



WEAKLEY COUNTY CHAMBER NEWS



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2010 First State Youth Leadership Class Begins Sessions



The First State Youth Leadership Class of 2010 with UT Martin Chancellor Tom Rakes

First State Youth Leadership of Weakley County Board of Directors is pleased to announce the Class of 2010.

First State Youth Leadership of Weakley County is a countywide youth leadership training program for sophomores. The program provides students educational sessions to encourage involvement in the community, improve decisions making, promote leadership roles, and create awareness about the challenges Weakley County face. The educational sessions are led by local, regional, and state professionals that share knowledge and experience. The purpose of the First State Youth Leadership is to allow students that have demonstrated leadership skills the opportunity to learn more about the community and to enhance his/her leadership roles. All class participants will attend workshops and field trips through out the next eight months. The 2010 Class will receive high school credit. The accreditation process is a result of the work and endeavors from members of the Weakley County School System, in partnership with the Weakley County Chamber of Commerce. This is a goal many communities strive to achieve. This accredited program is recognized through the State of Tennessee and the Governor's Three Star Program.

The students selected have many praises, concerns, and desires for change to make Weakley County a better community. Participating in First State Youth Leadership Class of 2010 are:

Dresden: Monica Bell, Alexandria Glisson, Allie Phillips, Ty Roberts, Tiana Winstead,

Gleason: Steven Byas, Gabe Lowrance, Cole Verdell, Conner Verdell, Samantha Verdell

Greenfield: Heath Crouse, Dylan Davidson, Taylor Hatcher, Abbey McDaniel, Andrea Smith

Westview: Katelyn Bowen, Abby Butler, Juakerra Davis, Rachel Samuel, Zoe Stringer



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Shop Weakley County First

The holidays are quickly approaching and why not avoid the hustle and bustle of big city shopping by shopping here at home in Weakley County. The Weakley County Chamber of Commerce offers Chamber Gift Certificates available for any amount that are redeemable at participating businesses throughout Weakley County. Chamber Gift Certificates are perfect gifts for employees or those friends or relatives that have it all. For more information on purchasing gift certificates or for a list of participating businesses, call the Chamber office at 364-3787.

From the President

Hello Everyone!

The Chamber is now in its fifth month of the 2009 - 2010 fiscal year. A lot of exciting things are happening!

I would like to welcome all the new Chamber members who have joined so far this year. You are now part of a 400 member family working together to make Weakley County a prosperous community.

Thanks to everyone who bought advertising spots on the new Weakley County map. Your partnership will make this map just as successful as the last.

The Chamber Christmas Reception will be Thursday, December 10, 2009, from 5 - 7 pm at the Dresden Elks Lodge. This year's reception will be sponsored by the City of Greenfield. Everyone is invited to attend. This is a great opportunity to enjoy good food, music, and fellowship with other Chamber members.

I want to invite and encourage everyone to "**Shop Weakley County First**". By supporting our local businesses with shopping at home, we will each be doing our part to **Keep Weakley County Strong!**

Finally, on behalf of the Weakley County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and Chamber staff, I would like to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year! We hope you are blessed with lots of love, joy, and happiness through the rest of 2009 and all through 2010!!

Sincerely,

Randy Huffstetler, Jr., Chamber President



Important Date

Mark your calendars for this year's Christmas Reception.

It will be Thursday, December 10th,
from 5:00 to 7:00 pm
at the Dresden Elks Lodge.



Calendar of Events

November 7
10:00 am



2nd Ann. Veterans Day
Parade
Martin, TN



November 11

Veterans Day

November 14 - 15

Lions Club / Local 6 WPSD
53rd Annual
Telethon of Stars

November 17
5:30 pm

Chamber Board Meeting
Chamber Office

November 26 - 27



Thanksgiving
Chamber Office Closed



December 10 - 13

Santa's Village
W. TN Ag Pavilion,
Martin, TN



December 10

Chamber Christmas
Reception
Sponsored by:
City of Greenfield

December 24 - 25



Christmas
Chamber Office Closed



Recycle Events

E.W James & Sons Supermarkets are teaming up with Frontier Net to do recycling events on E.W. James lots in Martin and Dresden. The dates are:

Martin: November 14th

Dresden: November 21st

Events are on Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm.



Items to be taken for recycling include TV sets, computers, and telephones. For more information please contact Mr. David Sudberry with Frontier at (731) 587-9437.



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