On the Economic Scene

A weekly economic development briefing from the Volusia County Division of Economic Development

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VOLUSIA COUNTY QUARTERLY ECONOMIC BRIEFING COMING MAY 10 – Don’t miss the next quarterly economic development briefing from the Volusia County Economic Development Division at 7:45 a.m. Friday, May 10, in the Dennis R. McGee Room at Daytona Beach International Airport. The featured speaker will be Michael Cooney, director of international trade and development at Enterprise Florida. These free quarterly community briefings, known as “Q” meetings, present the most recent economic indicators that impact our county. Reservations are not required. For more information, call 386-248-8048.

DIRECT FROM D.C. – U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION IMPORT/EXPORT WORKSHOP – On May 16, a new and exciting U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CPB) Small Business Outreach Program Workshop will be held on the critical process and policy facets of U.S. international trade. The workshop will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. and presented by representatives from CPB in Washington, D.C. These trade experts will provide you with high-level information and resources as a guide to the process of exporting and importing goods and services, including key information on the Small Business Regulatory Fairness Act. Representatives from your local CPB Field Office and Center of Excellence and Expertise will be available to provide insight on what you need to look out for. This is a CPB entrepreneurial collaborative event offered by SCORE Volusia/Flagler and the Washington Office of the CPB in partnership with the Volusia County Division of Economic Development, the Volusia County Business Incubator Powered by UCF, the U.S. Small Business Administration, and the Florida Small Business Development Center. The workshop will be held at the Daytona State College Campus, 1200 W. International Speedway Blvd., in the auditorium of UCF Building 150. Please register quickly for this workshop due to limited seating capacity. To register, go to the workshop page at www.volusiaflagler.score.org or contact SCORE at 386-255-6889.

AIRPORT PLANS COMMUNITY APPRECIATION DAY – Daytona Beach International Airport (DAB) will host a Community Appreciation Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 27. Attendees will learn about the many flights out of Daytona Beach on American Airlines, Delta Airlines, Sunwing Airlines and Silver Airways as well as the amenities and services the airport provides to make travel convenient and stress-free. For details, contact Pat O’Brien at 386-248-8030, ext. 18318, or pobrien@volusia.org.

SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING OPTIONS LIVE WEBINAR – A key element to success in business is securing financing so the business is properly capitalized. This live webinar is titled Best Financing Options for Your Small Business and will be presented at 1 p.m. April 25. The webinar will be presented by SCORE Mentor Paul Bosley, owner of Business Finance Depot. He will provide a road map for preparing a financing application and will review various financing products available in today’s market. For further webinar information or to register, visit https://tinyurl.com/y4py69bp.

2019 NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK BEGINS MAY 5 – For more than 50 years, the President of the United States has issued a proclamation announcing National Small Business Week (NSBW), which recognizes the critical contributions of America’s entrepreneurs and small business owners. NSBW is the U.S. Small Business Administration’s (SBA) annual celebration of entrepreneurship and innovation. More than half of Americans own or work for a small business, and they annually create about two out of every three new jobs in the U.S. The SBA will co-host a free, two-day virtual conference on May 7 and 8 featuring educational workshops and networking. Additionally, recognition and educational seminars throughout SBA’s 10 regions and 68 districts will be held throughout the week. Details and registration information will be posted on www.sba.gov/NSBW. As events are finalized, they will be posted at the NSBW home page, including Twitter chats, hackathons and award ceremonies.

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING/STEAM ACADEMY – The academy at Pine Ridge High School prepares students for post-secondary education in the areas of engineering, technology and business, as well as direct-entry careers in design, machining, robotics, programming and fabrication. The program uses state-of-the-art industry standard equipment and integration with rigorous core classes. The academy is active in several competition leagues including GreenpowerUSA Racing, SeaPerch robotics and Charlotte STEAM (Science/Technology/Engineering/Art/Mathematics). For more information, contact Academy Director James Maynard at JWMaynar@volusia.k12.fl.

INTERNATIONAL PARIS AIR SHOW 2019 – Since 1909, the International Paris Air Show has grown to be the largest aerospace trade show in the world representing the aviation, aerospace and defense sectors. Enterprise Florida will occupy a prime location in Hall Three. The show will be held from June 17 to 21 in Paris - Le Bourget, France. Space is limited and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Enterprise Florida is offering Target Sector Trade Show Grants that will pay for 75% of the cost of a turnkey booth up to a maximum of $7,500 to qualified companies. For more information, contact Mike Cooney at mcooney@enterpriseflorida.com or 407-956-5678. In Volusia County, you can contact Virgil Kimball at vkimball@volusia.org or 386-248-8048.

NEWS ITEMS WANTED! – Please send your business news items to Joanne Magley, Volusia County Community Information director, at jmagley@volusia.org. If you wish to be removed from this weekly broadcast, please let us know.

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