



Spacecoast Technical Network

Rebuilding Our Community, One Person at a Time

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Friday's Speaker

Matthew Barringer - Issues Regarding Brevard County

Matthew "Matt" Barringer is a resident of Titusville Florida, the son of two parents who dedicated their lives to the aerospace industry. Compelled by the tradition of his family he served in the U.S. Army for nearly seven years directly after his graduation from high school.

Making his home in North Brevard, employed by Vitas Innovative Hospice, he began helping with social issues and care for both seniors and elders in the community. He currently serves as a community liaison working with the faith based community thorough the county, in order to find solutions for the care of our most valuable yet vulnerable Senior and Elder population.



Matthew Barringer

Within the community Matt fulfills his civic duty by serving on the Titusville Board of Adjustment and Appeals, is an active member of the Rotary, serves as the Chair for the North Brevard (S.A.L.T) Seniors and Law Enforcement Together committee, is a Board Member of the Titusville Chamber of Commerce serving as the Chair for Economic Affairs, helps as a Guiding Alumni of Collegiate Veterans Society and is proud to serve as the President of the Greater Titusville Renaissance.

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Upcoming Speakers

- 05/02 Matthew Barringer - Issues in Brevard County
05/09 Debbie Featherstone - Answering Interview Questions

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

Evening Alumni and Member Meeting

The next Alumni and Member Meeting will be held on May 1, 2014
From 7:00-9:00 pm

Guest Speaker - Matthew Barringer

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church
414 S. Pine Street, Titusville, FL

418 Building (Behind the Parish Hall)

Success Stories . . .

Gail Peek - Graduated from CareerSource Brevard's 5-Steps Class

**Paula Holmes - Received a Part-Time Job as a Receptionist
at Canaveral National Seashore**

Congratulations!

If you have a Success Story that you would like to share with the group, please

contact [Gail Peek](#).

Upcoming Events . . .

May 2014 [Florida SBDC Workshops](#)
[AVET Free Legal Seminars for March & April](#)
[CSB - Business Learning Events for April](#)
[Local Activities for Fun for April](#)
[2014 Export for Beginners - City of Cocoa](#)

04-30 **Business Development Focus Group** - Fairfield Inns and Suites

- 05-01 **Alumni and Member Evening Meeting**
- 05-01 [27th Annual Vietnam and All Veteran's Reunion](#)
- 05-02 [Titusville Business Connection Luncheon](#)
- 05-06 [Non-Profit Tabletop Expo](#)
- 05-09 **Health Nurse will be at Morning Meeting**
- 05-09 [Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - Tefler, Faherty, Anderson & Hawkins, P.L.](#)
- 05-13 [BizFest 50 - Expo for Entrepreneurs](#)
- 05-15 [WID Space Coast Resource Exposition](#)
- 05-16 [Movie in the Park & Food Truck Bazaar](#)
- 05-17 [Military Appreciation Day](#)
- 05-17 [PMI Professional Development Workshop](#)
- 05-26 [Food Truck Bazaar at Sandpoint Park](#)
- 05-26 [Memorial Day Celebration at Cocoa Riverfront Park](#)

June 2014

- 06-03 [Rolling Readers Hosted Lunch](#)
- 06-10 [Dept of Energy Small Business Forum and Expo](#)
- 06/13-25 [4th Annual Sea Turtle Festival](#)

If you have an upcoming event that may be of interest to our group, please contact [Gail Peek](#).

Employment / Training Opportunities...

STN Discussion Forum Job Postings (Member Login Required)

[Local Opportunities with Craig Technologies](#)

[Opportunities with Harris Corporation](#)

[Goodwill Industries Jobs](#)

[Local Technical and Engineering Jobs in Brevard County](#)

[More Jobs in the Area](#)

[HOT JOBS from CareerSource - Brevard](#)

[TechPoint Training - FLMEP](#)

Important Links...

[NEW STN Members Website - REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!!!](#)

[STN on LinkedIn](#)

Weekly Article . . .

May Day: A Cornucopia of Holidays

by Shmuel Ross

May 1st, often called **May Day**, just might have more holidays than any other day of the year. It's a celebration of Spring. It's a day of political protests. It's a neopagan festival, a saint's feast day, and a day for organized labor. In many countries, it is a national holiday.

Beltane

Beltane was a Celtic calendar feast ushering in the start of summer. (It also went by a variety of other spellings and names in assorted dialects of Gaelic.)

Bonfires, often created by rubbing sticks together, were common features of Beltane celebrations. Related rituals included driving cattle between two fires, dancing around the fires, and burning witches in effigy. Another tradition was Beltane cakes, which would be broken into several pieces, one of which was blackened. They would be drawn by celebrants at random; the person getting the unlucky blackened piece would face a mock execution.

In recent years, Beltane has been adopted or revived by neopagan groups as a major seasonal festival.

Walpurgisnacht

St. Walburga (or Walpurgis), the abbess of the monastery of Heidenheim, helped St. Boniface bring Christianity to 8th Century Germany. She died on Feb. 25, 779. As her remains have been moved on multiple occasions, several days have been designated in her honor, one of which is the first of May.

This date coincided with a pre-existing pagan festival, which, in Germany, included rites to protect one against witchcraft. This led to a hybrid legend developing, in which witches were said to meet with the Devil on the eve of May 1, on the Brocken peak. The night of April 30th became known as "Walpurgisnacht," and the annual meeting was dramatized by Goethe in Faust.

[Read the Complete Article . . .](#)

Reference

Ross, S. (2010, October). May day - a cornucopia of holidays.
Infoplease.com, Retrieved from <http://www.infoplease.com/spot/mayday.html>

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The Spacecoast Technical Network Offers Two Levels of Membership

Associate Member - 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 - 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. Contact [Herb McElrath](#), Director of Membership Services Via Email For More Information Or...

[Visit The STN Website](#)



About The Spacecoast Technical Network

The 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.

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