

It was great to be back at Wald Park for I Love America Day this year. It has been a few years since we have been able to have our celebration at Wald Park. Even though I was not able to personally attend this year, I have heard so many great things about the business expo and ultimately the Fireworks which were a hit with everyone in attendance. We had an opportunity to highlight all of our local businesses and we had a record turnout this year for our sponsors.

I want to personally thank everyone who was a sponsor and had a hand in

helping us put on this show this year. A special thank you to the sponsors who helped make our fireworks show a reality this year. McDonald's/ Black Family Restaurants, Royal Automotive, Progress Bank, Standard

John Henley

Heating, Cooling, Plumbing and Shades Mountain Baptist Church. We could not have the celebration we did without your support so thank you again.

I also want to thank the Vestavia Hills City Leadership, Mayor and City Council for the new Wald Park. It will be enjoyed by our citizens for many years to come and it will be a great place for our citizens to enjoy our wonderful community. What a great way to kick off this new park for our citizens.

There is a great deal of effort to put on an event such as this. A special thanks to Karen, Katie, Betsy and Lisa for all of their hard work to make this happen. We are truly blessed with an amazing number of volunteers. Many times we don't see all of the work that goes into the setting up and taking down an event such as this, so thank you to everyone who helped make this a success. Finally to our park and recreation team, the VHPD and the VHFD plus all of the other city staff, thank you, thank you, thank you. We could never pull off this event without all of your help an assistance.

Please remember to shop local this month and support our local businesses. It is a great time to celebrate the birth of our country. We are truly blessed to live in this great community and country. If there is anything we can do to assist you or your business, please let us know. Happy July 4th!

John Henley John Henley-State Farm Insurance Board Chair. 2021



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rom the President...

I am so thrilled that we were able to have I Love America Night on June 24th this year! What a wonderful evening and we were blessed with beautiful weather, great music, fellowship, and a ton of sponsors, fireworks AND a beautiful new park! WOW, what a beautiful venue and a great event to celebrate our community and freedom!

A very big THANK YOU to the sponsors that underwrote the cost of the fabulous fireworks which were: McDonald's/Black Family Restaurants as Title Sponsor; Presenting Sponsors were Progress Bank, Royal Automotive, Shades Mountain Baptist Church and Standard Heating, Cooling and Plumbing. Without their support, we would not have been able to have the fireworks so please let them know how much you appreciate their stepping up to make this happen!

Karen Odle

I would like to thank Shades Mountain Baptist Church Orchestra led by Dr. Joel Davis, Sound Director Ryan Maynard and the many, many orchestra players that made such beautiful music. You were fantastic!

I hope you were able to visit the many sponsors for the event. We had a record number of sponsors which are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. We would not be able to hold this event without the support of these businesses so please look over the list and when you visit them, let them know how much you appreciate their support of our community. We have had great feedback on the event and we all need to step back and think about the incredible community in which we are blessed to live and the businesses that are such an integral part of who we are!

A very big THANK YOU to the Vestavia Hills Police Department, Fire Department and Parks and Recreation Department for their work in making the event a success....you were fantastic!

We have several upcoming ribbon cuttings that we hope you will be part of to welcome these businesses into our community. We have one tomorrow, June 29th at Noon to celebrate Love Desserts and their next door neighbor The Smocking Bird. They are located in Heights Village in Cahaba Heights so join us for this event. Then on July 13th at 4:30, we will celebrate with Summit Smiles Pediatric Dentistry across from Martin's BBQ in Cahaba Heights. We will be celebrating their 1st Anniversary as they opened their practice during COVID last year so we want to celebrate them BIG as they stepped out on faith and are doing a fantastic job welcoming smiling faces to their practice. And the business that everyone is looking forward to Crumbl Cookies in the Vestavia City Center will have their ribbon cutting on July 15th at 4:00 PM. They will officially open on July 1st if you can't wait to check them out!

Our next event is the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast that was rescheduled from 2020 due to COVID and also pushed later in the year as we weren't sure in March if/when we were going to be able to meet again so our date is August 24th at 7:30 AM at Vestavia Country Club with our keynote speaker Brodie Croyle, Director of Big Oak Ranch. It will be an amazing event and while we have just a couple of sponsor tables remaining as they were mostly sold out before we had to put it on hold last year, there are still some individual tickets remaining. Please call our office at 205.823.5011 for details.

The 2021-2022 *Vestavia Hills Living* has been delayed again this year but we are back working hard to get it on track and are planning to have it mailed in August this year. We look forward to sharing stories of our wonderful city with our residents. Thank you to all that placed advertisements as that enables us to mail this to every household in Vestavia Hills.

Lastly, I know I have said this so many times before but please be sure to support local businesses during this slow time of the year. It is so hard to compete with the big box stores AND online retailers, especially with folks doing so much online purchasing during COVID-19 and so many folks are on vacation so think about your options before you leave the city or go online to purchase goods and services.

Please let us know how we can better serve you! Our goal is to be a tool to help you and your business continue to grow. We look forward to working with you as together we work toward "A Life Above".

Unity. Prosperity. Family.

Karen J. Odle President



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Reminder: There is no July Luncheon. Our next luncheon will be on August 10.



Luncheon Business Spotlights return in August!

As a benefit of Chamber membership, you are welcome to choose two luncheons to have a booth to showcase your business. The Vestavia Country Club will provide covered 6 foot tables*-you just bring whatever information and items you would like to display!

If you would like reserve your spots for 2021, please email chamber@vestaviahills.org.

> 2021 Dates: August 10 September 14 October 12 November 9 December 14

*Depending on number of participants each month, you may be sharing a table with another business.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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

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 81 Weatherly Club Drive, Suite D Alabaster, AL 35007 (205) 685-9883 www.klassyklean.com Category: Home Services; Cleaning Services
- ARC Realty-Mary Bullard Mary Bullard Vestavia Hills, AL 35216 (205) 266-2726 www.marybullard.arcrealtyco.com Category: Real Estate (Agent)

- Toddlers Playhouse & Mobile Party Rental Shawn Matthews
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 Category: Recreation/Activities; Birthday Party
- O'Henry's Coffee Blake Stevens 3066 Healthy Way, Suite 100 Vestavia Hills, AL 35243 (205) 582-8577 www.ohenryscoffees.com Category: Coffee Shop
- Aspire Physical Recovery Center @ Hoover Tim Hutchison
 575 Southland Drive Hoover, AL 35226 (205) 721-6200
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Trustee Spotlight



Jeff Phillips-American Pest Control

American Pest Control was founded in 1945 and is still family owned and operated right here in Vestavia Hills. JoAnne (Jody) Mote, who many of you knew, was our founder's



daughter and worked in our daily operations until her passing last June. She was a very special lady, who left us with a shining example of a lifetime of serving others.

My hope is that you'll feel free to use American Pest Control as a community resource with any questions, challenges or problems that we may be able to help you work out. We are here to help and to be helpful. To learn more about our services please visit us at <u>www.americantermite.com</u> or just give us a call and it will be our pleasure to help.

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I Love America Night was a huge success! An estimated 4500 people came out to enjoy the evening. Thanks so much to all of our sponsors for making it possible! See all of the photos on our Facebook page.





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New Resident Welcome Bags

Summer is a busy time for families moving into Vestavia Hills. We will be packing 150 Welcome Bags in July for the schools to distribute to their new resident families. This is an excellent way to introduce your business to these new members of our community. Start thinking now about what you would like to put in the bags-we will need your items by July 9.

- It doesn't have to be 150 of the same item; you can mix and match.
- Please make sure any coupons have long expiration dates. Leftover bags will be kept at our office and given out through next summer.
- We have a plastic tub set right inside our door for you to leave your items in. Our office is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm.





To be entered in the 2021 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@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 2021 Third Quarter drawing for **Ten \$25 Gift Certificates to Cajun Seafood House**! Enjoy ALL that Cajun Seafood House has to offer either ten times with your ten (10) \$25 gift certificates or reserve their large space for a party with friends, family, or co-workers. They specialize in Cajun and Creole cooking and other classic seafood dishes; offer great desserts and chicory coffee, plus have a full bar to catch up with friends or watch sporting events.



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NEWS AND VIEWS Member Notes

- Crumbl Cookies is now open at the Vestavia City Center! Stop by to try one of their unique flavors! 708 • Montgomery Highway, Suite 116
- Karen's Hallmark is in the mood for some holiday fun and hopes you will join them for Keepsake Ornament Premiere, July 10-18! Experience the magic of the holidays with over 250 new Keepsake Ornaments, including 11 Limited Quantity and 2 First in Series! 620 Montgomery Highway
- Join the Friends of the Birmingham Botanical Gardens for Flicks Among the Flowers on July 28 for a showing of *Grease*! Gates open at 6:00 pm and the film will start at dusk, approximately 8:15 pm. Bring a blanket or low-profile lawn chair, and find a spot on the lawn to enjoy the film! Event will include a fifties -themed costume contest. Rain Date: August 4. Free Admission; \$5 suggested donation. Visit https:// bbgardens.org/flicks-among-the-flowers for more info.
- Save the date for a networking event on August 24 hosted by First US Bank and Movement Mortgage. Enjoy wine, cheese and the company of other women business leaders from 5:00-7:00 pm at First US Bank, 3291 US Highway 280, Suite 100. RSVP to cbabineaux@fusb.com
- The Vestavia Hills Farmers Market is now open from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm every Wednesday through August 25, and is located at Scout Square, right off of Highway 31. The market is an outreach ministry of **VHUMC**, created to bring local crafts and seasonal goods into our community!
- Sterling Seacrest Pritchard (formerly Sterling Seacrest Partners), a top ranked insurance brokerage and consulting firm, has again been named one of the top 100 commercial insurance agencies and brokerages in the United States by the Hales Report. The "Hales Top 100" list is based on 2020 revenue.
- The Jimmie Hale Mission is working to create a license plate! Proceeds from sales of the car tag will help fund the Mission's many outreach programs. The state of Alabama requires 1,000 pre-commitments to begin the official production of this distinctive new license plate. Be one of these first 1,000 commitments and the Mission will cover your registration fee for the first year! Learn more at https:// jimmiehalemission.com/car tag
- Read the July issue of **Birmingham Christian Family** online, featuring Hobby Lobby's founder, David • Green!
- Join Mountaintop Church on August 5-6 for their Global Leadership Summit! The Global Leadership • Summit propels organizational growth and improves the leadership capacity of staff teams. Hosts of the Summit bring organizations accessible leadership tools to help them facilitate greater effectiveness and community impact. Learn more and purchase tickets at https://mountaintopchurch.com/events/globalleadership-summit/
- Party on the Patio happens the first Thursday of every month at the **Heights Village** in Cahaba Heights. Shop extended hours at the Heights Village shops and extra shopping with our local pop up shops on the patio then enjoy live music at Troups Pizza. Pop Ups start around 3:00 and music starts at 5:30.

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Vice Chair Membership Development: Erin Holtz,	-	
Pure Fitness	July 20	Business Development, 8 am, Chamber Office
Vice Chair Business Development: Taylor Burton,		
Taylor Burton Co., Inc. Vice Chair Community Affairs: Marty Martin,		Events
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Vice Chair Programming: James Robinson, Spire	July 13	Ribbon Cutting: Summit Smiles Pediatric Dentistry, 4:30p
Vice Chair Public Education: Kelly Bottcher	July 15	Ribbon Cutting: Crumbl Cookies, 4 pm
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Immediate Past Chair: Gary Jordan,	July 8	Planning & Zoning Commission, 6 pm
Summit Franchising Group	July 12	City Council Meeting, Council Chambers 6 pm
Past Chair: Roger Steur, Method Mortgage	•	• •
Directors	July 15	Board of Zoning Adjustment, 6 pm
Keri Bates, Rocky Ridge Drug Co.	July 26	City Council Meeting, Council Chambers 6 pm
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