



On the Economic Scene Make it Volusia

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DIRECT FROM D.C. – U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION IMPORT/EXPORT WORKSHOP – 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, which will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. May 16, will be presented by representatives from CPB in Washington, D.C. These trade experts will provide 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 CBP Field Office and Center of Excellence and Expertise will 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.

HURRICANE EXPO COMING JUNE 8 – Don't miss the Hurricane Expo scheduled for June 8. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Volusia County Fairgrounds. The Hurricane Expo offers business owners an opportunity to prepare for a weather emergency long before a storm approaches the Florida coast. Now is the time to review disaster planning checklists, maps and other emergency resources. Attending the Hurricane Expo is a great way to get started. The expo will include information on home and small business preparedness. There will be refreshments, safety demonstrations and guest speakers headlined by Ken Bouvier, the New Orleans EMS deputy chief of operations who assumed command of field operations in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. The Hurricane Expo is free to the public and hosted by Community Organizations Active in Disasters (COAD), Volusia County Government and the Volusia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. For event details or information on sponsorships or vendor tables, contact COAD Co-Chair Frank Bruno at coadvolusia@gmail.com or 386-341-2021. To access COAD's disaster preparedness resources, visit www.volusiacoاد.org.

FIBERGLASS FABRICATION BOOT CAMP – Daytona State College is offering its Fiberglass Fabrication Boot Camp from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 17, 18, 24 and 25 at the college's Fiberglass Fabrication Lab, 1601 Tonia Road, New Smyrna Beach. The 40-hour boot camp is the result of a unique local industry partnership with Boston Whaler, Dougherty Manufacturing, EdgeWater Power Boats and Everglades Boats. Participants will be introduced to fiberglass manufacturing, including manufacturing processes, safety, tools and equipment, lamination, and final part finish and inspection. The fee is \$595. Assistance with paying the fee may be available for eligible participants through CareerSource Flagler/Volusia. For more information and registration, contact Joanne Parker at Joanne.Parker@DaytonaState.edu or 386-506-4224.

ON STAGE: PERFORMING ARTS ACADEMY – The Performing Arts Academy at Atlantic High School aims to inspire and enrich student creativity through an innovative performing arts curriculum. It is focused on the technical and performance aspects of theatre, chorus and dance and connects students to arts and communications related careers. The students perform with several groups at venues including the All-State Chorus, Disney Candlelight, Surfscapes Contemporary Dance Theatre, Fringe Festival and the Florida State Thespians. Participants can earn superior ratings in chorus, dance and drama through county and state assessments. For more information, email Academy Director Allison Robertson at arobert@volusia.k12.fl.us.

MEDICA 2019 GLOBAL TRADE SHOW – MEDICA is the premier global life sciences/medical trade show, and many of Florida's top medical companies have decided to promote their goods and services at this year's show in Düsseldorf, Germany, from Nov. 18 to 21. MEDICA 2018 featured 5,300 exhibitors, two-thirds of them from abroad, and attracted 130,000 visitors from nearly 120 countries. Enterprise Florida has secured space for a Florida Pavilion, and individual booths are being offered for Florida companies to co-exhibit in the pavilion. Space is limited and will be sold on a first-come, first served basis. For qualified companies attending this show, Target Sector Trade Show Grants to offset exhibition costs are available that can pay for up to 75% of the cost of a turnkey booth up to a maximum of \$7,500. To learn more, contact Virgil Kimball at 386-248-8048 or Vkimball@volusia.org.

RED CROSS OFFERS EMERGENCY MOBILE APP – The Atlantic hurricane season will begin on June 1, and this is an opportune time to consider adding an emergency app to your mobile devices. The American Red Cross offers a free app, Emergency: Alerts, which combines severe weather and emergency alerts and provides real-time, customizable information. It provides disaster updates and includes step-by-step directions on making a family emergency plan. The app allows you to monitor the people and places you care about with real-time local alerts on earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, tsunamis, thunderstorms, extreme heat, wildfires and more. For further information, visit www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps and click on the Emergency! disaster app.

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.