

# Leadership *Vestavia Hills*

## Leadership Vestavia Hills Newsletter

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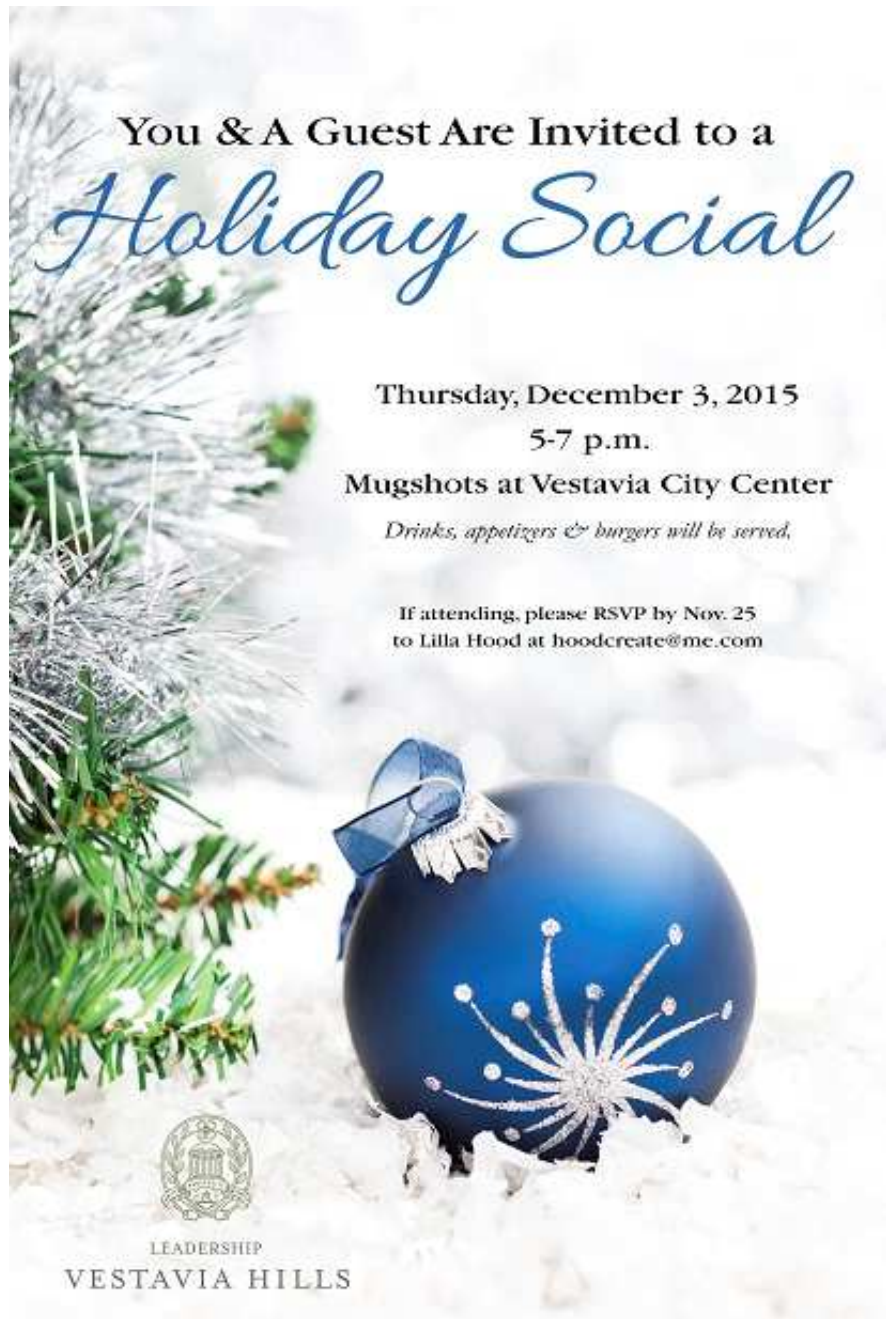
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The invitation card features a festive background with a silver tinsel garland on the left and a blue Christmas ornament with a silver starburst pattern on the right, set against a white, snowy background. The text is centered and reads: "You & A Guest Are Invited to a *Holiday Social*" in a mix of serif and cursive fonts. Below this, the date and time are listed: "Thursday, December 3, 2015 5-7 p.m." The location is "Mugshots at Vestavia City Center" and a note states "Drinks, appetizers & burgers will be served." An RSVP instruction follows: "If attending, please RSVP by Nov. 25 to Lilla Hood at [hoodcreate@me.com](mailto:hoodcreate@me.com)". At the bottom left of the card is the Leadership Vestavia Hills logo, which includes a circular seal with a building and the text "LEADERSHIP VESTAVIA HILLS" below it.

# LVH Calendar

**November 17**  
**LVH Alumni Council Meeting**  
**Chamber of Commerce Board Room**  
**5:00 p.m.**

**November 19  
LVH Board Meeting  
Chamber of Commerce Board Room  
7:45 a.m.**

**December 3  
Holiday Social  
Mugshots at Vestavia City Center  
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

## **Rebecca Olsen Member Spotlight**



Rebecca Olsen (Class of 2010) currently serves as President of Leadership Vestavia Hills. Before being named President-elect in 2014, she chaired the communications committee from 2012 - 2014 and has served on numerous other committees throughout her involvement with LVH.

Rebecca is an alumna of the University of Alabama at Birmingham where she earned a bachelor of science in public relations and communications. She is employed by RMS as a Southeast Senior Marketing Associate. RMS is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest accounting firm in the United States and 7<sup>th</sup> largest globally.

Before beginning her marketing career with professional service firms, Rebecca spent 10 years in the music industry. She lived in New York City

and worked for the independently-owned music label, Octone Records. The highlight of her career in the music industry was working with the band Maroon 5, who was signed to Octone in 2001. Rebecca and the small staff of 5 worked nonstop for over 2 years to "break" the band. Maroon 5's debut album, "Songs About Jane," sold nearly 3 million copies by the end of 2004 and won the Grammy's "Best New Artist" award in 2005.

Rebecca is married to John Olsen of Baltimore, Maryland. The couple met while Rebecca was working as a Marketing Director for several local radio stations. John has worked in the radio business his entire professional life and the two just celebrated their 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Their daughters - Ava (8) and Christine (5) - attend Vestavia Hills Elementary West.

A native of Pleasant Grove, Alabama, Rebecca returned to Alabama in 2007 after living in New York City for 6 years. After several months of house hunting, her family found a home in Vestavia Hills. Since then, Rebecca has devoted her spare time to learning more about our community and becoming involved in LVH. As she said, "LVH has given me an opportunity to do that in so many ways."

## **LVH 2015 - 2016 Class Schedule**

**Ann Hamiter and John Henley, Class Coordinators**

**Brian Davis and Shannon Stewart, Class Facilitators**

### **August 25, 2015**

#### **Welcome Reception - Mix and Mingle with Class**

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Pinnacle Bank

Sponsor: Contri Brothers

### **September 3, 2015**

#### **Introduction to LVH and History Day**

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Vestavia Hills Baptist Church

Sponsor: Judge Shanta Owens / Attorney Shera Grant

### **October 1, 2015**

#### **Leadership Boot Camp**

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

One Vestavia

Sponsor: Pinnacle Bank

### **November 5, 2015**

#### **Team Building Day**

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Board of Education Bldg. 2nd Floor

Sponsor: Asend Web Development

### **December 3, 2015**

#### **Economic Day**

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Board of Education Bldg. 2nd Floor  
Sponsor: Alagasco

**January 7, 2016**

**Government Day**

8:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Board of Education Bldg. 2nd Floor

Sponsor: Bomar Law Firm, LLC

**February 4, 2016**

**Quality of Life Day**

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Board of Education Bldg. 2nd Floor

Sponsor: Parks and Recreation Foundation

**March 3, 2016**

**Education Day**

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Board of Education Bldg. 1st Floor

Sponsor: Morgan Stanley

**April 7, 2016**

**Graduation Day**

8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Vestavia Country Club

Sponsor: Corporate Realty / The Elliott Firm, LLC

## Alumni in the News

Life Labs, founded by **Noelle Ward (Class of 2015)**, received the Alabama Enrichment Provider of the Year Award in October from Wish2Enrich, a nonprofit that partners with community organizations and schools to enrich the lives of children with hardships. Life Labs offers a series of workshops that teach children etiquette, internet safety, conversation skills, respect and other life lessons to help them succeed in life. To learn more about Life Labs workshops visit [www.thelifelabs.net](http://www.thelifelabs.net).

## Announcements

Visit the LVH website to see recent upgrades to the LVH webpage making it easier to access profiles and personal information. Logon to the webpage by using either your work email or home email address. If you want to change your logon, update your profile and create a user name. If you have forgotten your password or wish to change it, this can be done from the LVH website. If you have any questions or need assistance contact Donna Byrd at [dbyrd@waldinglaw.com](mailto:dbyrd@waldinglaw.com).

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