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WEDDING ALLIANCE OF NORTH GEORGIA MAKES DONATION TO AHS

The Wedding Alliance of North Georgia donated \$1,500 in December to the Alpharetta Historical Society (AHS). Funds were generated from vendors who participated in the inaugural Fall Wedding Expo held October 19, 2008, at the Mansell House and Gardens in Alpharetta. More than 100 brides attended the event where they were able to meet with over 60 experts who were on-hand to offer information about wedding-related products and services. Attendees were able to secure hotel accommodations for the event and for wedding guests; find wedding event facilities; receive advice on flowers and décor; explore invitation options; taste cakes and meet with catering specialists; and, see unique bridal gift selections.

“Having the Expo on the grounds of the Mansell House and Gardens brought attention to this unique vintage property as a charming event facility,” said Cathy Horvath, Events Manager for the Mansell House and Gardens and member of the Wedding Alliance of North Georgia Leadership Committee.

“Even greater was the donation from the Wedding Alliance of North Georgia to the Alpharetta Historical Society, the organization that manages this venue. It was a real blessing because the 99-year-old house needed a make-over and the entire interior is being repainted, thanks in part to these unexpected funds,” added Norman Broadwell, AHS President.

The Wedding Alliance of North Georgia was formed in 2008 and brings together vendors from all parts of a wedding to share leads and promote the events, services and businesses in North Georgia, relative to weddings. The Alpharetta Convention and Visitors Bureau is a member of the Leadership Committee for the Wedding Alliance of North Georgia.

The Alpharetta Convention and Visitors Bureau offers an array of complimentary wedding and special event planning services including: checking hotel availability and securing special rates for out-of-town guests; suggesting ceremony, reception, and rehearsal dinner locations, including facilities that allow outside catering services; referring caterers and other service providers; providing a FREE welcome bag for each hotel room booked, including discount coupons; providing entertainment and activity suggestions for guests to experience in and around Alpharetta during their visit. Call Candice Cocco at (678) 297-2811 for more information about these services.

The next Wedding Alliance of North Georgia Fall Bridal Expo will be held at the Mansell House and Gardens on October 18, 2009. Stay tuned for more information about this exciting event.

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