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Speaker: Mark Keleher, Helitech

How Does Networking Help My Business?

The First Impression Should be a good one. We have all heard it, but think about where you purchase goods & services. Why do you go there? Seek groups that bring together an array of industries and perspectives. Often our clients and prospective clients are at events. The memo is; "Get out from behind your desk". Be your own brand ambassador because no one is more passionate about your business than you are. Be real to each person you meet.

Building relationships takes time. Follow up is crucial, but easier said than done. You are going to meet lots of people at the Home Show & WIBA Membership Meetings. When you meet a person who you think will strengthen your business, you should be in touch at least once a quarter. There is software that will organize and give your reminders to email or call your contacts at scheduled times to help you. Send something interesting and of value to them. This takes planning, discipline and creativity. Eventually you will be on their radar. If I asked your top five prospects, "Who wants your business?" and they cannot name you or your company, then you will never get their business.

Get involved. If an organization is worth your time, you should be right in the middle of the action. Seek to serve on their boards, committees, or help out at an event. When you are all in, you will build relationships that matter. People will see how you work when you are at your best. These types of relationships build trust and friendships that almost always lead to business opportunities. A very strong code of reciprocity is involved. "You scratch my back and Ill scratch yours. "The magic is if I can do something for your child– even if it's just a call or quote. Nothing endears you to a person more than helping their son or niece get a head in the business world. Period. Think about all the students we have given a Carl Sandburg College scholarship. It's a fantastic way to give back to the community.









W.I.B.A. Board Highlights

63 WIBA Members

*WIBA Membership Meeting

March 18th 6:30p.m.

Kensington Garden Room

*WIBA Board Meeting April 1st 6:30a.m. Perkins Restaurant

*WIBA Home Show SET UP- April 3rd 1-6p.m. April 4th 10a.m.-4p.m. April 5th 12p.m.-4p.m. Knights of Columbus 1556 E. Fremont St. Galesburg, II.

*WIBA Family Day at Lake Bracken June 6 10a.m.-4p.m.

Congratulations!

Russ Mc Connell, McConnell Heating & Cooling was drawn for the 50/50 Drawing. He won \$26.50. Congratulations, Russ!

The Cash Drawing was for \$25. Cheezum Seamless Gutters was drawn but was not present so the money rolls over and it will be worth \$50 at the March WIBA Membership Meeting

WIBA Home Show Set Up

Friday April 3rd Ip.m.-6p.m.

Knights of Columbus 1556 E. Fremont St. Galesburg, II.





WIBA Dues

<u>April</u>

Tompkins State Bank pd.

HCI Get a Pro pd.

Unique Landscaping

WIBA Membership Meeting February 19, 2020

Alicia Condreay, Gale Elementary School teacher & Vice President of the GEA (Galesburg Educators Association), was our speaker.

Galesburg District #205 has \$40,000,000. available for Health & Life Safety repairs with a 3year limitation to follow the state rules. They had this information 2 years ago.

The school district has debated whether to make the repairs that will virtually be unseen like asbestos repair or to update the schools. They have now chosen to update the schools and close Gale, Nielson, and Churchill Junior High. Gale was built on a flood plain. It has some major mold issues. Gale will host high school classes next year. Nielson will be used as a storage facility for district furniture. New classrooms will have new furniture. Churchill will remain open for one more year then be closed. Rose Hoben Welch school has a fate that is unsure at this time.

When the middle schools; Gale, Lincoln, Steele, King & Nielson that are now elementary schools now were built in the 60's, it was expected for them to last 10 years. We had a baby boom and more classrooms were needed.

The school district is not only are updating schools and changing boundaries but also making all Junior High students attend one Junior High School. Students will also attend the High School a year earlier. All district 5th graders will be attending Junior High which is a year earlier for them also. And children all over Galesburg are being bused to help level the economic levels represented at each school. Busing will cost \$33,000 more due to all the changes. The remodeling for the whole district was projected to cost \$56,000,000. They are already over budget.

King School will have 20,000 sq. ft. added with a budget \$11.8 million dollars. The construction workers at King have recently been moved to Steele School to help get it finished. If King School is not done by the fall, they may need to use modular units for classrooms. Steele School has a \$4.5 million dollar budget, but their plans have changed twice. Lombard has a budget of 6.8 million dollars. Solar panels are up at Lombard and 4,400 sq. ft. will be added to the building.

GHS will serve 7-12 grades. The positive note for moving the older Junior High students to the High School is that gifted students can take classes to challenge them. Originally the district had planned a separate lunchroom for the younger students but because the budget is stretched, they will now just have one larger lunchroom for all the students. The auditorium is planned to be torn down. It holds around 2,500 people and is used for assemblies, concerts, plays, graduation and many community functions. The auditorium really needs seating as it has never been replaced and the ceiling leaks repaired. The faculty is fighting to keep it. Modular units will be placed up and down the strip behind the high school, where buses currently line up to deliver students to school and to gather students to take home, for classrooms until all the remodeling and additions is finished. The modular units can host 10 classrooms and do have air conditioning, heat and each also has their own bathroom. Up for consideration is raising parking fees for high school students from \$20 to \$180 for next school year.

Currently the portion of our tax levy that goes to District #205 is \$4.83 per thousand of assessed value of a given property annually but it has been approved for \$4.95. District #205 has stated that they will try to keep it at or lower than \$4.95.





Leaders are readers.



Start with an audio book in your truck.

"The Magic of Thinking Big"

by David Schwartz.





Daily motivations,

Tips, and strategies

For valuable insights, best practices and share strategies to

streamline, systemize and scale

Contractor Innovation

(On Facebook)

your business.

Group Discussions

The Enterprising Contractor

(On Facebook)

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A Community for Contracting Company Owners & Managers Interested in Growing Their Businesses

"My father taught me always to do more than you get paid for as an investment in your future"

Jim Rohn

Monmouth Area

Chamber of Commerce

I I th Annual Trade show

March 28th

9a.m.-2p.m.

Request a registration at

info@monmouthilchamber.com



Illinois Fishing Licenses are required as well as your own fishing equipment and bait. Fishing licenses are not required for those aged 15 and under.

A fishing license may be purchased through Illinois Department of Natural Resources online or an approved license vendor. The cost of a fishing license depends on the type of license your purchase. If you are just getting a license of the day or are a senior or veteran, there is a discount available.

Boat Tours of Lake Bracken		Fishing	Sand Volleyball		
Prizes	Snacks & Drinks	Games	Lunch		
Selfie Spot	Fishing Clinic with Bob	Porter	Playground		

Name# Family Members Attending					
WIBA Membershi	p Name	A	.mount\$		

Reservations & check should be turned in by May 22, 2020 to Kaylee or mail to WIBA PO Box 565 Galesburg, Il. 61402-0565







Screw Driver Set

HOME SHOW PRIZES

Can You Donate?				
Your	Business Giv	reaways		
T-shirts	Gift Baskets	Candy Dish		
Hats	Home Décor	Fan		
Jackets	Hammer	Rake		
Tool Belt	Wrench Set	Shovel		
Gardening Tools & Gloves	Clock	Cookie Jars		
Lamps	Candy Jars	Piggy Bank		
Lawn Chairs	Travel Coffee Mugs	Book shelf		
Rug	Bird Feeders	Ottoman		
Pillows	Paint	Plant Stand		
Kitchen Accessories	Paint brushes	Planters		
Picnic Basket	Paint Trays	Thermometer		
Garden Statue	Garden Hose	Tool Box		
Levels	Garden Hose Rack	Socket Set		
Mail box	Sprinkler	Plier Set		

Watering Can

What Can You Give

Measuring Tape

For That Feels Good Advertising?

Call Kaylee at 309-343-2116 and tell her what you can donate by March 15th so it can be included in our publicity.

Or email Kaylee by March 15th at wiba@grics.net.

WESTERN ILLINOIS BUILDERS ASSOCIATION						
43rd ANNUAL HOME SHOW						
April 4 th 10a.m4p.m. & April 5 th 12-4p.m.						
For WIBA Members						
	Knights of Columbus 1556 E. Fremont St. in Galesburg					
Full	Full menu available for purchase/ No outside food or drink					
Vendors should park in the back.						
	lt is a great	advertising tool;				
	to show the pul	blic your specialty &				
	promote any new id	eas in your specific field.				
First time participants receive- \$100	discount					
Attend 5 meetings- \$100 discount						
Bring a new exhibitor- \$25 discount						
One discount per exhibitor.						
Each Booth Space Indoors is 8'X10'.						
Each Booth Outside is 10'X10'and ca	in be inside a tent.					
Set Up is on Friday, April 3rd from	I-6p.m. or on Saturday from	8a.m9:30a.m.				
	2020 HOME SHO	W RESERVATION	IS			
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ADDRESS						
PHONE	_ FAX	E-MAIL ADI	DRESS			
Please check one or numbe	r if more than one sp	ace needed.				
Fees = \$275 for Inside	_ I need electricity	l need a table	I need a tablecloth			
		I need a tablecloth				
Yearly membership fee is \$	150.					
Membership fees & final booth rental must be paid by Wednesday, March 18, 2020.						
Please mail form with FEES payable to WIBA:						
WIBA PO BOX 565 Galesburg,	IL. 61402-0565 Que	estions? PHONE: 309-3	43-2116 Page 7			



Business Name Builders Association

2163 E. Main St. P.O.Box 565 Galesburg, Illinois 61401 Phone: 309-343-2116 Fax: 309-343-1114 Email: wiba@grics.net

"Support Your Local Communities, Where Professionals do Professional Work"



W.I.B.A. Membership Meeting

March 18, 2019

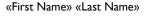
6:30 p.m.



Mark Keleher

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Kensington Garden Room



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This Month

Dean Peterson

Construction &

Painting

HCI Get a Pro

Tompkins State Bank



Next Month

Extreme Home Improvement

IH Mississippi Valley Credit Union

J.B.& D. Siding & Window

