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Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce AI & Leadership Forum

Leading with AI

Practical Strategies for Today's Business Leaders

Tuesday, October 13

8:00 am - 10:30 am

Brenau Downtown Center

Hear from regional experts on how artificial intelligence is reshaping leadership, marketing, workforce development, and business growth



Moderator
Tom Jones, Director
University of Georgia SBDC



Dr. Shatrela Washington-Hubbard
Brenau University



Renee Hayes
University of North Georgia



Robbie Parks
UGA SBDC



Abby Wall
Full Media/MVC



INFO

Light Breakfast | Reservations Required
\$15 Chamber Member, \$25 Non-Member
Felipe Darquea, fdarquea@ghcc.com

Link to
[Make Your Reservation](#)

Workforce Development



Barbara Rivera Holmes, Commissioner of the **Georgia Department of Labor**, was on hand for the Greater Hall Chamber's Fall Job Fair on September 10th at the Gainesville Civic Center. Greater Hall Chamber team members (L-R) **Anna Hester**, Executive Director, Vision 2030; **Felipe Darquea**, Economic Development Marketing Manager; **Commissioner Holmes**; **Robin Halstead**, VP Community Development; **Christen Wilbanks**, VP Membership Operations; **Tim Evans**, President & CEO; **Nikki Chandler**, VP Existing Industry.

South Hall Business Coalition



Some 80 Chamber members gathered at **Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta** for the South Hall Business Coalition meeting and details on the exciting 29th Annual Motul Petit Le Mans (September 30 - October 3). (L-R) **Tim Evans**, Chamber; **Erik Evans**, Ford Racing Driver; **Rick Humphreys**, Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta; South Hall Council Chair **Glenn Barnes**, Georgia Power.



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Economic Development

Job Fair Highlights



Some 1,100 job seekers met with hiring managers and over 70 companies that participated in the Fall Job Fair.



Job seekers met hiring managers at the Fall Job Fair and had the opportunity to apply for jobs onsite. The Greater Hall Chamber's **Spring Job Fair is April 1, 2027** at the Gainesville Civic Center.

Industry Awards 2026

Presentation of the 18th Annual Industry of the Year Awards recognizing Economic Impact, Corporate Responsibility and Workforce Excellence

Industry Appreciation Luncheon

Wednesday, November 18

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Lanier Technical College | Ramsey Conference Center

Link to Learn More or Register: [Industry Appreciation Luncheon](#)

Info: Nikki Chandler, 770-532-6206 x 108, nchandler@ghcc.com

South Hall Business Coalition

Thursday, October 8

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Elachee Nature Science Center

2125 Elachee Drive | Gainesville



Come see what's new and hear what's next at **Elachee Nature Science Center**. Connect with fellow South Hall business leaders while learning about recent accomplishments, exciting upcoming initiatives, and the growing impact of environmental education and conservation in our community. You'll also hear about emerging workforce development efforts designed to inspire the next generation of leaders, problem solvers, and environmental stewards. elachee.com

Link to Register: [SHBC at Elachee](#)

\$8 Chamber Member | \$15 Non-Member | Light Breakfast

Christen Wilbanks, 770-532-6206 x 116. cwilbanks@ghcc.com

South Hall Business Coalition

Thursday, November 5

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Economic Development Update

Jacks Public House

6332 Grand Hickory Drive | Braselton



Join us for an exciting Economic Development Update from **Tim Evans**, President & CEO of the Greater Hall Chamber. Sponsored by **Tony Funari** and **Funari Realty**, this annual program features all the news on current and upcoming projects as well as the Gainesville Inland Port and much more!

Don't miss this event featuring

a delicious full breakfast from Jacks Public House and superior networking opportunities with South Hall leaders!



Link to Register: [November SHBC at Jacks Public House](#)

\$8 Chamber Member | \$15 Non-Member | Full Breakfast

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South Hall Business Coalition Sponsors



Programs & Events

Business & Education Partnerships



Dr. Shatrella Washington-Hubbard, Dean of the Jacobs College of Business & Media at **Brenau University**, was guest speaker at the Chamber's recent Small Business Seminar and discussed ways businesses can partner with higher education institutions to build a talent pipeline and provide upskilling opportunities for employees. (L-R) Small Business Council Chair **Steve Naughton**, *Enterprising Solutions*; **Tim Evans**, *President & CEO, Chamber*; **Dr. Washington-Hubbard**; **Dr. David Barnett**, *President, Brenau University*.

Health & Wellness Seminar



Matthew Hollar, MD, an ophthalmologist with **North Georgia Eye Associates**, spoke about eye health at the recent Health & Wellness Seminar. (L-R) **Felipe Darquea**, *Chamber*; **Dr. Hollar**; **Dr. Philip Kimsey**, *Foothills Functional Medicine*. Don't miss the upcoming seminar on November 4 as Alejandra Negrete, founder & CEO of Alex & Co. Consulting, speaks on "Neuroscience of Leading Without Burnout" and integrates trauma-informed principles with evidence-based neuroscience, offering leaders a defensible, repeatable framework for sustainable performance and organizational transformation.

HealthSmart

Thursday, October 1

7:30 am - 1:30 pm | Gainesville Civic Center

FREE Health Screenings

No Entry Fee | 50+ Wellness Exhibitors

Glucose • Cholesterol • Triglycerides Testing
Blood Pressure Checks • Body Mass Index Calculation
Thyroid Neck Checks • Heart Murmur • Fall Risk • Flu Shots

Affinis Hospice	NGHS Heart & Vascular
Atlanta Rehabilitation	NGMC Hospice & In-Home Palliative Care
AVITA Community Partners	NGPG Bariatric & Metabolic Institute
BGW Dental Group	NGPG Neurosciences
Botanical Wellness dba Your CBD Store	NGPG Orthopedic Surgery & Sports Med
Chastain Agency	Northeast Georgia Health System
Cleaver Medical Group	North GA Audiology & Hearing Aid Center
D4C Dental	Northside Hospital Diagnostic Clinic
Georgia Mountains YMCA	Northside Hospital Heart Institute
Georgia Urology	Peachtree Orthopedics
Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce	Raphara Health
Hall County Health Department	Resurgens
Homewatch CareGivers of Braselton	Specialty Orthopaedics
Longstreet Clinic at NGHS	Total Joint Specialists
Nelson Elder Care Law	UGA Extension Office
NGHS Advance Care Planning	United Way of Hall County
NGHS Respecting Choices	Your Health
NGHS Diabetes Education	

Thank You HealthSmart Sponsors



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Link [HERE](#) for EXHIBIT INFO.

Women in Business

Nearly 70 women gained insightful connections and collaborations at the first Women in Business networking event in August. Don't miss the upcoming Women in Business gathering on **Friday, October 23**, 9-10am, at the **Lake Lanier Association** office, 821 Dawsonville Highway in Gainesville (behind Starbucks). Women Only! Details, Christen Wilbanks, 770-532-6206.

Email: cwilbanks@ghcc.com



Meetings & Events

Vision 2030 Board of Directors



Members of the **Vision 2030 Board of Directors** and **Hall County Library team members** recently met at the Butler Center in Gainesville. Originally called E.E. Butler High School after the first Black physician in Hall County, the school opened in 1962 and housed some 500+ Black students and educators. (L-R) **Juli Hayes, Katie Crumley, Brett Fowler, Gale Starich, Yuri Carmona, Amy Brigham, Lisa MacKinney, Lisa Echols, Mimi Collins, Ellie Cartwright, Shea Ray, Robyn Lynch, Phillippa Moss Lewis, Kyndra Cohen** and **Carol Hanlon**. Sponsored by the Greater Hall Chamber, Vision 2030 is a community project with volunteers leading long-term initiatives through collaborative partnerships with government, education, business, and non-profits. vision2030.org

Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce

Industry Appreciation Luncheon

November 18

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Lanier Technical College

Featuring the 18th Annual Industry of the Year Awards and celebrating the companies and people who help drive Hall County's thriving industrial community.



Kevin Price, President
Georgia Ports Authority

Kevin Price, President of the **Georgia Ports Authority**, is the guest speaker at the luncheon and will give an update on the **Gainesville Inland Port**. Price brings more than 30 years' operations experience to Georgia Ports, having previously served as President of Gateway Terminals in Savannah and Chief Operating Officer of Virginia International Terminals. Georgia Ports is the nation's third-busiest gateway for containerized trade in Savannah, and the #1 busiest auto port complex in the nation. Together, these form one of the largest economic engines in the Southeastern United States.

Nominate Your Company or Another Outstanding Industry

Small Industry (less than 50 employees); Medium Industry (51-200 employees); Large Industry (201+ employees). Awards also presented for Workforce Development, Corporate Responsibility, Environmental Responsibility, and Safety.

Scan to Make
a Nomination



Scan to Register

Reservations Required

\$50 Chamber Member | \$60 Guest
\$500 Table (Seats 8) | Includes Lunch
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OCTOBER 2026

Thursday, October 1

HealthSmart Wellness Expo

7:30 am - 1:30 pm | Gainesville Civic Center

Friday, October 2

Network Over Coffee

9:00 - 10:00 am | The Phoenix at Lake Lanier
2601 Thompson Bridge Road | Gainesville

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Downtown Gainesville Square

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Ambassador Council

3:45 pm | First Citizens Bank | Gainesville

Wednesday, October 14

HR Council

11:45 am | Chamber

Thursday, October 15

Chamber Executive Committee

12:00 pm | Chamber

Thursday, October 16

Business Before Hours

7:30 - 9:00 am | Hulsey Oliver & Mahar
200 E.E. Butler Parkway | Gainesville

Tuesday, October 20

Vision 2030 Board of Directors

11:30 am - 1:00 pm | Chamber

Thursday, October 22

Issues Committee

9:00 - 10:00 am | Chamber

Thursday, October 22

Chamber Board of Directors

12:00-1:30 pm | Eagle Ranch

Thursday, October 22

Business After Hours

5:00-7:00 pm | Lawson AC & Plumbing
1700 Fulenwider Road | Gainesville

Friday, October 23

Women in Business

9:00 - 10:00 am | Lake Lanier Association
821 Dawsonville Highway | Gainesville

Membership

Welcome New Chamber Members

53 Flooring & Supply Co.

Joshua DeYoung
(770) 376-5512
53flooring.com

CleanSlate Imaging

Caleb Licciardi
(404) 725-8910
cleanslateimaging.com

Fairell Firm

Joi Fairell
(678) 973-2803
fairellfirm.com

Lumen Living

Jillian Cox
(517) 220-8212
launchwithlumen.com

Richardson Lending Team | Nationwide Loans

Darci Richardson
(770) 669-6055
MarkandDarci.com

Ai Pi Marketing

Marko Simpson
(678) 776-0040
aipipromo.com

DePoe Eye Center

Stephen Janis
(404) 401-4696
depoeeyecenter.com

Farmers Home Furniture

Luis Felix
(770) 534-9757
farmershomefurniture.com

Molly Across The Map

Molly Gay
(770) 530-1390
mollyacrossthemap.com

RJ's Coins & Collectibles

Richard Jozefiak
(256) 337-5092

Bungalow Coffee House

Lisa Hayes
(470) 999-5282
bungalowcoffeehouse.com

Dynamiq

Roger Baskin
(256) 436-5200
dynamiq.com

First Carolina Bank

Nicole Pleasant
(678) 213-3545
firstcarolinabank.com

NYS Capital Solutions

AJ Vargas
(877) 799-4883
nyscapitalsolutions.com

Rooted in HR Partners

Jacinta Johnson
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rootedinhrpartners.com

Central Atlanta Tractor Sales

Josh Wolf
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centralatlantatractor.com

Elevation Fitness

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(404) 918-7809
cpahamilton.com

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Sims Insurance Group

BJ Sims
(770) 657-5941
allstate.com/agents

Cirkla

Andrew Joseph
(770) 350-3598
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Exodus Design Build

Jennifer Wessling
(470) 404-1297
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HiLiT Pilates

Martha Johnson
(404) 308-3002
hilitpilates.com

Patty Ann Design & Signs

Patty Taylor
(770) 598-8810
pattyannndesign.com

Warren Environmental & Coatings

Brian Brandstetter
(508) 947-8539
warrenenviro.com

Small Business of the Month: Jacobs Media



Jacobs Media, Chamber Small Business of the Month, was founded by John W. Jacobs Jr. in 1949. Team members (L-R) **Bill Maine**, General Manager; **John Jacobs IV**, COO; **Bo Wilson**, Director of Sports; **Lori Thompson**, Director of Sales. The company has served North Georgia for more than 75 years as a trusted source for news, information, and entertainment. Today, Jacobs Media operates WDUN 102.9 FM/550 AM, The Lake 94.5 FM/1240 AM, AccessNorthGA.com, and AccessNorthGA.com+, connecting the community through local news, talk radio, music, sports, and digital media. AccessNorthGA has become a leading regional news source, averaging 2.25 million unique visitors per month in 2024. accessnorthga.com

Sponsorships

Business After Hours

Sponsorship - \$700 per event

Business Before Hours

Sponsorship - \$350 per event

Leadership Hall County

Graduation - \$1,500 | Bus - \$1,750
Lunch - \$1,000 | Program - \$900
Breakfast - \$600 | Snack - \$300

Youth Leadership Hall County

Graduation - \$1,500 | Lunch - \$1,000
Program - \$900 | Breakfast - \$600
Snack - \$300

Chamber Board Meeting

Lunch Sponsor Fee - \$1,000

New Member Breakfasts

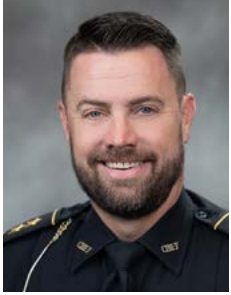
Sponsorship - \$500 per event

INFO:

Ellie Cardin, 770-532-6206 x 115
[Email Ellie](mailto:Ellie@chamber.com)

Member News

Parrish Named Georgia Chief of the Year



City of Gainesville Chief of Police **Jay Parrish** has been named the 2026 Louis M. Dekmar | Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police **Outstanding Chief of the Year**.

This prestigious award recognizes a chief executive for their service to the association, service to their community, and accomplishments as a law enforcement administrator. Chief Parrish's leadership, commitment to professionalism, and dedication to the men and women of the Gainesville Police Department (GPD) and

the Gainesville community have made a lasting impact. A lifelong resident of Hall County, he is a graduate of the University of North Georgia and honorably served six years in the US Marine Corp Reserve. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy. Chief Parrish began his career with the GPD as a patrol officer and was appointed Police Chief for the Department in January of 2019.

Lanier Islands Gives Back to Community

Proceeds from **Lanier Islands Resort's** concert series totaled \$28,000 benefiting both the **Georgia Mountain Food Bank** and the **Lake Lanier Association** (LLA). For 60 years, LLA

has proven critical to the future of the Northeast Georgia region, working to keep Lake

Lanier clean, full and safe. The funds will support cleanup events like the LLA's annual Shore Sweep, water quality testing and ongoing safety efforts. For the Georgia Mountain Food Bank (GMFB), funds will provide an estimated 70,000 meals for our neighbors in need. The GMFB serves five counties throughout North Georgia and, in 2025 alone, provided 8.8 million meals to 88,000 people suffering from food insecurity. lanierislands.com



Copeland Named Administrator of NHDC



Northside Hospital Diagnostic Clinic (NHDC) is pleased to announce **Katie Copeland**, BSN, RN, as the new Practice Administrator & CEO. NHDC is a multi-specialty clinic with six practice locations, over 300 staff members, and 80 providers. Katie previously served as Director of Clinical Services at NHDC. Her dedication to excellence throughout her nursing career has earned her several accolades, including the Greater Hall Chamber Healthy Hall Nurse of the Year Award,

recipient of the Face of ACE_IT Award (Recognizing Attitude, Commitment, Enthusiasm, Innovation and Teamwork), and the Nursing Excellence Award for Leadership. Katie looks forward to continuing to support Hall County and the Clinic's mission of serving the community with compassion, skill, and integrity, based on patient-physician relationships. northsidediagnosticclinic.com

- **Carroll Daniel** was recognized (again) as one of the Best Large Companies to Work For by the *Atlanta Business Chronicle*, continuing its reputation for fostering a strong, positive workplace culture. With 350 employees, the company ranked #10 among large employers in the Metro Atlanta area. The award recognizes companies that go "above and beyond" to keep their workforce happy, based on trust in leadership, manager effectiveness, communication and resources, team dynamics, individual needs and personal engagement. carrolldaniel.com

- **Kristin Crea** has been named the Executive Director of Operations for the **Northeast Georgia Health System**, with major responsibilities at the **Northeast Georgia Medical Center Braselton** campus. Crea transitioned to the health system after highly successful leadership tenures in metro Atlanta health-care, which included being honored as an "Emerging Executive" by the Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce. She is active in the local community, serving on the Greater Hall Chamber Board of Directors. nghs.com

- **Candler Real Estate** is celebrating its **4th Anniversary** with a festive party. Join the Candler team for tacos, margaritas and great company on Wednesday, October 7th from 4:00-7:00 pm at their office at 135 Maple Street in Gainesville. Founded in 2022, the firm specializes in residential, commercial, land, investment sales, and commercial property management across North Georgia. candler.com

- Partner with **Northeast Georgia Health System** (NGHS) to celebrate their 75th Anniversary. Your organization can join the fun by offering a discount to any customer that mentions the 75th Anniversary, and NGHS will promote your business and discount to their 13,000 employees. Discounts are promoted at NGHS 75th Anniversary. To learn more, contact Beth Downs, NGHS Director of Brand Experience, 229-560-4150, or beth.downs@NGHS.com

- The **University of North Georgia** (UNG) recently initiated a new program to better prepare our future workforce. The **Institute for a Future Ready Workforce** brings together areas that often operate separately – education, workforce development, emerging technology, industry, and national security. The Institute's Advisory Board includes a variety of industry professionals who will work alongside UNG leaders. Amazon Web Services served as the event sponsor for the launch, recognizing that workforce development and emerging technology are currently critical challenges facing our nation. ung.edu

Membership

Business After Hours

Thursday, October 22 | 5-7pm

Lawson Air Condition & Plumbing

1700 Fulenwider Road in Gainesville



**80
YEARS**

Join us as we celebrate the grand opening of Lawson's new headquarters and 80 years of serving North Georgia. Enjoy networking,

refreshments, and tours of the 64,000-square-foot facility while learning more about the people, values, and history that have shaped Lawson Air Condition & Plumbing for eight decades. lawsonac.com

Networking | Door Prizes | Cash Prize Drawing

\$8 Chamber Members | \$15 Non-Members

Link to Register: [BUSINESS AFTER HOURS](#)

Info: Christen Wilbanks, 770-532-6206 x 116, cwilbanks@ghcc.com

Job Opening at the Chamber

Director of Marketing & Communications

Position requires a Bachelor's Degree in a marketing/communications related field, plus three (3) years of professional experience in a position with relatable skills. Proficient in Adobe Creative Suite, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint. Strong writing and editing skills. Experience in creative promotions, advertising and social media. Experience in website development, administration, content management.

Link to see full [Position Summary](#).

Submit resumes to resumes@ghcc.com



GREATER HALL
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Vision 2030's Next Gen Hall



Vision 2030's Next Gen Hall Co is built on relationships and encourages involvement for the future of Hall County. The group recently enjoyed a Meet & Mingle at Elachee Nature Science Center. (L-R) **Erin Askounis** and **Ansley Dollar**, *Elachee*; **Allan Karmazin**, **Maranda Martin**, **Gina Zari** and **Noah Bryant**, *Northside Hospital Diagnostic Clinic* (event sponsor).

Making Lasting Connections



Thank you **Huntington Bank** for hosting the September **Business After Hours** (L-R) **Darin Workman**, *Spherion*; **Chris Conway** and **Joe Petriccione**, *Huntington Bank*; **Gina Workman**, *Spherion*. Don't miss upcoming networking events: Business BEFORE Hours at Hulsey, Oliver & Mahar on October 16 and Business AFTER Hours at Lawson Air Conditioning & Plumbing on October 22.

Business Before Hours

Friday, October 16 | 7:30am

Hulsey Oliver & Mahar

200 E.E. Butler Parkway in Gainesville



Join us at the law offices of **Hulsey, Oliver & Mahar** for networking before work, a complimentary continental breakfast and a chance to win great prizes! For over 100 years, North Georgia families and businesses have turned to Hulsey, Oliver & Mahar for proven legal counsel.

They offer expert guidance and counsel in a wide variety of legal matters and take pride in a long continuum of service for clients. homlaw.com

Leadership Hall Alumni Association



The Greater Hall Chamber recently hosted the launch of the NEW **Leadership Hall County Alumni Association** with a reception at Tupelo Honey in Gainesville. Some 50 alumni attended for reconnections and the building of lasting relationships. (L-R) **Terry Merck**, *American Yazaki Corp.*; **Mike Zeller**, *Carroll Daniel*; **Amy Bradford**, *Elachee*; **Shelley Logan**, *Workforce Strategies Group*. Link to learn more and sign up for the [LHC Alumni Association](#).

Ribbon Cuttings

Ricky Bussey, Ashley Jeffries, Margarita Garza, Lisa Ferguson and Jeff Smith cut a ribbon at **Resonant Clinical Solutions**. Located at 4000 Chamblee Road in Oakwood, the company offers kitting, biorepository, equipment and ancillary service centers in strategic locations worldwide. They have the physical footprint and logistical experience to seamlessly serve customers across every country with a deep understanding of international compliance standards and regulations, combined with an extensive network of third-party partners. This positions them as a one-stop clinical services and diagnostic lab solution for customers in every corner of the globe. resonantclinical.com



Resonant Clinical Solutions

Hoopla at the Hive



Hoopla at the Hive is located at 804 Washington Street, NW in Gainesville. The shop is curated with vintage treasures, unique home décor, gifts and accessories. They also offer embroidery and custom baskets, whether it be for a hostess, birthday or “just because” gift. hooplaatthehive.com

Uptown Cheapskate Gainesville



Aaron Turner and Bill Turner cut a ribbon at **Uptown Cheapskate Gainesville**. Located at 858 Dawsonville Highway in Gainesville, Uptown Cheapskate opened its doors, with a four-day Grand Opening celebration in September, bringing a new way to buy and sell stylish, gently used clothing, shoes and accessories. Shoppers enjoy an alternative to traditional retail by giving quality clothing a second life in a modern, curated boutique experience. Shop current styles and popular brands at a fraction of traditional retail prices while also selling clothing, shoes and accessories for cash. uptowncheapskate.com

Ribbon Cuttings

Huntington Bank

Huntington Bank recently cut a ribbon at 500 Jesse Jewell Parkway in Gainesville with team members **Mary Livesay**, Branch Manager; **Chris Conway**, Relationship Manager; **JD Mealor**, Division President; **Joe Petriccione**, Private Bank Region Manager; **Julie Taylor**, Community President; **Tyler Gray**, Financial Relationship Banker; **Araceli Garza**, Sales & Service Coordinator; **Barbara Bentley**, Customer Experience Banker; **Graeme Hunt**, Customer Experience Banker; **Wesley Casteel**, Government Banking Relationship Manager. With over 160 years of banking performance, Huntington remains committed to helping clients thrive and is excited to continue building meaningful relationships and creating opportunities for growth throughout the region. huntington.com



Interactive Neighborhood for Kids | INK



Interactive Neighborhood for Kids – **INK** – held its Grand Opening in September. Located in Oakwood, the hands-on museum is a place where children can role play and learn through practical experiences. Exhibits are designed to provide a unique experience and engage young minds. Kids especially love sitting in the cockpit of a real airplane and a full-sized police SUV, exploring a fire truck, milking a pretend cow, and playing in the grocery store, vet office, and dental clinic. ink.org

Fifth Third Bank



Financial Center Manager **Terolyn Wright** and the team at **Fifth Third Bank** recently cut a ribbon at the new branch at 3654 Thompson Bridge Road in Gainesville. Fifth Third Bank is the 9th largest U.S. regional bank and provides banking and financial services to individuals, families, small businesses, and large companies. Fifth Third history traces back to 1858 in Cincinnati, Ohio originally operating as The Bank of Ohio Valley. The name Fifth Third came from the combination of Fifth National and Third National Bank. 53.com

Health & Wellness

Health & Wellness Initiatives

Health & Wellness Seminar

Wednesday, November 4

9:00 am - 10:00 am

In Person at the Chamber *or* via Zoom

Wired for Pressure: The Journey Through R.I.S.E.™



Neuroscience of Leading Without Burnout

Alejandra Negrete is founder & CEO of **Alex & Co. Consulting**, a neuroscience-based human performance and leadership development consultancy that helps small businesses reduce burnout, improve culture, and build healthier, high-performing teams using neuroscience-based wellness and leadership coaching and the R.I.S.E. Leadership

Method™ (Regulate, Integrate, Support, Empower) — her proprietary neuroscience-informed framework. This presentation integrates trauma-informed principles with evidence-based neuroscience, offering leaders a defensible, repeatable framework for sustainable performance and organizational transformation. alexandconsulting.com

No Charge for Chamber Members

INFO: Felipe Darquea, 770-532-6206 x 111, [Email Felipe](mailto:EmailFelipe)

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Gainesville Civic Center

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Save the Date



Thursday, December 10

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Lanier Technical College
Ramsey Conference Center

Information:

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The Greater Hall Chamber is adding to its Team!

Intern – Economic Development

Part-time administrative and clerical duties

Submit resumes to resumes@ghcc.com

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