

# Chamber Chatter

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## Upcoming Chamber Meetings:

- Chamber Board Meeting, August 21, 12:00pm, at the First United Methodist Church (small fellowship hall).

## Important Updates:

- CONGRATULATIONS to Will Harris of White Oak Pastures on being named the Georgia Farmer of the Year!
- New Believers International Church will be hosting a Back to School Bash on July 27 beginning at 9:00am. The church is located at 1518 S. Main Street.
- A meeting to discuss the ECHS Quarterback Club, a booster organization which will support the football team, will be held on July 29, 7:30pm, at Funny Girl on Court Square.
- The Kolomoki Mound State Park Moon Run will be held on August 17.
- As of July 24, 2013, the Chamber of Commerce had 146 members throughout 20 cities and 4 states.

## \*June/July Businesses of the Week:

Swanner-Collier Insurance  
Hall Drug Co.  
Dothan Awning & Exteriors

\*Since last newsletter

## Alexander "Ghost Sign" Uncovered



As workers pressure washed the Alexander Building last week, a painted Coca-Cola advertisement was uncovered. The advertisement appears to have been painted directly on

the original brick and was covered up at some point when the building was repainted. Typically painted with lead paints, ghost signs represent early/mid 20th

century American capitalism. We hope to be able to preserve this piece of history for years to come.

## Georgia Academy to Benefit Local Leaders

The Georgia Department of Community Affairs has opened up the application process for the Fall Region 10 Georgia Academy for Economic Development.

The classes will take place at Darton College in Albany on August 27, October 1, October 29, and November 19. The cost is only \$195, and it

covers all four sessions, breakfast, lunch, and snacks.

The Georgia Academy is designed to enhance community leaders' skills and knowledge so that more communities in Georgia may remain or become successful. Over 3500 Georgians have since graduated from this

program, which is still strongly supported by over twenty statewide organizations. For more information or to fill out an application please contact Jo Childers with DCA at (229) 924-3707 or e-mail [jo.childers@dca.ga.gov](mailto:jo.childers@dca.ga.gov).