**Habersham Economic Development Organization Project Meeting**

On November 18th, Habersham leaders traveled to UGA’s Carl Vinson Institute of Government to discuss an Archway project aimed at creating a new economic development organization. The new organization will potentially work with a steering committee to discuss the organizational structure of their economic development entities (Development Authority, Chamber, county staff and cities), with the goal of defining a new or revised structure in which all of the entities can work together effectively and efficiently.

**Habersham Obesity Initiative Fact Finding Tour**

UGA faculty members Drs. Marsha Davis and Sue Chapman visited Habersham conducting a resource inventory as part of Archway’s childhood obesity initiative. The tour included a perusal of community health assets and walkability. While in Habersham, UGA staff examined sidewalks and existing trails, and also talked with school nutrition staff members.

**December presentations**

Habersham Archway’s Executive Committee received presentations last week from three UGA graduate students and a University of North Georgia Professor. Students Brittany Eason, Elizabeth Elliott and Kevin Trexler presented plans for a proposed pedestrian bridge over Lake Tallulah, a restoration initiative for Mt. Airy’s historic schoolhouse and a marketing plan for the city of Cornelia, while Dr. Robert Michael discussed the University of North Georgia’s Regional Educational and Economic Development (REED) initiative.