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27TH ANNUAL BESSEMER BUSINESS AWARDS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce is proud to present the 27th Annual Business awards and First Responders Gala on Thursday, August 16, at 6 pm at the Bessemer Civic Center [Social Hour 5 – 5:45 pm]. So much is transpiring in our nation and we want our first responders to know that they have the support of the Bessemer Business Community. During this event we will recognize the Business of the Year, Doctor of the Year, Firefighter of the Year, Police Officer of the Year and the Sheriff's Deputy of the Year.



This year's guest speaker is Mr. Lamman Rucker. Lamman Rucker is an actor, educator, activist and entrepreneur. Best known as the handsome star of Tyler Perry's *Why Did I Get Married* film sequel and hit film/sitcom *Meet the Browns*; Rucker is maintaining a powerful screen presence. He may be recognized from recent films such as BET's *The Man in 3B* and *Black Coffee*, UPTV's *Where is the Love* or remembered on TV shows as *Half and Half*, WETV's *South of Hell*, *As the World Turns* and *All My Children*.

Rucker currently stars in the original TV drama series *Greenleaf* now in it's third season on the OWN Network and Netflix alongside Oprah Winfrey. As well, he leads in feature films, *Service to Man*; a period film about race relations in the South at Meharry Medical College and thriller *No More Mr. Nice Guy*.

A passionate activist; Rucker is a spokesperson for several charitable efforts and community action initiatives including the Association of Black Cardiologists, American Heart Association, The Black Aids Institute, BMe Community, The Magic Johnson Foundation and his non-profit The Black Gents; an all male ensemble of actors driven to resurrect the positive images of black males through thought-provoking high quality entertainment, youth empowerment initiatives and community service.

With a Masters in Education and a former high school teacher; Rucker continues to use his teaching gift on international speaking circuits and in educational capacities such as youth empowerment, health and wellness, entrepreneurship, the arts, and financial literacy. He has contributed to several "edu-tainment" movements that empower and inspire while educating and has recently contributed to best-selling book "REACH: 40 Black Men Speak on Living, Leading and Succeeding".

Today's Renaissance Man; Rucker is establishing a significant legacy for this generation and those to come.

There will be live entertainment by the Robert Harris Band, a cash bar, a silent auction, great food and an atmosphere set for networking and enjoying the environment.

COMMUNITY NEWS

May 3rd National Day of Prayer in the City of Bessemer



On Thursday, May 3rd, elected officials, area pastors, community leaders, and citizens came together to observe The National Day of Prayer at a program organized at Perfecting Reconciliation Church International in downtown Bessemer. Pastors from the area came to offer prayer petitions. Reverend Louis Jones Pastor of Mt. Hebron Missionary Baptist Church prayed for the First Responders. Pastor William Scott Pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church offered a prayer for the community, churches, and leaders. Dr. Reginald Calvert Pastor of New Jerusalem Baptist Church gave prayer for family. Pastor Mickey Bell of Grace Church Bessemer offered a prayer for the city, county and state. Dr. Barry Cosper of the Bessemer Baptist Association lead prayer for the nation. Pastor Douglas Caddell of Canaan Baptist Church offered a prayer for the school, faculty, parents and students. Tamala Briggins presented the special music. A stirring message was delivered by the special guest speaker Dr. Calvin Bell of Bethel Baptist Church. Bessemer Mayor Kenneth Gulley offered closing remarks. Reverend George R. Blanks, Pastor of Perfecting Reconciliation Church International offered the closing prayer.

Beat the Heat at Alabama Splash Adventure All Summer Long!

SEASON PASSES are just \$74.95 per person! For just \$10 more, earn \$20 in Bonus Cash to enjoy food and retail all throughout the park. Passes include Free Parking, Free Pepsi Drinks, Free Sunscreen, Free Inner Tubes & Free WiFi. Get your Season Passes today



CHAMBER / COMMUNITY / BUSINESS

Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce Community Service Scholarships Awarded

The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce presented the Ora H. Foster Community Services Scholarships to McKenzie Sloan, a senior at McAdory High School and Kiya Person, a senior at Bessemer City High School. The Ora H. Foster Community Service Scholarship is awarded in honor of the late Ora H. Foster, who was an advocate for community service in Bessemer. Foster dedicated her life to volunteering and supporting Bessemer. This scholarship is funded by the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce's Gold Sponsors: Bessemer Utilities, Dex Imaging, Holt Insurance, Lawson State Community College, Medical West and United Prosthetics & Orthotics.



Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce Recognizes the 2018 Bessemer City Schools Teachers of the Year



Bessemer City High School
Domique Moore



Jonesboro Teacher of the Year
Datasha Ellis



Westhills Teacher of the Year
Angela Davis



Abrams Teacher of the Year
Gilda Watson



Greenwood Teacher of the Year
Deborah Hatchett



Bessemer City Middle School
Ava Chaney



Charles F. Hard Elementary School
Teacher of the Year Amber Davis

Women's Retirement Income Planning Luncheon Invitation

You are invited to join Mary Dockery with Edward Jones and LaTonya Ford with Prudential as they discuss how to make informed choices about key retirement concerns women face on Tuesday, July 10th from 11:30 am – 1 pm at the Bright Star Restaurant. Lunch will be served, you must RSVP by calling Carolyn at 205-437-2866 no later than July 6th if you plan to attend.

CHAMBER NEWS

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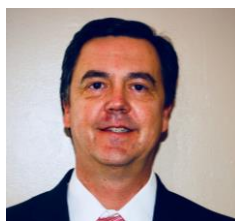
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WELCOME TO BESSEMER



Southside Bessemer welcomes new Dollar General to 2911 Dartmouth Avenue S, Bessemer during their ribbon cutting and grand opening on June 2, 2018.



Alabama Stem Education celebrates their 2nd campus located at 417 4th Street North, Bessemer with ribbon cutting on May 31, 2018.



Saturday, June 9th at 11 am, the Bessemer Board of Education school board members, held a dedication for the cornerstone for Bessemer City High School.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Chambers Funeral Home Host of Fun Day For the Community



The Bessemer Police Department held a promotional ceremony this morning at the Bessemer Civic Center. Sgt. Cortice Miles was promoted to Lieutenant, Detective Shadrick Williams and Officer Phillip Holcombe were both promoted to Sergeants in the department. Congratulations gentlemen on the new milestones in your careers.

2018 BESSEMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CALENDAR

July

Wednesday July 4
Wednesday, July 4

Chamber Closed
City of Bessemer 4th of July Celebration
Ambassadors Meeting
Executive Committee Meeting
Board of Directors Meeting
Membership Luncheon

Tuesday, July 10, 8:30am
Tuesday, July 17, 11:00am
Tuesday, July 17, Noon
Thursday, July 19, Noon

August

Tuesday, August 7, 8:30am
Thursday, August 16, 6 pm
Social Hour 5 – 5:45 pm
Tuesday, August 21, 11:00am
Tuesday, August 21, Noon

Ambassadors Meeting
27th Annual Bessemer Business Awards and First Responders Gala
Executive Committee Meeting
Board of Directors Meeting

September

Monday, September 3
Tuesday, September 11, 8:30am
Tuesday, September 18, 11:00am
Tuesday, September 18, Noon

Chamber Closed
Ambassadors Meeting
Executive Committee Meeting
Board of Directors Meeting

October

Tuesday, October 2, 8:30am
Thursday, October 11
Tuesday, October 16, 11:00am
Tuesday, October 16, Noon
Thursday, October 25

Ambassadors Meeting
Golf “FORE” Progress
Executive Committee Meeting
Board of Directors Meeting
2019 Bessemer Magazine Deadline
PINK & PURPLE PARADE

Date to be Determined

November

Tuesday, November 6
Thursday, November 8
Monday, November 12
Tuesday, November 20, 11:00am
Tuesday, November 20, Noon
Thursday, November 22
Friday, November 23

Ambassador Meeting
Veterans Day Program
Chamber closed
Executive Committee Meeting
Board of Directors Meeting
Chamber Closed
Chamber Closed

December

Tuesday, December 4, 8:30am
Saturday, December 8, 2:00pm

Thursday, December 13, 5-7pm
Tuesday, December 18, 11:00am
Tuesday, December 18, Noon
Monday, December 24th
Tuesday, December 25th
Monday, December 31
Tuesday, January 1

Ambassadors Meeting
City of Bessemer
Christmas Parade
Chamber Christmas Open House
Executive Committee Mtg
Board of Directors Mtg
Chamber closed
Chamber Closed
Chamber Closed
Chamber Closed

The mission of the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce is to promote the economic well-being of regional businesses and represent the business community in economic, political, civic, educational and cultural development of the region.

We hope you will consider supporting the Bessemer Chamber of Commerce programs in 2018. This investment is tax deductible, so sign up today!

2018 CHAMBER AMBASSADORS



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Carlton Jackson, Realtor - Edge Realty Group

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Mary Dockery, Edward Jones Financial Advisor
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Doris Lewis, Retired
Claire Mitchell, Bessemer Board of Education
Daryl Owens
Andie Sloan, Comfort Care Home Health
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Ambassadors are the key resource in extending hospitality in the Bessemer area and are experienced in business, community, and promotional arenas.

An Ambassador must serve as an active public relations arm of the Chamber and be prepared to meet visitors, local businesses, and various forms of the media.

We encourage you join the ambassador program. The ambassadors meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 8:30am at the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Congratulations to Deputy Fire Chief Gary Carter

Congratulations to Deputy Fire Chief Gary Carter on his retirement from the Bessemer Fire Department, effective June 1, 2018. Deputy Chief Carter has been with the department for 32 years, and has "served the city honorably", said Mayor Kenneth Gulley. Carter said it has been a "pleasure to serve the citizens of Bessemer." A ceremony and reception was held at Bessemer City Hall for Carter. Attending were Bessemer firefighters and chiefs and firefighters from Birmingham, Fairfield, Midfield and other communities. We wish Deputy Chief Carter a happy and prosperous retirement.



Imagine Me Gala

The Latch and Live Foundation Annual "Imagine Me" Gala was held at the Bessemer Civic Center on Friday, June 1. The evening was a remarkable evening filled with dancing, great food, great friends and lots of memorable times, all for a good cause. TV and radio personality, Ronda Robinson hosted the evening's festivities. The most memorable moment of the evening was when the Latch & Live Foundation, through its generous donors, presented its first ever college scholarship. Bessemer City High School graduate Aimee Patton was the recipient of the \$1,000 scholarship, and she will be attending Alabama A&M in the fall. The scholarship will go a long way to help her get her college education. The main ballroom of the Bessemer Civic Center was decorated for the Gala by Cheryl's Creations & Company and Infinity & Beyond Weddings. The dinner for the gala was catered by J & P Catering by Jamelia "Mia" Brown. The objective of Latch & Live Foundation is to provide a solution to transform homeless services to crisis response systems that prevent homelessness and rapidly return people who experience homelessness to stable housing.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Bessemer Farmers Market Now Open in Two Locations

Mondays, the market will be at Medical West near the cafeteria, from 11 am - 2 pm.

Thursdays, the market will be downtown Bessemer at Alex Bradford Park from 4:00 until 6:30pm. The park is located on the corner of 1st Avenue North and 19th Street in historic downtown Bessemer next to Boatengs.

The Bessemer Farmers Market will offer an array of fresh local produce along with home canned jams and jellies and handmade items for sale. Local honey will also be available. The items for sale this year will include produce such as peppers, watermelons, tomatoes, squash, eggplant, farm-raised eggs, honey, plants, oils, herbs, pastries and much more.



Councilor Jesse Matthews, President of the Alabama League of Municipalities for 2018-2019

On May 21, Bessemer Councilmember Jesse Matthews was elected by his municipal colleagues to serve as President of the Alabama League of Municipalities for 2018-2019. He was elected and took office during the League's annual convention, which was held in Montgomery May 19-22.

League Executive Director Ken Smith looks forward to working with Councilmember Matthews over the next year. "Jesse has been actively involved with the League for many years," Smith said. "He has served on a number of League committees, including our Executive Committee, and is the a past chair of our Committee on State and Federal Legislation. He has also been very active with the National League of Cities, serving on its Board of Directors as well as several policy committees. His municipal knowledge and leadership skills have been an asset to our organization. He will serve us well as President." During his acceptance speech, Councilmember Matthews thanked his municipal colleagues for the honor to serve as president and emphasized the importance of unity: "We must not be negatively affected by politics or personal opinions. Instead, our goal should always be to stay focused, work together and maintain open lines of communication while developing effective policies that address municipal needs. We should always work together as a team. It is only through our joint efforts that we can promote the noble goals of this organization. The League's importance can never be understated. We must have the clarity of vision to separate the essential from the desirable and the courage to attack those challenges necessary to move our cities forward."

Councilmember Matthews is a former board member for the National League of Cities (NLC) and currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Municipal Workers Compensation Fund, Inc. (MWCF), a program created by the League in 1976. In addition, has completed the League's Basic, Advanced and Emeritus Certified Municipal Official (CMO) programs. CMO Emeritus is awarded to officials who have acquired a minimum of 120 credit hours of Continuing CMO Education through a series of one-day programs designed especially for mayors and councilmembers who voluntarily wish to receive formal training in municipal government. Emeritus status also requires earning a total of 15 points, which can be achieved by participating on ALM policy committees and attending specific ALM and NLC events. Through these programs, Councilmember Matthews has received formal classroom training in subjects such as council meeting procedures; parliamentary procedure; the Open Meetings Law; public records; ordinance drafting; conflicts of interest; the State Ethics Law; duties of the mayor and council; tort liability; the competitive bid law; zoning and planning; annexation; municipal regulatory powers; municipal revenues and expenditures; personnel actions; and leadership development.



CHAMBER NEWS

Over 200 Members of the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce Came Out for an Old Fashioned Seafood Boil Business After Hours That Was Sponsored by



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CHAMBER NEWS



BUSINESS / COMMUNITY NEWS

Some interesting facts regarding the Amazon Fulfillment Center and its impact on Bessemer:

- The Birmingham Business Alliance says the construction phase and operational phase will net a \$700 million impact for Bessemer!
- Mayor Gulley pointed out that since 2011, Bessemer has seen some 2600 jobs created and seen almost \$600 million in capital investment. This includes Amazon, Dollar General, Milo's Tea, BLOX, Flex-N-Gate, JB Processing, Steyr Arms and others.
- This project will infuse some \$800k to \$1 million annually into the Bessemer School system.
- The 855,000 square foot facility will be multi-storied and be built off Powder Plant Road, in the general vicinity of Alabama Splash Adventure and Bessemer City High School. The area is already being cleared. The number of parking spaces is being pegged at 3,000. We are working with the Birmingham-Jefferson County Transit Authority to provide bus service to the site.
- The facility is expected to be completed in July 2019 and should be fully operational by fall 2019. We will work with the company to provide job fairs in the city. Thanks to the state of Alabama, Jefferson County, Alabama Power, U.S. Steel, the BJCTA, the Bessemer City Council, the Bessemer IDB and so many others who were a part of making this a reality.



Jazz in the Park was held at DeBardeleben Park on June 24, 2018! Hundreds gathered to enjoy jazz performers, David P. Stevens and Ves Marble.

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PROMOTIONAL ITEMS IN STOCK

at the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce



The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce
has promotional items for sale.

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| BESSEMER T-SHIRT | \$25 |
| BESSEMER GOLF UMBRELLA | \$25 |
| BESSEMER CAMP CHAIR | \$20 |
| BESSEMER BEACH TOWEL | \$20 |
| BESSEMER TOTE UMBRELLA | \$20 |
| BESSEMER STAINLESS STEEL CUP | \$15 |
| BESSEMER HAT | \$10 |
| BESSEMER SHOT GLASS | \$ 5 |

Stop by and pick up your items at 321 18th
Street N., Bessemer, AL 35020.

Sponsorship

Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce 2018 Sponsorship Investments

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| Diamond | \$10,000 |
| Platinum | \$ 7,500 |
| Gold | \$5,000 |
| Silver | \$3,000 |
| SBP | \$1,000 |



Call us at 425-3253 for more details

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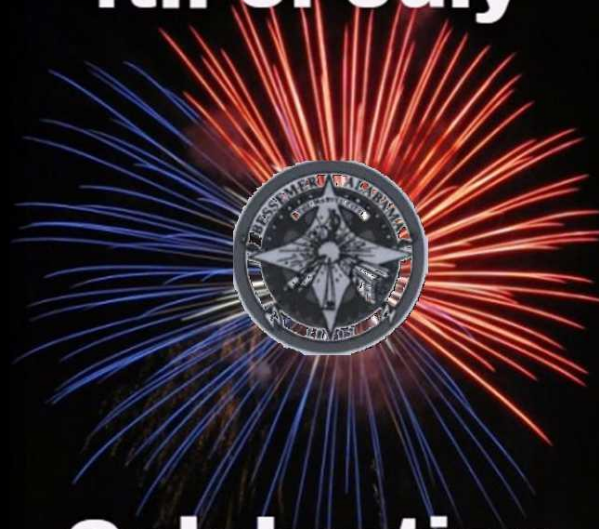
Bring the entire family out for
THE CITY OF BESSEMER'S



4th of July

EVERYTHING
IS FREE TO THE
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Ice Cream
Watermelon
Nachos
Beverages
Patriotic Giveaways
& Much, Much More!



Celebration

Meet and network with
our elected officials

Enjoy music by DJ Mac Taylor



WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2018

6:30 UNTIL 9:00PM



COME ENJOY ONE OF
ALABAMA'S LARGEST
FIREWORKS SHOW
BEGINS AT 8:45PM

Bessemer City High School
4950 PREMIERE PARKWAY
BESSEMER, AL 35022

The Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce Invites You to Attend Our

MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018
AT 12:00 PM

Lawson State Community College
Bessemer Campus' Ethel Hall Auditorium



Speaker: Cassie Brooks
Habitat for Humanity

Come hear about 10 new homes being built in the Bessemer area in October!

Home Builders Blitz - What is it? How does it impact our community?

\$15.00 per person or a table of 6 for \$90

Call us at 205-425-3253 or email mmilan1@bellsouth.net to make your reservation

~ Seating is Limited ~

Reservation Deadline: Friday, July 13th



~ Our chamber ambassadors will be recognized during this event ~

The 27th Annual Bessemer Business Awards & First Responders Gala

Sponsored by the
Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce

The Bessemer Business Awards are presented each year to Bessemer area businesses that have achieved success in their respective industry and size category. Submitted information is strictly confidential and maintained by the independent judging committee of the Chamber. You are encouraged to nominate any business that is located in the city limits of Bessemer, or any business located outside the city limits of Bessemer that is an active member of the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce. Recipients from the past five years are ineligible (see reverse for recent recipients). Nominees must have been in operation for at least three years. **Nominations are due by Friday, July 27, 2018 before 5pm.** Finalists and recipients will be recognized at the **Bessemer Business Awards and First Responders Gala on August 16th at 5:30 pm at the Bessemer Civic Center.** For additional information call 205-425-3253.

NOMINATION FORM **for the 2018 Business of the Year and 2018 Doctor of the Year**

Nominees will be asked to complete a brief information questionnaire. Judges will select considering the following areas: community / civic / charitable involvement, growth in employment, company stability, capital investment, general profitability, industry recognition. Nominees should attach recognition, press announcement, achievements, safety programs/awards and other supplemental materials to support the overall success of the business.

Company / Doctor Nominated: _____ Type of Business: _____

Company Address: _____

of Employees: _____ Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

E-mail address: _____ Web address: _____

Reason for Nomination *(use additional pages if necessary)*: _____

Return Nominations To:
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BUSINESSES OF THE YEAR

[Presented in 5 different categories through 2009]

CATEGORY I

1990 – WSMQ
1991 – OK Tire and Battery
1992 – B & C Rental
1993 – Coxco
1994 – Bessemer Fasteners and Supply
1995 – Bessemer Furniture Gallery
1996 – United Textiles
1997 – Anthony Underwood Automotives
1998 – Compliance Specialists
1999 – Engineering, Environmental & Forestry Service
2000 – Weaver Land Company
2001 – Advanced Cardiac Solutions
2002 – Farr Hardware & Food Shop
2003 – The Western Star
2004 – Brian's Carpet & Tile
2005 – Holt Insurance
2006 – Development Solutions, LLC
2007 – Loyle Seymour Jewelry
2008 – Tippi's Bakery & Deli
2009 – Eagle Vision Eyecare

CATEGORY II

1990 – The Bright Star
1991 – Bob Sykes Barbecue
1992 – First Federal Savings Bank
1993 – Holmes Oil Company
1994 – Dixie Nissan
1995 – Carr Cabinet Doors
1996 – Suburban Gas Company
1997 – National Belt Service
1998 – Moore Coal Company
1999 – Air Carriers
2000 – Foseco-Morval USA
2001 – Vulcan Materials Co.
2002 – White Industries
2004 – Baumann Coatings, Inc.
2005 – Fourth Avenue Supermarket
2006 – ADCO Boiler Company
2007 – The Hampton Inn
2008 – Builders Millwork LLC
2009 – ITT Technical Institute

CATEGORY III

1990 – Long Lewis Ford
1991 – Food Giant
1992 – Harbison Walker
1993 – Southern Ductile Casting Co.
1994 – Big B, Inc.
1995 – Trinity Industries
1996 – UNR - ROHN
1997 – Walmart Super Store
1998 – Jemison Steel
1999 – Masonry Arts
2000 – Buffalo Rock
2001 – Southern Ductile Casting Co
2002 – Town & Country Ford
2003 – First Financial Bank
2004 – Long-Lewis Ford
2005 – Noland Health Services
2006 – Alabama Adventure
2007 – Golden Living Center Meadowood

2008 – Premiere Chevrolet, Inc.
2009 – First Financial Bank

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

1999 – Bessemer State Tech College
2000 – Bessemer Area YMCA
2001 – Salvation Army
2002 – Bessemer Historical Homeowners Association
2003 – Flint Hill Baptist Church
2004 – Bessemer Development Board
2005 – Dunbar-Abrams Foundation, Inc.
2006 – Foundry Rescue Mission & Recovery Center
2007 – Legacy YMCA
2008 – Lawson State Community College
2009 – Flint Hill Christian School

SAFETY AWARD

1992 – Alabama Power Company
1993 – Harbison Walker Refractories
1995 – U. S. Pipe
1996 – Vulcan Painters
1997 – Certex
1998 – Bessemer Utilities
2000 – S & G Waldrop Electric
2001 – Southern Ductile Casting Co.
2002 – ROHN, Inc.
2003 – Buffalo Rock Company
2005 – Cintas Corporation
2006 – Coston General Contractors
2007 – Shirley & Sons, Inc.
2008 – Alabama Power Company
2009 – U. S. Pipe & Foundry

**Awards not presented in 2010 / 2011*

***Awards consolidated in 2012**

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

2012 – Medical West
2013 – Splash Adventure
2014 – Dollar General
2015 – Town & Country Ford
2016 – Oak Trace & Terrace Oaks Care and Rehabilitation Centers
2017 – Milo's Tea Company

DOCTOR OF THE YEAR

2014 – Dr. Sally Ebaugh, Medical West
2015 – Dr. Kevin Staudinger, Brookwood Medical Center
2015 – Dr. Danika Y Hickman, Medical West
2016 – Dr. David Denney, Medical West
2017 – Dr. H. Thomas Smith, Medical West

**The Doctor of the Year award began in 2014*

FIRST RESPONDERS AWARDS



LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR

2002 – Richard Ferguson
2003 – Perry Hurst
2004 – Monroe Adams
2005 – Jimmy Sims
2006 – Myford Little
2007 – Sgt. Gary D. Carmichael
2007 – Christian Clemons / Ernest Ryan
2009 – Arthur Bracy
2010 – Sgt. Roy Harris
2011 – Brent Miller
2012 – Daniel Glassco
2013 – Jeffrey Ioimo
2014 – Roger Eubanks
2015 – Det. Shadrick Williams
2016 – Det. Jennifer Hamburger

FIRE FIGHTER OF THE YEAR

2002 – Gary Carter
2003 – Tommy Cannon / Brian Sloan
2004 – Sam Ousley
2005 – Jeff Lowe
2006 – Stephen Parker
2007 – Lt. Tommy Cannon
Shondrick Davis
2008 – Lt. Michael E. Brannon
2009 – Markus Dunn
2010 – Todd Eddy
2011 – Daniel Sanford / Russell Bell / Josh Phillips
2012 – Robert Hallmark
2013 – Harold Wright
2014 – Evan Abbott
2015 – Capt. Gary Nix / Mason Parker
2016 – Capt. Carlton Jackson

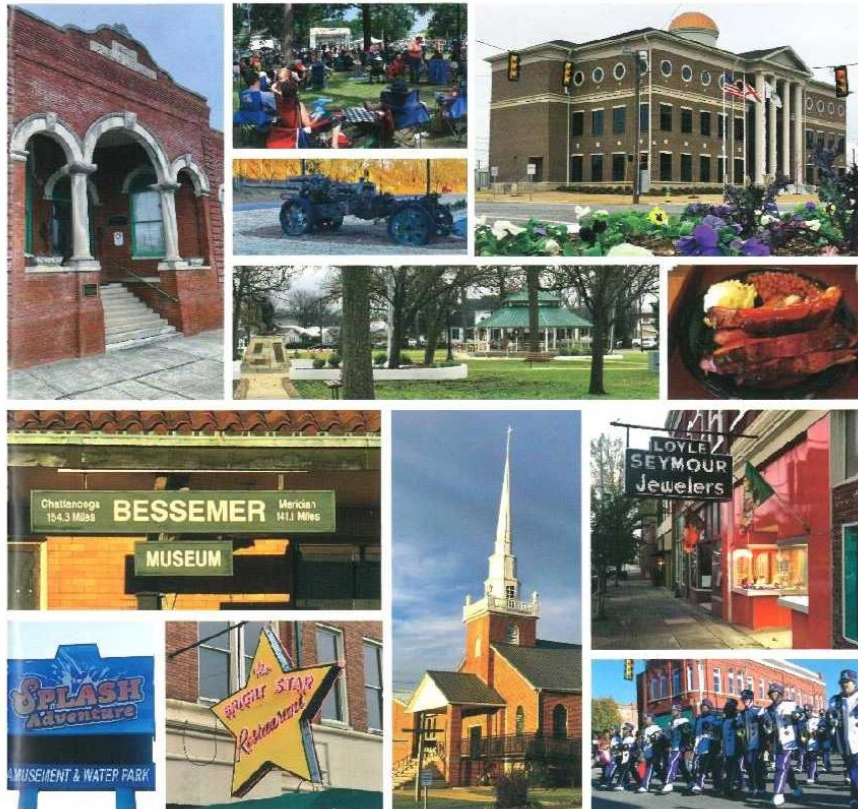
DEPUTY SHERIFF OF THE YEAR

2006 – Jacob Reach
2007 – Dep. Alan Rhea
2008 – Dep. Nathan Nichols
2009 – Jacob Bradley
2010 – Brad Dickey
2011 – Dep. Jeremy Barbin
2012 – Sgt. Wayne Curry
2013 – Brad Perry
2014 – Dep. LaDonna Houston
2015 – Sgt. Mike Saxton / Dep. Ladonna Houston / Dep. Wanda Oliver
2016 – Sgt. Randy Pate

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BUSINESS NEWS

Jefferson County Election Results for June 5th, 2018

| Governor (D) | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|--|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | | |
| > Walt Maddox (D) | 154,559 | 55% | |
| Sue Bell Cobb (D) | 82,043 | 29% | |
| James Fields (D) | 22,635 | 8% | |
| Anthony White (D) | 9,677 | 3% | |
| Doug Smith (D) | 9,244 | 3% | |
| Christopher Countryman (D) | 4,923 | 2% | |

| Governor (R) | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|--|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | | |
| > Kay Ivey (R / Inc.) | 330,743 | 56% | |
| Tommy Battle (R) | 146,887 | 25% | |
| Scott Dawson (R) | 79,302 | 13% | |
| Bill Hightower (R) | 29,275 | 5% | |

| Lt. Governor (R) | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|--|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | | |
| Twinkle Cavanaugh (R) | 238,333 | 43% | |
| Will Ainsworth (R) | 204,465 | 37% | |
| Rusty Glover (R) | 107,981 | 20% | |

| Attorney General (D) | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|--|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | | |
| > Joseph Siegelman (D) | 147,601 | 54% | |
| Chris Christie (D) | 124,915 | 46% | |

| Attorney General (R) | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|--|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | | |
| Steve Marshall (R / Inc.) | 154,220 | 28% | |
| Troy King (R) | 151,364 | 28% | |
| Alice Martin (R) | 126,374 | 23% | |
| Chess Bedsole (R) | 111,794 | 21% | |

| Secretary of State (D) | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | | |

BUSINESS NEWS

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|---------------------|---------|-----|
| > Heather Milam (D) | 160,738 | 64% |
| Lula Albert (D) | 91,736 | 36% |

| Secretary of State (R) | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | |
| > John Merrill (R / Inc.) | 334,922 | 72% |
| Michael Johnson (R) | 132,601 | 28% |

| Treasurer (R) | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | |
| > John McMillan (R) | 273,374 | 61% |
| David Black (R) | 95,454 | 21% |
| Stephen Evans (R) | 78,010 | 17% |

| Alabama House, District 56 (D) | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | |
| > Louise Alexander (D / Inc.) | 4,069 | 56% |
| Chester Porter (D) | 3,170 | 44% |

| Jefferson Co: Deputy Circuit Clerk (Bess-D) | | |
|---|--------|-----|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | |
| > Karen Dunn Burks (D / Inc.) | 10,382 | 64% |
| Lakita Hall-Wright (D) | 5,803 | 36% |

| Jefferson Co: District Attorney (D) | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|-----|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | |
| > Danny Carr (D) | 34,747 | 78% |
| Raymond Johnson Jr (D) | 9,666 | 22% |

| Jefferson Co: District Attorney (R) | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|-----|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | |
| > Mike Anderton (R / Inc.) | 17,092 | 60% |
| Bill Veitch (R) | 11,468 | 40% |

| Jefferson Co: District Judge, Place 3 (D) | | |
|---|--|--|
| 100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING | | |

COMMUNITY NEWS

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------|-----|
| Lashunta White-Boler (D) | 11,408 | 26% |
| Pamela Wilson Cousins (D) | 9,439 | 21% |
| Clotele Hardy Brantley (D) | 8,929 | 20% |
| Frederic Bolling (D) | 8,154 | 19% |
| Stephanie Hunter (D) | 6,063 | 14% |

Jefferson Co: District Judge, Place 9 (D)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------|-----|
| Kechia Davis (D) | 15,966 | 36% |
| Debra Weston-Pickens (D) | 13,823 | 31% |
| Glenda Freeman (D) | 5,784 | 13% |
| Sheila Weil (D) | 4,730 | 11% |
| Lou Willie (D) | 3,932 | 9% |

Jefferson Co: District Judge, Place 11 (D)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|-----|
| > Thomas Thrash (D) | 8,625 | 52% |
| Chuantae Brown (D) | 5,848 | 35% |
| Horace Kynard (D) | 2,209 | 13% |

Jefferson Co: District Judge, Place 12 (D)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----|
| > Lorraine Pringle (D / Inc.) | 10,081 | 62% |
| Amyrtle Allen (D) | 6,233 | 38% |

Jefferson Co: Probate Judge, Place 1 (D)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|------------------|--------|-----|
| > Alan King (D) | 35,232 | 57% |
| Everett Wess (D) | 26,208 | 43% |

Jefferson Co: Probate Judge, Place 2 (D)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|-----|
| > Sherri Coleman Friday (D) | 31,375 | 51% |
| Jameria Moore (D) | 25,548 | 41% |
| Willie Florence Sr (D) | 5,201 | 8% |

COMMUNITY NEWS**Jefferson Co: Sheriff (D)**

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|----------------------|--------|-----|
| Mark Pettway (D) | 26,331 | 43% |
| Wilson Hale (D) | 15,771 | 26% |
| Wallace Anger Jr (D) | 11,391 | 18% |
| Heath Boackle (D) | 8,089 | 13% |

Jefferson Co: Commission, District 1 (D)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|-----|
| Lashunda Scales (D) | 8,448 | 42% |
| George Bowman Sr (D / Inc.) | 4,969 | 25% |
| Gary Richardson (D) | 3,677 | 18% |
| Eric Major (D) | 2,877 | 14% |

Jefferson Co: Commission, District 2 (D)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----|
| Sandra Little Brown (D / Inc.) | 9,240 | 47% |
| Sheila Tyson (D) | 9,181 | 46% |
| Richard Dickerson (D) | 1,441 | 7% |

Jefferson Co: Commission, District 3 (R)

100% OF PRECINCTS REPORTING

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------|-----|
| > Jimmie Stephens (R / Inc.) | 10,550 | 80% |
| Rodney Watson (R) | 2,578 | 20% |

City of Bessemer**MUNICIPAL
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