

## SPEED NETWORKING



A large group of Chamber members joined in the action of the Chamber's first-ever Speed Networking event. For more information on upcoming Speed Networking events, contact Alison Smith (LR, '04) at (706) 291-7663 or [asmith@romega.com](mailto:asmith@romega.com).

## PINNACLE POINTS

- Have you congratulated this year's Leadership Georgia participants yet? Congratulations to **Citizens First Bank's Angie Lewis** and **Ed Watters** of *Watters and Associates Landscape, The Village at Maplewood* and *Adventure Rome 'N Around*.
- Congratulations again to the *City of Rome*, which was officially honored in February as a *Signature Community* by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.
- Welcome to Rome – **Cari Gervin**, new bureau chief at *WGFB-FM, 97.7*, Rome's Georgia Public Broadcasting affiliate.
- **Rome Area Council for the Arts** will celebrate its 30th anniversary on March 27th at Fanfare 2007 at 6:30 at the *Coosa Country Club*.
- **Floyd Medical Center's** Echocardiography Laboratory has received accreditation by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Echocardiography Laboratories (ICAEL). Echocardiography helps to detect and manage many types of heart disease. "Accreditation puts Floyd at the forefront of echocardiography in Northwest Georgia," said **Mike Cornwell**, Director of Critical Care and Cardiovascular Services at Floyd. Only 22 echocardiography labs in Georgia are accredited by the ICAEL and Floyd.

## Young Professionals of Rome (YPRome) Kickoff Event

Tuesday, March 13th, 2007, 5:30 p.m.

Old Havana Cigar Company (upstairs)  
327 Broad Street, Rome, GA 30161

Focuses on professionals in their 20's and 30's, but all employees of Chamber member businesses are welcome. Please encourage your employees in their 20s and 30s to attend.

\$10.00 per person.

You may register online at [www.romega.com](http://www.romega.com), or pay at the door the night of the event.

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## Chamber Members Meet State Legislators in Atlanta

**G**reater Rome Chamber of Commerce members traveled to Atlanta on February 6th to meet state legislators as a part of the Chamber's Day at the Capitol. The Chamber delegation met with **Senator Preston Smith**, **Representative Barbara Massey Reece**, **Representative Barry Loudermilk**, **Representative Katie Dempsey (LR, '87)**, and **Representative Rick Crawford** over lunch and had a chance to tour the state capitol and learn more about the lawmaking process.

The group had the opportunity to discuss employer-friendly legislation, retention and recruitment of jobs for member businesses, transportation, education and aviation-related opportunities at **Richard B. Russell Regional Airport** due to the partnership between **Floyd County** and **Coosa Valley Technical College** that brings aviation technology and avionics classes to the airport through CVTC. ■



**Senator Preston Smith** addressed a group of more than 40 Chamber members during the annual Day at the Capitol event.