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Upcoming Events:

Networking Breakfasts

Tuesday, April 13th
7:45 AM

*Hosted & Sponsored by
The Crexent
Business Center
Stuart*

Tuesday, April 20th
7:45 AM

*Hosted & Sponsored by
Start Up Nutrition
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Business After Hours

Wednesday, April 21st
5:30 - 7:30 PM
Maritime & Classic
Boat Museum
Jensen Beach

**Young Professionals
of Martin County**

Thursday, April 29th
5:30 - 7:30 PM
Bare Bones
Grill & Brewery
Stuart



Thank you to Maria Bordonaro (center) and Club Med/Sandpiper for sponsoring January's Business After Hours. Also photographed chairman Jody Bond, Just Gold Jewelers, Inc. and Joe Catrambone, Chamber President/CEO.



February Networking Breakfast sponsor Project Graduation Foundation was represented by Kathleen Stacey and Cindy LaConte.



March Networking Breakfast sponsors Christine Cortes, Wendy Ciacci, Shelia Blake and Sarah Wingfield of PNC Bank.



Thanks to Mangia Bocellis Deli & Bagel, for sponsoring a February Networking Breakfast.



Thanks to Planet Ozone/Tabuleh Cafe, March Networking Breakfast sponsors.



LEADERSHIP Class 20 enjoying a cruise with many alumni on the Island Princess at the end of their Economic Day. The history of our economy from 1850 to 2010 was presented by the class at Wolf Center along with a panel of local business leaders. Tours of Stuart Web, TCT and Hinckley gave the class a great insite of how they contribute to our economy. Thanks to all of them for supporting our program. Alumni coordinators and sponsors for the day were , Shaun Plymale, Chapman & Plymale Law, P.A., Peter Kemp, Hustons Office Supplies & Commercial Interiors, George Haley, Gulfstream Business Bank, Tammy Simoneau, Economic Council, Sheila Kurtz, Stuart Lodge Assisted Living Facility and Rick Hartman, Hartman Real Estate.



YPMC committee member Amber Ducote, Tara Biek Creative with Florida Oceanographic Society 'Coasters' March YPMC event sponsors Allison Cartwright, Danny Strauss and Genna Lunsford.

*Check out
What's New in
Technology!*

**INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY SHOWS**

*Tuesday
May 25th*

The Chamber is expanding its list of offerings to members and the public by organizing its first-ever Information and Technology Show. The Chamber is now accepting registrations from area businesses who would like to participate in the show, which will be held May 25 at the Indian River State College Wolf Technology Center in Stuart.

Joe Catrambone, president

and CEO of the Stuart/Martin County Chamber of Commerce, said the Chamber wanted to build on the success of its Home and Garden, Health and Wellness and Holiday Trade Shows.

"We want to provide chamber members with information they can use," he said. "By showcasing members who work in the fields of information and technology, we cover all bases of interest," he said.

Chamber members will get to preview the show during the 7:45 a.m. networking breakfast. The free event opens to the public from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature speakers throughout the day.

30 tables are available for exhibitors. The cost is \$125 for members and \$250 for non-members.

The Chamber is also seeking event sponsors. Opportunities

range from \$500 to \$1,000 and include preferred exhibit space at the show plus prominent placement on Chamber print, television, radio and internet media and banner advertisements.

For more information, contact Jayme at jayme@stuartmartinchamber.org, 772-287-1088, ext. 111 or visit www.stuartmartinchamber.org to download registration information.



Ken Ferguson

Director of Business Services

QUARTER BY QUARTER PATIENCE:

It seemed like it would never get here, but with the first quarter of the year gone, we finally got some nicer warm weather. In a few more quarters, hopefully we will see the "turn around" start with unemployment reducing, some improvement in real estate, both commercial and residential.

In the meantime, now is the time to take advantage of Chamber activities. Attend as many networking events as possible, get your news releases to the Chamber's E-Compass News, do what advertising you can to keep your name in front of people, so when the upturn starts, your name will be on their minds.

SPORTS DIVERSION:

OK sports fans, by the time you read this, two major sport decisions will hopefully be determined. March Madness will be over and as a Hoosier, my heart is rooting for Butler, since Duke has already defeated one Indiana team to make it to the final game.

Also, we will know who won the 2010 Masters at Augusta. I might as well go for broke, because in this one, I am rooting for Tiger. His competition is the coerce and the challenge, not the individuals.

CLOSING HUMOR:

A fifth grade teacher in California challenged her students to convert TV commercials into a way to communicate with God. Here are a few of her responses: (1.) God is like Coke, He is the real thing. (2.) God is like Hallmark; He cares enough to send His very best. (3.) God is like General Electric, He brings good things to life. (4.) God is like scotch tape, you don't see Him, but you know He is there. (5.) God is like Allstate, you are in good hands with Him, and (6.) God is like Delta; He is ready when you are.

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