



LAKE NONA REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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From the CEO

February is traditionally the month for lovers. According to legend in the late second century, St. Valentine sent the first Valentine wish when he signed a letter "from your Valentine" to his jailer's daughter, whom he had befriended and healed from blindness. He was later martyred by the Roman emperor. Just goes to show that love is not always easy.

Our hope is that this month will bring you health and progress. Your chamber is your friend and here to help champion the just causes for the community.


This month, let's work together and follow William Shakespeare's example, "A friend is one that knows you as you are, understands where you have been, accepts what you have become, and still, gently allows you to grow." Let's grow together.

In agreement with the above quote, please make sure to read the note below recognizing February as Black History Month from our Chair of the Diversity Committee, Cynthia Washington. Please stay safe and well.

Don Long, President/CEO



In honor of Black History Month, read the following statement from the LNRCC Diversity Committee



"As we Celebrate Black History Month, we want our members to know the Chamber is committed to ensuring the opportunity to create economic empowerment is available to all of our Communities in Lake Nona. Diversity is important to this Chamber, because it is the very fiber of our ability to ensure authentic Community!"

- Diversity Committee Chairwoman Cynthia Washington of WCI of Florida, LLC



Upcoming Events



FIRST TUESDAYS

Tuesday, February 2

5:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Rock and Brews (Patio)

6897 South Semoran Blvd

RIBBON CUTTING

Ceremony



Thursday, February 4

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Paradise Grills

12835 Narcoossee Rd. Ste 104

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BREAKFAST CONNECTIONS WITH ADVENTHEALTH PANEL OF EXPERTS - "COVID-19 VACCINATIONS: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW"

Thursday, February 11

8:00 - 9:30 A.M.

VIRTUAL

Upcoming Events

RIBBON CUTTING

Ceremony



Tuesday, February 23
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Florida Cancer Specialists & Research Institute
12835 Narcoossee Rd. Ste 104

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BUSINESS LUNCHEON WITH GOOGLE TRAINER PAMELA STAR

Friday, February 26
11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

More Information Coming

LNRCC PPE Distribution



The Lake Nona Regional Chamber of Commerce, Platinum Partner AdventHealth staff, the LNRCC Health Committee, and volunteers distributed nearly sixteen thousand pieces of Personal Protection Equipment to roughly 60 cars, helping both families and businesses stay safe and protected. The crew ran the PPE Drive-Thru Distribution at the AdventHealth Lake Nona ER on Friday, January 22nd. Thanks to the Orange County Government and District One Commissioner Jim Gray for providing the PPE.

LEFT PHOTO: Michael Ciurea and Gil Goncalves of AdventHealth

CENTER PHOTO: (from left to right) Rafiq Rao Ruiz of Orange County District Four, Honor Rasch-Gush of the Lake Nona Performance Club, Austin Purkeypile COO of AdventHealth East Orlando, Bobby Bridges of V3 Capital Group, Don Long of LNRCC, Hope Perez of Synovus, David Worth of David Worth Real Estate Company, Sandra Cardona of Synovus, Carlos Rodriguez of AdventHealth, Kristine Ford of AdventHealth, Madelyn Long of LNRCC

RIGHT PHOTO: Hope Perez of Synovus gives a free box of masks and hand sanitizer to a member of the community.

January Event Gallery



January 5, First Tuesday of 2021 at 310 Nona Patio - Thanks to Hillary Jovi of 310 Nona for safely accomodating our Chamber members for a great evening of appetizers, happy hour specials, and networking. (Photo by Madelyn Long)





January 14, Breakfast Connections with Chris White of Traction in Florida - "How to be a Great Boss Without Being an A***e". Chris shares wisdom on leadership with our chamber at Eagle Creek Golf Club & The Belfry Restaurant. (Photo by Madelyn Long)**



January 9, Ribbon Cutting at Uptown Eyecare - Owners Christopher and Vanessa McCann of Uptown Eyecare celebrate their membership with our chamber and their addition to the community. (Photo by Madelyn Long)



January 26, Ribbon Cutting for Suntek Zero Emissions Lawn Care - Suntek provides a real demonstration of their silent lawncare equipment and celebrates their membership at the lawn in front of Canvas Restaurant & Market. (Photo by Felicity Gomer)

January 22, Business Luncheon - Central Florida Expressway Authority - Emily Brown, Manager of Public Affairs & Kathy Putnam, Tollways Program Manager with Quest Corporation of America - update our members and visitors with the latest developments on local infrastructure at 310 Nona. (Photo by Felicity Gomer)



Why Join or Renew?

Take deductions - You might be able to deduct membership fees as allowable business expenses. This helps counteract the cost of the membership. To learn more, see "Club dues and membership fees" under "Miscellaneous Expenses" in IRS Publication 535.

New Members

**Calic Group
Florida Cancer Specialists
Garcia, Goretti
GreatFlorida of Lake Nona
Latitudes Lawn Care Services LLC
Michael Grace, PA**

**Orlando International Relocation Realty
(OIR Realty)
Real Time PEO
Suntek Zero Emission Lawn Care
Valencia College, Lake Nona Campus**

Renewed Members

**API Insurance Inc & Allied Professional Services
David Weekly Homes
Dumpster Medic, LLC
Envision Wealth Planners
EV Transports
HMS Certified Public Accountants
IBR Realty - Fabiola Meneses**

**Icy Knights
Lake Nona Self Storage
Pro-Tech Air Conditioning & Plumbing
Service, Inc.
Spring Realty Orlando
Tomkins, Tom
V3 Capital Group**

Instagram Giveaway Alert!

One of the most effective organic marketing tools of our time is the notorious Instagram Giveaway! Bring your business a surplus of social media followers with this free publicity event.

We will be hosting one giveaway every month. If you are a Chamber Member and would like to increase your following, think of something you could give away! Free products, services, gift cards, and more will be accepted.

Have something you'd like to give away? Email felicity@lakenonacc.org!



Happy Valentine's Day!

Please share our information with other businesses and organizations that are not currently connected to LNRCC. They can email us at administration@lakenonacc.org to request inclusion in our email distributions.

DIAMOND



PLATINUM



GOLD



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