

# Business Builder

## Happy New Year!

NEW YEAR EDITION

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### Community Award's Banquet: January 26th

The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Awards Banquet will be held at the Barnesville Civic Center on January 26, 2012 beginning at 7 pm. This is an important event for our community because it is a time where many of Barnesville's most valuable citizens are recognized.

Sodexo Catering will be in charge of catering the event. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce until January 20th at 5 pm for \$25.00.

The Chamber of Commerce sponsors two awards, the Outstanding Citizen and Business Person of the Year. Last year's recipient of the Outstanding Citizen

was Peter L. Banks. The recipient for Business Person of the Year was Carlton Maynard, owner of G & M Enterprises. The deadline for nominations will be January 11th at 5:00 pm. Forms are available online at [www.barnesville.org](http://www.barnesville.org) or you may pick them up at the Chamber of Commerce office located at 100 Commerce Place.

The Lion's Club will be giving the Volunteer of the Year Award. The deadline for nominations is January 11th at 5:00 pm. Nominations can be mailed to Carol Waters 626 Greenwood St. Barnesville, GA or emailed to [carolwaters4@aol.com](mailto:carolwaters4@aol.com).

The Law Enforcement Officer of the Year will be awarded by the Dewaine T. Bell Difference Maker Organization. Nominations should be submitted by January 11th at 5:00 pm to P.O. Box 123 Barnesville, GA 30204 marked Attention: April Smith.

Other awards presented will be the Farmer of the Year Award sponsored by the Barnesville-Lamar County Farm Bureau, the Career Woman of the Year Award sponsored by the Barnesville Rotary Club, and the Brittain Cauthen Firefighter of the Year Award sponsored by the Barnesville-Lamar County Fire Department.



**Awards Banquet Menu:**

- Garlic mushroom stuffed pork loin
- Oven roasted pesto potatoes
- Brandy glazed carrots
- Olive and rosemary baguette
- Tossed winter greens salad
- Caramel apple cheesecake

### Ridgeway to lead the Chamber in 2012

Julia Ann Ridgeway, administrator at Heritage Inn of Barnesville, will serve as the 2012 Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Chairman. Ms. Ridgeway has served on the board for two years and has been very active on the Executive, Illumination,

Award's Banquet, BBQ & Blues, and Buggy Days' committees.

She has worked for Heritage Inn since 2005. Besides her busy schedule at work and serving on the board at the Chamber of Commerce, Julia Ann is very active in the

Barnesville Women's League, the GA Health Care Association, American College of Healthcare Administrators, and the Towaliga Baptist Church.

A complete list of new board members will be announced at the Community Award's Ban-



# Visit Italy in November!

The Chamber has partnered with Collette vacations to offer you a trip of a lifetime.

The 9 day trip includes airfare, 11 meals, 7 breakfasts, 4 dinners, and transportation to and from the airport. Cities include Rome, Florence, Venice,

and Milan. The total cost of the trip is \$2999.00 for double occupancy.

There will be an information session at the Chamber on February 2nd beginning at 6 pm. If you are interested in attending, please call Amanda or Jessica at 770-358-5884

so they can get you some information ahead of time to look over.

Collette Vacations is working with Chambers of Commerce across the country and has a very good reputation for delivering a GREAT experience to all travelers.



Call to book your After Hours today!! 770-358-5884

## 2012 Business After Hours

### January:

Award's Banquet in lieu of After Hours

### February:

Open

### March:

Spalding Regional Medical Center

### April:

United Bank

### May:

Ag After Hours

### June:

Workforce Investment Board

### July:

Summer Sizzle Concert in lieu of After Hours

### August:

Open

### September:

Slice's for 3rd Anniversary

### October:

Open

### November:

Open

### December:

Empty Stocking Fund

## Try It Local

The Try It Local campaign will feature a Chamber business each day with discounts that are available for that day only.

Mention the coupon code when you go to these businesses and you will receive the discount.

### January Specials

- Monday: Slice's Pizzeria**  
16.99 Dine In Only!  
Large 1 topping pizza and an order of small dough bites.  
Location: 216 Main St. Barnesville, GA...770-358-6737  
Coupon Code: New Year
- Tuesday: Extreme Embroidery**  
Free Embroidery With Every Purchase!  
Location: 924 Everee Inn Rd. Griffin, GA...770-467-0675  
Coupon Code: Extreme
- Wednesday: Milner Computer**  
10% Discount On Accessories or \$25 Off All Laptops!  
Location: 172 Main St. Milner, GA...678-805-4151  
Coupon Code: Gigabyte
- Thursday: Buggy Town Grill**  
10% off Lunch Buffet!  
Location: 818 B College Dr. Barnesville, GA...770-358-9990  
Coupon Code: Try It Local
- Friday: Movie Star**  
Rent 4 Movies & Get 1 FREE!  
Location: 219 Main St. Barnesville, GA...770-358-7220  
Coupon Code: Showtime

For more information call the Chamber of Commerce:

770-358-5884

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# BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



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# Barnesville -Lamar County Businessperson of The Year 2012 Nomination Form

DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2012  
MAIL ENTRY TO  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
P.O. BOX 506 BARNESVILLE GA. 30204  
OR FAX TO 770-358-5886

The Businessperson of the Year represents an individual who not only excels in the operation of his/her business, but who gives time and energy back to the community. Please be as specific as you can. Use extra sheets, if necessary, and/or submit copies of news articles, recommendations, etc. to support your nomination. The nominee must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

NOMINEE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINEE'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINEE'S COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINEE'S COMPANY ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Association of which nominee is a member \_\_\_\_\_

Accomplishments directly associated with nominee's career and/or work with the company. How has his/her work affected Lamar County? \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions as an individual within Lamar County community, not necessarily associated with the nominee's career ( church activities, civic volunteers, elected office, appointments, etc.)

Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Further information can be obtained from:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

1994- Alan Sherrington- Weyerhaeiser

1996- Alan Hudson- Southern Nursery Products

1998- Dr. Lee Woodall

2000- Rose & Tommy Gasses

2002- Walter & Laura Geiger- Herald Gazette

2004- Bennie Horton

2005- Joe Edwards- United Bank

2007- Phillip Bell

2009- Ben and Doris Moore

2011- Carlton Maynard

Previous Recipients:

1995-Micky Williams- Housing Resources Unlimited

1997- Dr. Mark & Pam Korb- Barnesville Animal Clinic

1999-Walter & Laura Geiger- Herald Gazette

2001- Mitch Buice-Mitch's Automotive & Towing

2003- Sammy Shropshire

Life-Achievement in Business- Stonie & Grady Carter

2006 Dr. Holland Jackson

2008-George, Janice, and Rip Moore

2010- Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ham

2011- Lifetime Achievement in Business- United Bank of Barnesville

( Use separate sheet, if necessary)

**BARNESVILLE-LAMAR COUNTY**  
***Outstanding Citizen***  
**2012 NOMINATION FORM**

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NOMINEE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINEE'S ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Personal Data:

Birthplace and date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Family Background \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Background \_\_\_\_\_

Brief summary of nominee's professional life, to include military service, if any, with emphasis placed on recognition received and how the nominee's professional pursuits have benefited Barnesville and Lamar County: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief summary of nominee's participation in civic, church, and social activities and how these activities have benefited Barnesville and Lamar County: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief paragraph stating why you think your nominee should receive the Citizen of the Year Award over all other nominees: \_\_\_\_\_

*(use separate sheet, if necessary)*

**Previous Recipients:**

1990 Cyrus Neuner  
1993 Louise Jackson  
1996 Ezra P. Roberts  
1999 Harold Matthews  
2002 Mayor Jimmy Matthews  
2005 Joe & Pat Edwards  
2008 Charles and Jean Dukes  
2011- Peter L. Banks

1991 Leesa Woodall  
1994 Betty Vecsey  
1997 Dick Esco  
2000 Rhonda Toon  
2003 Bobby Bumette  
2006 Mike Aiken  
2009- Walter and Laura Geiger

1992 Vester Butler  
1995 Tom Aiken  
1998 Dewaine Bell  
2001 Noel Riggins  
2004 Bobby Butler  
2007 Lee T. Woodall, MD  
2010 Hayward and Karen Cox



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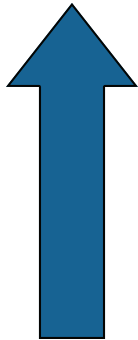
**Calendar of Events:**

**January 16th:**  
**Chamber of Commerce is Closed for MLK, Jr. Day**

**January 26th:**  
**Community Awards Banquet**  
**Barnesville Civic Center**  
**7 pm**

**January 27th:**  
**Strategic Planning Retreat**  
**Chamber Board of Directors**

**February 2nd:**  
**Italy Presentation**  
**Chamber Board Room**  
**6 pm**



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### President's Box

Happy New Year! 2011 flew by and I am sure the same will be said about 2012. Last year, we all faced many difficult times in our businesses and our community. I have always had a strong belief in prayer and hard work and I know one day they will pay off. I like having the opportunity to speak positively in this box each

month because we are faced with so much negativity each day. Whether we are living our worst nightmares or watching them unfold on the nightly news, we are faced with negativity every time we turn around. This year, be positive and spread your good nature to one another. Be conscious of speaking positive, because people are listening and you may be able to impact someone's life without ever knowing

it. I discussed in the December 2011 newsletter that better days are ahead and I think the power of positive thinking is a strong force. Let's bind together, be positive, and support one another. Shop locally, be grateful, and be blessed in 2012. I wish you all a Happy New Year with blessings daily!  
-Amanda Rose