

August 2010 Newsletter  
**Humboldt Chamber of Commerce**

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**Calendar of Events -August, 2010**

**5th...9:00 am Gibson County Workforce Development-Business Team at Humboldt Chamber**

**10th...8:00 am Downtown Business Association @ Peoples Furniture**

**17th...7:30 am Chamber Board Meeting**

**21st FFA Auction....Silent at 8:00, Main at 9:30, BBQ at 11:00**

**26th... 6:00 pm Chamber Membership Banquet..Humboldt General Hospital Conference Center...Candidate Forum (Gubernatorial and 8th Congressional District Position) [See article in this issue for details](#)**

**Mondays @ 12:15 p.m. Pray4Humboldt (City Hall Basement)**

**[Save the Dates:](#)**

**October 14th....Humboldt General Hospital Healthcare Foundation Gala**

**5:30 pm, Social Hour & Silent Auction, Dinner-6:30 pm, with entertainment to follow**

**December 2nd- 6:00 pm....Christmas at Bailey Park**

**February 2, 2011...Harlem Ambassadors in Humboldt (will play a local team)  
(Call the Humboldt Chamber for additional information)**

**Chamber Banquet**

You will want to be sure to attend this year's Chamber Banquet, scheduled for Thursday, August 26th, at the Humboldt General Hospital Conference Center. The doors and food lines will open at 6:00 pm as we prepare for a forum among the Democratic and Republican candidates for the Gubernatorial and 8th District Congressional Races. We have asked that they present an overview of their platforms on service to business and industry. In other words what can we expect if they are elected? We have also asked that they tell us how they might best attract new business and industry to our State, especially to West Tennessee.

Call the Chamber office to reserve your seats or a table.

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## Humboldt City Schools

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, my tours of East Elementary and Humboldt Middle School were most interesting. A new term and concept to which I was introduced is "Promethean Board", an interactive teaching tool in the East Elementary classroom of Mr. Doaks.

As per Jennifer Roten, "the Humboldt City School System is adding 38 Promethean boards to our schools after seeing the positive results we saw in our math labs-basically seeing that the cutting-edge technology held the attention of every student in the class, which is not an easy feat! Both elementary schools will be equipped with a Promethean Board in every classroom. Additional boards are being installed at the Middle School." Jennifer added, "Humboldt City Schools are going with the mindset to let technology be the foundation in every classroom to teach the Tennessee state standards."

There will be an additional laptop lab added to every school, so that puts the count up to about 3 laptop labs per school, that teachers can check out and instruct lessons with every child having a laptop for familiarization. The High School is getting an electronic benchmark test along with ACT prep and college and career readiness computer programs.

One of the related definitions for Promethean is "daringly original" or "creative"...this seems most appropriate as that is the attitude that prevails among the educators with whom I visited and as we consider the innovations being introduced into our schools. They are thinking "outside the box" about how they can provide outstanding educational opportunities for our students at every school in the Humboldt City School system.

Education is a community effort...your opportunity may be as a tutor, mentor, encourager...ask our school system...they'll find a place for you.

**LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX**

**The Department of Revenue collected and allocated (less administrative costs) the following funds for June, 2010.**



GIBSON COUNTY	\$69,334
TRENTON	\$85,361
BRADFORD	\$8,109
DYER	\$37,232
GIBSON	\$3,753
HUMBOLDT	\$215,723
MEDINA	\$13,159
MILAN	\$266,947
RUTHERFORD	\$11,385
YORKVILLE	\$236
KENTON	<u>\$7,854</u>
Total	\$719,094

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