

WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

March Monthly Happenings



D.O.L.L.S. VISIT

Thirty Ridge Road Elementary students participating in the DOLLS club paid the Chamber a visit during their field trip on the 5th of March. The girls visited other female leaders in our community including chamber member, Merle Norman.

BRE BREAKFAST

Washington County High School hosted the first Business Retention and Expansion Breakfast of 2019. Attendees heard from Work Based Learning Coordinator, Dean Wilcher, and had a guided tour of the CTAE classrooms.

TOURISM

The Tourism Committee convened at Pepe's for a meeting lunch. Many activities are on the agenda for our community over the next few months.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS MARCH SOCIAL

Young Professionals gathered at The Brown House for the March Social. Guest Speaker, Lakeshia Poole spoke to the group about her career, passion and books she has produced. Monthly events are planned for this group, so there is still time to join in on the fun! Contact the Chamber to learn how.



GACCE STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Chamber staff members Katie Moncus and Elaine Bussell attended the annual GACCE Staff Development conference. Our Chamber was one of thirty one recipients for a scholarship to attend another GACCE conference in the year.



WACO WORKS

The Spring Waco Works Day was held at OFTC. Over eighty Washington County High School students participated, specifically those interested in healthcare and business. Students viewed classrooms at OFTC and toured locally businesses. The idea is connecting the dots between postsecondary education options and the job field here in our own community.





ARCHWAY SUMMIT WORKFORCE PANEL

The Chamber of Commerce had the opportunity to sit on a panel during the March Archway Summit in Athens. The Chamber, DAWC, OFTC and BOE all discussed current collaboration to address the needs in the workforce. The Chamber specifically discussed the WACO Works event day.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

Youth Leadership March Session focused on Healthcare, Finance and a program recap. Students were tasked to work in teams to create newspaper tents. Creating a strong foundation proved to be the key in success. A foundation is exactly what the Youth Leadership Program strives to create. Newspapers courtesy of The Sandersville Georgian



RIBBON CUTTINGS



Ribbon Cutting at Summit ACE.



Ribbon Cutting at Premier Tire.

Ambassador of the Month

CHERRY BOWEN

2018 AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR



Cherry Bowen joined the Ambassadors after graduating from Washington LEADS in 2017 and hasn't stopped trying to better our community ever since. A dedicated volunteer and a loyal friend, her experience as an administrative assistant and food service manager with the WACO Senior Center and her time with the WACO Recreation Department have made her a vital team player with expert communication skills. Cherry was named the Chamber of Commerce's 2018 Ambassador of the Year due to her unparalleled determination and commitment.

Business After Hours Premier Tire

Along with a Ribbon Cutting, Premier Tire also hosted our March Business After Hours! Attendees were treated to the story of how Premier Tire found its way to Tennille, GA and guided tours of the facility after some good food, networking, and community updates. They have the capacity to retread up to 300 truck tires per day. Tire retreading is an eco-friendly and consumer-friendly process that prolongs the lifespan of tires.



Welcome New Members!



Upcoming

Washington County Chamber of Commerce
YOUNG PROFESSIONALS
Plug in

APRIL MIXER

April 18th
5:00 - 5:45 PM
Owl's Nest at 116
116 N Harris St
Sandersville, GA

Drop in before we head to Business After Hours!

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April Business After Hours

Thursday, April 18th
5:30-7:00 PM
Paul F. Thiele Park
Downtown Sandersville

Sponsored By:
City of Sandersville & Ryland Environmental

Lunch Box Series

a membership lunch & learn

Legislative Update
Rep. Mack Jackson

May 2nd, 2019
12:00-1:00 PM
Geo. D. Warthen Bank

Sponsored by Geo. D. Warthen Bank
RSVP: Chamber of Commerce 478-552-3288

*Lunch Provided





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