









LAKE NONA REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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From The CEO - What Your Chamber Does, Part III

Happy New Year. I hope joy and love filled your Holiday Season. I want to start our Chamber New Year by welcoming two new additions. First our new Silver Partner, Ford Insurance Agency of St. Cloud. Thanks to the company's president, Mark Swartz, for his outstanding support. Secondly, help me welcome Valerie Marroig our new intern from CareerSource. Valerie is with us to help with the administrative and bookkeeping duties of the office. She is extremely qualified and her bilingual abilities are a great asset.

Here at the beginning of a New Year, I hope to share with you how our OPS (Opportunity, Progress, Support) Plan works with our focus on three pillars or functions (Catalyst, Convener, Champion) within the community.

The Lake Nona Regional Chamber is a:

- Catalyst of business growth and community progress. We bring opportunity, promote and support well-planned and healthy growth.
- Convener of regional leaders and influencers. We provide places and events where the movers and shakers of the community can collaborate while helping guide progress.
- Champion for a thriving community. We advocate with local governments and civic organizations on behalf of regional businesses, non-profits and residents.

In our daily routines we exercise Courage to stand up for our beliefs. We fight for what is right so our community businesses, whether they are members or not, can grow allowing our community to thrive. To assist with all these efforts, we created five new ad-hoc committees: Health, Diversity, Non-profit, Tourism and Education. Excited leaders are ready to establish these committees and we encourage you to volunteer in this growth opportunity.

Meanwhile, starting this month we made it more convenient to conduct financial transactions with the Chamber. Below, you will see the two new features we are bringing to you.

Your Board of Directors and Chamber Staff constantly work to bring members and the entire community these benefits. Find out how you can benefit and participate in this process by calling us at (407) 796-2230.

Don Long
President/CEO















Thanks to our member suggestions we now have two new options to make attending events and chamber membership maintenance easier for you.

Bundled monthly events - Register for one year of Breakfast Connections and/or Business Luncheons at a discounted rate. You can sign up for this for either of our activities in January: Breakfast Connections - "Property Futures In Lake Nona" with Rick Singh and Cliff Long Business Luncheon - "NeoCity and its Regional Impact" with Don Fisher, Chester Kennedy, and Ryan Honeycutt

Automatic Payments - You can now manage your membership fees monthly or annually by registering for automatic pay in your membership profile of our website, LakeNonaCC.org. Many of our members can renew their membership for as little as \$21.00 per month. Please follow these simple steps to get started. Your payments will begin on your anniversary date.

- 1. *Login to the Member Information Center at http://lakenonacc.chambermaster.com/login? dest=paymentprofile
- 2. Add your credit card or bank account as a new Payment Profile.
- 3. Check the box to "Notify Lake Nona Regional Chamber of Commerce that you are interested in setting up automatic payments...".
- 4. Save your Payment Profile.

*Forgot your login? Go

to http://lakenonacc.chambermaster.com/login/fo rgotpwd to reset your password. You can create your login account for the first time at this registration page: https://[AName]/CreateAccount

That's it! We will let you know when the setup is complete and provide confirmation of the automatic payment details. For questions or concerns, please contact us at 407-796-2230 or administration@lakenonacc.org.

Upcoming Events

FIRST
TUESDAYS
AFTER-HOURS

AT RUFF DAY BARK CLUB

BYOD: BRING YOUR OWN DOG!

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, a wine bar, and relaxed networking with your four-legged friend by your side!

8201 Narcoossee Park Dr

Tuesday, January 7 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.

> **Drive Shack** 7285 Corner Drive

"PROPERTY FUTURES IN LAKE NONA" with Rick Singh and Cliff Long



JOIN US IN BREAKING GROUND FOR OUR NEW MEMBER'S BRAND NEW LOCATION! ILINGO ACADEMY WILL BE PROVIDING COFFEE, DONUTS, AND SPECIALS ON REGISTRATION.



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

> Thursday, January 16 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

BUSINES LUNCHE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

194 NeoCity Way with Don Fisher, Chester Kennedy, and Ryan Honeycutt

"Neolity and its Regional Impact"

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December Event Gallery

Our December Ambassador of the Month is Nicole Perez of New York Life!





December 3, "Bright Christmas" Member Banquet & Holiday Party - Our annual Member Banquet & Holiday Party was a festive blast. Thank you to Eagle Creek Golf Club & The Belfry Restaurant for going above and beyond to give us a beautiful Winter Wonderland venue with delicious food and drinks. Guests enjoyed dancing, awards, and reflecting on their year with our Chamber. LNRCC presented a check for \$7,909 raised for our 2019 Charity of Choice, Nemours Fund for Chidren's Health

December 3, "Bright Christmas" Member
Banquet & Holiday Party - (from left to right)
Nicole LaBosco, Kyle Hamm, Jenny Lynn, and
Rhys Lynn of Nona.Media

Photo by Felicity Gomer





December 5, Ribbon Cutting at Centennial Bank - Welcome Centennial
Bank to the Nonahood! We are excited to have you in our community.

Photo by Madelyn Long

Breakfast Connections with Melanie Miller Marketing - Superstar Melanie Miller spoke to our chamber about crafting impactful marketing plans for their business. Thanks to Eagle Creek Golf Club & The Belfry Restaurant for another delicious breakfast and great venue.

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Why Join or Renew?

Standing - When you sit on business committees and eventually advance into leadership positions, you are seen by the public and other business owners and operators as an expert in your field.



Advanced Endodontics

AMS American Maintenance and Services, LLC

CareerSource Central Florida

Esteem Dental Group

Makris Dental

Marco's Pizza
Marco's Pizza - Goldenrod
Nona Smiles
Osceola Council on Aging
Your Family Bank



Ford Insurance Agency



Amson Consulting
API Insurance Inc.
Axiom Bank
Carlisle Realty, LLC
Courtyard & Residence Inn by Marriott
Culver's of Lake Nona
Insight Credit Union
Office of Low Holtz

The Rogers Team at Premier Sotheby's
International Realty
Thrive Services, LLC
Trustco Bank
Two Spurs, LLC dba Smashburger
Viscogen
Visium Resources, Inc.



AdventHealth (Platinum)
Osceola County Board of County Commissioners (Bronze)

2020 Chamber Charity of Choice

Nonprofit Organizations can submit their request for consideration of 2020 Charity of Choice by emailing administration@lakenonacc.org. Please include why you should be considered.



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