

Lake Martin Area Economic Development Alliance E-News!

Welcome to the first monthly issue of the Lake Martin Area Economic Development Alliance E-news. This email is being sent to inform you of the events and happenings in and around the Lake Martin area.

The Lake Martin Area EDA is a story in progress. With seven full years of operation, the Alliance has helped locate ten companies to Coosa and Tallapoosa counties, creating almost 1,000 current and future jobs, and a capital investment of over \$350,000,000 (including Calpine).

The mission of the Lake Martin Area EDA is two fold. One, to attract new business and industry to the Lake Martin area; and two, existing business and industry retention. This mission is accomplished through a working relationship with state and local governmental entities and economic development consultants, utilization of print and electronic media, proactive marketing, and research and development of attractive and functional industrial sites.

Essential to the success of any organization is the ongoing cooperation of its supporters. The Alliance and its efforts are funded by several local private entities that believe that the quality of life, skilled labor force, and industrial infrastructure in the Lake Martin area can provide a company with the means and opportunity to grow and prosper, as well as providing a safe and fun community for employees to raise their families.



Thank You 2005 Funding Partners!

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Alexander City Chamber of Commerce
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Coosa County Chamber of Commerce
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Life as it should be...

Welcome new Executive Assistant

Please welcome Laura Adams to the Lake Martin Area EDA. Laura succeeds Denise Wall who left us in March to get married. Denise and her husband Bill have relocated to Biloxi, Mississippi.

Laura's many years of experience in administration, coupled with excellent organizational skills and an unmatched work ethic makes her an ideal person to assist in charting the future course of the Alliance. Laura and her husband Steve reside in Alexander City and are the proud parents of two beautiful children - Zac, age 15 and Hannah, age 12.

Lake Martin Regional Industrial Park

The regional industrial park is changing. The street lights at the entrance to the park are currently being installed and will be completed by this summer. George East with the Alexander City Light Department has worked hard to get this finalized. Thank you to everyone for their continuing efforts to help make this park successful. Also coming soon to the park will be the Water Works and Sewer Board of the City of Goodwater. The Authority granted them .092 acres to construct a pump station.



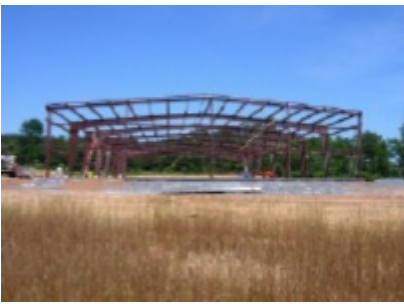
There are three lots remaining available at the park - Lot 3 on 11.5 acres; Lot 4 on 9.8 acres and Lot 5 on 9.7 acres. Also available for immediate occupancy is the **Speculative Building** located on Lot 2 with 10.7 acres. For more information, please contact us at info@lakemartinalliance.com

- 60,000 sq ft with one floor
- 4" gravel bed with one layer of 6 mil vapor barrier
- 28' x 32' ceiling height and 50' x 50' column bay spacing
- 10' x 6" deep perimeter slab
- front split brick with remaining three sides metal
- 4 dock level doors with one drive thru
- fire rating of 5
- price is negotiable



A&E Metal Roofing Supply, LLC

A&E Metal Roofing Supply, LLC officials held a small ground breaking ceremony on April 2, 2005 at the Lake Martin Regional Industrial Park. In attendance were the owners of A&E Metal, representatives from Alexander City, Tallapoosa and Coosa County. Also present were Alabama State Senator Ted Little and State Representative Betty Carol Graham, both gave a special thank you for locating in our area. A&E Metal Roofing Supply's facility is currently under construction on Lot 19 and they expect to be in their new building this summer.



Tallapoosa County Industrial Park

Progress is being made at the Tallapoosa County Industrial Park. The county is currently moving dirt on Lee Apparel's site and have gravel on Thweat Boulevard for almost a mile. A pad has been built for a Speculative Building at the East entrance to the park. Tallapoosa County Industrial Park is open for business.

Lee Apparel, LLC

The Tallapoosa County Industrial Park will have a new tenant this summer. Lee Apparel, LLC is constructing a 6,000 square foot building at 33 Thweat Industrial Blvd with completion in June 2005. Lee Apparel, LLC is a manufacturer representative in screen printing; embroidery and promotional products and sales. Randy Lee is the owner of Lee Apparel, LLC and their current business location is downtown Alexander City.



LMAEDA Update

The Lake Martin Area EDA has linked with several agency's to help put us on the map. The Economic Development Directory and the United States Web Directory. Both of these websites are heavily visited by large company real estate departments, consultants and brokers. The EDD is also heavily used by other economic development offices in search of industrial information. Please visit the websites at www.ecodevdirectory.com and www.clickstate.com for more information.

The *Quality of Life* magazine is complete and will be available for distribution the week of June 6. Please email us at info@lakemartinalliance.com if you would like to receive additional copies.



Thank You State Agencies

The Alliance would like to thank the Alabama Development Office, Alabama Municipal Electric Authority, Central Alabama Electric Cooperative and the Economic Development Partnership of Alabama for your continued support. Thanks to each of you for answering our many questions and providing information to us. A **big** thank you to AMEA for a grant of \$5,000 to provide a new strategic plan for the Alliance. This grant will allow us to look into a possible new park in Alexander City's electric service area.

We have had the opportunity to visit with all these agencies in the past two months and have gained invaluable insight as to what they can do, what they have done and continue to do for us. **THANK YOU!**

A Note from Don...

Since coming on board last November with the Alliance things have been very busy. We have located two small new industries and are currently working on two expansions. We have created an e-newsletter that will be sent out on a monthly basis. We were sorry to lose Denise to Mississippi but Laura Adams has stepped in and is doing a great job.

I look forward to our board doing strategic long range planning, setting a new direction and vision for our Alliance. We are open for business where "***Life is, as it should be....***"

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