

McDonough couple to host financial-planning workshops

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A Henry County husband and wife team wants to help area residents learn more about financial planning.

A financial-planning workshop is scheduled for Thursday, from 6 p.m., to 7:45 p.m., at the McDonough Public Library, 1001 Florence McGarity Blvd. It will be hosted by Bill and Robbie Hampton, who operate an accounting financial services firm, at 157 Burke St., in Stockbridge.

Topics for the workshop will include tax strategies, getting out of debt, and improving credit scores.

"Our goal is to help our community build and maintain wealth, through offering tax services, accounting services, financial services such as retirement and college planning and insurance, and business development,"

said Robbie Hampton, 36. "One of our passions is to spread financial literacy to children and adults."

Robbie Hampton has worked in the accounting field for 15 years, and her husband, a former Wall Street executive, relocated to Henry County four years ago. She said she wants to teach people how to become financially secure for their own benefit, as well as that of future generations.

"When you impart the financial literacy, if someone gets the appropriate amount of insurance and — Heaven forbid — something happens to them, their family is going to be well off, as opposed to their family having to pay debts out of their other funds," she said. "If people plan for retirement, they'll be better off later on in life," the accountant said.

Bill Hampton, 46, said the couple's service is vital in

today's world. Many children do not learn concepts of financial literacy, unless the instruction is given at home, he said.

"When they become adults, they sometimes don't make the best financial decisions," he said. "We try to make sure we can coach them and empower them to make sound financial decisions, that can lead to home ownership, lead to retirement, and lead to reduction of debt. We do that through community service — by going to a library and doing complimentary workshops."

In addition to running a business for nearly a year, the couple volunteers their time with Junior Achievement, an organization geared toward teaching young people about money matters.

Additional workshops hosted by the Hamptons are



Photo by Jason A. Smith
Robbie Hampton (left) and her husband, Bill, operate a financial services firm in Stockbridge. They will host a financial-planning workshop, Thursday, for adults and young people.

scheduled in the coming weeks, including one on Sept. 8, from 6 p.m., to 7:45 p.m., at the Fairview Public Library, in Stockbridge, and another on Oct. 1, from 10:30 a.m., to 12:30 p.m., at the Southwest Atlanta Public Library.

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