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CHAMBER EVENTS

- 4/12 Business After Hours at Storybook Farms**
5 – 7 pm • 300 Cusseta Road
- 4/16 Legislative Reception**
5 – 7 pm • AU Regional Airport
- 4/20 Auburn Opelika Dental Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting**
11:15 am • 1610 2nd Avenue
- 4/24 Business Over Breakfast with DesignAlabama**
7:30 – 9 am • Saugahatchee Country Club
- 4/25 The Denson Group Ribbon Cutting**
10 am • 458 S. 10th Street

Legislative Reception (Members Only Event)

April 16 • 5 – 7 pm • Auburn University Regional Airport

Sponsors: Arbor Springs Health & Rehab Center

This reception is a great opportunity to meet our state representatives and have conversations with them about concerns and issues, as well as to thank them for their service. This reception is a joint event with the Auburn Chamber.

Business Over Breakfast with DesignAlabama

April 24 • 7:30 – 9 am • Saugahatchee Country Club

Presenting Sponsor: Glynn Smith Chevrolet - Buick – GMC

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DesignAlabama Director Gina Clifford will be the guest speaker at the upcoming Business Over Breakfast. This non-profit, citizen led organization seeks to raise the bar for design in our great state through education of the applied arts, promoting designers who live and work in Alabama and supporting sound design thinking to sustain our communities. They develop initiatives to bring awareness to design professions that help shape how we live and the environment around us. The cost for the event is \$20 for Chamber members / \$25 for potential members.

[Register Here](#)

CHAMBER BOARD SPOTLIGHT

Carlton Hunley, IV • Lambert Transfer & Storage • 1102B Fox Trail • Opelika, AL 36801 • 334.745.5706 • www.lamberttransfer.net • Although Carlton has only been working at Lambert Transfer and Storage for 15 years, you might say he grew up in the moving business. His great grandfather started the company in 1925 so he really has been moving and storing items for a long time! Today, he is the Vice-President and CFO. He is responsible for the administration of cash and receivables and keeping the payables current. He also oversees the business development of national accounts and takes care of agent relations with other agents in their network. In

his spare time, Carlton likes to travel around the region, loves to drive to destinations and enjoys a game of golf or tennis. When not working, you can usually find him at Lake Martin, enjoying quality time with friends.

CONGRATULATIONS

- **Opelika High School students achieve the finalist award in the 2018 First Rocket City Regional Power Up Competition in Huntsville.** OGRE, Opelika’s Greatest Robotics Engineers, as they named themselves, built “Fiona” and competed against 42 other high school teams across the U.S. and one from Brazil, ultimately clinching the finalist award for overall robot alliance scoring.
- **The Lee County Farm-City Committee won a couple of awards at the Alabama Far City Awards Luncheon: Runner-up for Best Farm-City Committee in Division I Committee and the Division I Target Award for Excellence** in incorporating the 2017 Alabama Farm-City theme, “Agriculture: Food For Life,” into its programs. Division I includes counties with a larger population.

NEW MEMBERS

- **Opelika Dental Associates**
Dentists - General
- **Aletheia Digital**
Marketing –Digital / Interactive

MEMBER NEWS

Visit our Community Calendar at www.opelikachamber.com for more details.

Opelika High Theatre Society Presents: “Kiss Me Kate”

Opelika Center for the Performing Arts • 1700 Lafayette Parkway

Brush up on your Shakespeare! *Kiss Me, Kate* is a musical written by Samuel and Bella Spewack with music and lyrics by Cole Porter. The story involves the production of a musical version of William Shakespeare’s *The Taming of the Shrew* and the conflict on and off-stage between Fred Graham, the show’s director, producer, and star, and his leading lady, his ex-wife Lilli Vanessi. A secondary romance concerns Lois Lane, the actress playing Bianca, and her gambler boyfriend, Bill, who runs afoul of some gangsters. The original production won the Tony Award.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased by calling 334.745.9715 or emailing ohs@opelikaschools.org. [Flyer](#)

Production Dates:	April 12	7 pm	April 14	3 pm & 7 pm
	April 13	7 pm	April 15	3 pm

Jewelry By Design Hosting 1st Annual “Reset, Restyle or Remount” Event

April 12, 13, & 14 • 590 N. Dean Road • Auburn [Flyer](#)

Don’t miss out on this great opportunity to get gifts for graduation, Mother’s Day, engagement or just for yourself! Choose from 100’s of remounts brought in exclusively for this event – Pendants, Rings & more! Reset your diamond and gems or upgrade. Select from 100’s of loose diamonds and gemstones. Save 10% or 24 months interest- free financing! For more information or to secure your early appointment, call 334.821.9940.

“Cops on Top” – Local Law Enforcement Raising Funds for Lee County Special Olympics

April 13 • 8 am - 8 pm • TigerTown Kroger

The Opelika Police Dept. and the Lee County Sheriff’s Dept., will be fundraising at the TigerTown Kroger to raise funds and awareness for the Lee County Special Olympic organization which sponsors competitive events each year for individuals with intellectual disabilities. For more information, please contact BKilgore@opelika-al.gov, or ekaufman@auburnalabama.org.

Opelika Parks and Recreation Hosting Fun Events

April 14 • www.opelikaparks.com

• **Opelika Dog Park Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting** • 10 am • **Floral Park**

In conjunction with the ribbon cutting, the **Lee County Humane Society (LCHS)** and **iHeart Media** are hosting their annual **Family Fun Day**, which will feature adoptable pets, free hotdogs, inflatables and giveaways. Community members are welcome to bring their dogs and help support LCHS.

• **Opelika Trampoline & Tumbling's (OTT) "Flip for a Cure"** • 1 – 5 pm • **Denson Drive Recreation Center**

The OTT Team is bringing their trampolines outside and performing some of their awe-inspiring routines for the public. All proceeds from this event will benefit Relay for Life. There will also be games and inflatables for children, a baked good sale and photo opportunities with the OHS cheerleaders. Butcher Paper BBQ and Kona Ice will be on sight for those that are hungry.

• **"A Rocket in a Railroad Town"** • 7 pm • **Municipal Park**

This 45-minute documentary highlights the history of Opelika, the Rocky Brook Rocket and the renovation the train underwent in 2016. While the film will begin at 7 pm, those that arrive early can take advantage of free rides on The Rocky Brook Rocket from 5 – 6:45 pm.

Junior League's 8th Annual Dancing Stars of East Alabama

April 14 • **The Bottling Plant Event Center**

6:30 – 7:30 pm **Heavy Hor D'oeuvres and Cocktail Reception**

7:30 - 8 pm **Pre-Show and Opening Numbers**

8 pm **Competition**

This year's event will be a special night of dancing stars, celebrity lip sync battles, and toasting the night at the exclusive after party. Food is included in the ticket price and the event will have a cash bar. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.dsoea.com.

AU Project Uplift Training

April 15 • 3 – 7 pm • **Cary Hall 158** • **Auburn University Campus**

If you interested in becoming a mentor to children in the area between the ages of 5 – 12, come to this training session. No registration is required. For more information, call 334.844.4430 or visit www.auburn.edu/projectuplift. Like them on Facebook, www.facebook.com/AUprojectuplift.

2nd Annual AU Veterans Golf Classic

April 18 • **Moore's Mill Golf Club**

11 am – Registration / 12 pm – Lunch & Program / 1pm – Shotgun Start / 5:30 pm – Awards

After returning from service, many veterans face challenges. The Veterans Resource Center at AU want to make the transition as easy as possible. Through your participation, you are directly contributing to the well-being of AU student veterans and their families and having a wonderful time playing golf with your friends! Teams of 3 are \$390 with the 4th player a Student Veteran. Individual players are \$130. For more information, email Kim, evanski@auburn.edu, or call 334.750.3732 or register online, www.aub.ie/vetsgolf.

Auburn Opelika Dental Hosting Renovation Reveal Party

April 19 • 6 pm • **1610 Second Avenue**

Join Dr. Abigail Northcutt Adams and her staff as they celebrate their newly renovated office. Enjoy delicious food and drinks, take a behind-the-scenes tour of the office, sample their relaxation amenities, and enter to win exciting giveaways! For more information, visit AuburnOpelikaDental.com or call 334.745.6295.

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lee County Hosting: 1st Annual Black Male Summit

April 21 • 8 am – 1:30 pm • **Opelika High School OPAC**

The Summit is designed for middle and high school African American males to discuss critical issues they face. The goal is for them to come away with a greater sense of purpose, accountability and motivation and dreams of what their future holds for them as responsible young men. For more information, contact Marion Sankey, 334.663.6638. Register online at www.dreamdayblackmalesummit.com.

6th Annual Taste of the Town Benefiting the Museum of East Alabama

April 24 • 6 – 8 pm • The Museum of East Alabama • 121 S. 9th Street

This delicious event will feature 17 of the area's restaurants and caterers, along with 2 wineries and specialty coffees. From appetizers to desserts, chefs will showcase tastings of their best dishes, while a silent auction will feature a variety of items and packages. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the museum or from any board member.

East Alabama Arts: A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder

April 26 • 7:30 pm • OPAC

Getting away with murder can be so much fun . . . and there's no better proof than the knock-em-dead hit show that's earned unanimous raves and won the 2014 Tony Award for Best Musical. As one most gentlemanly NPR critic put it, "I've never laughed so hard at a Broadway musical!" For more information, call 334.749.8105 or visit www.eastalabamaarts.org/performance-series/.

JCSM: Celebrating the Birthday of John James Audubon

April 26 • Jule Collins Smith Museum • 901 S. College Street • Auburn

April 26 is the 233rd birthday of the naturalist and artist John James Audubon. The museum is celebrating with the exhibition and companion publication, Audubon's last *Wilderness Journey: The Viviparous Quadrupeds of North America* through May 6 and features artifacts from the Alabama Department of Archives and History. On that day, museum visitors will receive the sales price for the book of \$49.95 from the Museum Shop. For more information, visit <https://aub.ie/quads>.

Sponsorships Available for Storybook Farm's 10th Annual Kentucky Derby Dinner and Auction

May 5 • 4 pm • 300 Cusseta Road

Attendees will enjoy tasty Southern cuisine from local restaurants, sip on classic Mint Juleps and bid on auction packages to support Storybook's mission of "Hope on Horseback." Individual tickets are \$85. Corporate sponsorships are still available. For reservation and sponsorship information, visit www.hopeonhorseback.org/events/derby, call 334.444.5966 or email dena@hopeonhorseback.org.

AU's Harbert College of Business (HCOB) Seeking Mentors for Students

The HCOB students have shown a great interest and need for meaningful mentoring relationships as they develop professionally. In an effort to provide our students with the best opportunities to succeed, the Office of Professional and Career Development is launching the College's redesigned mentorship program—**Harbert Connects** which is supported by an online platform (People Grove) that is feature-rich, allowing for more targeted and meaningful connections, easier and more secure communication, and detailed analytics. Harbert Connects is user-friendly and easily tailored to your specific needs and availabilities. There are two mentorship relationships available, formal and informal, depending on the time you can spend with the mentee. The students and the program could not succeed without your help. Students are eager to form these professional relationships.

Mentorship Details

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

GED for Free at Southern Union

Take the official GED Practice test FREE. If you pass, take the GED Test FREE (\$144 value). Call Southern Union Adult Education Department for details, 334.749.8480 and ask about *See 4 Free*.

Walk in times: **Opelika Campus: Wednesdays, 8 am – 2 pm (CST)**

Valley Campus: Mondays, 8 am – 2 pm (EST)

Wadley Campus: Wednesday, 3 -8 pm (CST)

Upcoming Events at the Cooper Library

Lewis Cooper Memorial Library • 200 S. 6th Street

For more information or to register, call 334.705.5380 or visit www.cooperlibrary.com

- Library Week • April 8 – 14 • Special events all week long
- Making Alabama: A Bicentennial Traveling Exhibit • Month of April

Lee County Literacy Hosting Control Your Money Financial Workshop

April 17 – 18 • 5:30 – 7:30 pm • EAMC Education Center • 2027 Pepperell Parkway

This two-session workshop over two days covers basic financial information such as how to track spending, how to budget, and more. For more information or to register, call 334.705.0001 to speak with Tina or visit <http://www.leecountyliteracy.org>.

Olli at Auburn Hosting Upcoming Wisdom Wednesday Lecture Series

2:30 – 4 pm • Jule Collins Smith Museum • 901 S. College Street • Auburn

OLLI at Auburn offers academic not-for-credit programs for adults aged 50 years or older. For more information contact Ileeia Cobb, 334.844.3105 or olli@auburn.edu.

- **April 11 • Executive Director of Alabama Rural Ministry Lisa Pierce**
- **April 18 • Dr. Carol Daron will provide a presentation entitled “An Examination of Shakespeare’s Twelfth Night”.** Twelfth Night is a very popular Shakespearean comedy with one of the two funniest characters in the repertoire, the famous, madly obsessed Malvolio, who is second only to Falstaff.

Goodwill Career Center Events

334.275.4815 • 3740 Pepperell Parkway • www.gwisr.org

- **April 17 Career Spotlight: Healthcare**

Software Made Simple Trainings

9 am – 4:30 pm (EST) • 233 12th Street, Suite 911-A • Columbus, GA

To register, call 706.332.7372 or email training@softwaremadesimple.net.

- **April 19 Excel 2016 Intermediate \$225**
- **April 26 Excel 2016 Advanced \$225**
- **April 26 QuickBooks 2017 Level 1 \$225**
- **April 27 QuickBooks 2017 Level 2 \$225**

AU Office of Professional & Continuing Education Hosting QuickBooks Class

May 15 • 8 am – 5 pm • Auburn School of Nursing • 710 South Donahue Drive • Auburn University

This workshop is a one-day, two-part training course, and participants can register for one or both courses in the series. Both courses qualify attendees to earn CPE and A&A. For more information or to register: [Click QB Class](#)

- **Introduction to QuickBooks Online 8 am – 12 pm**

You will learn an overview of the software’s reporting benefits and capabilities and learn to navigate and record transactions.

- **QuickBooks Online (QBO) - DeeperDive into Reporting Add-ins & Apps 1 – 5 pm**

You will be take a deeper dive into the reporting benefits and capabilities of QBO, the approved add-ins and mobile apps to expand usability. This course will review a few of the most popular QBO add-ins (Online Payments & Payroll) and Apps in more detail.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Drake Martin – State Farm Seeking Account Representative

Are you outgoing and customer-focused? Do you enjoy working with the public? If you answered yes to these questions, working for a State Farm independent contractor agent may be the career for you! State Farm agents are independent contractors that market State Farm insurance and financial services products. [Job Details](#)

ADS Seeking Outside Sales Representative

They are looking for highly motivated individuals who want to be part of a winning team. Sales Consultants daily responsibilities includes prospecting (self-generate), follow-up on company sales leads, presenting security

products and services to businesses and homeowners, ensure proper contracts and continuous communication with sales management. Email resume to jculberson@adssecurity.com or mail to: ADS Security • 1619 Thomason Drive, Opelika, AL 36801 (No phone calls, please).

[Job Requirements & Benefits](#)

The Hotel at AU & Dixon Conference Center Has Positions Available

Positions open include: Conference Services Manager, Chef de Partie, and Guest Relations Coordinator. For more information, contact Kelly Giddens, kelly.giddens@auhcc.com.

Economy Air, Heating & AC Hiring Sales / Service Technician

For more information, call 334.524.5328 or email economyairauburn@gmail.com to apply.

Qualifications:

- EPA Certified
- 3 – 5 years min. Experience
- High School Diploma or Higher
- Valid Driver's License
- Positive Attitude, Organized
- Works Well with Others

SAVE THE DATE

May 2018

- 19th Annual Member Golf Tournament • May 1
- Summer Swing Concerts in the Park • May 1 – July 31
- Noon Tunes Concert Series • May 2 – 30
- KOB: Garden in the Park • May 5
- March of Dimes: March with Us • May 12
- Two Men & A Truck Mother's Day Gift Project • May 13
- Cooper Library: Paws to Read • May 19
- Fresh Air Market at Chewacla State Park • May 19 – 20

June 2018

- Touch-A-Truck • June 2
- Burger Wars • June 2
- Dad's League / Run-Family Games & 5K • June 16
- Opelika Parks & Rec: Float in Movie: • June 22

Character Trait: Truthfulness

The Connector Policy

Please contact Dinah Motley, dmotley@opelikachamber.com if you have an event that you would like to put on **The Connector** newsletter which is emailed to all members on Wednesday. Our policy is to run the event for 2 weeks. Deadline is noon Monday. Because of so many members getting the newsletter on their phones, the information is limited to 3 lines and an email address, website or phone number for additional information. Check out our community calendar on our website, www.opelikachamber.com.

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