



SOUTHERN FAUQUIER BUSINESS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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SFBOA MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Midland Christian Academy was established by the Midland Church of the Brethren in 1986 as the Hearts and Hands Preschool. The first year had 8 enrolled students with two staff members. Now in its 21st year, MCA serves 120 students in Preschool through 7th grade in the current school year and will add 8th grade in 2008-09. MCA's vision is to continue to add grades through 12th and to offer a rigorous Christ-centered curriculum that fully develops the physical, intellectual and spiritual being.

"What sets us apart," Head of School Lynne Richman Cox explains, "is that although our curriculum is very challenging and behavioral expectations are high, we truly honor the one and only childhood of each student. Our children are encouraged to be creative and take academic risks and still be kids. We provide an absolutely safe place for them to learn and grow. Our students come from very diverse socio-economic and familial backgrounds. Our school is a non-denominational outreach. You name it, we have it. They, our students and families, are all created in the image of God and worthy of special care."

When Ms. Cox assumed the responsibility of Administrator

in July of 2002, the school had 42 students and 8 staff members. The school now has 29 staff members and in 2006 was named a "Best Christian Workplace" by the Best Christian Workplaces Institute and Christian Management Association. MCA was chosen as a top six finalist among over three thousand schools of 90 employees or fewer surveyed.

"The recognition by BCW was an absolute surprise," Cox states, "we participated in the survey to review our organizational health. We are truly blessed to have an incredibly cohesive, dedicated and talented staff."

The staff ranges from teachers and aides in the MCA Teacher Development program to certified and experienced public school teachers to retired military and law enforcement to a college professor.

"We have achieved and landmark accomplishment this year that establishes our credibility as an institution of Higher learning—when I say Higher, I mean both Divine and collegiate. Dr. Flores Tochihuitl, our 7th grade core and Bible teacher and adjunct professor of Humanities at Strayer University, has administered two tests from her History of Western Civilization course to



The SFBOA Newsletter is available on the organization's web site at:

www.sofauquierbus.org/news.htm

If you would like your business featured in the monthly SFBOA newsletter, drop your business card or a note off at the next SFBOA Meeting. A box will be provided for a drawing to determine the business to be profiled in the next issue.

Please send business announcements, new ideas, or suggestions to Kim Bloom at kim@waivasir.com.



our 7th graders. Our students not only earned A's on both tests, but one MCA student earned the only 100% among all of the students tested. Our 7th graders are functioning on a collegiate level!"

"I could not be more pleased with our entire school family," states Cox. "Our vision for the future is a complete preschool through high school program that develops a new kind of Christian leader. We plan to touch as many lives as we can in the years to come."

For more information visit:

www.midlandchristian.org

March Monthly Meeting

The upcoming meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2008 in Ripley Hall at the Inn at Kelly's Ford. Located at 16589 Edwards Shop Road in Remington. Social hour starts at 6 PM; dinner is served at 7 PM followed by a brief business meeting and the evening's program.

Congressman Rob Wittman will be the guest speaker.

Menu



Soup Du Jour
Pecan Encrusted Trout
Fresh Vegetables
Rolls
Coffee or Tea
Dessert
(Non-alcoholic drinks included in price)

Dinner per person is \$22.00.

Please call Susan Kemper at Generations Florists at 540-439-9301 or e-mail her at lhflowers@aol.com to make your reservation, and include any guests one week prior to the meeting. All reservations must be honored.

April 22 Guest Speaker

Steve Davis of Liberty Run Benefits

MARCH GUEST SPEAKER



Congressman Rob Wittman

Rob Wittman was elected to serve the 1st Congressional District of Virginia – America's First District – on December 11, 2007, in a special election to fill the seat of the late Jo Ann Davis.

For more than 20 years, Rob has served in several levels of government, from Montross Town Council to the Virginia General Assembly. Rob won his first campaign for public office in 1986 when he was elected to the Montross Town Council, where he served for 10 years, four of them as Mayor. During his tenure, he helped build a municipal sewer system and developed a computerized tax billing system that cut burdensome paperwork, saving the taxpayers money.

In 1995, Rob was elected to the Westmoreland County Board of Supervisors and was elected its Chairman in 2003. As a member of the board, Rob Wittman's leadership paved the way for the construction of three new libraries, provided tax relief for seniors, and raised teacher salaries to competitive levels.

In 2005, voters in the 99th Legislative District elected Rob to the Virginia House of Delegates, where he served on three important committees – Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources; Militia, Police and Public Safety; and Transportation – and was a strong voice for keeping taxes low, supporting education, and protecting the environment while encouraging new jobs.

Rob, 49, spent over 20 years working in state government, most recently as Field Director for the Virginia Health Department's Division of Shellfish Sanitation. Earlier, he worked for many years as an environmental health specialist for local health departments in Virginia's Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula regions. He holds a Ph.D. in Public Policy and Administration from

Virginia Commonwealth University, a Master of Public Health degree in Health Policy and Administration from the University of North Carolina, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Virginia Tech.

Rob's wife, Kathryn, a teacher at Cople Elementary School in Hague, is a Westmoreland County native whom he met when he spent high school and college summer recesses working in a Leedstown tomato cannery and on a Reedville fishing boat in the Northern Neck. They live in Montross and have two children: a daughter, Devon, 25, son-in-law Daniel Gooch, and a son, Josh, 21. Rob and Kathryn recently became grandparents for the first time when Devon gave birth to Morgan Elizabeth Gooch.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Andreas Keller Joins SunTrust Mortgage, Inc.

SFBOA member Andreas Keller, after a 12-year association as Advisory Board Member and Mortgage Specialist with Mid-Atlantic Mortgage Corporation in Warrenton has joined SunTrust Mortgage, Inc., which offers Mr. Keller a larger geographic footprint for regular and reverse mortgages.

Mr. Keller also publishes mortgage related articles in local newspapers and the Warrenton Lifestyle Magazine and provides the community with free seminars in financial planning and investment management. Mr. Keller can be reached via email aakeller@mac.com. His personal website is

www.mortgagemomentsonline.com

SFBOA MEMBER BLOGS

Dennis Taylor, Paradigm Solutions, a Catlett, Virginia based business and management consulting firm has a business blog called "The Business of Business" and can be viewed by visiting

<http://www.fauquier.com/blogs/business-business>.

Kim Bloom, Waivasir, Inc., a Bealeton, Virginia based virtual assistance and business support services firm has a business blog called "Virtual Business Mommy" to inform and discuss such topics as work-life balance and virtual assistance.

<http://www.fauquier.com/blogs/virtual-business-mommy>.

MEMBERSHIP

Updated monthly as dues are paid. If your business is not listed and dues have been paid, please inform Lynne Cox.

- A & K Construction
- Access Point Communications, Inc.
- Allstate - Payne Agency
- Alvin Henry Appraisals
- Arbonne International
- ATEC, Inc.
- Brenda L. Eggleston, Realtor
- Cabling Systems, Inc.
- Carr and Hyde Insurance
- Carson-Ashley
- Community Touch, Inc.
- Corner Deli, The
- Cows-N-Corn
- Deer Meadow Farm
- Dell Ennis
- Dewberry & Davis, LLC
- Didlake Opal Business Center
- Fauquier Bank, The
- Fauquier County Dept. of Economic Development
- Fauquier Medical Associates
- Fauquier Times Democrat
- Fauquier's Finest Custom Meat Processing
- Fifield-Helm Insurance
- Financial Organization and Management for Seniors, LLC
- Fox Wood Works
- Generations

- Genworth Financial & Rhynalds Enterprises
- Happy Trails Western Wear
- Holly Knob Farm
- J-C's Cleaning & Power Washing
- J.T. Walsh
- Kehoe Construction
- Liberty Heritage Society
- Lois Volunteer Fire Department
- Luckstone
- McLeod, Inc.
- Meadows Electric
- Middleburg Bank
- Midland Christian Academy
- Moser Funeral Home
- Moser Funeral Home, Inc.
- Paradigm Solutions
- Pressley Enterprises
- Pro 1 Auto
- R. Paul Lawrence
- Remington Drug Company
- Ritchie's Millwork
- Robert Niles
- Rogers Ford Winery
- Rozanne K. Kelley P.C.
- Shady Grove Kennel
- SkyWorld Aviation, Inc.
- Smith's Antiques
- Smith-Midland Corp.
- Sowder Enterprises
- Streetrenz
- Trigon Development, LLC.

- Vern's Plumbing, Inc.
- Virginia Hydro-seeding & Excavating
- Waivasir, Inc.
- William Allen Edwards Trucking
- Woodward Turf Farms

SFBOA FEBRUARY MEETING UPDATE



February guest speaker Dr. Jonathan Lewis, Superintendent of Schools, spoke about the 12 million dollar increase in funding, 8.8 million of that will go to two new schools, Kettle Run and Greenville. He also discussed "No Child Left Behind" and other issues concerning public schools.

February Drawing

Winners

50/50 \$31.00 Winner
Larry Kemper

Dinner for Two
Bob Niles

Featured Business for March

Diane Rhynalds of Genworth Financial

The Board

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Dennis Taylor, Paradigm Solutions



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ABOUT SFBOA

Organized in 1996, the Southern Fauquier Business Owners Association is comprised of approximately 120 members consisting of retailers, service businesses, industries & medical professionals

The members of the Association wish to express their thanks and gratitude for the support, and patronage, that has been received from our customers. The Association fully realizes that our customers' future is our future and with that the Association will pledge the following:

To continue to provide excellent service and products to our customers and to continue to provide our support to our customers and community.

The members would further like to extend an invitation to other businesses to relocate to our community and join us in creating a friendly and family oriented environment.

Important Dates to Remember

- March 25 - Monthly Meeting, 6 PM, Ripley Hall, Inn at Kelly's Ford
- April 3 - Board Meeting, 6:15 PM, Church of the Brethren Fellowship Hall
- April 3 - News Deadline for Monthly Newsletter
- April 22 - Monthly Meeting, 6 PM, Ripley Hall, Inn at Kelly's Ford
- May 1 - Board Meeting, 6:15 PM, Church of the Brethren Fellowship Hall

