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33rd CLASS OF LEADERSHIP GWINNETT GRADUATES



DULUTH, GA – May 17, 2018 - Forty community leaders graduated from Leadership Gwinnett this month and joined the ranks of the 33-year-old civic engagement program. This group not only completed the nine-month program requirement, they also coordinated a campaign to donate over \$10,000 to the Leadership Gwinnett Scholarship Fund. This fund is critical to create more balanced classes inclusive of race, gender, profession, organization type and diversity of thought. These new graduates will continue to build networks, work collaboratively, address challenges, and develop new and viable solutions for community issues.

“We don’t have to look or think alike, we just have to have the passion to make a change,” said Kim Hartsock, Leadership Gwinnett Class of 2018.

Leadership Gwinnett produces a powerhouse of impactful community leaders and a thriving volunteer population that is more likely to serve on boards, volunteer, and give back to our community.

The Class of 2018:

Faraz Ahmed, Owner, Amitrace

Julian Arias, Director of Site Operations, Junior Achievement of Georgia

Josh Bare, CIO, Arbor-Nomics Turf Care (Norcross City Council)

Donald Bolin, Executive Director, Sequent Health Physician Partners, a subsidiary of Gwinnett Medical System

Bo Braswell, Customer Operations Manager, Georgia Power

IV Bray, Principal, Gwinnett School of Math, Science & Technology, Gwinnett County Public Schools

Mary Kate Chapman, Associate Executive Director, GUIDE, Inc.

Marc Cohen, VP, Global Marketing & Communications, ACS Group (Sugar Hill City Council)

Margaret Collier, Chief Administrative Officer, South Campus, Eastside Medical Center

Johnny Crist, Mayor, City of Lilburn

Hunter Cummings, Lead Pastor, Harvest Community Church of the Nazarene

Jennifer Fennell, Commercial and Industrial Marketing, Jackson Electric Membership Corporation

William Bo Ford, Jr., Principal, Brookwood High School, Gwinnett County Public Schools

Kim Hartsock, CPA, Partner, Warren Averett, LLC

David Hern, Director, Valuation Services, Alvarez & Marsal

Alex Hill, Supervisory Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Jonathan Holmes, Managing Partner, Mighty 8th Media

Catrina Jones, Founder, The Calena Firm

Russell Knick, Chief, Gwinnett County Fire & Emergency Services

Patience Mason, Director, Center for Student Affairs, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Georgia Campus

Brittany Mayweather, Teacher Leader/Educator, Mulberry Elementary School, Gwinnett County Public Schools

Kevin Middlebrooks, Client Service Manager & Project Manager, CH2M

John Orr, Manager, Transportation Access and Mobility Division, Atlanta Regional Commission

Ethan Pham, Attorney, Nguyen & Pham, LLC

Nicholas Reynolds, Volunteer Coordinator, Hi-Hope Service Center

Tonique Reynolds, DMD, Dentist, Family Smile Center, LLC

Felicia V. Robinson, CPA, Finance and Accounting Controller, Greater Atlanta Christian School

Chrissy Rosen, Executive Director of Individual Engagement, Georgia Gwinnett College

Mark Ross, Senior Vice President, Brand Mortgage

Robin Sansone, CPA, Tax Manager, Rhodes Young Black & Duncan

Linda Schoepf, Co-Owner/Community Coordinator, ABS Franchising/Little Caesars

Shelly Schwerzler, Development Manager, Gwinnett County Public Library

Stephanie Stewart, Project Manager, Xana Management

Randy Strunk, PE, Associate, Columbia Engineering and Services, Inc.

Jamey Toney, Certified Financial Planner, Country Financial

Ian Waller, Partner, Nichols, Cauley & Associates, LLC

Rachael Warnsley, Gwinnett County Engagement Director, United Way of Greater Atlanta

Brett West, Deputy Chief, Gwinnett County Police Department

Tadia Whitner, Judge, Juvenile Court, Gwinnett County

Jonathan Williamson, Financial Advisor, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc.

About Leadership Gwinnett

Leadership Gwinnett's vision is to build and sustain a community of effective leaders that will address current and future challenges and opportunities. Their mission is to educate, equip and engage existing and emerging leaders through a diversity of people, thoughts and experiences that lead Gwinnett to a better future.

Participants greatly understand civic and social issues, leverage their connections for Gwinnett's greater good, increase their circle of influence, engage in community service opportunities and develop a deep connection to the community. From its founding in 1985, over 1,100 individuals have graduated from Leadership Gwinnett.

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