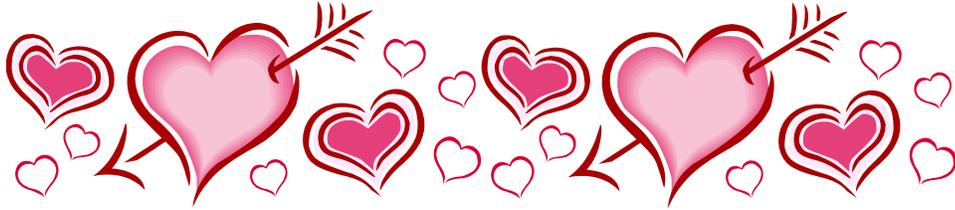




February 2012 Newsletter



President's Message

At the January meeting Kim Payne was confirmed as Treasurer and Eddy Patterson was confirmed for the Board. I would like to thank Kim and Eddy for serving on the board. Both have served in the past, so they are no strangers to the Board.

Any member that would like to be considered for future board member opportunities, just let a board member know they are interested. We are always looking for members that want to be more involved in the group.

I plan to send out a survey in the near future, so I can get some input from the membership as to what you would like to see at the monthly meetings and what you want from your membership. Your input is very important, so when you receive the survey, please take a few minutes to complete the survey.

If you missed the January meeting, then you missed a great speaker. Laura Hamilton was entertaining while providing us with some things to think about.

Laura Hamilton made a comment at the meeting that started me to thinking about how important it is for us to not allow negative comments to distract us from our goals and how important it is to use our talents to reach our goals. Laura told the story of how throughout her school years she got low grades in conduct due to the fact she loved to talk and just could not stop talking. She had teachers that told her she could be so much better, if she just did not talk so much. She told how after becoming a successful professional speaker that she sent a W2 form to a former teacher with a note that said "look what talking got me".

I came across an article recently that told how Walt Disney was fired by a newspaper for lacking ideas. Fred Astaire received a memo from MGM after his first screen test that said "Can't act, slightly bald and can dance a little."

I think these examples show how negative feedback and obstacles do not have to stop us from reaching our full potential.

Hope to see you at the February meeting.

Steve Blake
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SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

2012-2013 Board of Officers

This year's board of officers will be as follows.

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Please feel free to contact any one of them with your suggestions.

AGENDA FOR OUR MEETING

600PM-615PM NETWORKING

615PM-645PM DINNER

645PM-715PM FEATURED SPEAKER

715PM-730PM BUSINESS MEETING

730PM MEETING CONCLUDES

FEBRUARY SPEAKER

Our speaker for the Feb 2 meeting will be JARED BOGACKI, BB&T Vice-President-Sr. Credit Risk Analyst. He will speak about THE ECONOMY TODAY. Jared attended the University of Massachusetts with a degree in Mathematics and Economics minor. He received his Masters in Financial Management from NC State prior to joining BB&T. He is responsible for Business Analytics

DUES REMINDER

Our treasurer would like to remind our members to please remit their dues by end of February. Please call or email Kim Payne if you have not received your renewal notice.



**Next Meeting will be February 2, 2012, 6:00PM at Forest Oaks.
Cost for members is \$15.**

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