

Chamber Newsletter

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Saint Jean Industries Expansion



Governor Mike Beebe was on hand at Saint Jean Industries on January 15 to announce the expansion of Saint Jean Industries creating approximately 250 new jobs. Saint Jean manufactures high quality aluminum parts for the automotive industry at the plant in Heber Springs. “This expansion is happening in Heber Springs because of the work ethic and spirit of the Heber Springs workforce,” Governor Beebe said. “While Arkansas always works to make our state an attractive place to locate or expand a business, it is the local employees who determine the success of our economic development endeavors.” The general manager for the company the past 2 years, Yves Mayet, expressed his appreciation to the employees of the plant, the city, county and state of Arkansas, for their support, hard work and good will through the difficult economic times in 2009.

Business at Noon

The Browsing Post

1103 S. 7th Street

Wednesday, Feb. 10th

12:00-1:00 PM

Stop by and enjoy some great refreshments and networking!

A good time to remember your Valentine!



Business At Noon for January was hosted by the Humane Society of Heber Springs. Guests enjoyed refreshments, toured the facilities and heard about the adoption procedures. For more information call 362-7322.

FESTIVALS



Melisa Gardner is our new Heber Springs Area Chamber of Commerce Community Relations Director. She and her husband, Rick, have three boys, are the owners of Red River Music Company, and are Heber Springs natives. They have been very active in the community for many years. Melisa brings to her new role a knowledge and spirit for the Heber Springs area, small business experience and a desire to continue the excellent service the Chamber offers the community. She looks forward to working with the Board of Directors, City Officials, Chamber Members and the Heber Springs community in the planning, execution, and continuous improvement of all chamber sponsored events.

54th Annual Chamber Banquet



Geraldine McCurry was honored by Representative Lance Reynolds with this years **Distinguished Citizens Award**.



Carl Garner
received the
Hall of Honor Award

Ina Brown receives Service Excellence Award! In appreciation for all you have given to the Chamber. Your time, your enthusiasm, your professionalism and most importantly your eternal friendship. You will be greatly missed, but the work you have done for the community will always remain as a foundation to remind us that through volunteerism and dedication "Success" is possible in every endeavor!



Award Recipients include:

Past President, Todd Schroeder, Retiring Board Member, C.K. Rhodes, President's Award, Arlene Anderson and the **Governor's Volunteer Excellence Award** to **Chad Evans & C.K. Rhodes.**

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The chamber would like to thank the following businesses & individuals for their contributions to the banquet live auction: Heber Springs Mail Center & Emporium, Shelton's Jewelry & Gift Gallery, Ozark Country Market, KFFB 106.1 FM, Payton Chevrolet, Pontiac, Buick, City of Heber Springs, Walt Coleman, Dave Master & Nelson, McKenzie Realty. A Special "Thank You" to all the Volunteers, Chad Evans, John Payton, The Gardner Family, Tom's Florist and Red River Music Company for helping make this years banquet a great success !

A Salute to Chamber Members



We Salute Physical Therapy Services Of Cleburne County!

Physical Therapy Services of Cleburne County, Inc. is an Out Patient facility in Heber Springs for physical therapy in the areas of orthopedic rehab, soft tissue pain management, neurological and balance as well as hand therapy. Physical Therapy Services has been a Heber Springs Chamber of Commerce member for 20 years. Sheila states: "The Chamber of Commerce does a wonderful job of promoting Heber Springs with the goal of being an excellent place to live. This encourages quality people to make Heber Springs their recreation destination as well as permanent home. Physical Therapy Services of Cleburne County has had the privilege of serving this community's medical needs in the area of physical therapy for 20 years. We have been blessed to assist some of the most interesting people in reaching their goal of a full life physically. In completing our twentieth year in business, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the Chamber of Commerce, business owners and the fine people of this community for making Heber Springs the best community in Arkansas."

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