



Spacecoast Technical Network

Rebuilding Our Community, One Person at a Time

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Friday's Meeting

Representative Steve Crisafulli:

Steve Crisafulli is one of us! A fourth generation resident of Brevard County, Steve runs his family's local agribusiness and is deeply involved in the community where he and his wife Kristen are raising their two daughters, Carly and Kennedy. Steve is a product of Brevard County public schools, Brevard Community College, and the University of Central Florida.

Steve Crisafulli believes in strong families. To Steve, family values begin at home. Steve and Kristen have been married for 17 years. Not only has he coached Little League, but he and Kristen are also actively involved at their children's schools. They are also members of the First Baptist Church of Merritt Island.

As a small businessman, Steve understands the challenges of making a payroll, balancing a budget, and paying taxes and insurance premiums.

Steve Crisafulli understands the importance of the space industry to Central Florida and has passed several bills designed to strengthen and promote this vital industry. Steve previously served as the Florida House of Representatives' appointee to Space Florida's Board of Directors.

Steve has also been a strong proponent of the agricultural industry in our community and in our state. Steve has been involved in the agricultural industry since the day he was born; in fact, his roots in local agriculture date back almost a century. Having served as the President of the Brevard County Farm Bureau, he truly understands the importance of this industry to our state.



Steve Crisafulli

Steve was first elected to the Florida House of Representatives in 2008. In November 2012, Steve's colleagues in the Florida House unanimously chose him to serve as Speaker of the House for the 2014-2016 term. Steve will be the first House Speaker from Brevard County. Steve also currently serves as the House Majority Leader.

Positions that NEED Filling!

The **Event Coordinator** position needs a new back-up .

The **Guest Speaker Coordinator** position needs a back up assistant.

Volunteers are still greatly needed to help cook, serve, and clean up for the STN Friday morning meetings!

If anyone is interested in this opportunity, please contact:

[Herb McElrath](#) or [Patrick Pearce](#)

Upcoming Speakers

09/19 Representative Steve Crisafulli
 09/26 Jack Mitchell - References

10/03 Robert Hill - STN Business Plan
 10/10 TBD
 10/17 Mke Ely
 10/24 TBD
 10/31 Abby Kohut - Absolute Abby - "Linked In Guru"

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

Gail Peek - Received a job offer with Adecco Staffing for Ebay, starting 10/13/14

Ed Avery - Sears listed him at 16th ranking in sales out of 700 technicians.

Sears is also looking for 150 technicians in Louisiana locations.

Congratulaton!

If you have a Success Story that you would like to share with the group, please contact [Patrick Pearce](#).

Upcoming Events . . .

Sept. 2014 [North Brevard Events](#)

[Merritt Island Wildlife Refuge Free Events](#)

[Enchanted Forest Events](#)

[Florida Small Business Workshops](#)

[Goodwill Training & Events Calendar](#)

09/17 **Business Development Focus Group - 6:00 pm at Fairfield Inns & Suites**

09/19 [Business Connection Luncheon - Titusville COC - Pt. St. John Library](#)

09-24 [Tri-Regional Business Summit](#)

10/01 **Business Development Focus Group - 6:00 pm at Fairfield Inns & Suites**

10/02 [Customer Job Fair GW](#)

10-03 [2014 TechXpo](#)

10/03 **Business Connection Luncheon - Titusville COC - Titusville Library**

10/07 [Tuesday Twosday Titusville Art League](#)

10/01 [VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Arts & Algorithms](#)

10/3-12 [Art & Algorithms Festival in Downtown Titusville](#)

10/11 [Space Walk of Fame Golf Benefit](#)

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

Weekly Article . . .

Engineering and Technology Center USA opens on Embraer's Melbourne Campus

Third project to boost company's engineering focus

Acquired from: [EDC](#)

Brevard County, Fla. (September 8, 2014) - For the third time in as many years, a new Embraer facility is at the center of a major grand opening at Melbourne International Airport.

Embraer S.A. unveiled its \$24.2 million, 75,436-square-foot Engineering and Technology Center USA to the community today, delivering on the company's commitment to expand its footprint in Brevard County.

This state-of-the-art facility increases Embraer's scope and depth of engineering capacity through 3D Computer Aided Design, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Finite Element Modeling, 3D Virtual Reality Center, prototype capabilities and sophisticated laboratories and other test equipment.

"As we celebrate the 35th anniversary of our North American presence this month, we are once again expanding our longstanding relationship with the State of Florida and the Brevard community with the opening of a cutting-edge Engineering & Technology Center" said Frederico Fleury Curado, Embraer S.A. President and CEO. "With the highly qualified team of engineers that will work in these offices and laboratories, we will bring the most advanced solutions to our customers."

The company is expected to hire 200 employees by 2016 at an average salary of \$70,000 per

year in such specialties as Mechanical and Electrical Systems Engineers, Interior Design Engineers, Structural Engineers and Certification Engineers.

Governor Scott said, "Embraer's commitment to Florida and their creation of 200 jobs will help more Florida families get back to work and live the American Dream. This project is great news for the Space Coast and I'm excited to see this company grow as they open today. Since December 2010, we have created more than 620,000 private-sector jobs and we will continue working hard to create an opportunity where every Floridian who wants a job can get one."

Embraer's Melbourne presence includes nearly \$50 million in capital investment in established buildings. In 2011, an 80,000-square-foot manufacturing and assembly building and associated paint facilities were opened for Embraer's Phenom 100 and Phenom 300 aircraft, and later that year, a 58,000-square-foot customer delivery center was added.

The Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast, Enterprise Florida, Space Florida and community partners have worked with Embraer since the company first considered the Space Coast more than six years ago.

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Employment / Training Opportunities...

STN Discussion Forum Job Postings (Member Login Required)

JOB POSTINGS HAVE BEEN MOVED TO MEMBER WEBSITE!!!

JOIN STN NOW !!!

**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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