

May 2010 Newsletter

Humboldt Chamber of Commerce

1200 Main Street,
Humboldt, Tennessee 38343
731-784-1842

www.humboldttnchamber.org

Established 1905

Home of the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival...since 1934!

www.wtsf.org

Calendar of Events -May, 2010

2nd- 8th... The West Tennessee Strawberry Festival (see www.wtsf.org)
10th... Leadership Gibson CountyCounty Government
11th... 8:00 am Downtown Business Association @ Peoples Furniture
11th...6:30 pm Viking/Tennessee Scholars Banquet
18th...7:30 am Humboldt Chamber Board of Directors
20th...1:00 to 4:30 pm Denise Newton, TSBDC Business Specialist at the Humboldt Chamber (call the Chamber for an appointment...Free and Confidential)
22nd...6:00 pm Mark Schultz Dinner Concert at Humboldt General Hospital Conference Center (call First Baptist-Humboldt or the Chamber office for tickets)
25th...Leadership Gibson County... Industry/Economic Community Development

Mondays @ 12:15 p.m. Pray4Humboldt (at the Abbey on Main)

Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m. Humboldt Library Story Time

Third Thursday...from 1-4:30 p.m. TSBDC Business Specialist at the Humboldt Chamber

Save the Dates:

June 18...Relay for Life in Humboldt

August 26th...6:30 p.m. Humboldt Chamber Membership Banquet

Please Note: The Humboldt Hall of Fame recognition and reception has been moved to First United Methodist Church...still On Thursday, May 6th at 5:30 PM.

Welcome New Chamber Members!

BYRD SOUTHERN RENTS

Owners: Jerry & Peggy Byrd

1061 Hwy. 45 Bypass

Jackson, TN 38301

Phone: (731) 664-6868

Fax: (731) 664-7710

Email: party@southernrents.com

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SOUTHERN PRIDE CATERING

Billy Trueman, Vice President

503 Baker Chapel Road

Medina, TN 38355

Phone: (731) 225-1925

Email: truemanbilly@yahoo.com

Catering & Concessions

CLOUD MACHINE, TOOL & FABRICATION, INC.

Bruce Cloud, President

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Humboldt, TN 38343

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Our members...the "lifeblood" of our Chamber!

Business Specialist Available to our Chamber Members

Through a partnership with the Tennessee Small Business Development Centers (TSBDC), the Chamber is able to offer free and confidential business advice for those planning to start a business or who simply want to "fine-tune" some aspect of an existing business.

Denise Newton will be in our office each 3rd Thursday of the month, from 1:00 p.m. till 4:30 p.m....**In May, she will be in our office on Thursday the 20th...**or if another time works better for you, contact the Chamber at 731-784-1842 or Ms. Newton at 731-587-7333.

We hope you will take advantage of this service or refer someone who might benefit from it.

It is another "Community Building Block" for existing and new businesses... and remember, "**All business is BIG BUSINESS in Humboldt!**"

The West Tennessee Strawberry Festival May 2nd -8th

The 73rd Festival kicks off on Sunday afternoon, May 2nd with a "Berry Festive Afternoon"...family fun on Main Street in the area around the Library. This and other events throughout the week are sure to capture your attention and provide a true West Tennessee Homecoming for family and friends.

Good food, the carnival, parades, the recipe contest, fireworks, the prayer breakfast, the checker tournament, barbecue cook-off, horse show, car show, Humboldt Hall of Fame inductions, tractor show, pet parade, 5k and 10k runs and of course the revues.

And this year the Christian Concert has been moved outside of Festival Week but still very much a Festival event. This year's concert features Mark Schultz in concert at the Humboldt Hospital Conference Center...the date is Saturday, May 22nd at 6:00 pm, a dinner concert this year. There are only 150 tickets remaining at \$30 each (or \$240 for a table of 8)...they're going fast so you'll want to pick yours up soon at First Baptist Church in Humboldt, Lifeway Christian Bookstore in Jackson, or at the Humboldt Chamber office.

For additional information about all of the events of this year's Festival, go to www.wtsf.org, or call or visit the Chamber office.

Further, if you would like to be involved in the 74th West Tennessee Strawberry Festival, call the Chamber office.

As you can see, there is a place for everyone...the success of the Festival depends on volunteers which is that which makes ours the longest running Festival in Tennessee and places Humboldt at the forefront of "community cooperation".

Chamber Board Elections

TO: Humboldt Chamber of Commerce Members
FROM: Gil Fletcher, Executive Director
DATE: April 28, 2010
SUBJECT: Nomination for Board of Directors Election

With the beginning of a new fiscal year approaching, it is time for the Humboldt Chamber of Commerce to accept nominations for representatives to be elected to the Board of Directors. Please nominate one representative from your business whose name will be placed on the election ballot. This ballot, which will contain the names of the nominees from all eligible Chamber memberships, will then be sent out to our Chamber membership for the election of five (5) new Board members to serve a two-year term for the fiscal years of 2010-2012. Please return your nomination form to the Chamber of Commerce via mail (Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, 1200 Main Street, Humboldt 38343); via fax (784-1573); in person; or you may email your membership's nominee to the Chamber at gil@humboldttnchamber.org not later than Wednesday, May 12th. The nominees of members in good standing will appear on a ballot for election, to be sent in June.

Note: A separate e mail with this nomination ballot will be sent to our membership for more convenient use...we appreciate your response!

LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX

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



GIBSON COUNTY	\$37,837
TRENTON	\$81,214
BRADFORD	\$6,812
DYER	\$30,304
GIBSON	\$3,628
HUMBOLDT	\$207,917
MEDINA	\$9,903
MILAN	\$240,218
RUTHERFORD	\$8,526
YORKVILLE	\$297
KENTON	<u>\$5,580</u>
TOTAL	\$632,236

2009-2010 Board of Directors:

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Roger Swaim, President - Cell Plus (Verizon)
Gary Caraway, President-elect- Caraway Motor Company
Jessica Alsobrook-Pritchard Realty
Jocelyn Bundy-The Bank of Humboldt
Terri Crider-Flippin & Atkins PC
Dwayne Curtis-Delta Contracting Company, LLC
Harry Davidson-Peoples Furniture
Laurie Gamble-Strawberry Festival President
John Hale-First State Insurance
Larry Johnson-Mid South Industrial, Inc
Ralph Jones, III-Jones Companies, LTD.
Greer Lashlee-Lashlee-Rich, Inc.
Michael Longmire-Humboldt Plaza 3 Theater
Matt McLean-Humboldt Higher Education Center
Joan Smith-Coldwell Banker Creswell Realty
Randy Terry-State Farm Insurance
Jared Wilkerson-Professional Cuts Barber Shop
Jennifer Wilson - Dwight Hawks Law Firm
Roger Ziegler-Edward Jones
Mayor Allen Barker - City Liaison
Ex Officio: Janeice Frisbee-BancorpSouth

Chamber Staff:

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