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***In the Spotlight*****18th Annual Meeting**

Platinum Sponsor -- Progress Energy

Thursday, Feb. 26 | 5:30 p.m. | Hilton Raleigh-Durham Airport



One of the Chamber's most anticipated and well-attended events, the [18th Annual Meeting](#) will feature guest speaker **Former State Treasurer Richard Moore**, a networking cocktail reception, dinner, a review of the previous year's accomplishments, a look at the year ahead, and award presentations for Small Business of the Year and Ambassador of the Year. The nomination deadline for the [Small Business of the Year](#) award is Feb. 4. Chamber members are invited and encouraged to nominate their own companies.

Upcoming Chamber Events**QuickBooks Seminar: What Every Business Owner Should Know**

Presented by Alpha Accounting

Monday, Feb. 2 | 9 a.m. - 12 noon | Morrisville Chamber

Free for Chamber members

Learn how to use QuickBooks as a business tool. Maybe you

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already use QuickBooks but are not familiar with all of its features. Or, maybe someone else does your bookkeeping for you so you do not even use QuickBooks? This class is still right for you! You will learn how to read the reports and ask for the reports that are right for YOUR business! To reserve a seat, contact the Chamber at 463-7150 or nheine@morrisvillenc.com.

Internet Marketing Seminar: Blog Marketing

Presented by Frank Thinking

Wednesday, Feb. 4 | 12 - 1:30 p.m. | Morrisville Chamber

Free for Chamber members

Blogging presents an enormous opportunity for businesses of any size. Learn about blog creation and strategy during this [seminar](#). We expect you will leave with more ideas than ever before about how to position yourself to win in the increasingly competitive business world. When you blog you communicate and when you communicate you win. To reserve a seat, contact Frank Reed at 746-7027 or freed@frankthinking.com.

Succeed Inside the Box, Guaranteed

Presented by VisionPlanning, Inc.

Fridays in Feb. & Mar. 13 | 8:30 - 11:45 a.m. | Prestonwood C.C.



Learn how to increase sales, boost productivity, strengthen your company's culture, and separate yourself from the competition. **Rick Grandinetti**, founder and CEO of VisionPlanning, Inc. in Morrisville, will present this five-week educational series. [Click here](#) for pricing and registration information. Questions? Contact Terri Wilson at 434-7824 or terri@succeedinsidethebox.com.

New Member Luncheon

Sponsored by Costco

Thursday, Feb. 12 | 12 - 1:30 p.m. | Morrisville Chamber

Free for Chamber members & guests

New Chamber members and new employees of current member companies are invited to a networking lunch and orientation session at the Chamber. Attendees will have an opportunity to introduce themselves and give a brief description of their company. RSVP by Feb. 10 to the Chamber at 463-7150 or nheine@morrisvillenc.com.

BizTalk: Social Media as a Tool for Business Growth

Presented by BP Studios

Wednesday, Feb. 18 | 12 - 1:30 p.m. | Morrisville Chamber

Free for Chamber members; \$15 for non-members

You may have heard that social tools such as wikis, blogs, and networking sites like Twitter and LinkedIn can help you improve business communications, increase collaboration and nurture innovation. Maybe you are already using some of these tools or would like help determining which ones are best-suited for your business. **Drew Robison**, president and CEO of BP Studios, a Durham-based firm offering marketing and web technology

services, will take a practical look at incorporating social media into your business marketing strategy.

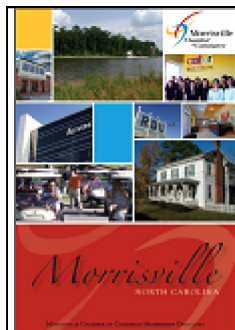
A box lunch may be ordered in *advance* for \$10. To reserve a seat, contact the Chamber at 463-7150 or nheine@morrisvillenc.com.

From the Chamber

Thanks and congratulations to the members recently named to the new Morrisville Chamber Business Advisory Council:

Veronica Bent (Capital Bank)
Drake Brinkley (Moore & Van Allen)
Pravin Sai Chunduru (IT People Corporation)
Ashley Dopman (First Command Financial Planning)
Blake Hardin (Harbinger Agency)
Dan Hynes (Employee Benefits Management Group)
Ajit Kannattil (IT People Corporation)
Maureen McDivitt (The Oaks at Weston)
Joe Turchetti (Clifton Gunderson LLP)
Michael Washington (ActionCOACH Business Coaching)

MCBAC is a new initiative designed to be a major resource for member companies in need of free consulting and mentoring services. Anyone interested in obtaining MCBAC services should contact Sharon Rosche' at 463-7150 or srosche@morrisvillenc.com.



Ad space in the 2009-10 Membership Directory is still available!

Distributed annually to 2,000 Chamber members, visitors and new residents, the Membership Directory is a premiere advertising opportunity for members only. Ad space must be reserved by Feb. 12. [Click here](#) for more information. Questions? Contact Jaclyn Morgan at jmorgan@morrisvillenc.com.

Interested in serving on the Chamber's Golf Committee?

If so, come to the first meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. at the Chamber to help plan the Jani-King Pine Cone Classic, scheduled for Monday, May 4 at Prestonwood Country Club. Questions? Contact Nadine Heine at 463-7155 or nheine@morrisvillenc.com.

Member News & Notes

DocuSource of NC recently received a Community Excellence Award from Community Workforce Solutions for providing production work to individuals with disabilities. DocuSource of NC is located at 2800 Slater Road, Morrisville. Learn more at www.docusourceofnc.com.

Hyatt Place Raleigh-Durham Airport announced that Carl Milligan

is the new Director of Sales. Hyatt Place is located at 200 Airgate Drive, Morrisville. Learn more at www.hyattplace.com.

N.C. Wesleyan College and Grant Writing USA will present a two-day grant writing workshop on Feb. 19-20 in Morrisville. Beginning and experienced grant writers from city, county and state agencies as well as nonprofits, K-12, colleges and universities are encouraged to attend. Learn more at www.grantwritingusa.com/events/write/monc0209.

Learn what it takes to be a successful entrepreneur by attending "Do You Really Want to Start Your Own Business?" on Saturday, March 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Northern Wake Tech Campus. The workshop is presented by **SCORE**. Learn more at www.raleighscore.org.

Zpizza is now offering gluten-free pizza at the Cary (96 Cornerstone Dr, Davis/High House) and Raleigh (9630 Falls of Neuse Rd near I-540) locations. Zpizza is now certified by the National Foundation for Celiac Awareness. Zpizza also offers wheat crust, soy cheese and organic sauces. Learn more at www.zpizza.com.

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