



August 2010 Newsletter

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North Talladega County Leadership Program

The Greater Talladega Area Chamber of Commerce will launch its North Talladega County Leadership Program on the 2nd and 3rd of September with an orientation and team-building session at the Heritage Trail Conference Center in Fayetteville. There will be another class in September on the 16th and, thereafter, the class will meet the first Wednesday of every month through May 2011. Classes focus on City/County Government, Education, Economic Development, Healthcare/Non-profits, Lincoln/Munford, State Government, Law Enforcement/Judicial, and Quality of Life. With its networking opportunities and focus on leadership skills and community education, this program provides numerous opportunities for business leaders in the community. The 2010-2011 class is limited to fifteen participants and applications are due by August 25th. You can download an application and schedule from our website, www.talladegachamber.com or pick them up at the Chamber.

On your Mark, Get Set...

The Historic Lincoln 9th Annual 5K Run/Walk will be August 14th beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the historic Watson House at 285 Russell Road in Lincoln with the Children's Run/Walk immediately following. The event, sponsored by Lincoln area businesses and corporations, has evolved from 38 runners the first year to approximately 400 in 2009. Each entrant receives a goody bag, t-shirt, refreshments, and entry in drawings for cash and door prizes. If you register in advance, the entry fee is \$10 (registration forms are available at the Chamber) and \$12 the day of the race. For more info you can email historiclincoln5krun@yahoo.com or call Ray Pettis, 256-831-7853, Chad Houze, 256-506-5459, Jon Cullimore, 256-362-4180, or Mildred Trammell, 205-369-3519.

Chamber Coffees

The Employment and Work Experience Department at E.H. Gentry will be hosting our Chamber Coffee in August. The coffee will be **Wednesday, August 18th** at 9:00 a.m. in the cafetorium on the Gentry campus. The Gentry campus is located at 1150 Ft. Lashley Avenue (Highway 21, South). Coming from Talladega, after you go under the overpass, take the first turn on the right (brick columns), and that will lead you to the back parking lot. The Cafetorium is on the left at the glass doors.

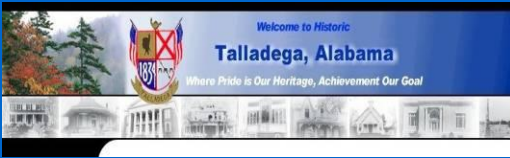
In September, our coffee will be hosted by Talladega High School Career Tech on **Wednesday, September 15th** at 9:30 a.m. in the Career Tech/Vocational Building.

Congratulations!

Miss LaQuacious Garrett was crowned Miss International Motorsports Hall of Fame on Saturday, July 24th. LaQuacious or Quay, as she is familiarly known, was one of our 2009-2010 Chamber Ambassadors and begins school at Auburn University this fall. Our Ambassador Program was well represented at the pageant with several current ambassadors giving their time (and Saturday night) to help with the pageant. Our ambassadors continue to excel, and we are exceedingly proud of them.

“Celebration of Caregivers” Gospel Concert August 6th

Talladega’s Comfort Care Hospice is planning a Gospel Concert featuring singers Janet Paschal and Ivan Parker on Friday, August 6, 2010 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Faith Worship Center on Highway 77 in Talladega. While the concert has been planned as a night of fun and fellowship for caregivers, anyone can attend. Admission is a canned food item to be donated to Talladega’s Red Door Kitchen. Comfort Care is seeking sponsors to help defray the cost of the concert, and any money raised over the cost will be donated to the American Cancer Society. If you are interested in making a donation of ANY amount, please call Candice Hightower of Comfort Care Hospice at 256-689-2044 or 256-761-1250.



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Yoga Workshop

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Selwood Farm, located at 706 Selwood Road in Alpine, will be hosting a Yoga Workshop for up to 25 students on Wednesday, August 11th from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The workshop will be on the farm and will end with a healthy lunch at the country house. Yoga Instructor Mary Lyn Jenkins will teach the class for all levels. For questions and more info, call 256-362-3961 or 425-220-7297.

July Chamber Membership Renewals

Talladega Airport Board
Historic Lincoln Preservation Foundation
United Way of North Talladega County
Sarrell Dental Center
Waites Concrete and Construction
Jim Preuitt Ford Mercury, Inc.
Keith Cleaning Service
Talladega Wal-Mart
Superior Machine & Pattern, Inc.
M2 Connections
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Welcoming New Members...

Estonia Manor Wellness Day Spa and Salon in Talladega had its grand opening July 12th – 16th. Owners Sharon Laros, Jill Peters, and Tharel Shirah invite you to come by their facility located at 207 North Street, East (the old Magnolia Restaurant building) to get the scoop on their luxurious services. For appointments, call 256-761-1420.

Dorothy Power joined the Chamber as an individual member. Ms. Power lives in Alpine at 22901 Alabama Highway 21.

Thank you, members, for your support, and please let us know how we can help you. We encourage all members to contact us with information you want included in the newsletter, email, or in the Community Events on our website. If we are not publicizing events that are important to you, please let us know. Also, let us know if any of your pertinent business information has changed or if you are not receiving information from us on a regular basis.

Dues can be paid by credit card now, if you prefer.

IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE:

August 6: Comfort Care Hospice presents "Celebration of Caregivers" Gospel Concert

August 7: 1st Saturday Market on the Square in Talladega

August 11: American Red Cross Blood Drive

August 11: Yoga Workshop at Selwood Farm

August 14: Historic Lincoln's 5K Run/Walk

August 18: Chamber Coffee hosted by Employment and Work Experience Department at E. H. Gentry

August 19: CPR Classes at the American Red Cross

August 20: Master Gardener Classes begin

August 25: Leadership Applications due

August 27: Movie Night at the library

August 25: Lincoln Business Associates Luncheon

September 2-3: Leadership Retreat

September 15: Chamber Coffee hosted by Talladega High School Career Tech

September 18 and 19: Lakeside Hospice's 3rd Annual Blues Fest and Car Show

September 24: Movie Night at the library

October 29: Movie Night at the library

October 29: AIDB's Race Fever

October 29-31: AMP Energy 500 Weekend at Talladega Superspeedway

November 17: Chamber Coffee hosted by the Talladega County Board of Education

December 11: 5K Run/Walk at Shocco Springs

1st & 3rd Monday of each month: Talladega City Council Meeting

2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month: Lincoln City Council Meeting

Armstrong-Osborne Public Library's Movie Nights

Movie Night at the library will continue through October with movies beginning at 5:00 p.m. Drinks and popcorn are free but remember to bring something to sit on. There will not be a November movie due to the holidays but there will be a special Christmas movie in December which will be announced later. The following is the upcoming schedule.

August 27: *Percy Jackson and the Olympians: the Lightning Thief*

September 24: *Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs*

October 29: *Where the Wild Things Are*

Live and Learn

The American Red Cross will be offering CPR Classes on Thursday, August 19th at 5:30 p.m. at the office on 140 North Court Street in Talladega. To register, call Betty at 256-362-2061.

The Talladega County Extension Office will teach Master Gardener Classes beginning August 20th. These classes will be every Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. through November 19th and will be held at the Extension Office at 132 North Court Street, Talladega. For more information, call the office at 256-362-6187.

Blues Fest and Car Show

Lakeside Hospice is planning its 3rd Annual Blues Fest and Car Show Fundraiser for September 18th and 19th at the Pell City Civic Center/Lakeside Park beginning at 10:00 a.m.

International recording artist Little G Weevil will be performing. Admission is free but donations are appreciated. Call Lakeside Director Ms. Beth Green at 205-884-1111 for more information. For car show entry, contact Terry Lee at 205-812-5312.

AMP Energy 500 Weekend

Race number 7 in the chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup comes to the Talladega Superspeedway October 29th – 31st.

On Friday the 29th, the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series will practice and qualify. Saturday brings the Mountain Dew 250 fueled by Fred's and the Food Giant/Food Land NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Qualifying. The Green Flag for the AMP Energy 500 will be 12:00 noon CST on Sunday, October 31st, and if you're attending this race you have an opportunity to purchase the AMP Energy Pit Tour Experience where drivers Jeff Gordon and Dale Earnhardt Jr. are scheduled to appear. For more information on this package, call 1-877-Go2DEGA or visit www.talladegasuperspeedway.com.

25th Annual Race Fever

This annual fundraiser, begun in 1986 by the late Bill France Jr., former NASCAR Chairman, has grown to become the largest source of unrestricted funds for the AIDB Foundation—due, in large part, to the support and coordination between the racing community, Talladega Superspeedway, and AIDB. This year the event will be Friday, October 29th at the SPEED Channel Dome in the International Motorsports Hall of Fame. The festivities begin at 5:00 p.m. with barbeque, entertainment, and live and silent auctions. And, of course, this is a golden opportunity to meet NASCAR legends who are always on hand at Race Fever to provide interviews and autographs. For tickets and more information, call 356-761-3317 or visit www.racefever.org.

Monthly Reminders

Talladega's First Saturday Market on the Square is the first Saturday of each month.

The Lincoln Business Associates meet the last Wednesday of each month at noon in Lincoln for a Dutch treat lunch. A speaker is scheduled each month. For more information, call Tina Seals at 205-763-0950.

The American Red Cross Monthly Blood Drive is the second Wednesday of each month at the Spring Street Recreation Center, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.



