



SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Success is our connection!

May 2011 Newsletter

May 5, 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

There are many challenges to be faced each day as we operate our businesses, however as I have watched the media coverage of the tornado's and storms that have hit the Southeastern United States in the last few weeks, I realize that my challenges are small. The Sanford and Raleigh area in NC have businesses that have been destroyed. People that have lost their family members and lost their homes. There are areas in Alabama where entire towns have been destroyed. The Southeast Guilford

area has experienced some storm damage in the last few weeks also. The one thing that does appear to be common in all the storm damaged areas is the American Community Spirit. Communities coming together to help each other in a time of need. Let's remember these storm damaged communities during this most difficult time. Remember the importance of community and the strength to be gained by working together.

It was great to see everyone at the April meeting. Everyone is

very busy these days, but I hope to see you at the May meeting.

Steve Blake

RSVP your meeting attendance to blakeelec-tricco@bellsouth.net or call 336-273-0800

Don't forget the membership drive will continue until June 2! Invite someone to join us at the next meeting. If a new member joins prior to August 1, their information will appear in the new membership directory.

May Speaker

Speaker for the May meeting will be Tajuan Mills from BB&T Private Financial Services.

The topic for the evening will be: Do you ever truly retire from your own business?

Discussion points for the evening will include "Comprehensive Financial Planning", "Business Transition

Planning" and "Business Succession".

If something happens to you, what happens to the business?

How do you transition from your business successfully?

Succession planning is an important part of any business plan.

Plan to attend the May meeting to learn more about these topics.



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May Feature Members

The feature members for May will be Plant Logic Nursery & Gardens and Met Life.

Barbara Cox from Plant Logic Nursery & Gardens will be sharing information on her business.

Lynn Huneycutt from Met Life will share information on his company.

Please stop by their tables to learn more about these members.



Spirit of Community Congratulations!!!



Congratulations to Angelia's Pizza, a SECBA member, who was recognized with the Spirit of Community Business Person of the Year award at the Spirit of Community Banquet.

Congratulations!!

Congratulations to Denise Osborne and Marty Heim on an outstanding Spirit of Community Banquet event!! If you missed the event, it was a full house and enjoyed by everyone.

SECBA Scholarship Program



Thank you to the SECBA members that provided letters of recommendation to the scholarship applicants. The scholarship committee is in the process of reviewing the applications and will be announcing a winner in the next few weeks.

The scholarship winner will be invited to attend one of the future meetings, so the membership can meet this deserving young person.

This scholarship program is an-

other way that our organization gives back to the community that supports our local businesses.

The monthly 50/50 drawing supports this scholarship program. Thank you to everyone that contributes to this drawing at our monthly meetings.

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SECBA Board Updates

Amy Schwartz has joined the SECBA Board. We welcome Amy to the board and look forward to working with her.

This is your organization and the board welcomes your input. Please contact a board member should you have any suggestions.