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BUSINESS ADVOCACY COMMITTEE DISCUSSES IMPORTANT LOCAL ISSUES WITH CONGRESSWOMAN-ELECT GWEN GRAHAM



(Pictured: Chamber President/CEO Sue Dick, Congresswoman-Elect Gwen Graham, Business Advocacy Committee Chair Reggie Bouthillier and Chamber Chair Rick Moore.)

The Chamber hosted a roundtable discussion with **Congresswoman-Elect Gwen Graham** during Monday's meeting of its Business Advocacy

UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS

December 10
[Benefits & Breakfast](#)

December 12
[Ribbon Cutting -- MCCi](#)

[Access Coffee & Connections](#)

January 14
[Benefits & Breakfast](#)

January 15
[Business Nuts & Bolts](#)

January 22
[Ribbon Cutting - Holiday Inn Express](#)

January 27
[Lunch & Learn](#)

[Leadership Tallahassee's Building Better Boards: The Basics](#)

Committee. The influential Committee, comprised of small business owners, CEOs and representatives from FSU, Florida A&M and TCC that work to advocate on behalf of your business, had the opportunity to talk one-on-one with Congresswoman-Elect Graham about issues impacting local businesses and the community in Florida's Capital City.

"It was an honor having Congresswoman-Elect Graham meet with our Business Advocacy Committee on the first stop of her jobs tour, and to provide our members with the opportunity to discuss challenges and solutions for improving our region's quality of life," said Chamber Chair Rick Moore. "Congresswoman-Elect Graham is focused on creating jobs, improving infrastructure and helping our community succeed, and we are eager to continue working with her on behalf of our members and the entire business community."



The Committee met with Graham for more than an hour and discussed issues such as healthcare, enhancing research and training programs, the importance of our local higher education institutions and federal support for projects that will create jobs. This is another example of your Chamber advocating with elected officials on all level of government to support your business, grow our local economy and improve our quality of life.

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More than 150 business professionals gathered for the latest **Professional Women's Forum**, which was highlighted by keynote speaker Samantha Padgett from the Florida Retail Federation. Samantha spoke about the impact that small and local businesses have on a community as well as key data from 2014 along with trends and projections for 2015. She also provided unique and popular gift ideas this holiday season and encouraged attendees to enjoy the shopping experience.

To see Samatha's presentation, please click [HERE](#).



And back by popular demand was the annual Fashion Show where attendees got to see looks perfect for the holiday season, gameday, work and more from local retailers **Alumni Hall, Capital City Runners, Cole Couture, Fab'rik, Narcissus** and **William Green**.

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December 11

[Power Hour: Lunch and Learn](#)

[Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra: Holiday Magic](#)

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December 13

[Holiday Across the Museum](#)

[2nd Saturday Family Programs](#)

[TalTech Alliance Holiday Party](#)

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December 19

[Curator's Tour – 125 Years of Florida Public Health](#)

[Parents Night Out Camp at The SUE](#)

[Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra: Holiday Magic](#)

December 20

[Night Prowl](#)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS



Today, Leon County Government celebrated the completion of the Lafayette Street Gateway project with the community. The \$5 million project used citizen input from residents and businesses, and not only reconstructed the aging roadway, but improved sidewalks and added landscaping, stormwater improvements, turn lanes and other safety measures.

The Lafayette Street Improvement Project involved a number of phases, which included critical improvements to stormwater drainage systems and a water main upgrade. Leon County organized planning meetings before any ground was broken, and held monthly meetings with residents and business owners.



Turn lanes were added to the roadway, in addition to an eight-foot sidewalk with a scoring pattern to increase walkability. Along with citizens, staff worked to make a more bike-friendly gateway and developed the conceptual plan to improve the area behind the Parkway Shopping Center.

THIS WEEK'S CEO/COMPANY SPOTLIGHT SHINES ON TALLAHASSEE HARLEY-DAVIDSON

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We are excited to announce the additions of the following new members to the Chamber family. These members took advantage of the new [Chamber Choices membership program](#) and made the investment choice that was best for them. For a complete list of the different levels available, click [HERE](#).

Welcome aboard to all of our new members and we look forward to helping you grow your business in the years to come!

NEW MEMBERS WITH CHAMBER CHOICE #1

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[CEO/Company Spotlight](#) is a new feature that's provided to members who choose Chamber Choice #3, #4 or #5, and shines the spotlight on a member business or organization and their top decision-maker.

This week's Spotlight shines on Tallahassee Harley-Davidson, led by General Manager **Scott Pilman**.



Tallahassee Harley-Davidson was established in Aug. 2013 and is a family owned Dealership that employs 31 Team members. Our company's goal is "To Provide A Premium Harley-Davidson Experience to 100% of our Guests, 100% of the Time."



Our organization is a supporter of the local United Way of the Big Bend and other local charities, and groups. Tallahassee Harley-Davidson truly believes in supporting our local businesses and communities.

Our Dealership provides a beautiful park-like setting with amenities like a 2,000 Sq.Ft. deck with chairs, hammocks, picnic tables and swings to sit, relax and enjoy the scenery under the shade of 100 year old live oak trees. We provide live music on the weekends, car and bike shows, complimentary cookouts, and other special events throughout the calendar year.

One of the larger events that Tallahassee Harley-Davidson supports is the annual Toys-for-Tots Ride and Toy Drive held every December.

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MAKE SURE TO UPDATE YOUR COMPANY PROFILE INFORMATION ON THE CHAMBER WEBSITE

It's that time of year again! We are asking our members to log into the Chamber website and review your company profile information. Please make sure your personnel information and address information is correct. Also, we know the way your company is listed in the membership directory is important to you, so please double-check your business listing. You can make all of these changes right there on our website!

If you have any questions, please contact the front desk at info@talchamber.com or Betsy Gray at bgray@talchamber.com.

RIBBON CUTTING CELEBRATION FOR OUR MEMBERS

The Chamber hosted ribbon cutting celebrations featuring Chamber Ambassadors for the following members! Ribbon cuttings are for members who have had milestones, anniversaries, relocations, or celebrations, in addition to new membership or new business. Congratulations!

Cherry Blow Dry Bar

Tallahassee Harley-Davidson would like to take this opportunity to invite everyone in our community to join us at Tallahassee Harley-Davidson on Dec. 14, 2014 at 9a.m. as we prepare to take a 20 mile police escorted parade route around the city.

Tallahassee Harley-Davidson provides a full service dealership experience. The experience consists of more than just motorcycles, even though that is one of the most important factors in our business. We have a full line of General Merchandise, such as Leather Jackets, chaps, gloves, and heated gear for cold weather riding. We also offer a variety of helmets, boots, and additional clothing for riding or every day wear. Tallahassee Harley-Davidson also carries an extensive line of Parts and Accessories, plus has 1,000's of additional custom parts that we can order upon request from vendors such as Drag Specialties, and Tucker Rocky.

Tallahassee Harley-Davidson's Service Department is available by appointment or drive up for a wide range of services. From oil changes and tire changes, to complete Harley-Davidson scheduled service intervals. Our service department can do a complete motor build, including performance enhancements, as well as full frame up builds. Tallahassee Harley-Davidson has the only operational motorcycle dynamometer (Dyno Room) in Tallahassee offering riders the ability to have their bikes performance tuned. We can also provide service to the Non-Harley rider and have access to parts needed to service these Non-Harley motorcycles. Tallahassee Harley-Davidson offers free service pick-up and delivery to our local community as well as surrounding counties.



Tallahassee Harley-Davidson Sales department



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To schedule a ribbon cutting to celebrate a grand opening, an anniversary or other significant event in the life of your business, click [HERE](#)

offers new and pre-owned motorcycles to purchase. All of our pre-owned motorcycles are safety inspected and serviced, if required, before they are available for purchase. We have one of the largest new and pre-owned motorcycle inventory's in the state of Florida with the addition of our sister stores in Tampa, Brandon, New Port Richey, and Panama City Beach. We have a dedicated finance department that can easily access Harley-Davidson Credit for easy financing options and accept all brands in on trade. We can ship any pre-owned motorcycle worldwide, plus offer an exclusive Fly-and-Ride Program for our Guests that are traveling from out of state.

Tallahassee Harley-Davidson would like to thank everyone for welcoming us to the Tallahassee community and want to invite everyone to stop by the dealership at 1745 Capital Circle NW, Tallahassee, FL 32303 and receive a VIP Tour of our facilities and property. We look forward to a long standing relationship with the Tallahassee community!

For more information on Scott and his team at Tallahassee Harley-Davidson, [click HERE](#).

CHAMBER MEMBER-TO-MEMBER COUPONS ARE A GREAT WAY TO SHOP AND SAVE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Looking for discounts on gift ideas for the holidays? Look no further than your fellow Chamber members by using the **Member-to-Member Coupons on the Chamber website**. With close to 20 different coupons available, there's something for everyone.

Also, if you don't have a coupon listed already, make sure to log in to your account and post one!

Make sure to support your fellow Chamber members during this holiday season!

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