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November 2009



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### Chamber Volunteer Spotlight

This month's volunteer spotlight is on **Larry Jones**, from **Universal Plumbing**.

Larry serves the Chamber in many capacities, as a **Board Member**, serving on our **Executive Committee, Small Business Development Committee** and as the **Chair** of our **Drugs Don't Work Committee**.

Thank you for your service to the Chamber, Larry!

### Our Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings:

**11/10/09**  
4:00 pm  
ProNet Image & Information Technology, LLC  
2016 Westside Drive  
Augusta, GA 30909

Members 4 Members is a monthly communication newsletter that is designed to focus on information that you, our members, would like to share with other members of the Chamber. Newsletter sections will feature upcoming events sponsored by member organizations, scheduled ribbon cuts, special recognitions, volunteer profiles, member anniversaries and a section called Buy Close By which features member-to-member savings and the promotion of local commerce.

We encourage all of our members to think about what they would like to share. Perhaps you want to offer a discount to fellow members or maybe you want to toot your own horn about a recent award. Whatever it is, we want to hear from you!

### Member Recognition, Awards and Honors

ADP was selected by *Working Mother* in the magazine's 2009 annual 100 Best Companies list for its dedication to family-friendly benefits - specifically ADP's commitment to work-life balance, retention, and corporate equality.

ADP was also proud to be recognized by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation (HRCF), the nation's largest LGBT civil rights organization. This year, ADP received a 100 percent rating in the HRCF's 2010 Corporate Equality Index, an improvement from last year's 95 percent result. The 2010 Index recognizes that ADP has a diverse workforce that includes associates regardless of employees' sexual orientation and gender identity or expression.

Best Lawyers in America recently recognized 13 Lawyers from **Hull, Towill, Norman, Barrett & Salley**. First published in 1983, Best Lawyers is based on an annual peer-review survey in which leading attorneys cast more than 2.8 million votes on the legal abilities of other lawyers in the same and related specialties. The following Hull, Towill, Norman, Barrett & Salley attorneys were recognized by their peers in the following specialties: William Hale Barrett (Corporate Law); Douglas D. Batchelor, Jr. (Health Care Law); Mark S. Burgreen (Tax Law); James B. Ellington (First Amendment Law, Labor and Employment Law); George R. Hall (Legal Malpractice Law, Personal Injury Litigation, Professional Malpractice Law); William F. Hammond (Tax Law); R.E. Hanna, III (Real Estate Law); David E. Hudson

11/14/09  
10:00 am - 12:00 noon  
Christ Community Health  
Services  
1226 D'Antignac Street  
Augusta, GA

11/17/09  
11:00 am  
Shepard Community  
Blood Center  
1533 Wrightsboro Road  
Augusta, GA 30904

11/19/09  
4:00 pm  
Stevens Creek Health &  
Rehabilitation  
820 Stevens Creek Road  
Augusta, GA 30907

12/4/09  
9:30 am  
Procter & Gamble  
3464 Mike Padgett Highway  
Augusta, GA 30906-3857

12/17/09  
10:00 am  
Weinberger's Rug and  
Carpet Warehouse  
2525 Reynolds Industrial  
Road  
Augusta, GA



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**Member  
Anniversaries**

**40th**  
General Chemical,  
LLC

**25th**  
RBW Logistics

**20th**  
Digestive and Liver  
Disease Specialists,

(Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, First Amendment Law, Personal Injury Litigation); James V. Painter (Medical Malpractice Law); Patrick J. Rice (Bet-the Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation); F. Michael Taylor (Personal Injury Litigation); William H. Tucker (Real Estate Law) and James S. V. Weston (Medical Malpractice Law).

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Jackie McCalla and Clinton McCalla Jr. of **Jackie M's** have several recipes published in the November issue of *Southern Living*. A three page (182, 184, and 186) two picture spread featuring their unique recipes are under "A Smokin' Good Thanksgiving". This is their first ever nationally published recipes and hopefully not the last.

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Sloane Wiggins and Audrey Snuggs of **Cudos!** were awarded the Augusta West Rotary Club 2009 Vocation Service Award.

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**The Partridge Inn**, Augusta, Georgia's historic landmark hotel, recently announced that it has become a member of Summit Hotels & Resorts™, a brand of Preferred Hotel Group™. The collection includes more than 150 international luxury hotels and resorts.

#### Upcoming Events & Seminars

#### University Hospital has the following events in November:

**University Hospital's Diabetes Expo**  
Saturday, Nov. 14 · Noon - 5 p.m.  
Warren Baptist Church  
3203 Washington Road  
Diabetes Expo is a free, fun-filled, educational afternoon of exhibits and classes offering the latest information related to diabetes care and management. Enjoy the latest information on diabetes, free blood sugar testing and other health screenings, and exhibits on the latest diabetes products. Speakers will include physicians, certified diabetes educators and registered nurses. No registration required. Log on to [www.universityhealth.org/calendar](http://www.universityhealth.org/calendar) for the complete schedule.

**University Hospital's Community Education**  
Get Answers about Lung Cancer and Other Common Lung Diseases  
Alfred Brannen, M.D., Pulmonologist  
Thursday, Nov. 12 · 6-7:30 p.m.  
Savannah Rapids Pavilion  
3300 Evans to Locks Road  
Free. Dinner will be served, and reservations are required.  
Register online at [www.universityhealth.org/calendar](http://www.universityhealth.org/calendar) or call 706-828-2502 or toll free 866-591-2502.

**University Hospital's Community Education**  
Know the Signs and Symptoms of Stroke  
Harold McGrade, M.D., Neurologist  
Tuesday, Nov. 17 · 6-7:30 p.m.  
Double Eagle Club  
2603 Washington Road  
Free. Dinner will be served, and reservations are required.  
Register online at [www.universityhealth.org/calendar](http://www.universityhealth.org/calendar) or call 706-828-2502 or toll free 866-591-2502.

PC  
Episcopal Day  
School  
10th  
Jones, Engler, Hill  
& Associates, PC

**The Golden Harvest Food Bank invites you to attend an Italian Thanksgiving Feast on Monday, November 16th.**

9th annual Thanksgiving event to help feed the hungry in our area! Donations for the meal will be accepted by the Golden Harvest Food Bank and the Columbia County Cares Food Pantry. All of the donations received will provide food to those in need in our community.

Local celebrities from TV, radio, newspaper and local government officials will be your servers. Please come and enjoy a great Italian Thanksgiving meal and support the food banks in their efforts to make sure nobody goes hungry on Thanksgiving.

The Italian Feast will take place at the Garlic Clove Italian Eatery from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm. For more information, please email [tmason@goldenharvest.org](mailto:tmason@goldenharvest.org).

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**Serotta Maddocks Evans & Co., CPA's will hold a Family/Business Succession Seminar on Tuesday, November 17th.**

What happens if you are not around to run your business?  
Who has the skills and ability to run the business?  
Who will take over?  
How will ownership be transferred?  
How will the value of your business be paid?  
How do taxes affect the transfer of ownership?  
Do you have a plan?

**Family/Business Succession Seminar**

Morris Museum of Art Auditorium  
Tuesday, November 17, 2009  
Breakfast 7:30am  
Program 8:00am-10:00am  
Presenter: Abram Serotta, CPA

RSVP to Rebecca Best at 706-722-5337.

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**Junior Achievement will be hosting the CSRA Business Hall of Fame on Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at the Augusta Marriott Hotel.**

The 2009 laureates to be honored - Clayton P. Boardman, III, James Hull, Boone Knox. Rising Star Award will be given to Nadia Butler.

The event starts at 6:30 PM p.m. and reservations are required. Tables are \$1,000, or individual seats may be purchased for \$125 each. All proceeds will be used to help Junior Achievement encourage, inspire and help to prepare over 8,200 young people in our community for their future as employees, employers and future leaders.

Please call 706-736-3070 or email [lcook@georgia.ja.org](mailto:lcook@georgia.ja.org) for more information.

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**The annual MCGHealth Children's Medical Center Open Horse Show is scheduled for Saturday, November 14, 2009 at the**

### **Hippodrome in North Augusta.**

This family-oriented event is fun for all ages. This year the MCGHealth Children's Medical Center's Red Wagon Society is organizing the event. Admission and parking are free - participation fees, donations and program advertising will be used to benefit the patients and families they serve.

For more information about this event, or to make a donation, please contact Elizabeth Mathews at 706-721-4004.

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### **A Fall Career Expo will be held at the University of Phoenix Campus on November 19, 2009 from 9am - 12pm.**

This event will be held at the University of Phoenix Campus (3150 Perimeter Parkway). If your company is interested in being a vendor, please contact Stephen Mann at 706-564-0136.

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### **Augusta Training Shop, Inc. holds 2nd Annual Thanksgiving Fundraiser to Benefit New Programs for Mentally Challenged Employees.**

Throughout the month of November, ATS will be selling smoked turkeys for Thanksgiving. During the smoking process, the temperature remains low and the cooking is slow, resulting in perfectly moist and tender meat with a rich, complex flavor. The birds average 12 lbs and cost only \$40.

Simply order in advance and pick up your smoked turkey on Wednesday, November 25, 2009 at the Shop between 10am and 5:30pm. If you would like to order, please call 706-738-1358 or email us at [augtrgshop@aol.com](mailto:augtrgshop@aol.com).

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### **Augusta's Choice invites you to participate in CSRA Saves from November 22nd-28th.**

CSRA Saves was created to help bring a surge of business to locally owned and operating stores during the holiday season. Instead of having just a one day "Black Friday" sale, Augusta's Choice proposes a week long sale with area local businesses to compete with and piggy back on the deep discount sales that the big chains will be having the day after Thanksgiving.

From November 22 through November 28, we're asking locally owned businesses to offer a discount, gift cards, sale or something other than the normal specials and deals that they run throughout the year or with Super Saver or other discount program. The idea is to drive traffic to your store so that you can increase your revenue and close out your year with a bang. For more information, please visit <http://www.augustaschoice.com/csrasaves>.

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### **Buy Close By (Member to Member Discounts)**

**The Hilton Garden Inn Augusta** is excited to offer Augusta Metro Chamber Members a **Complimentary Banquet Space for your Company Holiday Party**. Banquet space is complimentary with the purchase of at least \$1500.00 in Food & Beverage.

Special guest room rates are also available with your event

booking. Contact the sales department at 706-739-9990 for more information. Make sure to tell them you are a member of the Augusta Chamber.

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**Muscle Restore Therapy** is offering Augusta Metro Chamber Members **special rates for half hour massages and full hour massages.**

½ Hour Massage Refresher for \$35.00

1 hour Massage Escape session for \$50.00

To take advantage of this special offer, please call Chiquita Jones or Jacqueline Coleman at 706-814-6634. Remember to list or mention your affiliation with the Augusta Chamber to receive the special rates!

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**The Holiday Inn Augusta West** is pleased to offer a **10% room discount** to Augusta Metro Chamber of Commerce Members.

To take advantage of this discount, please contact:

Adrienne Jones  
Sales Director  
Holiday Inn Augusta West  
706-396-4600

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**The Augusta Entertainment Complex/USC Aiken Convocation Center** are offering the following **ticket price discounts** to Augusta Metro Chamber Members for November:

Rain: A Tribute to the Beatles  
Bell Auditorium  
Thursday, November 5th, 2009  
Discounted prices: \$43, \$38, \$34

JD Lawrence presents "The Clean up Woman"  
Bell Auditorium  
Friday, November 6th  
Receive \$2 off

Gaither Vocal Band Reunited  
James Brown Arena  
Saturday, November 14th, 6:00pm  
Receive \$2 off

Abba Mania  
Bell Auditorium  
Saturday, November 21st, 8:00pm  
Receive 10% off

Cirque du Soleil - Alegria  
James Brown Arena  
Wednesday, November 25th - Sunday, November 29th  
Receive discount on Wed 7:30 & Thurs 7:30 shows  
Discounted Prices \$87.50, \$47.00, \$35.75, \$27.50  
To receive discounts visit [www.CSRAtix.com](http://www.CSRAtix.com) and enter promo code GCHAMor bring this code to the box office.

Call 706-262-4573 for more information.  
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The Georgia Aquarium is excited to offer **Augusta Metro Chamber Members a 10% discount on General Admission tickets and the additional add-ons for your Georgia Aquarium visit.** Click on the following link to purchase your family's discounted tickets today!

[www.georgiaaquarium.org/amcoc](http://www.georgiaaquarium.org/amcoc)

- SPECIAL 10% DISCOUNT for Members and their family! The 10% discount is applicable on general admission tickets, Premium Day Passes, Behind the Scenes combo tickets, or the PLANET SHARK combination tickets.
- Print your tickets in advance from your computer or bring Order Confirmation # to Box Office to receive tickets.
- No waiting in line to purchase tickets.
- Download our "self guided" tour right to your personal iPod.

To receive the 10% discount, all tickets **MUST** be purchased from the web link provided above and the discount will be applied at the time of checkout. You will be prompted to select a date and time that you wish to visit the Aquarium. You must arrive at the time you have reserved; no late entry will be permitted. This discount is NOT available by phone or at the front gate/box office. If you need assistance, please contact our call center @ 404-581-4010. All Guests must still go through security checkpoint.

If you would like to submit information for the Members 4 Members Newsletter, please email your information to Mandi Keown at [mkeown@augustagausa.com](mailto:mkeown@augustagausa.com).

Please keep your submissions specific and concise, and remember the deadline for next month is **November 30th!**

## Cornerstone Members

### PRESIDENT'S LEVEL:

The Augusta Chronicle. E-Z-GO. University Health Care System. Georgia Bank & Trust. Taylor Auto Group. Husqvarna. Medical College of Georgia. Procter & Gamble. SunTrust Bank. John Deere. Wachovia. Georgia Power. AT&T. Spherion. ADP. T-Mobile. Savannah River Nuclear Solutions. Virginia College. Knology

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