



Spacecoast Technical Network

Rebuilding Our Community, One Person at a Time

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Friday's Speaker

Ruben Nunez

Ruben Nunez is an Aerospace Engineering graduate from the University of Central Florida class of 2011. He founded Earthrise Space, Inc. in 2007 with the purpose of providing students with experience in STEM related



Ruben Nunez, President
Earthrise Space Inc.

activities, and building spacecraft and spacecraft systems. Ruben has experience managing, designing, and implementing research related to space technology. Projects involving this type of work were executed during his early years of college through the Florida Space Academy Program and the Steven Hawking Microgravity Education and Research Center. Ruben also has experience implementing science grants that involve training teachers in lesson study and inquiry based learning activities while integrating technology.

In October of 2010, Ruben had lead Earthrise Space, Inc. to obtain an Innovative Lunar Demonstrations Data Contract (ILDD) with NASA. The ILDD acquisition involves the delivery of data associated with the design of lunar spacecraft and demonstration of an end-to-end lunar landing



Jerry Olguin, Director of
Marketing and Public Relations

STN Board Approves Expansion of Marketing Staff

Recently, the Spacecoast Technical Network has seen a growth in the amount of Business Support Members. A Business Support Member is a person who is employed, or self-employed, and joins the STN with the purpose of using their resources and expertise to help achieve the goals set forth by the organization. When the group first started out, it was comprised entirely of displaced aerospace workers. Now, because of the support of the business community, many of the new volunteers stepping up to do the heavy lifting are not job seekers.

Angie Griffin is one such person, who joined the group early in 2012. She

had a great desire to help rebuild this community by using the skills and resources available to her as Site Manager of the Goodwill Self-Sufficiency Center in Rockledge. Her involvement increased, and now she is on STN's Board of Directors.

Melissa Lugo, Vice President of Business Development at Regions Financial, attended a few meetings, felt the energy in the room, joined as a member, and now heads up the Budget Committee for the group. The STN will benefit greatly from having someone of Melissa's expertise coordinating the financial decisions of the future.

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STN Member Job Board

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mission including: hardware design, development and testing; ground operations and integration; launch, trajectory correction maneuvers, and lunar braking burn; lunar landing; and other enhanced capabilities.

Ruben will speak on Commercial Lunar Payload Delivery Services

Upcoming Speakers

Due to last minute changes in his schedule, the presentation by Ron Jones of Rocket Crafters has been postponed. Ruben Nunez, previously scheduled for 2/22 has agreed to speak this Friday.

02/01 - Ruben Nunez, Earthrise Space Inc.

02/08 - Jason Joiner, Volt Workforce Solutions

02/15 - Abby Kohut, President, Staffing Symphony, LLC.

03/29 - Good Friday, No Meeting

04/05 - Lynda Weatherman, President, EDC

If you are interesting in presenting at an STN Breakfast meeting, please call Martin McClellan, Speaker Coordinator at (321) 759-5955, or email at: litamartin@msn.com

Upcoming Events

02-05 [SBDC Government Contracting Series - Part 1](#)

02-07 [SBDC Business Planning - Avoiding Costly Mistakes](#)

02-14 [B.W. Simpkins Seminar for Entrepreneurial Development](#)

03-08 [Space Coast Energy Consortium - MegaWatt Ventures](#)

If you have an upcoming event that may be of interest to our group, please contact Jerry Olguin at (321) 205-3322 or email at: jerryolguin@STNrebuilds.org

Spacecoast Technical Network

The Spacecoast Technical Network, STN, meets every Friday to network, share a meal, and learn from informative speakers. The membership is over one hundred and growing weekly. STN is about securing Employment for its members, enhancing skill sets through Educational resources, and providing ongoing professional support and expertise for new and exciting Entrepreneurial efforts.

Networking begins at 8:00am. A hot breakfast is served at 8:30. Cost for the breakfast is \$4 per person. The SpaceCoast Technical Network meets in the parish hall of St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, located at 414 Pine St., Titusville. [CLICK HERE FOR INTERACTIVE MAP](#)

For more information, contact Kevin Harrington at (321)302-4787, email: Kevin@STNrebuilds.org

The SpaceCoast Technical Network Offers Two Positions of Membership.

Join Now!

Associate Member - Associate members are seeking to re-establish their income stream. Many of our associate members have since moved on to new positions of employment. Some are starting their own business, while others have re-enrolled in an educational curriculum that will provide them with new skill sets and/or certificates for the next step in their career.

Business Support Member - Business support members offer the expertise and resources of their businesses to aid and assist the STN in its quest to strengthen the economic situation of the community. The support of the local business community is the key to the completion of all STN goals.

One Year Membership is just \$20

For more information contact Herb McElrath, Director of Membership Services at (321) 544-5932

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