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February 12 Luncheon Billy Ivey-Fireseed

Billy Ivey is an author, award-winning copywriter, and brand strategist with more than 20 years experience working with brands like Chick-fil-A, Home Depot, Major League Baseball, and tons of other local, regional, and national accounts. Billy lives in Birmingham with his super-hot wife and their five better-than-average-looking children. He wrote this bio, by the way.



Anyway, each morning before his kids catch the school bus, Billy packs their lunches and places a hand-written note next to the peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, bruised bananas, juice boxes, and stale Doritos. Big deal, right?

Well, about two years ago, Billy began posting his lunch notes to social media, and they went viral. Then, in the summer of 2017, Billy and his Napkinisms partnered with the Chick-fil-A Foundation in Atlanta to provide more than 3,000 lunches and inspiring messages to children in need — and the program collected even more smiles last year! Now, hundreds of thousands of people have seen and shared “Napkinisms” throughout the

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LUNCHEON SPONSOR

Progress Bank

Progress Bank is pleased to sponsor this month’s Vestavia Hills Chamber of Commerce Luncheon. We are honored to continue our support of the Vestavia Hills Chamber, something that was begun with First Partners Bank several years ago. The merger of our two banks has created the eighth largest bank in Alabama, with offices in Vestavia, Birmingham, Huntsville, Madison, Decatur, and Florence, Ala., and Inlet Beach and Destin, Fla. That merger has only served to create a stronger bank with the same goals in mind—creating the best banking experiences our clients could ever ask for.



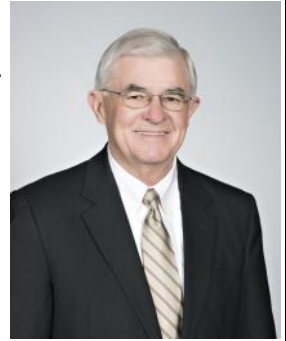
At Progress Bank, we are always thinking forward. Our customers can expect an uncomplicated banking relationship with smart bankers and good listeners who respond with an insightful solution created just for them. Just as importantly, we value our relationship to our community and are passionate about giving back, sparking the progress of local businesses and dedicated to being something more than just another bank. Our banking products and services are specifically designed to seamlessly support small business operations. As one of the top SBA lenders in the state, we can meet the lending needs of small businesses with finance solutions to help them succeed.

In addition to business products, Progress Bank can also meet your personal banking needs. Our mortgage division can help you with your home refinance or purchase. Our Wealth Management team can assist you with financial planning, investment services and brokerage services as well. Be sure to check our free resources specifically designed for entrepreneurs and business owners, including an online blog, a bi-annual magazine for business owners and more. Access all the *Tools for Success* initiatives by visiting progressthinkingforward.com.

We are ready to be your banking partner—in life and in business, for now and for what comes next. We take

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It is a new year and an exciting time to live in Vestavia Hills. As the newly installed Chair of the Vestavia Hills Chamber of Commerce, I feel honored to have been asked to serve. As we look forward in 2019, we have many opportunities to make our City a better place to work and live.



Gary Jordan

We have much about which we can be proud. Look around and you will see the many positive changes that happened in 2018. Keep looking in 2019 as these positive changes will continue.

In planning for the future, the Vestavia Hills School Board has taken bold steps to add additional facilities and restructure to keep our schools some of the best in the State. We can take pride in knowing that our children are receiving an outstanding education that will equip them for success in whatever fields they choose to pursue.

The construction that has begun at Wald Park is the first of many construction projects that will become visible in 2019 as the City implements the Community Spaces Program. We are fortunate to have leaders that can look to the future and make the needed bold decisions.

Thanks to the planning by City officials and our citizens for choosing to shop local, Vestavia Hills is experiencing economic growth that benefits all of us. The tax revenue from this economic growth allows our City to provide the services and facilities that keep us safe and make life convenient.

I hope you have seen the two-minute video "A Life Above". If not, you can click on this link (<https://alifeabove.org/>) and watch it. The vision that is created in this video is one that our City and school leaders are striving to maintain and continue.

The Chamber's Board of Directors are looking forward to another successful year. I invite you to get involved, get connected, and see how the Vestavia Chamber can benefit you and your business. Together we can strengthen our City and continue to make it A Life Above.

Gary Jordan
Summit Franchising Group
Board Chair, 2019

From the President...

Your Chamber Board of Directors has been hard at work planning for 2019. We had our annual planning retreat on January 17th with the board discussing goals for the year and ways to enhance both the quality of life and the economic well-being in Vestavia Hills. I sincerely appreciate our Board members taking time from their busy schedule to devote their time, energy and talents to help Vestavia Hills businesses as economic development is really kicking into high gear in our community.



Karen Odle

Our **Business Development Committee (BDC) led by Vice Chair Jeff Florio with Old Oak Advisors** had their first meeting on January 22nd which was pushed back a week due to the change in our Annual Meeting. The committee discussed goals for 2019 which were discussed at the retreat. These include:

- Continuing partnership with the University of Alabama “Bama at Work” program to provide professional development tools to our businesses, both small and large, at an affordable price and on topics requested by our members.
- Partnering with the Vestavia Hills High School City Youth Connection (CYC)
- Do further research on the possibility of creating/providing “Business Incubator 2.0 as a public/private partnership between the Chamber and local businesses
- Find ways to increase and promote the value of Chamber membership; publicize the Chamber’s Association Health Plan offering and promote the “Pigs” with the Shop Dine Play project.

We will continue spotlighting our businesses each month at the monthly luncheons so call our office and let us know what month you would like to spotlight your business. Make a point to stop by these booths at the luncheon to check out what these businesses offer. Many other projects are in the works for our area businesses so join this committee to stay in the loop on what is happening in Vestavia Hills.

Our **Vice Chair of Programming, Taylor Burton with Taylor Burton Co.** is working to line up a stellar list of speakers for the year. He has a great lineup in the works so be sure and note the 2nd Tuesday of each month to join us for outstanding programs and some great networking. If you have any recommendations for interesting speakers, please be sure to reach out to Taylor or me.

Scott Perry with RealtySouth, Vice Chair of Community Affairs, has been working to lay out a great event schedule for 2019 which will begin with the Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast which is scheduled for April 23rd with Micah McElveen, founder of Vapor Ministries as our Keynote Speaker. He will be a speaker you will definitely want to hear as he has an incredible story to share. We have our kick off meeting scheduled for February 20th at Noon at the Chamber so let us know if you would like to be involved with this rewarding committee.

Becky Hicks-Abbott with RE/MAX Southern Homes is heading up our Membership recruitment and retention and will be working closely with Lisa Christopher, our Membership and Marketing Consultant. She will be working on a Retention Campaign so be looking for ways to get involved with this if you would like to reach out to fellow Chamber members. If you are interested in working on a fun team, please contact Lisa at lisac@vestaviiahills.org or Becky at beckyhicks@remax.net Please encourage your business associates to join the Vestavia Hills Chamber in our efforts to support our community and collectively make a difference.

Vice Chair of Public Education is Kelly Bottcher, a community volunteer. She is working with the

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PTO representatives from each school to connect the needs of the school with local businesses. She will do an outstanding job in helping each of these entities with their ongoing needs. If your business wants to get involved, contact Kelly at bottch@bellsouth.net

Many other activities are underway and will be discussed in future newsletters. Please find an area in which to get involved. You will get out of your membership what you put into it. If any of the above activities are of interest to you, pop us an email and we will help you get engaged in your area of interest.

Our doors are always open at the Chamber offices. Please stop by and see us. I look forward to working with you as together we build "A Life Above".

Unity. Prosperity. Family.

Karen J. Odle
President

Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday

Alabama's annual severe weather preparedness sales tax holiday begins at 12:01 a.m. Friday, Feb. 22, 2019, and ends at midnight, Sunday, Feb. 24, 2019, allowing Alabama shoppers to stock up tax free on common supplies costing less than \$60 that every home and business needs to prepare for a natural disaster or even a general emergency. Generators costing \$1,000 or less are also included in the sales tax holiday. Visit www.revenue.alabama.gov/salestax for more information.

*Please note: Jefferson County has waived the 1% sales and use tax, but not the 1% Special Revenue sales tax. State and Vestavia Hills city sales taxes will be completely waived.

2019 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

This year's Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be Tuesday, April 23 at 7:30 am at the Vestavia Country Club, with speaker Micah McElveen of Vapor Ministries.

The first committee meeting will be on Wednesday, February 20 at noon at the Chamber Office. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to serve on the committee, please email katiew@vestaviiahills.org



February 12 Luncheon

Reservations must be made by 4 PM Friday, February 8, 2019
Reservations may be made by visiting www.vestaviahills.org or by calling 823-5011.

Please Note:

-Reservations that are made and not cancelled by 4:00 pm Friday, February 8 must be paid for, as we must pay for the number reserved.

-Please make every effort to make your reservation on time. The number of reservations we have by the deadline is the number that we and the Vestavia Country Club prepare for.

Please remember the Vestavia Country Club policy of NO JEANS in the ballroom where we hold our monthly luncheons.

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world, and Billy has just partnered with Children's of Alabama to share a smile with the hospital's patients and their families seven days a week!

Billy will be here to give us his thoughts on influence, storytelling, and doing small things to make a big difference in the lives of others. For more information, and to catch up on Billy's story, visit napkinisms.com and follow his #napkinisms on Instagram at [@wrivey](https://www.instagram.com/wrivey).

the time to understand our clients' needs and empower our associates to make decisions and give sound advice. We look forward to establishing a long-term relationship with you. Learn more about us by visiting us online at myprogress-bank.com or by giving us a call at 205-822-5500.

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Luncheon Business Spotlights

As a benefit of Chamber membership, you are welcome to choose two luncheons to have a booth to showcase your business.

If you would like reserve your spots for 2019, please email chamber@vestaviahills.org.

2019 Luncheon Dates:

February 12
March 12
April 9
May 14
June 11
August 13
September 10
October 8
November 12
December 10

Refer and Win

To be entered in the 2019 First Quarter Refer and Win prize drawing, simply refer someone to the chamber who joins as a new member. Contact the chamber's Membership and Marketing Consultant, Lisa Christopher at 862-3445 or email lisac@vestaviahills.org. Lisa will be happy to provide complete membership information to your prospects and will diligently try to "close the deal" so you can be included in the 2019 First Quarter drawing for **(10) \$25 gift cards from Martin's BBQ. From Martin's BBQ: At Martin's Bar-B-Que Joint, we cook our meats fresh every day, which can take between 6-24 hours depending on what it is. We cook as much as we can each day and when we sell out, then we're out 'til tomorrow (Lord willing). We don't have a microwave, we don't have a freezer. We have pits and smokers. That's it. We make everything from scratch every day.**



Member Notes

- This Valentine's Day think outside the chocolate box with **Chick-fil-A Vestavia Hills'** Heart Shaped Trays! Call us today at 205-824-3540 to reserve one for your Valentine! 513 Montgomery Highway
- **Publix Super Markets** are celebrating World Nutella Day on February 5! Stop by from 4:00-7:00 pm to sample Publix Bakery's Hazelnut Indulgence cake and Publix Premium Hazelnut Spread. 784 Montgomery Highway and 3040 Healthy Way
- **True40 Cahaba Heights's** Wellness Wednesday is back in February with member and CoolSculpting Specialist, Jane Vickers. CoolSculpting is a non-invasive procedure that reduces fat, permanently, using controlled cooling to gently and effectively target fat cells underneath the skin while leaving the skin unaffected. It is designed to treat smaller areas that typically do not respond to diet and exercise. Jane will be in studio on Wednesday, February 6 from 9am-1pm and 4pm-7pm to explain how the procedure works as well as the technology behind it. 3168 Heights Village
- You're invited to enjoy the **Birmingham Boys Choir's** 6th Annual Collaborative Concert Series. This concert will feature our 100 Concert Choristers singing with our BBC Alumni Choir on Saturday, February 9 at 4:00 pm at Saint Luke's Episcopal Church, 3726 Montrose Road. Tickets - \$15, available at the door.
- February means Valentine's Day which means it's time for **True40 Cahaba Heights's** Annual Bae at the Barre on February 11 at 5:45 pm! Grab your bae, beau, hubby or best boy friend to join us for a fun filled workout followed by tastings of 205 Pale Ale, Paradise Now Raspberry Berliner Weisse and RECwater complements of TrimTab Brewery. Sign up at <http://www.true40studio.com/birmingham-classes>. 3168 Heights Village
- **Village Dermatology** invites you to Own Your Look Lunch & Learn on February 12 at 11:30 am. Join Dr. Jenny Sobera for lunch and a special presentation on the different facial fillers they offer and which one is right for you! Free to attend. RSVP to amoss@villagedermatology.net. 2900 Cahaba Road
- **The Episcopal Church of the Ascension** is hosting French virtuoso harpist Sylvain Blassel in concert on February 12 at 7:00 pm. Free to attend. Childcare available. 1912 Canyon Road
- Sometimes, we just need to talk through difficult issues. Join **True40 Cahaba Heights** for a FREE Pelvic Health Talk with Taylor Price, PT, DPT of **Champion Sports Medicine** on Saturday, February 16 at 10:45am. Learn what physical therapy can do for pelvic floor related conditions including incontinence, pain, and post-partum recovery. Taylor will review performance of a pelvic floor muscle contraction, the importance of relaxation, and breathing techniques. Sign up at <http://www.true40studio.com/birmingham-classes>. 3168 Heights Village
- **BBB Serving Central & South Alabama** has partnered with Martin Sher, co-founder of AmSher, to give you tips on how you can collect on your business's overdue accounts. Join us on February 21st at Vestavia Hills Library in the Forest Community Room from 11:30-1:00, to learn how to maximize recovery and improve your business's bottom line without compromising customer loyalty. Lunch will be available at 11:30 a.m.; presentation begins at 11:50 a.m. \$15 to attend. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bbb-lunch-learn-how-to-collect-on-overdue-accounts-with-martin-sher-tickets-54366848708>
- Step right up to A Night Under The Big Top benefitting **Glenwood, Inc.** on Friday, February 22 at The Club! For 15 years, Glenwood's Junior Board has hosted this premiere event to benefit children with au-

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please support our newest Chamber members and remember to 'Shop Vestavia Hills First'!!

- ◆ Mrs. Vicki F. Art
Vicki Fadlevich
Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
(205) 901-9806
Category: Art
- ◆ Birmingham Legion FC
Doug Hicks
2213 1st Avenue S.
Birmingham, AL 35233
(205) 600-4696
Web: www.bhmlegion.com
Category: Entertainment; Athletics
- ◆ McGowin-King Mortgage
Joe Harris
2 Office Park Circle, Suite 103
Birmingham, AL 35223
(205) 903-3830
Web: www.mcgowinking.com
Category: Mortgage Companies
- ◆ ARC Realty-Transition Advisors
Brenda Herron
4274 Cahaba Heights Court, Suite 200
Birmingham, AL 35243
(205) 369-7092
Web: www.transitionadvisorsal.com
Category: Real Estate (Agent); Senior Services
- ◆ ARC Realty-Transition Advisors
Christina Rickey
4274 Cahaba Heights Court, Suite 200
Birmingham, AL 35243
(205) 337-3848
Web: www.transitionadvisorsal.com
Category: Real Estate (Agent); Senior Services
- ◆ Luckie's Pinestraw
Frank Griffith
1472 Montgomery Highway
Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
(205) 732-0170
Web: www.luckiespinestraw.com
Category: Lawn & Garden Equipment/Supplies
- ◆ Luckie's Pinestraw
Frank Griffith
1472 Montgomery Highway
Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
(205) 732-0170
Web: www.luckiespinestraw.com
Category: Lawn & Garden Equipment/Supplies
- ◆ Birmingham Iron AAF
Danny Thrasher
950 22nd Street N, Suite 925
Birmingham, AL 35203
(205) 847-1616
Web: www.aaf.com/birmingham-iron
Category: Entertainment; Athletics
- ◆ Soleravino, LLC
Cristen Eustice
1415 Scout Trace
Hoover, AL 35244
(608) 443-9696
Web: www.soleravino.com
Category: Event Planning
- ◆ Resource Action Network Investigative Services
Rick Needham
130 Inverness Plaza, Suite 246
Birmingham, AL 35242
(205) 936-4810
Web: www.raninvestigations.com
Category: Investigative Services
- ◆ American Family Care
Haley DeShazo
200 Montgomery Highway, Suite 100
Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
(205) 708-3540
Web: www.americanfamilycare.com
Category: Physicians
- ◆ Old Overton Club
Amber Harris
7251 Old Overton Club Drive
Vestavia Hills, AL 35242
(205) 972-9000
Web: www.oldovertonclub.com
Category: Country Club
- ◆ Old Overton Club
Morgan Fields
7251 Old Overton Club Drive
Vestavia Hills, AL 35242
(205) 972-9000
Web: www.oldovertonclub.com
Category: Country Club

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- ◆ Old Overton Club
Jody Clor
7251 Old Overton Club Drive
Vestavia Hills, AL 35242
(205) 972-9000
Web: www.oldovertonclub.com
Category: Country Club
- ◆ Gracie Jiu-Jitsu of Birmingham
Chris Mize
3244 Cahaba Heights Road
Vestavia Hills, AL 35243
(205) 540-1287
Web: www.graciebirmingham.com
Category: Martial Arts; Fitness
- ◆ Village Dermatology
Ashley Moss
2900 Cahaba Road
Mountain Brook, AL 35223
(205) 877-9773
Web: www.villagedermatology.net
Category: Physicians
- ◆ SpeedPro Imaging Direct
Rob Dowda
Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
(205) 370-2775
Web: www.speedpro.com
Category: Signs; Promotional Products
- ◆ SpeedPro Imaging Direct
Michelle Dowda
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(205) 370-2775
Web: www.speedpro.com
Category: Signs; Promotional Products
- ◆ VHUMC Conservatory of the Arts
Ellen Bryant
2061 Kentucky Avenue
Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
(205) 769-0123
Web: www.vhumc.org/coa
Category: Performing Arts; Music; Art
- ◆ The Clotheshorse
Becky Sager
2512 Rocky Ridge Road, Suite 104
Vestavia Hills, AL 35243
(205) 823-9144
Web: www.shoptheclotheshorse.com
Category: Clothing; Consignments

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- tism. Enjoy live music, a delicious menu, complimentary beer and wine, and an extensive silent auction. For ticket and sponsorship opportunities contact: jluker@glenwood.org.
- Join **Vestavia Hills High School** for a Meet & Greet Breakfast with 40 of your favorite characters on Saturday, February 23 from 8:30-10:00 am! Tickets are \$10 for first child in advance/ \$5 each additional child or \$15 at the door. Proceeds benefit VHHS RISE for UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center. Tickets can be purchased at gofan.com
 - The **Vestavia Hills City Schools Foundation**'s annual Dinner and Diamonds will be on Saturday, February 23 from 7:00-11:00 pm at the Vestavia Country Club. Enjoy dinner, entertainment, and silent and live auctions. Tickets are available at www.vestaviafoundation.org.
 - **Leadership Vestavia Hills** is honored to recognize Frank Hernandez with the Lifetime Achievement Award and Dr. Marty Heslin with the Distinguished Citizen Award at the 29th Annual Community Leadership Awards Dinner on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at Vestavia Country Club at 6pm. Individual tickets cost \$50 and can be purchased at www.leadershipvestaviiahills.com. Sponsorships are available.
 - Registration is open for **Pure Fitness's** Kidz Fit Camp! Kids will stay fit and active while learning new sports skills and healthy eating habits. June 24th-28th and July 15th-19th from 8:30 am-12:30 pm. Sign up online at www.purefitnessllc.com/kidzfitcamp

If you have any news or events you would like to put in the News & Views, email it to chamber@vestaviiahills.org.



Trustee Spotlight



Scott Jenkins-Southern States Bank



The most important thing to us at Southern States Bank is our relationships with our customers. We are a true community bank that understands the value of providing our customers the very best in banking products and services. Our seasoned banking professionals are committed to our mission of giving our customers the personal attention and service they would expect from their bank.



With an extensive focus on customer service and staying adept with the latest and greatest banking products and services, Southern States Bank has an account or service that meets just about every personal and business banking need. We work with our customers to create a banking plan that compliments their lifestyle or helps their business grow.

Community involvement is another focus for Southern States Bank and we pride ourselves on being able to provide resources to help grow the communities we serve. Being involved in our communities is important to us because our banking professionals live, work and play in the communities we serve. We get involved in local sponsorships, community activities, non-profit volunteer work and we will be cheering alongside you at local sporting events. Our goal is to create a sense of partnership with the communities we serve and being a part of the Vestavia Chamber of Commerce helps make it happen.

Founded in 2007, Southern States Bank has grown with six full-service banking branches in Alabama, four full-service banking branches in Georgia, in addition to LPOs in Atlanta and Bremen. Southern States Bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern States Bancshares, Inc. and is headquartered in Anniston, Alabama. For more information, visit us at www.southernstatesbank.net.

Robin Morgan-Morgan Properties



Robin owns and manages real estate properties in the Rocky Ridge area of Vestavia Hills which include the Morgan Manor Apartments, Rocky Ridge Square Shopping Center and Rocky Ridge Plaza Shopping Center. Please check out the web site: rockyridgeliving.com. He also owns and manages other residential properties in Vestavia Hills and Birmingham, having developed properties since the mid 1970's.

Although not as active now as in the past, Robin has been very involved with both the Vestavia Hills Chamber of Commerce and Leadership Vestavia Hills. He served on the Chamber Board from 1998-2005 and as President in 2002. Some of his accomplishments as President include hiring Karen Odle as Executive Director (now President) of the Chamber, helping negotiate with the City to move the Chamber offices to the Civic Center in exchange for providing marketing services, publishing the first annual Vestavia Hills Living magazine, doubling the size of the Chamber membership, and traveling with a delegation of Vestavians to compete in the All

American City competition in Kansas City (where VH was a finalist). As Chamber Foundation President he helped initiate the first Viva Vestavia!

Robin served on the Leadership Vestavia Hills Board from 2000-2010 and as President 2005-2006. In his capacity as President he helped implement the initial class of Youth Leadership Vestavia Hills (YLVH) with Kelly Botcher and Kym Prewitt as mentors (this was the realization of an LVH project!) and revamped the Citizen of the Year event to the committee-driven model that it is today. As a Board member he chaired the Citizen of the Year Committee in 2010, mentored many LVH project groups over the years, organized and moderated numerous Economic Day classes and Government Day classes as co-chair.

Robin also served on Mayor McCallum's Long-Range Planning Committee which, at the time, analyzed the potential annexation of Cahaba Heights and created the current Strategic Plan (later called the Comprehensive Plan) for Vestavia Hills. He is currently on the board of the Collectors Circle for Contemporary Art of the Birmingham Museum of Art.

Robin is a graduate of Washington and Lee University. His major addictions are hearing live music, collecting contemporary art, travel, and playing guitar. Robin has two grown children; Rob, who is working in the family business, and Alison, a talented interior designer and real estate agent who lives in Washinton, D.C.



Trustee Spotlight



Mike Jackson-Jackson, Howard & Whatley, CPAS



Jackson, Howard & Whatley, CPAs are continuing to provide our clients with accounting and tax services as we have for over 40 years. We remain committed to serving our clients and our community.



Jackson, Howard & Whatley, CPAs

The new tax laws provide significant opportunities for closely held businesses to save tax dollars but there are a lot of complexities that require specific planning for business owners to be in a position to take advantage of the tax savings. We are working with each of our clients to be sure they are in the best position to reduce their income taxes. As we have said in the past, generalized tax planning is never very effective.

We review each client's situation to help them with the best plan to achieve the most tax savings.

Our firm continues to be committed to our community. We provide support to all of our Vestavia Hills school PTO's on their tax reporting requirements. We support our Vestavia Hills Chamber of Commerce by providing the accounting so our Chamber team can focus more on activities to improve our community. The City and our Chamber are doing a great job to support the quality and growth of our community. Jackson, Howard & Whatley appreciates the opportunity to participate in the efforts to help our community prosper. Vestavia Hills is a great place to live and work.



Our 2nd Annual Egg Hunt in the Hills kicks off in March! We will be having an Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt* around Vestavia Hills from March 18-April 12.

Here's how it works:

- Chamber member businesses that would like to participate will donate a prize or gift certificate valued at \$25 or more to be used as a prize for the Egg Hunt.
- On different days and times March 18-April 12, the Chamber will hide an Easter Egg somewhere in Vestavia Hills and post a clue on our Facebook page, with a description of the prize being given for that egg. The first person to find the egg wins the prize.
 - the winner will need to post a picture of the egg in the comments of the Facebook post with the clue
 - if your business is located in Vestavia Hills, we will hide the egg in your business and you can give the prize to the winner when they find the egg.
 - if your business is not located in Vestavia Hills, we will hide your egg in a public park or building (like the library or city hall) and the winner will need to bring the egg to the Chamber Office to claim their prize.
 - once we know how many prizes we have, we will set a schedule of available dates and you can sign up for the date you would like your egg to be hidden

The donated prize is the only cost to participate. Please contact the Chamber at (205) 823-5011 or katie@vestaviiahills.org to sign up. Egg Hunt in the Hills will conclude on April 13 with a traditional Easter Egg Hunt for children 3rd grade and younger at Byrd Park (by East Elementary). Businesses can donate coupons or other small items to be put in the eggs. These will need to be brought to the Chamber office by March 1.

*Scavenger Hunt Rules:

- 1 Prize Egg Per Household
- If the person who finds the egg does not use Facebook, they will need to call the Chamber Office within 1 hour of finding it, otherwise the egg will be void and a replacement will be put out.

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Upcoming Chamber Meetings

Feb 12

Monthly Luncheon, Vestavia Country Club 11:30 am

Feb 21

Board of Directors, Vestavia Country Club, 7:45 am

Events

Feb 18

New Member Orientation, 5:00 pm, Chamber Office

Feb 20

Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Meeting, Noon, Chamber Office

Feb 27

Leading without Limits, 8:30 am

Other Meetings & Holidays

Feb 11

City Council Meeting, Council Chambers 6 pm

Feb 14

Planning & Zoning Commission, 6 pm

Feb 21

Board of Zoning Adjustment, 6 pm

Feb 25

City Council Meeting, Council Chambers 6 pm



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