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**March 7, 2018**

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## CHAMBER EVENTS

- 3/14 **Dale Carnegie Workshop: *Discovering the Pathway to Motivating Your Employees***  
8:30 – 10 am • OA News Board Room
- 4/3 **Iceland Trip Informational Meeting**  
8:30 am or 5:30 pm • Chamber

### Chamber Members

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

### 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](#)

### Iceland Trip Informational Meeting

**April 3 • 8:30 am or 5:30 pm • Opelika Chamber**

**Trip Date: March 16 – 22**

**Highlights:** Reykjavik, Northern Lights Cruise, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Geysir, Gullfoss, Seljalandsfoss, Vik, Eyjafjallajokull Volcano Visitor Center, Skogar Folk Museum, Skogafoss, Jokulsarlon, Glacial Lagoon, Skaftafell National Park, Vatnajokull Glacier, Blue Lagoon

## CONGRATULATIONS

- **Red Clay Brewing Company celebrating 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary!** Celebration is April 6!
- **REALTOR® Taft Ledbetter Joins Three Sixty {real estate}.**

● **Adams, White, Oliver, Short & Forbus have 2 “Super Lawyers!”** **Phil Adams** has been selected to the Mid-South Super lawyers list in the field of alternative dispute resolution and **Blake Oliver** has been selected as a Super Lawyers rising Star in the field of civil litigation defense.

## **AMBASSADOR SPOTLIGHT**

**Dakota Nguyen • Lee County Youth Development / Project Uplift • 1292 Tulip Court, Auburn • 334.844.6667 • [www.lcydc.org](http://www.lcydc.org)** - Dakota is the Support Services Manager for the Lee County Youth Development and Project Uplift. She plans and implements the volunteer recognition and recruitment aspects for the organizations. She also works with the community and Auburn University organizations to provide special events for volunteers and kids, produces monthly newsletters of program ideas and events and maintains records and reports. In her spare time, she likes to read, shop, and play video games.

## **MEMBER NEWS**

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

### **Auburn University Students & Autosport Team Up for Survey**

AU students have created a research survey to be conducted for Autosport Bodyworks. Chamber members, please complete survey to help the students in their research. [Survey](#)

### **East Alabama Arts: The National Symphony Orchestra of Cuba**

**March 7 • 7:30 pm • OPAC**

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/).

### **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).

### **Sears Premier Store Event**

**March 9 & 10 • 3720 Pepperell Parkway**

As the lawn garden season begins and customers getting their tax refunds it is truly a Great time for Sears' customers to save! Appliances are up to 30% off; lawn and garden up to 20% off; plus an extra 10% off almost everything in the store! For more information, call 334.364.0174. [Flyer](#)

### **Opelika Theatre Company Upcoming Events**

**334.663.2593 • Southside Center for the Arts • 1103 Glenn Street**

● **The Miss Firecracker Contest • March 9 & 10 • 7 pm both nights / 2 pm Matinee – 10<sup>th</sup>**

This is a hilariously funny show about a small town Southern girl in Brookhaven, MS trying to better herself by winning the annual beauty contest. The show is directed by Dabney Chapman.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the door or online, [www.opelikatheatrecompany.com](http://www.opelikatheatrecompany.com).

● **Odd Couple**

Auditions for this very funny show, based on the Neil Simon book, will be March 12 & 13 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Six males and 2 females are needed for this show.

- **Hairy Tale Rock**

Auditions for ages 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up will be held March 19 & 20 from 6:30-8 pm. This will be the first round of auditions due to spring break dates in March. This production has 22 roles and ensemble.

**Kenny on the Keys is Back at Piccolo**

**March 15 ● 7 – 9 pm ● The Hotel at Auburn University ● 241 S. College Street ● Auburn**

Enjoy an extended apertivo hour and \$5 glasses of wine while Kenny performs favorites from Billy Joel, The Temptations and more. Space is limited so get there early! For more information, call 334.844.5140.

**Easter Brunch at the Marriott at Grand National**

**April 1 ● 11 am – 3 pm ● 3700 Robert Trent Jones Trail**

Bring your family and friends and enjoy a delicious Easter lunch at the Marriott. Make your reservations by calling 334.737.2187. [Menu](#)

**Easter Brunch at Ariccia Trattoria**

**April 1 ● 10:30 am – 2 pm ● The Hotel at Auburn University ● 241 S. College Street ● Auburn**

The brunch buffet features an omelet station, artisan cheeses, Mrs. Annie's fried chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, creamed corn, a mac & cheese bar and a carving station with a steamship round. There will also be a Kids Corner and an appearance by the Easter Bunny. The cost is \$45 for adults; \$19 for children 6 – 12 years old and free for children under 5. To reserve your spot, call 334.844.5140.

**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](#)

**EAMC Foundation's Christmas Ball Benefiting the Cancer Center of East Alabama**

**November 29**

There are several sponsorship levels available for the upcoming Christmas Ball. Don't miss out on this great opportunity! For more information, call 334.528.5923, visit <http://www.eamcfoundation.org> or email Mimi, [mimi.martin@eamc.org](mailto:mimi.martin@eamc.org).

**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 18 3 – 7 pm**

**Goodwill Career Center Events**

**334.275.4815 ● 3740 Pepperell Parkway**

- Get Your GED ● 1 – 5 pm ● Mondays and Wednesdays ● 3740 Pepperell Pkwy

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

- **One on One Staffing Agency Job Fair • March 8 • 9 am – 12 pm**  
Positions: Quality Control Forklift ● Material Handlers ● General Assembly  
Retail Associates ● Donor Greeters

### **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**

### **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 [rgarrido@adssecurity.com](mailto:rgarrido@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](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)**

- 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**

- Red Clay Brewing Company Anniversary Celebration • April 6
- 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
- Girls & Boys Clubs: Black Male Summit • April 21
- Sensigreen Foundation Golf Classic and Silent Auction • April 23
- Museum of East Alabama: 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of the Town • April 24
- EAA: A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder • April 26

### **Character Trait: Sincerity**

#### **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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