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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **SHBA Networking Business After Hours**, Thursday, April 25, 2019, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., The Content House, 500 West Taft, South Holland. Please register at http://bit.ly/SHBATheContentHouseBAH

- **Shape Up with SHBA Networking Event**, May 1, 2019, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., South Holland Community Center (SHCC), 501 East 170th Street, South Holland. Come build business relationships while you build your body as you walk around the SHCC indoor walking track. Locker room will be available to change clothes. Free admission. Please register at http://bit.ly/SHBA-SHCCBBH.

- **South Suburban College (SSC), Community Job Fair**, Tuesday, May 21, 2019, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at SSC Fitness Center, 15800 South State Street, South Holland. Employers can sign up to participate by going to ssc.edu/jobfair.

- **SHBA Networking Luncheon**, State of the Village with Mayor Don De Graff, Thursday, May 23, 2019, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., South Holland Community Center, 501 East 170th Street, South Holland.

BOSS TALK AUDIO INTERVIEWS

Listen to this informative and interesting BOSS Talk (Business Opportunity Success Story) interview that Tim Prentiss of Harrell and Associates conducted with Dwayne Barlow of The BarTech Group. The BarTech Group is an Electrical Contractor Group who has worked extensively with Metra, ComEd, the 95th Street CTA Hub and more. They are also a proud member and sponsor of SHBA. Click here to listen to this informative interview: http://harrellandassociatesinc.com/boss-talk-dwayne-barlow-bartech-group-of-illinois/ You can check out our other BOSS Talk interviews by visiting: www.shba.org/boss-talk/

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Although most people turn to social media for resources and information, there is no substitute for the in-person experience of going to your local library. On February 28, 2019, South Holland Business Association (SHBA) members and guests had the unique experience of meeting and greeting at the South Holland Public Library (SHPL) (www.shlibrary.org) during a Business Before Hours Networking Event. Despite the early starting time, the large meeting room where the event was held was almost at capacity and additional chairs and tables had to be added to accommodate everyone.

Linda Jourdan-Caruso, Head of Public Service at SHPL, enlightened us by sharing information about the myriad of resources, experiences and services that it offers. The library has something for everyone including books (obviously), audio and visual materials, software, access to databases, streaming equipment, workshops, computer training, and even field trips. If you want to be “in the know” you should go check it out. Even if you are not a South Holland resident you may be able to get a SHPL library card if your business is located in the village.

Everyone enjoyed the delicious pastries, donuts, bagels, yogurt, fresh fruit and beverages that Walt’s Food Center catered. A special thanks to our Business Before Hours sponsors Kiswani Freight and Sherwin Williams Credit Union. If you would like to sponsor a Business Before, During or After Hours Networking Event, please contact Blevian Moore at 708-596-0065 or at info@SHBA.org.
The first time that you plan an event it is difficult to know if the time, energy and effort that you put into it will result in the outcome that you are seeking. Fortunately, the outcome that the members of the South Holland Business Association’s (SHBA) Business Expo Planning Committee hoped for exceeded our expectations. It’s not just the opinion of the committee, but the 40 business/organizations that participated and the 250-plus people that attended also agreed that SHBA's 2019 Business Expo and Resource Fair on March 28, 2019 was success!

The purpose of the event was to showcase our SHBA and to encourage people to shop and support local businesses. The exhibitors seized the opportunity by displaying and discussing their products and services with fellow members of the business community and with the general public. The attendees gathered information, received exhibitor giveaways and, the lucky ones, won some of the fabulous prizes.

The South Holland Community Center’s newly-renovated meetings rooms were the perfect setting for the Expo. The room was “clean, bright and beautiful” and it was very easy to explore what the exhibitors had to offer. To make the event fun there was even a selfie station and a dining area, referred to as The SHBA Cafe, where people gathered throughout the event.

South Holland Mayor Don De Graff spoke and remarked about the significance of the event and how it was fitting that this occurred as part of SHBA’s 40th Anniversary Celebration.

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This month’s featured business book at the South Holland Public Library

SUCCESS THROUGH DIVERSITY: Why the Most Inclusive Companies Will Win explores how investing in a racially and ethnically diverse workforce will make contemporary businesses more dynamic, powerful, and profitable. Author and business leader Carol Fulp provides a blueprint for what businesses must do to maintain their competitiveness and customer base, including hiring in new ways, aligning managers around diversity, providing new kinds of leadership development, and engaging employees to embrace differences. 658.3/FUL

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