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## CHAMBER EVENTS

- 3/1 Drake Martin – State Farm Ribbon Cutting**  
10 am • 907 A 2nd Avenue
- 3/14 Dale Carnegie Workshop: *Discovering the Pathway to Motivating Your Employees***  
8:30 – 10 am • OA News Board Room

### Chamber Survey about Christmas Events

Please complete this short survey about the Christmas Parade and other Christmas events in Opelika. Thank you so much for your input! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V7HXHJS>

### Chamber Members in Business over 25 Years

Please let us know when your business opened. Email [coc@opelikachamber.com](mailto:coc@opelikachamber.com).

### Chamber Membership Mailer

**Deadline: March 2 / Email to Chamber Members: March 9**

Got a terrific sale or service going on? Want to reach over 1300 emails with your message? Send Dinah your flyer in a pdf format and your logo in a jpeg and you will be included in the Membership Mailer that will go out to all the Opelika Chamber members! The cost is \$50. Big bang for your buck! For more information, email [dmotley@opelikachamber.com](mailto:dmotley@opelikachamber.com) or call 334.745.4861.

### Dale Carnegie Workshop: Uncovering Leadership Blind Spots

***“Discovering the Pathway to Motivating Your Employees”***

**March 14 • 8:30 – 10 am • Opelika-Auburn News Board Room**

A recent study found that only 17% of employees are satisfied in their job and 45% of employees are planning on leaving their job in the next 12 months. Dale Carnegie has identified specific areas where leaders are falling short –leadership blind spots. Learn how to identify the leadership attributes that are critical to organizational performance and find out what your leaders are missing. Contact Len Williams for more information, [len.williams@dalecarnegie.com](mailto:len.williams@dalecarnegie.com). [Register Here](#)

### Chamber Taking 20 Under 40 Applications for 2018-2019

**Presenting Sponsor: Opelika City Council**

**Platinum Sponsor: Baxter International • Opelika Industrial Development Authority**

**Gold Sponsors: Chicken Salad Chick • MAX •The Opelika Rotary Club**

The “20 Under 40” program, under the direction of the Opelika Chamber of Commerce, is looking for 20 outstanding people under the age of 40 who live in Opelika, love Opelika and have a vested interest in shaping the direction of this city’s future. You will be encouraged to think outside the box and you will be challenged to think of ways to make our city better and improve the quality of life. For more information, call 334.745.4861 or visit [www.opelikachamber.com](http://www.opelikachamber.com). [Application](#) [Employer Letter](#) [Scholarship Application](#)

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

- 30<sup>th</sup> year that **Opelika has been named a Tree City USA** by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. The Opelika Tree Commission operates under Keep Opelika Beautiful.
- **Pharmavite, who makes Nature Made Vitamins, is celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup> year anniversary!**

## **AMBASSADOR SPOTLIGHT**

**Selena Daniel • Associated Realty • 414 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue • 334.705.0045 • [www.opelikadaniel.com](http://www.opelikadaniel.com)**

Selena, the owner and broker for Associated Realty, has been in the real estate business for over 27 years. She is also a Certified Real Estate Instructor for the State of Alabama. In her spare time, she enjoys volunteering and being a member of Lee County Association of Realtors, Pilot Club of Lee County, Envision Opelika and Bethesda Baptist Church. She loves to fish, bowl, walk and do water aerobics. Associated Realty has a wide variety of services: *Residential and Commercial Appraisals, Property Management, Full Service Marketing Company, Marketing Proposals, Master Market Analysis and so much more.*

## **MEMBER NEWS**

Visit our Community Calendar at [www.opelikachamber.com](http://www.opelikachamber.com) for more details.

### **Adams Pharmacy & Homecare, Inc. Has an App**

**1961 First Avenue • 334.745.3881**

For customer convenience, Adams Pharmacy has a new phone App available for Apple or Android phones. The App name is: [AdamsPharmacy-AL](#).

### **Upcoming Events at the Bottling Plant Event Center**

For more information, visit <http://www.bottlingplanteventcenter.com>.

- **March 2** East Alabama National Wild Turkey Federation Banquet
  - **March 24** Home & Garden Show
- Sponsorship Information: 334.749.6271**

### **Upcoming Events at East Alabama Arts**

**OPAC • 334.749.8105 [www.eastalabamaarts.org/performance-series/](http://www.eastalabamaarts.org/performance-series/)**

#### ● **Mnozil Brass • February 29 • 7:30 pm**

Mnozil Brass enters the ring to combat the monkey business of daily life with music and humor, transforming the stage into a musical flea circus. They are decisive and strong believers that the earth is round, and go out of their way to diligently travel the globe and bring their Elysian style of music and laughter to the rest of the world.

#### ● **US Army Field Band – Concert Band & Soldiers' Chorus • March 4 • 3 – 4:30 pm**

From Boston to Baghdad, Tampa to Toronto, The United States Army Field Band has been thrilling audiences of all ages for more than six decades. This concert is free and open to the public but you must have a ticket for entry. Limit of 4 tickets per person. Only the first 1,100 patrons will be admitted. Doors open at 2 pm. Unclaimed seats will be filled by non-ticketed patrons at 2:50 pm. Visit [www.eastalabamaarts.org](http://www.eastalabamaarts.org) or call 334.749.8105 for tickets.

#### ● **The National Symphony Orchestra of Cuba • March 7 • 7:30 pm**

Following its acclaimed first national tour of the United States in 2012, the National Symphony Orchestra of Cuba returns to America featuring the winner of the 2017 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, Yekwon Sunwoo of South Korea. "...*Not your standard, run-of-the-mill classical musical ensemble. In most conventional symphony orchestras, the members of the first violin*

section do not leap to their feet to dance while they play, but the Cubans do." - Toronto Star  
For more information or to order tickets, call 334.749.8105 or visit [www.eastalabamaarts.org/performance-series/](http://www.eastalabamaarts.org/performance-series/).

### **Opelika Lion's Club Pancake Day**

**March 3 • 6 – 11 am • Opelika Middle School • Denson Drive**

Enjoy pancakes and more with this great group of Lions who do so much to help our community and others. For more information, call 334.750.3008.

### **Junior League of Lee County Hosting Junior Adventure Challenge**

**March 3 • 2 – 4 pm • Kiesel Park • Auburn**

Here's a chance for kids ages 4 - 12 to run an obstacle course at the Junior Adventure Challenge!  
Online registration: \$20 / Day of Event: \$25 [Register Here](#)

### **KOB: City-wide Clean Up**

**March 3 • 8 am – 12 pm**

Citywide Cleanup is part of a national-wide event called Great American Cleanup, sponsored by Keep America Beautiful. Great American Cleanup is engaged in more than 20,000 communities across the country. Volunteers' work returns, on average, \$175 million in measure benefits across participating communities. Locally, groups such as Adopt-A-Mile participants, Girl Scouts, civic organizations and local businesses participate in Citywide Cleanup. We are asking your group to join us in making Opelika a beautiful place to live. Groups will choose their designated roadside to clean. Supplies, donated by GLAD and East Alabama Medical Center, are dispersed by Keep Opelika Beautiful. Lunch will be provided by Opelika Exchange Club for all volunteers participating in the Citywide Cleanup. For more information, visit [www.keepopelikabeautiful.com](http://www.keepopelikabeautiful.com).

### **Chili Cook-Off Benefiting Storybook**

**March 3 • 10:30 am – 3 pm • Pavilion at Ag Heritage Park • Auburn**

This fun event will have live music, beverages, a food truck and a Kid Zone. The cost is \$10 in advance or \$15 at the gate. For more information, visit [www.auburnalchilicookoff.com](http://www.auburnalchilicookoff.com).

### **Office Space for Lease at the Opelika-Auburn News**

This space can be leased as a whole or designed with separate and secure space that will accommodate your needs. For more information contact, Bob Harris, 334.750.5276.

- 4,300 +/- Square Feet
- Can be Split into 2 Office Suites
- 3 Conference Rooms
- Large Break Room
- Reception Area
- Plenty of Parking

### **Ariccia Trattoria Hosting Beer vs Wine Showdown**

**March 4 • 1 – 4 pm • The Hotel at AU • 241 S. College Street • Auburn.**

John Corbin, owner of Red Clay Brewing Company and Emmanuel Kemiji, owner of Miura Vineyards, will feature beer and wine paired with delicious BBQ prepared by A•T's culinary team. Guests will vote on their favorite pairings and will have the chance to win prizes from Red Clay and Miura. For more information or to get tickets, click [here](#).

### **Special Arrangements Party & Event Rentals Inventory Reduction Sale**

**March 9 • 10 am – 4 pm / March 10 • 9 am – 2 pm • 2201 Enterprise Drive**

New and exciting rental items are coming in daily! To make room they are having a huge Inventory reduction sale. **Please do not call their office with questions but you are welcome to email any questions to [info@specialarrangements.com](mailto:info@specialarrangements.com).** A listing of items for sale, along with quantities, prices and minimums are listed on their website, [SpecialArrangements.com](http://SpecialArrangements.com).

### **Upcoming Events at Saugahatchee Country Club**

**334.749.4342 • [www.saugahatcheecountryclub.com](http://www.saugahatcheecountryclub.com)**

Is your child interested in golf? If so, join the fun at Saugahatchee in all areas of Jr. Golf! All camps are

taught by Certified Golf Professional Charlie Richardson.

- **Jr. Golf Academy** • April – August • Ages 6 – 13 [Flyer](#)
- **Jr. Golf Camp** • June 12 – 14, June 19-21, July 10-13 [Flyer](#)
- **Advanced Jr. Golf Camp** • July 31, August 1-2 • Ages 10 – 15 [Flyer](#)
- **PGA Jr. League Golf Tournament** • \$300 / player [Flyer](#)

## **EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Auburn University Project Uplift Training**

**Cary Hall Room 158 • Auburn University Campus**

If you are interested in becoming a mentor to children in the area between the ages of 5 -12, come to a Project Uplift training session. No registration is required. Only one session is needed. For more information, call 334.844.4430 or visit [www.auburn.edu/projectuplift](http://www.auburn.edu/projectuplift) / [www.facebook.com/AUprojectuplift](https://www.facebook.com/AUprojectuplift).

**March 5** 4 – 8 pm

**March 18** 3 – 7 pm

### **Get Your GED at Goodwill Career Center**

**1 – 5 pm • Mondays and Wednesdays • 3740 Pepperell Pkwy**

Classes start March 7. For more information, call 334.275.4815, Option 4. [Flyer](#)

### **OLLI at Auburn Wisdom Wednesday Lecture**

**March 7 • 2:30 pm - 4 pm • Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art**

Lecture Series Guest this week will feature Carol Daron's presentation entitled "*Much Ado About Nothing*". For more information, contact Ileeia Cobb, Ph.D., Olli Director, 334.844.3105, [olli@auburn.edu](mailto:olli@auburn.edu), or visit [www.olliatauburn.org](http://www.olliatauburn.org).

### **Upcoming Events at the Cooper Library**

**Lewis Cooper Memorial Library • 200 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street**

For more information or to register, call 334.705.5380 or visit [www.cooperlibrary.com](http://www.cooperlibrary.com)

- **Tuesdays @ Two Director's Program Series • 2 pm**
  - March 13 • The Art of War: Posters, Photographs and Postcards of world War I**
  - March 27 • Of Goats & Governors**
- **Full STEAM Ahead • March 19 -23 • 1:30 pm daily**  
*Join Library staff for a full week of exciting STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) events*

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

### **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](mailto:kelly.giddens@auhcc.com).

### **Home Instead Senior Care Hiring Training & Engagement Coordinator**

The coordinator is expected to meet the needs of the CAREGivers, develop and maintain a workplace culture and organize and execute the training programs. For more information, contact Bridget Sager, 334.321.1050 or [bridget.sager@homeinstead.com](mailto:bridget.sager@homeinstead.com). [Job Details](#)

### **Economy Air, Heating & AC Hiring Sales / Service Technician**

For more information, call 334.524.5328 or email [economyairauburn@gmail.com](mailto: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

### **Events at Goodwill Career Center**

**3740 Pepperell Parkway • 334.275.4815 • [www.goodwillsr.org](http://www.goodwillsr.org)**

- **Labor Finders Job Fair • March 1 • 9 am – 12 pm**  
Construction • General Labor • Carpenters • Fiberglass Installation  
Housekeeping • Banquet Server
- **1 on 1 Staffing Agency • March 8 • 9 am – 12 pm**  
**Positions in West Point, Georgia**  
Quality Control • Forklift • Material Handlers • General Assembly

### **AU School of Communication & Journalism Internship & Job Fair**

**March 7 • Beard-Eaves Coliseum**

The school has over 1,000 students majoring in communication, journalism, media studies and public relations. Many graduates are looking for employment and all majors are required to complete an internship before graduation. The registration fee is \$200 and can be waived for non-profit organizations. Employers will set up their tables from 7:30 to 9 am. Students will browse the tables from 9 to 10 am and sign up for individual interviews with employers. Employer interviews with individual students will take place from 10 am to 3 pm. Contact Jennifer Adams, [adamsj1@auburn.edu](mailto:adamsj1@auburn.edu) or 334.844.2751 for more information.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **March 2018**

- **KOB's Opelika Recycle & Shred Day • March 24**
- **Parks & Rec: Flashlight Egg Hunt • March 29**  
**Underwater Egg Hunt • March 30**  
**Easter on the Square • March 31**

#### **April 2018**

- **Easter Brunch at Ariccia • April 1**
- **Library Week • April 8 – 14**
- **Library: Making Alabama: A Bicentennial Traveling Exhibit • Month of April**
- **Opelika Historic Preservation Society: "All Aboard" Grand Slam • April 12**
- **Sensigreen Foundation Golf Classic and Silent Auction • April 23**
- **Museum of East Alabama: 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of the Town • April 24**

### **The Connector Policy**

Please contact Dinah Motley, [dmotley@opelikachamber.com](mailto: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](http://www.opelikachamber.com).

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