

Committee Focus:

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The *Education Committee* is one of several committees housed under the umbrella of the *Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce's Community Development Division*. It exists to foster teamwork within the community to support excellence in education and honors outstanding students in college preparatory and technical education for workforce preparation and development.

The Education Committee is heavily involved in several programs, including the *GOAL* and *STAR Awards* and the *Mid-Year Celebration of Education*.

The Georgia Occupational Award of Leadership (GOAL) recognizes outstanding students at technical colleges for academic excellence and personal achievement. In Floyd County, students at *Coosa Valley Technical College* are honored at an event that brings together business, government and industry leaders to celebrate technical education's impact on our workforce, prosperity and future.

The Student Teacher Achievement Recognition (STAR) honors outstanding scholars and the teachers who have been most influential in their academic development at each high school in Rome and Floyd County.

The Mid-Year Celebration of Education is an event that the Education Committee sponsors to celebrate the local education institutions and programs and to promote the achievements of local students. It is also the only event that the Chamber hosts to raise money for an outside entity – Communities in Schools.

Along with its involvement in events and awards programs, the Education Committee allows Chamber members to learn about educational systems on a local level and help shape the Chamber's education policies. Recent committee meetings have included tours of Floyd County and City of Rome schools; and in-

formation regarding apprenticeship programs, the Floyd County technical high school, and perspectives of a high school dropout.

The committee is making a positive impact on our community's future. With business people taking an interest in the education of the young people of our area, the students and the community will flourish. To take part in the Chamber's Education Committee, contact **Sam Freeman (LR, '95)**, Director of *Business and Industry Services* at the Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce, at 706-291-7663 or sfreeman@romega.com. 



Note: "LR" beside names in some articles indicates Leadership Rome Alumni.

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