



## EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

### Holiday Hours

DCO will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day\*. We hope you enjoy time off with your family!

\*Unless a department, location, or position of the company must operate on these days and stay available for customers. Please check with your manager to confirm your schedule.



### Virtual Cooking Class



On Nov. 12, DCO employees came together for a virtual cooking class hosted by Chef Shelby Matthews! Together, we made French 75's and Gambas al Ajillo (Spanish Garlic Shrimp). Here we all are showing off our finished dishes! 🍷

### DCO Donates \$6,030 to Local Communities

\$600 was given to Adrienne via Venmo or cash and she used those funds to purchase leftover items on the Open Hearts request list and gift cards to give to the foundation to fulfill items for other families. \$2,415 was taken from payroll deductions and given as cash from employees. This is a total of \$3,015 donated by employees alone. WOW!! The Company matched this dollar amount for a total of **\$6,030** going straight into the community. 🙌

Where did this money go? We focused on children, youth, and family this season. Here is a list of organizations that benefitted from YOUR donation and DCO Match:

**Bethany Christian Services of East Georgia** (sponsored multiple foster kids for the holidays)  
**Food Bank of NE Georgia** (Ending Hunger for Children fund)  
**Texas Baptist Children's Home** (local to Austin Texas, helping moms and children)  
**St. Joseph Church Giving Tree** (fulfilled hundreds of items for Athens area families in need)  
**Cornerstone Church** (Oxford House fund to build a new house for struggling local family)  
**Athens YMCA** (funding of services to assist children at after school programs)  
**Kipp Atlanta Collegiate Fund** (Atlanta area college students who were facing tough times)  
**Open Hearts Center** (to fulfill the needs of Family #2 for DCO)

So many individuals will be affected by your generosity this season. Thank you for your spirit of giving and for being a part of this effort!

### Floral Arrangement Workshop with Zeb Grant



We had such a blast with Interior Designer and Florist, Zeb Grant, and everyone who joined us at our workshop on Dec. 3! There were 30 attendees at this event at Lake Oconee! 🌿🌟 Shout out to Suzanne Taylor for spearheading the event with Zeb, as well as the Lake Oconee staff for coordinating the event.

## Staff Highlights

### BIRTHDAYS AND WORK ANNIVERSARIES

#### BIRTHDAYS



##### DECEMBER

Summer Brittain - Dec 01  
Richelle Ford - Dec 02  
David Muench - Dec 03  
Isaiah Oden - Dec 05  
LaChrisha Beard - Dec 08  
Jay Snead - Dec 10  
Daniel Armento - Dec 10  
Stacey Carthern - Dec 11  
Blandon Dean - Dec 12  
Joseph Taylor - Dec 18  
Jamie Williams - Dec 19  
Rico Beltran - Dec 22  
Josh Bolz - Dec 23  
Jeremy Friedman - Dec 26  
Angela Patton - Dec 26  
Nihad Siric - Dec 26  
Kristal Ortiz - Dec 27  
James Smith - Dec 28  
Chris Boyd - Dec 30  
Paul Dennis - Dec 31  
Justin Aldridge - Dec 31



##### JANUARY

Jamie Ivester - Jan 03  
Eric Vaughn - Jan 03  
Landry Solomon - Jan 03  
Keith Guest - Jan 05  
Daniel Newman - Jan 05  
Sean Harrison - Jan 05  
Andrew Rhodes - Jan 08  
Michael Shinall - Jan 08  
Chad Patrick - Jan 12  
Starr Tillman - Jan 14  
Danny Sanchez - Jan 15  
Isaac Ramos - Jan 15  
Todd Minish - Jan 17  
Jeffrey Thomas - Jan 19  
Melanie Griffin - Jan 22  
Ryan Baldwin - Jan 24  
Susan Vanderlinde - Jan 24  
Matthew Carawan - Jan 28  
Jason Smith - Jan 29  
Jack Gilliam - Jan 30  
Jeremy Kozup - Jan 30

#### ANNIVERSARIES



##### DECEMBER

Mathew Watkins - Dec 02 1  
Bryan Turk - Dec 04 - 3 years  
Casey Jo Hanson - Dec 04 - 16 years  
Nihad Siric - Dec 09 - 1 year  
Thomas Krieger - Dec 11 - 8 years  
Ben Eldridge - Dec 13 - 16 years  
Zabeau Small - Dec 13 - 14 years  
Evan Hicks - Dec 13 - 4 years  
Lenny Minter - Dec 19 - 4 years



##### JANUARY

Chad Patrick - Jan 01 - 9 years  
Curtis Blanton - Jan 01 - 20 years  
Jonda Sedlack - Jan 01 - 3 years  
Dharis Thomas - Jan 01 - 2 years  
James Conner - Jan 01 - 2 years  
David Newman - Jan 01 - 6 years  
James Smith - Jan 01 - 2 years  
Danny Sanchez - Jan 02 - 2 years  
Chase Dahlstrom - Jan 02 - 5 years  
Paul Dennis Jan 02 - 41 years  
Jeremy Prather - Jan 06 - 1 year  
Brett Williams - Jan 06 - 1 year  
Matt Fasick - Jan 06 - 1 year  
Steven Moody - Jan 06 - 1 year  
Danny Newman - Jan 07 - 5 years  
Kristina Hood - Jan 07 - 1 year  
Anthony Flaherty Jan 08 - 2 years  
Melvin Bolden - Jan 08 - 1 year  
Corbin Mintz - Jan 09 - 3 years  
Richard Minish - Jan 10 - 6 years  
Michael Shinall - Jan 15 - 14 years  
Christian Asare-Tuah - Jan 15 - 3 years  
Sonya Dills - Jan 16 - 4 years  
James Ivester - Jan 18 - 5 years  
William Rollins - Jan 20 - 1 year  
Mallory Cash - Jan 21 - 6 years  
Jeffrey Thomas - Jan 23 - 14 years  
Cathy Delaigle - Jan 23 - 3 years  
Rebecca Richard - Jan 23 - 3 years  
Chris Saye - Jan 25 - 10 years  
Eric Greenfield - Jan 28 - 2 years  
Kevin Brownlee - Jan 31 - 8 years

## Upcoming Events

### DCO CALENDAR

#### DCO Morning Brew

Grab a cup of coffee and tune in to see what's brewing at DCO. This is the last DCO Morning Brew of the year, so let's make it a good one! Oh - it's also National Ugly Sweater Day so wear your ugliest and most festive sweater!

**Friday, Dec. 18 at 9:30 AM**

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

