Matthews CHAMBER

Supporting Business - Building Community

Business News

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DECEMBER 2018

December Upcoming Events

December 1st - Gingerbread House Contest & Holiday Stroll 3pm-7pm

December 4th - Women In Business Holiday Party @ Stumptown Station 5p to 7p

December 7th - First Friday Lunch Connect @ Shane's Rib Shack 11:30a to 1:00p

December 11th - MYPro Networking Breakfast Event @ Famous Taastery 8am to 9am

December 13th - Annual Holiday Gala and Business Awards @ Emerald Lake Golf Club 6pm to 10pm

GALA RESGISTRATION ENDS SOON!

Offices will be closed for the Christmas and New Year Holiday Dec24-26th and Dec 31st.

Our 2018 Annual Gala Sponsors:

TITLE SPONSOR:

Novant Health Matthews Medical Center

SILVER Sponsor:

Edward Jones (Dessi Dufresne)

Bronze Sponsors:

Hilton Garden Inn Waverly and Oasis Outsourcing

Print Sponsor: Alphagraphics

Dessert Bar Sponsor: Nothing Bundt Cakes

Cocktail Bar Sponsor: Kisella Surgery Center, Sharp Business Systems

Media Sponsor: Steve Huff Media

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COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD NOMINEES:

Barry Steiger (Mario's Italian Restaurant)
Dessi Dufresne (Edward Jones)
Hannah Easter (Bright Blessings)
Harris Teeter
JD Kisella (Kisella Surgery Center)
Mike Huckaby (Brand RPM & Huck's Sportswear)
Novant Health Matthews Medical Center
Tim Cheuvront (Cheuvront Clinic of Chiropractic & Sports Medicine)

NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR NOMINEES:

Bright Blessings
COS Kids
Levine Senior Center
Matthews Community Playhouse
MARA
Matthews Free Medical Clinic
Turning Point

SMALL BUSINESS AWARD NOMINEES:

Backyard Birds
Edward Jones (Dessi Dufresne)
FSI Office
Garrity & Gossage LLP
Nothing Bundt Cakes
Seaboard Taproom & Wine Bar
Southern Gourmet
Tactical Pest & Termite Solution
Weaver & Budd Attorneys
Weaver, Bennett & Bland

BUSINESS AWARD NOMINEES:

Chick-fil-A
COSTCO
First Citizens Bank
Harris Teeter
Mario's Italian Restaurant / John's Place
Novant Health Matthews Medical Center
Taziki's Mediterranean Grill (Waverly)

BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINEES:

Barry Steiger (Mario's Italian Restaurant)
Celinda Trull (State Farm Insurance)
Chris Hutter (Novant Health Matthews Medical Center)
Dessi Dufresne (Edward Jones)
Mike Huckaby (Brand RPM/Huck's Sportswear)
Randy Mitchell (RNM Consulting (Keller Williams)
Tyler Windham (State Farm Insurance)

The Matthews Chamber Presents:

The 9th Annual Matthews Gingerbread House Contest

December 1, 2018

Categories

Amateur Youth/Family

Amateur Adult

Professional

Sponsored by: Atrium Health

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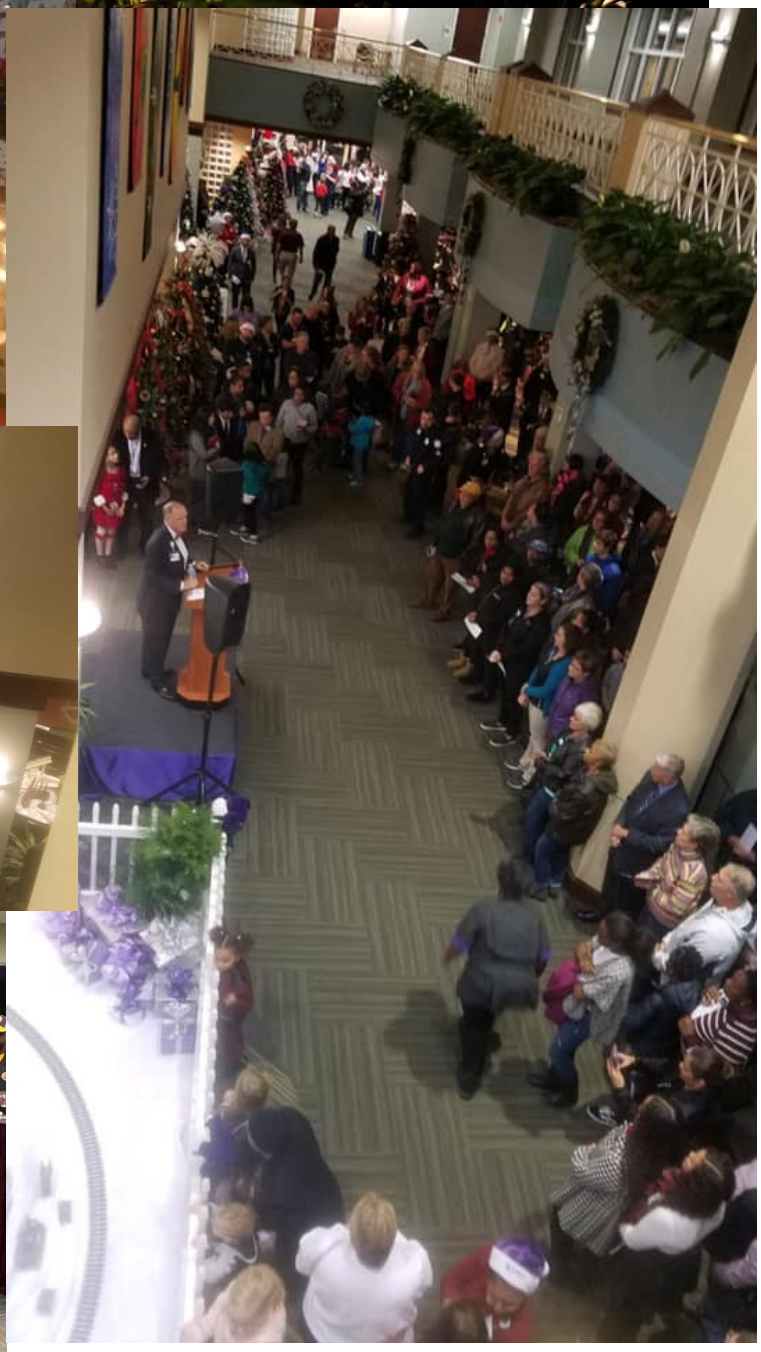
business after hours



Matthews Chamber

LUNCH CONNECT

of Commerce

Friday, December 7, 2018

@

Shane's Rib Shack

2309 Matthews Township Pkwy

11:30a to 1:00p (drop-in)

CASUAL NETWORKING. MEMBERS SUPPORTING MEMBERS.

Bring Business Cards!!

Matthews CHAMBER

Guests are Welcome!!

Interested in Hosting a FIRST FRIDAY Lunch Connect in 2019? Please let us know soon! Spots available for March through June and September through December.

Email Kelly at: kbarnhardt@matthewschamber.org

NETWORKING WITH MYPRO

Morning Mixer @ Famous Toastery

December 11, 2018
8am to 9:00am
1640 Sardis Rd / Charlotte, NC (Galleria)

Please welcome the following NEW MEMBERS for November 2018!

Salon Plaza

The Portrait Gallery

Weddington Animal Hospital

TheraTouch Foot Care

Women in Business
A Matthews Chamber Program

GARRITY & GOSSAGE
WILLS AND ESTATE LAWYERS

presents:

2ND ANNUAL

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER PARTY

Stumptown Station

107A N. Trade St., Matthews, NC

December 4, 2018 5pm to 7pm

Also bring an unwrapped toy to donate and
2 dozen cookies for the "Cookie Exchange"
Prize for "Ugliest Xmas Sweater"

EVENT SPONSOR:

Sola SALON STUDIOS

business after hours

Ribbon Cutting

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Town of Matthews™ North Carolina

SPORTSPLEX MATTHEWS

Greater Matthews business expo

Matthews CHAMBER

Title Sponsor FSI office

Early Registration - Open Now

(REGISTER SOON TO SAVE)

February 19, 2019 4:00pm to 7:00pm

CPCC– Levine Campus

2800 Campus Ridge Road - Matthews, NC

Don't miss this Trade Show with 100+ Vendor Booths!

- Exclusive Vendor Only NETWORKING 3-4pm
- Connect with local businesses
- Food Samples
- Best Booth Awards

For more information, contact the
Matthews Chamber of Commerce
(704) 847-3649
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chamberinfo@matthewschamber.org

Early-Bird Discount if you sign up before December 21st!!

Click HERE to register your 2019 Booth

New Membership Rates for 2019

As the cost of doing business increases for everyone, the Matthews Chamber is not immune from those increases either. In order to carry out our mission and keep the quality of services that we have all grown to love, the following small rate increases will be effective starting January 2019:

NEW 2019 Membership Rates

1 to 4 Full Time Employees: $285
5 to 25 Full Time Employees: $350
26 to 50 Full Time Employees: $475
51to 100 Full Time Employees: $585
Over 100 Full Time Employees: $795
Nonprofit: $165

In 2019 we will start doing "AM" Networking opportunities for our members. Currently our MYPro and WiB programs have morning mixers, but this will be open to ALL Chamber members.

We will meet at a TBD chamber member location. Similar to a PM Business After Hours, the host is responsible for all beverages and food.

Interested in hosting a Coffee Connect? Email Kelly @

kbarnhardt@matthewschamber.org

Forms and Supply, Inc. (FSIoffice) is pleased to announce our new partnership with the Matthews Chamber of Commerce.

FSIoffice was established in 1962 and is headquartered in Charlotte, NC. During the past 56 years FSIoffice has served the Carolina's growing into one of the largest independent office supply dealers in the United States. Now a third generation, family –owned company with local, regional and national account affiliations FSIoffice is committed to maintaining the highest degree of integrity, service and technical advancements to meet the ever-changing needs of our customers.

Products & Services:
Our products and services include Office Supplies, Office Furniture with Design and Space Planning, Breakroom Solutions, Janitorial and Safety Products, Custom Printing and Promotional Products and Educational Supplies. Visit www.fsioffice.com to access our 2018 catalog, please put "**MB Chamber**" in the comments so we can connect you to the correct discounted pricing.

What you Get:
When you open an account with FSIoffice, you are partnering with an experienced team including a dedicated local account manager and a personal customer service representative (never outsourced); your team will provide you with an ordering program customized to fit the way you do business.

We offer our customers **FREE** next-day delivery with **NO** minimum order requirements.

Single sourcing products through FSIoffice will help eliminate pollution, fuel consumption, time and order processing costs, which will result in your company saving money!

We live local, shop local and support local businesses!

Contact Information:
Mark Turcotte – Senior Account Manager
P: (800) 532-0335 ext. 2259

About FSIoffice: Locally owned and operated since 1962, FSIoffice is one of the largest independent dealers in the United States. As a member of AOPD we proudly offer service to national accounts with a local touch. FSIoffice is committed to maintaining the highest degree of integrity, service and technical advancements to meet the ever-changing needs of our customers. Our customers benefit daily from our single source philosophy; let us be your one stop shop. From office supplies and furniture to coffee and promotional printing, "you will appreciate our service".

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Vision

To be a community of businesses, organizations and residents who work together to provide an environment for networking, professional development, business advancement and

Mission

The Matthews Chamber exists to promote advocacy, education, and networking resources for business growth and community involvement.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chris Hutter, President
Novant Health Matthews Medical Center

Becky Hawke, Vice President
Town of Matthews

Rob Jacik, Past President
Carolina Beer Temple

Jennifer Anthony, *Treasurer*
Novant Health

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lee Weaver, *Weaver Budd Attorneys (2018)*

Dericus Scott, *Standing Ovation Barber (2018)*

Bill Blalock, *The Sign Factory (2018)*

Joe Grooms, *Sharp Business Systems (2019)*

Sue Sproat, *COS Kids Matthews (2019)*

Jeff Atwood, *QwikDash (2019)*

Mike Huckaby, *Brand RPM (2020)*

Kim Gossage, *Garrity & Gossage LLP (2020)*

Edith McElroy, *CPCC (2020)*

MEMBERS AT-LARGE

Barry Steiger, *Mario's Italian Restaurant*

Barbara Dement
Town of Matthews Commissioner

EX-OFFICIO

Paul Bailey
Mayor, Town of Matthews

Bill James
Mecklenburg County Commissioner

CHAMBER STAFF

Kelly Barnhardt
Executive Director

Dana Ramsey
Office Manager

Dawn Sigmund
Member Engagement Coordinator / Events

Rebecca Esteras
Administration

Chamber Member Benefits you might not know about!

*** Monthly Networking Luncheons (the 2nd Wednesday of each month) with informative speakers and a venue for putting out your business information, as well as networking with 120 - 150 members and guests**

*** Ability to have a "Spotlight Table" at a monthly luncheon for a minimal fee of $50**

*** Receive important legislative updates on the Town, City, County, State and Federal level that affect your business**

*** Involvement in Economic Development for the greater Matthews area & region**

*** Postage savings through the use of the Matthews Chamber Bulk Mail Permit through the Matthews Post Office**

*** Marketing Package at no charge on your Business Page on the Chamber website!**

To Find out more about how to maximize your Chamber membership, contact the Chamber office at 704-847-3649 or chamberinfo@matthewschamber.org