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**WELCOME & THANKS TO THESE NEW MEMBERS FOR INVESTING IN THE UPSTATE BUSINESS COMMUNITY**

- Atkins Law Firm P.A.
- Augusta Street Keller Williams Realty
- Bishop Mays Inc.
- Branches and Burlap Home (SH Designs, Inc)
- Capehart Family & Cosmetic DENTISTRY
- Carolina Creative
- Cason Builders Supply
- Citi Trends, Inc.
- Clear Talk
- Concrete Creations-Story, Inc.
- Crown Nissan
- Genghis Grill
- Golden Vision at Eyemart Express
- Granata's Catering & Kitchen Studio
- Huddleston & Associates, A Private Wealth Advisory Practice of Ameriprise Financial
- IBM
- Jewelry By Design
- KC Business Solutions
- Lindsey Plantation, LLC
- LiveWell Greenville
- LogistiCare Solutions, LLC
- MPK & Associates
- Mumford Industries, Inc.
- PowerSports of Greenville, LLC
- Robbins Media Group
- SANDLAPPER Securities, LLC
- Stone Plaza Pharmacy
- Storm Team Construction, Inc.
- Upcountry Provisions
- Upstate Event Services
- UpstateBizSC.com
- WorldPay
- WYNIT Distribution, LLC

## GREENVILLE CHAMBER CELEBRATES WOMEN PROFESSIONALS/LEADERS

The Greenville Chamber's Business Women in Action group has honored women for professional excellence, community service, and assisting women in their attainment of professional excellence and leadership skills with the ATHENA Leadership Award® since 2001. Individuals earn this award - originally inspired by the goddess of Greek mythology known for her strength, courage, wisdom and enlightenment - by:

- Demonstrating excellence, creativity, and initiative in their business or profession;
- Providing valuable service by contributing time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the community; and
- Actively assisting women in realizing their full leadership potential.

The following women have been honored with Greenville's ATHENA Leadership Award:

- 2001: Patricia Haskell-Robinson
- 2002: Vivian Wong
- 2003: Michelle Shain
- 2004: Susan Lill
- 2005: Deb Sofield
- 2006: Chandra Dillard
- 2007: Barbara League
- 2008: Judith Prince
- 2009: Minor Shaw
- 2010: Susan Hoag & Diane Smock

Please join us for a luncheon to celebrate these remarkable women featuring keynote speaker Angela Webb, Certus Bank Executive VP, on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at the Poinsett Club. Registration and nomination forms for the 2011 ATHENA Award can be found at [www.greenvillechamber.org](http://www.greenvillechamber.org).



## LEADERSHIP GREENVILLE CLASS 38 PROJECTS

Each year, the Chamber's premier leadership development program, Leadership Greenville, selects projects to help meet needs in the area. Projects are chosen based on proposals submitted by class members, as well as by nonprofit Greenville Chamber-member organizations. This year, Class 38 is hard at work on the following projects:

### Camp Spearhead

Camp Spearhead offers residential camp programs to youth and adults with special needs and disabilities. Camp officials identified a need for "Peaceful Places," as special needs individuals can become overstimulated at camp and require a place to relax and recover. Members of Class 38 will be working with them to build a yoga deck that will serve as a peaceful place as well as a place for memorial services at Camp Courage. They're working with West End Coffee to develop a special blend to raise funds for the project. If you'd like to learn more about this project, or to preorder coffee, please contact Josephine Bernson at [josephine.berson@spiritlecom.com](mailto:josephine.berson@spiritlecom.com).

### Harvest Hope Food Bank

Harvest Hope's mission is to provide for the needs of hungry people by gathering and sharing quality food with dignity, compassion and education. Harvest Hope is the primary supporter of 87 food pantries in the upstate while also providing food directly to children, elderly, and families in need. Since the recession hit in 2008, Harvest Hope has seen the need in the community increase by over 125% while all types of support have decreased. Class 38 is helping Harvest Hope expand its Backpack program for the neediest children in the community who are hungry and cannot help themselves. Addressing this need can increase child health, attendance, behavior in school, and grades. Class 38 will be working to increase awareness in the community, secure financial and in kind donations, and broaden the volunteer base for this specific program. To find out how you can help, contact Earle Gregory at [earle@ncover.com](mailto:earle@ncover.com).

### Ronald McDonald House

The Ronald McDonald House on Grove Road in Greenville has noted the need for a more visual presence in the community. Class 38 is working to create a focal point in the front of the house, including signage replacement and landscape enhancements to serve as a better symbol for the house and its mission. Class 38 hopes to help raise overall awareness of the Ronald McDonald House by enlisting the skills of local artists, monetary, and volunteer support from corporate partners. If you'd like to help Class 38 fulfill this project, please contact Mark Godfrey at [mgodfrey@mcmillanpazdansmith.com](mailto:mgodfrey@mcmillanpazdansmith.com).

Leadership development programs at the Greenville Chamber include Leadership Greenville, Opportunity Greenville, PULSE Young Professionals, and Youth Leadership Greenville. For information about these programs, contact Sandi Coan at 864-242-1050.

**Kick-off the Season at the Chamber's**

## Holiday Party\*

**Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>!**

**\*Admission is a toy for Toys for Tots**

## Upcoming Chamber Events

- November 8: Business Before Hours
- November 9: PULSE Leadership Luncheon
- November 9: Manufacturers Roundtable
- November 10: Leadership Greenville Alumni Breakfast
- November 10: Lean Implementation Luncheon
- November 11: Legislative Issues Meeting
- November 15: Business After Hours
- November 16: Sales Roundtable
- November 16: Upstate Transportation & Energy Summit
- November 17: ATHENA Award Winners Celebration
- November 17: PULSE in the Arts
- November 17: HR Workshop: Managing Within the Law
- November 18: Transportation & Infrastructure Meeting
- December 1: GREENVILLE CHAMBER HOLIDAY PARTY!

**The Greenville Chamber's vision is to build one of the premier business communities in the world. Call 864-242-1050 to invest in the Upstate business community today!**