

# Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce

## March 2010 E-Newsletter

### From the President's Desk

First of all I would like to thank Deborah Muessig for filling in for me at the February meeting when I was out of town. Although I had no doubts, I heard she did a fantastic job.

Thanks also to Kim for her hard work on the membership directories which are now available. She added some extra touches to this year's booklet that are very nice.

Well.... that's about all I have to say. While there may be some people who would argue that I ever have nothing to say, I don't always have anything of substance worth saying. Therefore the monthly President's report will usually be brief or possible absent all together.

Leaving it at that, I look forward to seeing everyone at March's meeting where we hope to have all the Mayoral candidates available for a little grilling -- I mean a little Q & A

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## WE NEED YOUR QUESTIONS!

Our March Chamber Luncheon will feature the candidates running for Smithville Mayor in the upcoming election. Your Chamber will be hosting the lunch and we hope you will use this opportunity to get your questions answered on the topics that are important to you! PLEASE submit all questions to the Chamber office prior to the meeting. Questions can be emailed to [smithvillechamber@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smithvillechamber@sbcglobal.net) or you can call the chamber office and give us your question. You can remain anonymous and your participation is important to the success of the meeting!



***Remember - your vote counts & we hope to see you at this important luncheon!***

# **Sponsor Spotlight**

## **Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce**

The Smithville Chamber of Commerce began as the Smithville Breakfast Club in January of 1976. The breakfast club was comprised of a small group of local business owners that met regularly at the Dairy Y. As we look back at the history, it is interesting to note William Parks was the first president of the "Chamber of Commerce" and we are fortunate enough to have his son, Berry Parks, serve as our president for the 2010 year. Like the Parks family, the Chamber has strived to support the community, its businesses and citizens and is committed to the future success of Smithville.

The name of the Breakfast Club was officially changed to the Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce in 1989. Since that time, it has served as the foundation of a business network of local merchants and citizens. The organization understands the value of social networking not only in helping area businesses and residents succeed but also in strengthening the community. It serves as an information center that answers questions concerning all facets of Smithville from businesses, products, services, and retail. In addition, potential new residents stop by to ask questions about the community, tourists stop in for visitor information and business owners pop in for numerous activities. The Chamber door is always open to people who want to see Smithville succeed!

*Thank you all for making this organization a success!*

### **News From The Executive Director**

The Chamber of Commerce's Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> at Heritage Park just past downtown Smithville at 10:00am sharp. We changed the location for this year's event in hopes that the egg hunters will hop on down to the Heritage District and enjoy Smithville after the event. Bring out the kids... eggs, candy and the Easter Bunny WILL be there!

*A special thanks to ABC-123 Learning Center  
who will be helping us out with the hunt again this year!*

CHECK OUT THE NEW CHAMBER WEBSITE! [www.smithvillechamber.org](http://www.smithvillechamber.org)

*Happy March! May it bring sunshine, warm breezes & no more snow!*

# Mark your calendars, datebooks & planners

## Candidate Forum,

Tuesday March 9, 2010 6:30pm  
Smithville High School Auditorium  
**SPONSOR:** Smithville Herald



## March 2010 Chamber Luncheon

Wednesday March 10, 2010 11:30am – 1:00pm  
Good Shepherd Catholic Church  
**SPONSOR:** Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce  
**PROGRAM:** Candidates for Mayor Q&A

## Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday March 27, 2010 10:00am SHARP  
Heritage Park just past downtown Smithville  
**SPONSOR:** Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce  
\*\* Please note the change in location from previous years \*\*

## Election Day

Tuesday April 6<sup>th</sup> *Make your vote count!*

## April 2010 Chamber Luncheon

Wednesday April 14, 2010 11:30am – 1:00pm  
Good Shepherd Catholic Church  
**SPONSOR:** Big V Country Mart  
**PROGRAM:** Smithville School District Business Appreciation

## City-Wide Garage Sale / Spring Sales

Saturday April 24, 2010  
City Wide Garage Sale Sponsored by the Smithville Lions Club  
Call George 532-6227 for questions / map information  
Spring Sales Sponsored by the Heritage Business District  
Call Cherrine with questions at 816-532-9898



**GOLFERS... MARK YOUR CALENDARS, PUT IN A TIME OFF REQUEST, GET RID OF THE WINTER BLAHS BY THINKING AHEAD TO HITTING THE LINKS FOR A GREAT CAUSE!**

17<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber Golf Classic  
Thursday June 10, 2010  
Paradise Pointe Golf Course  
Registration forms going out SOON!

Questions or comments? Contact us at...  
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