

THE TRUITT NEWS

The Official Skinny From Truitt Insurance & Bonding Inc.

CONGRATS

TO: Southpace Properties' **Shepard Ager** on the arrival of his first born, Virginia Larkin Ager, who joined us all on Oct 30, 2017.

TO: our friend **Joy Daugherty and all the great folks at Interiorscapes** on picking up Bham Top Golf as a new client and by celebrating 40 years in business.

TO: **Elam Holley, Kevin Kynerd & Chip McCallum** on being named to the board of directors of Progress Bank.

TO: **Charlie Conklin & the folks at Sentry Heating & Air** on recently celebrating their 30th year in business.

TO: **Mike Zucco** on his new position with the Alabama Trucking Association Work Comp Fund where he will be serving as their Business Development Mng'r.

TO: **Louis Nequette & Nequette Architecture & Design** on winning a Palladio Award from Traditional Building and Period Homes Magazine for their work on Cahaba River House located in Bibb County. They do great work.

TO: our friends, **Kate Darden of Brookwood Baptist Health, John Bolus of Maynard Cooper & Gale P.C., and Jay Smith of Brockwell Smith LLC.**, on being included in this year's class of Leadership Birmingham.

HE SAID IT BEST

"You must expect great things from yourself before you can do them."

- **Michael Jordan**

Merry Christmas!

All of us at Truitt are hopeful everyone has a fantastic holiday season filled with family, friends, fun, laughter and memories. 2017 has certainly made us thankful for our blessings, whether they came from the good fortune we have enjoyed during the year or the challenges that presented themselves along the way. We are looking forward to 2018 and the opportunities that are in front of us. We sincerely wish you each a heartfelt Merry Christmas, good health and a safe year ahead.

Tony Truitt, President



Welcome Aboard!

We are proud to announce the two newest additions to Team Truitt:

Frankie Wade will be working with commercial businesses owners helping them secure coverage at a competitive price as well as placing home & auto coverage for individuals.



Debbie Reinagel joins our personal lines department and will be assisting clients and prospects with all their service needs in addition to placing new home & auto business.

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THE 3 WISE MEN

Out & about enjoying the holiday season at the December 6th Bham Independent Insurance Agents luncheon are the 3 Wise Men of Truitt: Don Adams, Rick Gibb and John Truitt. We are lucky to have these insurance geniuses hanging out with us each day. Great guys who are a lot of fun to be around. They know a pretty good bit, too.



Children's of Alabama®

2018 Committee for the Future

We are really excited to announce Tony Truitt has been selected to be a part of the Children's of Alabama 2018 Committee for the Future. This means a lot for many reasons, but especially due to the great care Tony & Joanne's son, Zach, received there earlier this year during his bout with kidney cancer. Tony can't wait to get started learning about Children's mission and operation and, more importantly, how to help them continue achieving their goals.

CONGRATS

TO: **Collins McMurray**, daughter of **Dan & Melissa McMurray**, on winning the Miss Friendliest City Teen Pageant Award.

TO: **Glynnis Fisher Levitt**, CCIM, on her new position as AVP-Credit Officer II at Progress Bank.

TO: **Amber Kinney of Dunn Construction** (and wife of Cincinnati Insurance Co.'s David Kinney) on her recognition in Birmingham Magazine's 2017 Best of Bham as Best HR Professional.

TO: **Pet Vet Animal Hospital** in Vestavia Hills (Taz Truitt's home away from home) on recently celebrating their 18th anniversary.

TO: **Luke Newell of Dunn Building Company LLC.** on being included in this year's class of Leadership Vestavia Hills.

TO: **Michael Rogers Jr. of Mobile's Rogers & Willard Construction** on being named to the Auburn Alumni Association Board of Directors.



An Alabama Thanksgiving

Our Jean Wilson knows how to do things right. This Thanksgiving, Jean & Charles went with a group of friends on a mini-tour of the coast. They stayed on the beach in Gulf Shores, took the Mobile Bay Ferry over to Dauphin Island for a little fun, hit up the USS Alabama on the way back to the beach, stopped at Wind Creek in Atmore and STILL had time for a great Thanksgiving meal. What a trip!



Truitt's Brandon Baird (middle) out at Oak Mtn Amphitheater for the Florida-Georgia Line show.

Industry Tidbit

For 2016, Alabama ranked 7th with 4,294 lighting-related claims. Industry-wide, a total of 109,049 lightning claims were paid out costing insurance carriers over \$825,000,000.



CHALLENGE MET

Congrats to our Matt Denton for a HUGE accomplishment. Matt is a serious trail runner. He stepped up to the challenge of the Smoky Challenge Adventure Run (SCAR) this fall. All the SCAR asks of you is to run the length of the Appalachian Trail through the Smokies. On Oct 21st, Matt ran 72 miles (you are reading this correctly) over the course of 22 hours and 52 minutes. His trek included 12 hours of running in the dark, climbing over 19,000 feet of terrain, and carrying his food with him. That is a heck of a way to spend a day but shows Matt's commitment once he sets his mind to something. We want to congratulate, as well as thank, John Gregg who ran the first 40 miles with him along with Zach Andrews & Mike Atkins who helped him finish up the remaining 32.



BOO 22!

Thanks to everyone who came out to BOO 22, held once again at its long-time home, the B&A Warehouse. We had another really good crowd to help us support the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Alabama's Team-In-Training efforts. It was especially meaningful to us this year as one of our party's founders, Mike Walton, had his own battle with Leukemia this year. We are thrilled to report he is doing great but really brings home the point of why we do this. Come join us next year on Oct 28th!

We are looking forward to working with you in 2018!

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