to everyone that attended the March meeting. To members that were not able to attend, you missed a good networking meeting.

Plans continue for the Membership Directory that will be published in the September issue of the Southeast Lifestyle Newspaper. The limited number of ads for the Membership Directory were sold quickly

at the March meeting. All items for the membership directory are due by August 1.

In preparation for the Membership Directory, a membership drive will be held April 7—June 2. There will be a first place(\$50) prize and a second place(\$25) prize for the members that sign up the most new members. To be eligible for the prizes a minimum of 3 new members must be signed, with the prizes going to the member that signs the most new members after meeting the 3 minimum new members. If you know of someone that has

been thinking about joining, now would be a good time to join and get their company listed in the Membership Directory.

This is your organization, so your input and suggestions are important to its success. If you have a future program suggestion, direct your suggestion to Dan Donovan, Program Chair.

I hope to see you at the April meeting.

Steve Blake

RSVP your meeting attendance to [blakeelec-tricco@bellsouth.net](mailto:blakeelec-tricco@bellsouth.net) or call 336-273-0800

Scholarship application forms are due April 15!

If you have a family member, neighbor or someone you know that lives in the Southeast area that will be attending college in the fall, please encourage them to apply for the scholarship. Remember, all applicants must have a SECBA member sponsor.

## April Speaker

The feature speaker for the April meeting is Joel "Joey" Koford. Joey Koford is the director of Occupational Health Services at Moses Cone Health System. As director, Koford and his 10-person staff are responsible for developing and implementing a variety of workplace health programs and meeting the health needs of the area busi-

nesses. Joey has an excellent working knowledge of workman's compensation insurance both as an employer and as a healthcare professional and will address how we as business owners can work with the system to effectively manage costs and reduce exposure.

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### April Feature Member - Lancaster Travel

Amy Schwartz will be one of the feature members for the table toppers . Amy Schwartz is with Lancaster Travel. Amy will be available to help plan your next trip. Come see what new get away Amy has available for you.



### April Feature Member - Julian Milling Company

Jimmy Horney from Julian Milling Company will be one of the featured table top members for the April meeting. Spring time has arrived, so it's time to find out what Julian Milling has available for your Spring time garden planting.

Julian Milling Company also has those delicious breads, jams, cider and other items.



### SECBA Scholarship Program - Applications due April 15

At the monthly meetings tickets are sold for a 50/50 drawing. The winner of the drawing takes 50% of the money and the remaining 50% goes into a scholarship fund that is awarded to a local student . The Board has approved some changes to the scholarship program for 2011. There is a new requirement for a student to be considered for the scholarship. They must have a letter of recommendation from a SECBA member. The application

form for the scholarship program has been added to the SECBA website. All applications are due in by April 15, 2011. A scholarship committee will review the applications and make an award. Applications should be completed and mailed with all required documents to the following address:

SECBA Scholarship Committee  
PO Box 117  
Pleasant Garden NC 27313

Southeast Community Business Association

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www.secba.org

Pleasant Garden, NC 27313



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**SECBA Board Vice—President's Profile**

I would like to introduce you to Connie Thompson, Vice-President of the SECBA.

Connie has worked at BB&T for 23 years and currently works at the BB&T Randleman Road location.

When Connie is not working, she spends time with her family, which consists of husband, Junior and two children, Michelle and Michael. The family also includes two dogs.

Connie represented the SECBA on the Fun Fest committee last year and will be taking that role again this year.

If by chance you have not met Connie, please introduce yourself at the next meeting. At many of the meetings Connie can be found selling

the 50/50 tickets for the scholarship program.

Connie can be contacted at 336.433.4236 or ccthompson@bbandt.com