



Upcoming Events

Business Education Workshops

April 11 & April 25: Seminole Chamber Office, 7:30 a.m.

Post-Session Legislative

Update & Social:

April 17: Seminole Chamber Office, 6 - 8 p.m. RSVP: 727-545-6421

After Hours Social:

April 19: Freedom Inn at Bay Pines, 9797 Bay Pines Blvd., 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Bay Area Job Fair:

April 20: Seminole Library Conference Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. RSVP: 545.6421

Ribbon Cutting/Grand Opening:

April 26: KB & T Gallery, 9183 Park Blvd., 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tribute to Teachers Breakfast:

May 8: Seminole Middle School, 8701 131st St., 7:30a.m. (see flyer)

Kids Appreciation Day:

June 7: Seminole City Park, 3:30 p.m.

Seminole Chamber Schedules Power Luncheons

The following is a schedule for our bi-monthly Seminole Chamber Power Luncheons. The cost is \$15 per person and reservations are requested. Please call the Chamber Office at 392-3245.



April 19

Location: Lake Seminole Square, 8333 Seminole Blvd., 11:30 a.m.

Topic: "How Pinellas County Economic Development Can Help Your Business Thrive"

Speaker: Dr. Cynthia Johnson, Senior Manager, Business Assistance

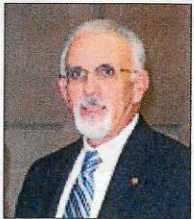


June 21

Location: Seminole Library Conference Center, 11:30 a.m.

Topic: The Regional Business Plan for Tampa Bay

Speaker: Dave Sobush, Project Manager - Regional Business Plan/Business Intelligence Officer.



August 16

Location: Lake Seminole Square, 8333 Seminole Blvd., 11:30 a.m.

Topic: The State of Seminole

Speaker: City Manager Frank Edmunds

Running buddies forever!

Representing the Seminole Rec. Dept.'s Landsharks club are winners in the 15 to 19 female category: Angela Ambrose, Jill Hockin and Alexis Stephens.



Having the Time of Their Lives ... A field of 152 runners competed in the Seminole Chamber of Commerce's 5k at the 19th Annual Seminole Stampede at Walsingham Park March 31. Kathy Frailing #140, with a time of 19:04, was named Female Overall Winner. She is heading toward the finish



Photo by Gretchen C. Wells

line, as Caleb Hudak #131, with a time of 17:16, refreshes his thirst.

Charles Anstadt #4, was Male Overall Master Winner, with a time of 19:24, Overall Male Winner was Hunter McCain #137, 17:07; and Overall Female Master was Mary Deja #26, 25:19.

Some 22 walkers/runners participated in the 1 mile fun run.

All are invited to come back on April 6, 2013. Stay tuned for more information!

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MEET DONNA MILLER!

Donna Miller recently joined the staff as our Administrative Assistant. She will be working part-time, with office hours on Tuesday through Thursday, if you want to stop by and say "Hi." Donna comes to us with Chamber of Commerce experience from the Seeley Lake, Montana Chamber, and already has assisted with the newsletter, luncheon and Stampede. A real go-getter, she is a welcome addition.



You Name It, Please!

We have a sparkling, spacious and Wi-Fi compatible business conference center here at the Seminole Chamber that makes an excellent meeting place or classroom. It is becoming quite popular, and we now find it needs a name.

We are open to suggestions: animal, mineral, vegetable, but are thinking it should bear the moniker of one of our illustrious members. In return for a contribution (make us an offer) we will select a benefactor to immortalize.

Each time we announce an activity to take place in the conference center, and there are several a week, this person's name will be mentioned. As an additional marketing tool, there will be a name plate in the vicinity, engraved with this designation.

Just as we have the Holland G. Mangum Seminole Recreation Complex, we could have the ?????? Business Conference Center. Please let us know your thoughts.



From the Desk of Roger Edelman Chamber President

Walking & Talking to You

One of the most important responsibilities with which the Chamber is tasked is to help businesses better understand and cope with the ever-changing economic climate.

Whether it is a new business or a business that has been firmly rooted in our community for some time, the pressures of surviving and growing in today's often difficult economic times proves ever more difficult.

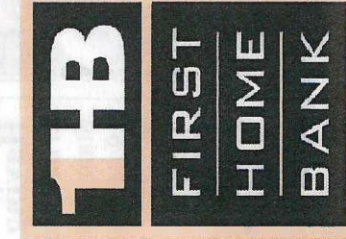
For the next couple of months, I will be conducting a walking tour one day each week throughout our community, surveying business owners about their issues and concerns and what the Chamber and the city can do to better serve them, now, and in the future.

The results will be published, so watch your local newspapers for the times and locations of these walks.



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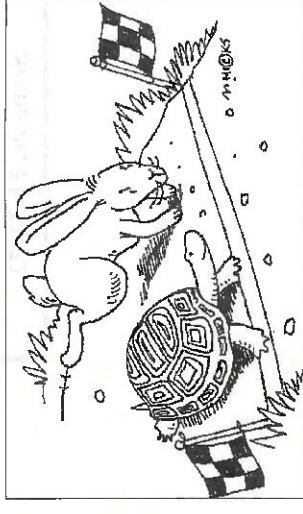
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"Mr. Seminole" Senator Dennis Jones, City and Chamber leaders recently officiated at two ribbon cuttings: March 15: Capo de Monte, 8400 Seminole Blvd. and March 21: Florida Country Citrus, 5800 Seminole Blvd. We wish these businesses, who are Chamber members, great success.



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