



VESTAVIA HILLS
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May 12 Luncheon Canceled

Zoom Town Hall

Tuesday, May 12

9:00 am

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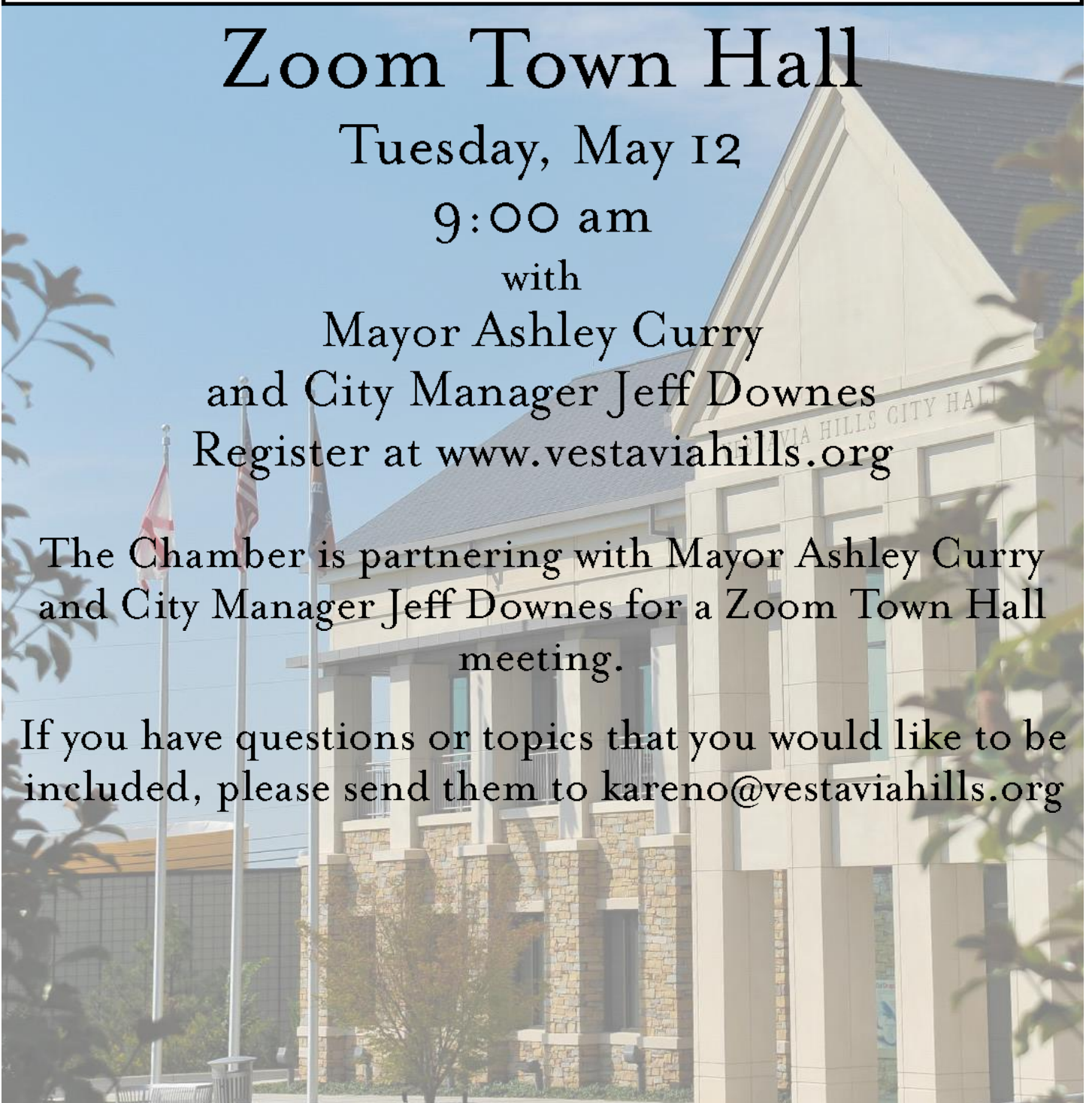
Mayor Ashley Curry

and City Manager Jeff Downes

Register at www.vestaviiahills.org

The Chamber is partnering with Mayor Ashley Curry and City Manager Jeff Downes for a Zoom Town Hall meeting.

If you have questions or topics that you would like to be included, please send them to kareno@vestaviiahills.org



As we start the month of May and businesses in our community start to reopen, I encourage you to continue to shop with our Vestavia Hills businesses. Please Continue to support our restaurants with your pick up orders and shop our retail establishments in a manner you are comfortable. Businesses have quickly adapted to assist customers whether it is curbside pickup or delivery options plus the in-store options available now as well. As our businesses open, be conscious as you begin shopping.



John Henley

The Chamber of Commerce is also adapting with all of these changes. The Chamber Board has been having weekly Zoom meetings to keep up to date with what is happening, whether it is the status of the Payroll Protection Program or an update on what the governor is implementing. Our staff and board members have also been reaching out to our members to see how we can help. We are partnering with the City of Vestavia Hills and will be having a Town Hall meeting via Zoom on Tuesday, May 12th at 9:00 am. More information will be forthcoming so anyone who wants to participate.

Please know if the Vestavia Hills Chamber of Commerce can help you in any way, please let us know. Continue to monitor all of our regular communication channels to stay updated on what is on the horizon when we are able to start events again.

John Henley
John Henley-State Farm Insurance
Board Chair, 2020

From the President...

In a normal newsletter, I would be talking about graduation, end of school, summer events and a successful Mayor's Prayer Breakfast but alas, none of those things have happened, which is extremely disappointing.

We have however, been working hard to help our businesses understand options available to them for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) as well as Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans to help our businesses stay afloat until we can get our economy going again.



Karen Odle

We also have been working to let our community know what you have been doing to continue to serve your customers via social media as well as Shop Local Guides that we have continually updated. You can find the Shop Local on our new website that we also have rolled out at www.vestaviiahills.org

These are difficult time but I pray that you and your family are staying safe and just know that we are all in this together. If there is anything the Chamber can do to help you in the interim, please reach out to us either at 205.823.5011 or chamber@vestaviiahills.org

We look forward to getting back out in the community and working with you as we continue to strive for "A Life Above".

Unity. Prosperity. Family.

Karen J. Odle
President



Savor the Summer in Vestavia Hills by visiting as many of our restaurants as possible! We'll be giving away prizes for 2 categories: **Quantity** (the largest number of receipts collected) and **Quality** (the highest amount spent). Each 1st place winners will receive \$300 cash, and the 2nd place winners will receive \$200 cash.

Savor the Summer runs **May 21-August 7**.

You can use your own envelope to keep your receipts in, or pick one up from the Chamber Office, City Hall, or New Merkle House.

Receipt envelopes must be turned in to the Chamber of Commerce Office (1975 Merryvale Rd.) **by 5:00 pm on August 7**. The winners will be announced on August 14 on the Chamber's Facebook page.

The following rules will apply:

- Open to both residents and non-residents
- Limit 1 entry per household
- Only 1 prize will be awarded per household
- Original or printed copy receipts are accepted
- 1 household receipt per restaurant per mealtime; multiple receipts from a restaurant is only allowed if it is for different dates or times (examples: one from a restaurant for breakfast and another from the same restaurant for dinner on the same day is accepted. One from a restaurant for lunch on Monday and one from the same restaurant for lunch on Tuesday is accepted. Paying separately for each member of the family for breakfast on the same visit to get multiple receipts is not accepted).

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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

- ◆ Stephanie Lee Realty
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Postponed
New Date TBD

Tickets and Sponsorships that have already been purchased will be carried over to the new date.

Refer & Win

To be entered in the 2020 Second & Third 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@vestaviiahills.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 2020 Second & Third Quarter drawing for **\$250 gift certificate to Bistro V, courtesy of Roger Steur with Method Mortgage**. When it comes to your mortgage, you need a helpful roadmap. And a friendly guide, too. Let Method Mortgage lead you to The Smartest Way Home. To learn more, visit www.methodmortgage.com, call 205.705.1650, or email us at rsteur@methodmortgage.com.





Trustee Spotlight



Dr. Nicol Pettway-Summit Express Urgent Care



L. Nicol Pettway, MD, the Chief Medical Director at Summit Express Urgent Care, is a native of Alabama and has been practicing medicine in the Birmingham area for the past 25 years. She earned a degree in Biochemical Sciences from Harvard University where she was awarded a Harvard College grant. She received her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Alabama School of Medicine in Birmingham where she was awarded a Dean's Scholarship. Dr. Pettway became board certified in Internal Medicine after completing a residency at the Baptist Health Systems in Birmingham, Alabama, in 1997. Because she strives to remain on the cutting edge of medicine, she has maintained that certification every 10 years as required by the American Board of Internal Medicine. She has practiced emergency medicine for 18 years and urgent care for more than seven years. Also, Dr. Pettway has successfully completed the training and testing in order to become a certified Department of Transportation medical examiner.



Summit Express Urgent Care has a unique distinction from the other urgent care clinics in the area because it focuses solely on urgent care. The latest trend is to perform both primary care as well as urgent care. Dr. Pettway feels that during busy times such as flu season, critical health maintenance issues can "fall through the cracks". However, people that can't get in to see their private physician for necessary medication refills, such as blood pressure and diabetes meds, can drop in to receive a limited supply. The clinic also has a system in place in which each visit, with the patient's consent, will be faxed to their primary care physician. Therefore, local physicians can feel confident that their patients will not be "lost" to them and better patient follow up is ensured. This process also ultimately helps to optimize continuity of care which is crucial to the healing process. As the clinic embarks on its seventh year in the Vestavia area, they would like to thank their patrons for their continued support.

Kerry Adkins-OnTime Service



OnTime Service is taking a number of steps to keep our employees and customers safe during COVID-19, such as temperature checks every day. All of our service trucks are equipped with soap and water so our technicians can wash their hands before and after every service call. We're wearing shoe coverings, disposable gloves and offering to wear face masks. We also offer a no-contact option so that the technician is never in the same room as a member of your family throughout the service call. We can fix what's broken in your home today, even if you can't pay today. Just give us a call to learn more about that at (205) 942-1405.



Shop Local Guide

Our Shop Local Guide located on our website, www.vestaviahills.org has become a valuable resource for the community in being able to see which businesses are open and they ways they are adjusting during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Please send your information or updates to katiew@vestaviahills.org.

We also have a resource page for businesses available.

Safety Seminar Series 2020

In partnership with the Vestavia Hills Police Department, the Vestavia Hills Chamber of Commerce will be offering some programs over the next few months for our area businesses in an effort to help our businesses with safety awareness and things you should be considering for your business and employees.

Register online at www.vestaviahills.org. Seating is limited to the first 35 that sign up.
Free to attend.

May 20 Seminar will likely be via Zoom. April topic of Video Surveillance will be combined with May.

Topic: Video Surveillance and Fraud Detection

Presented by the Vestavia Hills Police Department

Date: May 20, 2020

Time: 8:00-9:30 AM

Place: Vestavia Hills City Hall – Council Chambers



Topic: Self Awareness and Personal Safety

Presented by Chris Mize, Owner/Instructor Gracie Jiu-Jitsu

Date: September 23, 2020

Time: 8:00-9:30 AM

Place: Vestavia Hills City Hall – Council Chambers



Topic: How to Secure Your Business

Presented by the Vestavia Hills Police Department

Date: June 24, 2020

Time: 8:00-9:30 AM

Place: Vestavia Hills City Hall – Council Chambers



Topic: Medical Emergencies in the Workplace

Presented by the Vestavia Hills Fire Department

Date: October 28, 2020

Time: 8:00-9:30 AM

Place: Vestavia Hills City Hall – Council Chambers



Topic: Theft in the Workplace

Presented by the Vestavia Hills Police Department

Date: August 26, 2020

Time: 8:00-9:30 AM

Place: Vestavia Hills City Hall – Council Chambers



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Upcoming Chamber Meetings

Board of Directors, 7:45 am

May 21

Other Meetings & Holidays

City Council Meeting, Council Chambers 6 pm

May 11

Planning & Zoning Commission, 6 pm

May 14

Board of Zoning Adjustment, 6 pm

May 21

City Council Meeting, Council Chambers 6 pm

May 28



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