

# Pennington, Mathis Join Chamber Staff



**MIKE PENNINGTON**

**DIRECTOR OF  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

*Greater Rome Chamber of  
Commerce President and CEO Al  
Hodge* announces that **Mike**

**Pennington** has been hired as the new *Director of Economic Development*.

Assisting clients with site location decisions, developing leads for local economic development organizations and marketing the benefits of Rome and Floyd County are all part of Mike Pennington's responsibilities as the Economic Development Director of the Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce.

Prior to joining the Chamber, Mike served as a Senior Project Manager for Georgia Electric Membership Corporation (GEMC). Mike was a project manager with the Georgia Department of Industry, Trade & Tourism in Atlanta. He is a member of the Southern Economic Development Council (SEDC), CoreNet Global and the Georgia Economic Developer's Association (GEDA), where he serves on the Board of Directors and as the Chairman of the Sponsorship Committee.

Mike is a graduate of Auburn University, where he received a bachelor's of science degree in international business. ■



**BROOKS MATHIS**

**DIRECTOR OF  
COMMUNICATIONS**

*Greater Rome Chamber of  
Commerce President and CEO Al  
Hodge* announces that

**Brooks Mathis** has been hired as the new *Director of Communications*.

Brooks has been hired to coordinate the publication of the *Directions Magazine*, the *Pinnacle Newsletter* and the website. He will also prepare and coordinate the quality of life magazine, map updates and assist in coordinating special projects and community relations.

Prior to his hire, Brooks interned with *Floyd Medical Center* in the Public Relations Department and the Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce.

Brooks is a recent graduate of *Shorter College*, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in public relations, with a minor in both communication leadership and journalism. While at Shorter he gained Public Relations Student of the Year, was a member of the Lambda Pi Eta Communication Honor Society and served as the President of the Chi Phi Fraternity. ■

## "Western Round-Up"

### 2005 Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce Membership Drive

**KICKOFF THURSDAY, MAY 5TH AT 12:00 NOON AT WESTERN SIZZLIN**

#### TEAM CAPTAINS

Cowboys

Mavericks

Buckaroos

Outlaws

Bandits

Wranglers

Durangos

Trailblazers

Ropers

Steers

**Ernie Studdard, Heritage Nissan**

**Randy Quick, Southern Broadcasting**

**Sandra Lindsey, SunTrust Bank**

**Diane Miller, United Community Bank**

**Cathy Kerce, JEM Sales**

**Rob Harbison, Peachtree Planning**

**Jan Ferguson, Ford, Gittings and Kane Jewelers**

**Rhonda Wallace, Citizens First Bank**

**Jim Powell, Coosa Valley Technical College**

**Tina Waggoner, AmSouth Bank**



If you would like to participate on any of the membership teams, please contact the Team Captain or the Chamber of Commerce at (706) 291-7663.