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-----CHAMBER NEWS-----

- 1/10 Point Broadband Business After Hours**
5 – 7 pm • The Bottling Plant Event Center • 614 N. Railroad Avenue
- 1/17 Borland Benefield Ribbon Cutting**
10 am • 6759 Society Hill Road Auburn
- 1/17 El Rodeo Mexican Restaurant Ribbon Cutting**
4:30 pm • 814 Geneva Street
- 1/22 Women’s Business Council Luncheon**
11:30 am – 1 pm • Marriott at Grand National
- 1/24 Business Over Breakfast – Education Edition – with Dr. Mark Neighbors**
7:30 am • Saugahatchee Country Club
Presenting Sponsor: **Glynn Smith Chevrolet – Buick – GMC**
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Huntingdon College • Opelika Power Services • Opelika-Auburn News
- 1/24 East University Veterinary Hospital Ribbon Cutting**
10 am • 1675 E. University Drive • Auburn
- 1/24 AuburnBank Mortgage Business After Hours**
5 – 7 pm • 1967 E. Samford Avenue • Auburn
- 1/29 Business After Hours / Pre-Performance Series Reception**
5 – 6:45 pm • John Emerald Distilling Company
Sponsored by: **Auburn Opelika Tourism Bureau**

Business Over Breakfast – Education Edition

January 24 • 7:30 am • Saugahatchee Country Club

Presenting Sponsor: Glynn Smith Chevrolet – Buick – GMC

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The guest speaker for this Education Edition is Dr. Mark Neighbors, superintendent of Opelika City Schools. He will give an update on the well-being of the schools and what is coming down the pike. This is a great time to learn about the many programs OCS has established that prepares the students for the future. The cost is \$20 for Chamber members and \$25 for potential members. [Register Here](#)

-----NEW MEMBERS-----

- **Resting Pulse Brewing Company**
Restaurants / Brewer

-----CONGRATULATIONS-----

Summer Vollar of River Bank and Trust won River Bank's "Big Fish award" for the 4th quarter for going above and beyond for their customers.

The Columbus Lions, Professional Indoor Football team, keep adding top tier talent to their roster. Recently they added two players, **JT Surratt**, who starred on the University of South Carolina defensive line and **Shawn Mitchell**, who played receiver for Eastern Illinois University and is known for his blinding speed. For more information on the Columbus Lions, visit www.columbuslions.net.

-----MEMBER NEWS-----

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

Project Uplift Mentor Training

January 15 & 27 ● Cary Hall 158 ● AU Campus

If you are interested in becoming a mentor to children in the area between ages 5 – 12, then you need to attend one of the monthly training sessions. There are 2 trainings offered every month. For more information, please call 334.844.4430 or email puplift@auburn.edu.

www.auburn.edu/projectuplift ● www.facebook.com/AUprojectuplift ● [@auprojectuplift](https://www.instagram.com/auprojectuplift)

Auburn University Internship and Part Time Job Fair

January 29th ● 10 am - 1 pm ● AU Student Center Ballroom

Contact Ayshia Calloway, greenay@auburn.edu or 334.844.3862 if you interested in hiring Auburn Students. The event has a fee of \$50 for employers. To reserve your spot, visit

https://app.joinhandshake.com/career_fairs/8230/employer_preview. Registration is filling up fast.

EAA: "We Shall Overcome – A Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr."

January 29 ● 7:30 pm ● Opelika Center for the Performing Arts

Inspired by the words and action of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the performance showcases repertoire from across the African American music tradition that electrified generation of civil rights activists and defenders with interwoven spoken word from Dr. King's recorded speech.

This production ties together a living lineage of music and culture that includes traditional gospel, modern gospel, classical, jazz, Broadway and spirituals. [Purchase Tickets Here](#)

Pursell Farms Hosting Sweet Events for Valentines

February 14, 15 or 16 ● 2200 Farmlinks Blvd. ● Sylacauga ● www.pursellfarms.com

Take your sweetheart on a fun stay at Pursell Farms for Valentines. Check out the flyer for all the details. Call 256.208.7600. [Flyer](#)

-----EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES-----

OLLI at Auburn Winter Term Begins January 28

Course Registration: January 14 – 24

Olli at Auburn offers academic not for credit programs for adults aged 50 years or older through program sites at Auburn University, AUM in Montgomery and the Chambers County Public Library in Valley. Membership includes several benefits such as participation in social engagements, lecture series, day trips, and other programming initiatives. For more information, call 334.844.3105 or visit www.olliatauburn.org.

Cooper Memorial Library Events

334.705.5380 • www.cooperlibrary.com • 200 South 6th Street

● **New Year, New Card • January 1 – 31**

The replacement fee for cards will be waived in January. Get a shiny new card for a shiny new year!

● **ACT Test Prep • TBA**

Free test prep class covers content-specific strategies, pacing and time management skills, test-taking strategies, and tips for the most frequently tested question types. Event is free, but space is limited.

● **Tuesdays at 2 Series**

--**January 15 • 2 pm • Joyce Cauthen: “Way Down in Alabam: Finding Old-Time Fiddlers and their Tunes”** - In this presentation, Cauthen will introduce the audience to fiddlers from across the state, share their stories and describe the communities in which they played. She and Jill will perform a tune they learned from each one, and display a simple Power Point program that shows photos of the fiddlers discussed and their location in the state.

--**January 29 • 2 pm • Frances Robb: “Talking About Tallulah”**

Tallulah Bankhead (1902-1968), Alabama’s most celebrated actor, was a talented performer, Jazz Age celebrity and a determined champion of racial equality. The presentation has three parts:

1. Her most notable achievements
2. Her personal life, including her noted Alabama political family, her difficult upbringing, her success on the English stage, and her early appearances in film and stage
3. Her work for racial tolerance and equality, including her encouragement of black sports figures and musicians, her showcasing of black entertainers on The Big Show, and her forthright views that talent has no color bar and that racial equality was long overdue.

Auburn University: Free Tax Prep IRS-Certified Tax Preparation

Appointments Begin in Mid-January • 1.888.998.2925

Appointments will be held in two locations:

- **Boykin Community Center, 400 Boykin Street, Auburn, AL 36832**

- **Greater Peace Missionary Baptist Church, 650 Jeter Avenue, Opelika, AL 36801**

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-----JOB OPPORTUNITIES-----

Goodwill Industries is Seeking 3 Part-Time Cashiers

3740 Pepperell Parkway • www.goodwillsr.org • 334. 275.4815

These positions are 4 days a week, mainly over the weekend. Hours are 3 – 9 hours a week.

For more information, call the number above.

Job Fairs & Workshops at Goodwill Career Center

3740 Pepperell Parkway • 334.275.4815 • www.goodwillsr.org

• **Waffle House Job Fair** • January 9 • 9 am – 12 pm (CST)

[Flyer](#)

-----SAVE THE DATE-----

FEBRUARY 2019

- **State of the City Luncheon with Mayor Gary Fuller** • February 1
- **TherapySouth Ribbon Cutting** • February 5
- **Project Uplift Mentor Training** • February 11 & 26
- **River Bank & Trust Business After Hours** • February 12
- **WBC: Expert Series: Biking** • February 21
- **RAD: Self Defense for Women Class** • February 25 & 26 & March 4 & 5

Character Trait: Innovation

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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