



Spacecoast Technical Network

Rebuilding Our Community, One Person at a Time

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Friday's Speaker

Linda Meeuwenberg

Linda Meeuwenberg, RDH, M.A. M.A., F.A.D.I.A. is an internationally recognized speaker, educator, entrepreneur, best-selling author and columnist. She has led hundred of personal empowerment seminars with rave reviews from her audiences.

She has written children's books to preserve family memories, a short story and a contributing author in ***Stepping Stones to Success*** co-authored with Deepak Chopra and Jack Canfield of the Chicken Soup series. She is co-author of an interactive iPod book; ***3D Dentists - the Future of Dentistry is Now*** and a featured author in a collaborative book - ***Overcoming Mediocrity - A Collection of stories from dynamic women who have created a life of significance.***



Linda Meeuweberg

Linda Holds the rank of Professor Emeritus; Ferris State University in Michigan. As an active volunteer in Michigan and Florida she enjoys her life on the beaches in Brevard County where she serves on the Friends of the Space Coast Medicine Board, Cocoa Beach Area Chamber serving on the Business Resource Council and as a keynote speaker.

She has received national awards for her volunteer projects, holds several awards as a University Professor and is an active member with the International Speakers Networks. Linda motivates her audiences to action with practical tips, humor and exceptional knowledge.

Backup Positions NEED Filling!

Due to potential new jobs being acquired . . . The STN needs to fill two back-up positions. These positions assist the Event Coordinator and the A/V Coordinator in case they get new (paying) jobs and need help in handling the duties of their positions.

If anyone is interested in either of these opportunities, please contact [Herb McElrath](#) or [Patrick Pearce](#).

Upcoming Speakers

05/23 Linda Meeuwenberg
 05/30 TBA
 06/06 TBA

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

Success Stories . . .

**Terry White - Daughter just achieved "Petty Officer First Class"
 Son is now a "Captain" in the Army**

Van Le - Son (Ryan) completed 1st year at Naval Academy

**Deborah Womack - Had 2 great interviews 1) Holiday Inn Titusville
 2) Lone Cabbage Fish Camp**

Martin McClellan - Promoted to a 6th Degree Black Belt

Congratulations to Everyone!

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](#)
[2014 Export for Beginners - City of Cocoa](#)
[Back In Black Event SPCA](#)
[Fun Events for North Brevard](#)

- 05-24 [VietRiver Restaurant - 1st Anniversary Celebration](#)
- 05-26 [Food Truck Bazaar at Sandpoint Park](#)
- 05-26 [Memorial Day Celebration at Cocoa Riverfront Park](#)
- 05-28 [Free Webinar for Entrepreneurs - Pricing for Profitability](#)
- 05-28 **Business Development Focus Group Meeting - Fairfield Inns and Suites**
- 05-29 [SBIR-STTR Phase I Grant Preparation Workshop](#)
- 05-30 **Board of Director's Meeting** - following regular Friday meeting.

June 2014

- 06-03 [Rolling Readers Hosted Lunch](#)
- 06-10 [Dept of Energy Small Business Forum and Expo](#)
- 06-14 [SPCA - Party in the Country](#)
- 06-24 [Lowes Job Info Session](#)
- 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)

JOB POSTINGS WILL SOON BE MOVING TO MEMBER WEBSITE!!!

[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](#)

[Civilian Jobs for Ex-military](#)

[USAJobs.com](#)

[URS Jobs](#)

Important Links...

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

[STN on LinkedIn](#)

Weekly Article . . .

Taking a Step Down

Posted By: [Mary Nestor-Harper](#) In: Career Goals and Motivation

A lot of companies are laying off employees, slashing salaries or just not giving annual increases like they did in years past. It's one thing when an employee is the victim of a downsizing, but it's another when an employee makes a decision to leave a lucrative position and take a cut in pay to change his lifestyle.

It may be a case of just having enough. In the case of Bruce Merevick, as reported in the New York Times, it was a case of trading a life on the road with one that gave him more time with his wife and a less hectic lifestyle.

At 51, Bruce found a way to use his technical expertise working at home. He took a 20-percent cut in pay for a far less stressful lifestyle and time with his wife and friends. In the tech field, he still can make a decent salary. This type of decision in another field may not be as easy to do. But the choice to trade a stressful career away from home for five days out of the week was worth the cut in pay.

The realities of today's workforce are making workers re-examine their commitment to employers and count the cost of giving all to a job. There are costs. If you decide to cut your salary and not cut your lifestyle or spending habits, you may find yourself running back to the same stress-filled environment.

[Read more . . .](#)

References

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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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