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Message From The Chairman

By Jeff Agee, 2011 Chairman of the Board

Wow! Take a look at all the activity and effort that is reflected in this brief report. Our staff, board and volunteers have been busy this year doing some amazing work on behalf of the community. From economic development to existing industry, tourism, downtown development, membership services, governmental affairs, transportation, agribusiness, education, regional development, workforce development, retail development, and on and on — and we're not done yet.



Since I became Chairman, I have really come to appreciate like never before the scope and the depth of our Chamber's activities. I hope you all share my strong belief that these efforts are worthy of our continued support.

Sincerely,

Jeff Agee

Message From The President

By Allen Hester, CCE, CEcD, President/CEO



The Chamber helps put the community's best foot forward to the world. We are unabashed in our enthusiasm, our pride and our belief in the bright future of Dyersburg and Dyer County. But we do more than just serve as community cheerleaders. We roll up our sleeves and get serious work done to make things better on many fronts, year in and year out. This report reflects the hard work of our Chamber staff, board and volunteers, who all work together throughout each year to make good things happen in Dyer County. Please read it – and ask yourself – if we didn't do these things, who would?

Thanks as always to our great staff team, Tammy Hall, Steve Guttery, Ellen Shelton, Tiffany Pride, Doris Smith and Bart Jowers, for all their hard work and dedication. And thanks from me to all our members and stakeholders for the opportunity to serve as your Chamber executive.

Allen tester

Happenings of Downtown Dyersburg and the River Park



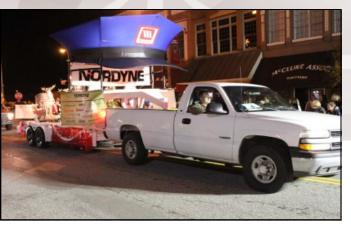
Main Street Farmers Market



Walkability Tour with Mark Fenton



Mississippi River Corridor-TN completes construction on the River Park's floating dock



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Fundraising efforts continued with a total of **\$741,000** now pledged over the three year period 2009-2011.

A total of **22 industry inquiries** were answered in 2011.

We are continuing to follow and execute our three-year plan for the Targeted and Prepared Community Program that began in 2009 following consulting work by Boyette Levy and

We continued our tourism efforts with support of the **DSCC Baseball/Softball Tournament** in May 2011, support for the **Dyersburg Duckfest** in August 2011, support for the **Halls Air Show** in September 2011, and support for the **Mississippi River Corridor Project** and related tourism events such as canoeing, hiking, bird watching, etc., with various forms of advertising and promo materials. Videos, print ads, brochures, etc., including the **Destination Dyersburg** magazine, which contains articles about tourism and cultural events.

The Chamber is continuing to support efforts to **promote the development of the Port** and assisting with utilizing the TIGER II grant.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, FORUMS:

- Tourism & Economic Development **Commission** quarterly meeting
- Southern Economic Development Council's annual meeting in Asheville,
- International Council of Shopping Centers TN-KY Idea Exchange in Louis-ville, KY.
- Tennessee Chamber of Commerce Executives in Johnson City
- •Tennessee Economic Development Council's annual meeting in Memphis •International Council of Shopping
- Centers Convention in Atlanta, GA. •Area Development Consultants Fo**rum** in Austin, TX.



The 2011 Industry Appreciation Picnic was held in May.

Ads placed this year in the following publications: Site Selection, Area Development, Business Facilities,

The **Tourism brochure** has been revised to include yearly calendar of events and distributed to area hotels, restaurants, etc. Tourism videos have been developed by Ken Teutsch of F3 Media and uploaded on the Chamber's YouTube channel.

The 2nd Annual Dyersburg **Duckfest** was hosted at the Dyer County Fairgrounds.

We completed a drawdown of \$25,000 of USDA Rural Development Grant funding and are implementing various grants from other sources to complete renovations to the Farmer's Market building and to construct a floating boat dock from which canoes and kayaks can be launched.

We attended the **Annual Governor's Conference on Tourism.**

We assisted with the "The Way We **Worked**" exhibit at the Dyer County



The 2nd Annual Dversburg Duckfest was held at the Dver County Fairgrounds.

Downtown Development

Joe Yates, Vice Chair

The Downtown Dyersburg Development Association completed the Yates Family stage at the Farmer's Market building.

The Downtown Dyersburg Development Association held the **Fall Festival in downtown Dyersburg**.

This year's **Farmer's Market** presented a record number of vendors and also incorporated the **Know Your Grower** initiative.

We completed the Floating Dock at the **River Park** as planned by MRC-T.

The Downtown Development committee completed the changeover to a growers **only market system** at the Main Street Farmers Market.

We completed a drawdown of approximately \$25,000 of USDA Rural Develop**ment Grant funding** for repairs to the Market Building.

Membership Development

Danny Watson, Vice Chair

The Chamber held the **Annual Membership Matters Luncheon** in August 2011 and featured several guest speakers.

The Chamber held the **Annual Mem**bershp Banquet and Awards Presentation in January and featured guest speaker Dr. Dale Henry.

The Chamber continues to host monthly 12 @ 12 luncheons for Chamber and prospective members to learn about current programs and member benefits.

The Chamber held a Holiday After Hours in the month of December that was open to all members and their guests.



CableONE's booth at the 2011 Chamber Business Expo held in April

The Chamber has held 14 Ribbon Cuttings for new members this year with assistance from our Diplomats, Mayors, and other dignitaries.

The Membership Development Com**mittee** held a membership campaign during the months of October and No-

Business Development

Don Crews, Vice Chair

The Chamber worked with the **Small Business Development Center** and Maleia Lee to host several **Small Business Development Workshops.** We will continue to hold Small Business Development Workshops throughout 2012 as well. Several new workshops are in the works and we are planning to celebrate Small Business week.

The Chamber's **Annual Business Expo** was held on April 28th with record breaking attendance by both vendors and visitors. There were over 150 vendors in attendance.

Web Based Membership Database:

Chamber staff have met with individual small business members to provide one-on-one training as to how to setup their membership portal that allows for enhanced website benefits related to search engine optimization, uploading of photos related to business products/services, and an integrated Google map.

The Chamber awarded two local small businesses Business of the Year Award at the **2011 Annual Banquet**.

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Existing Industry

Bill Reffert, Vice Chair

The Chamber continued involvement with **Workers Comp** issues and facilitated industry roundtable meetings to discuss the issues and to inform all members.

We continue to conduct an assessment of local industries to better understand their present issues and determine how we can assist them.

The Chamber continues to encourage plant tours of local industry as a component of **Existing Industry** Roundtable meetings. Paul Fassbender from ECD was a speaker.

We executed the **Annual Industry** Appreciation Cookout and encouraged more participation. Held on May 19th with a good turnout. Kingsley Brock, Assistant Commissioner for Business Development for the State of Tennessee, was the speaker.

We conducted the **Annual Wage** and Benefit Survey with guidance from HR Managers. Completed in February of 2011 with good participation.

We attended Industry Roundtable with Governor Haslam in Paris. TN.

Dyer County Adult Leadership is led on a tour of the State Capital by State Representative Bill Sanderson.

Retail Development

Ben Edwards, Vice Chair

The Retail Team met with guests Shawn Massey and Lacy Beasley of the **Shopping** Center group and gave a tour of retail sites in Dversburg.

We are continuing to work with the Dyersburg Planning commission to identify zoning for desirable sites for commercial activities.

The Chamber has continued to gather, maintain, and update relevant retail information.

We attended ICSC Events to get face-toface meetings with retail prospects.

The community saw **new developments:** Dairy Queen, USA Drug, Chick-fil-a, Burkes Outlet, and Big Lots.

Governmental & Legislative

Bob Kirk, Vice Chair

We continue to meet periodically with City and County government officials to educate them on Chamber activities and goals

We held a **Legislative Coffee** at the Lannom Center whenever legislators were available and continue to do so.

We continue our partnering efforts with other organiza**tions** that engage in legislative affairs.

Agribusiness

Eddie Anderson, Vice Chair

The Chamber's Agriculture Committee assembled and local farmers shared infor**mation** from the areas they concentrate on. Cotton, soybeans, wheat, cattle and farm fuel suppliers all compared notes as they face the challenge of feeding America.

We held quarterly Agribusiness Committee meetings.

The committee resolved to pursue the regional farm-to-table program.

The Chamber assisted with and helped to facilitate the **second** annual Dyersburg Duckfest.



Community Development

Paul Carson, Vice Chair

The Chamber submitted a **5-year Strate**gic Plan and Resolutions to Dyer County Commissioners as part of the annual Three Star recertification process.

The Chamber staff attended the **Annual Governor's Conference on Economic and Community Development** where Dyer County was certified as Benchmark II for the Three Star program.

In May 2011, the Chamber graduated over **32 Youth Leadership participants**; over 39 youth were selected for the 2011-2012 program.

In June 2011, the Chamber graduated approximately **12 Adult Leadership participants**, with **14 new participants**.

The Chamber continues to work with a regional grant writer to **provide grant** writing assistance for community wide projects.

We completed the application process for Main Street Green Streets Grant, received \$50,000 from the USDA Grant for the Main Street Farmers Market, and facilitated an \$80,000 community grant from TDEC for the River Front/Canoe Launch.

The Chamber partnered with Dyer County YMCA and Y-USA for the **Pioneering Healthy Communities initiative**. This program is designed to advocate healthier lifestyles through environmental change.

Educational Development

Dr. Karen Bowyer, Vice Chair

We continue to promote the **Dual En- rollment** program in high school and encouraging the use of technology to address limited space at the Tennessee Technology Center and at Dyersburg State Community College.

The Chamber also encouraged City and County officials to continue to fund the **Dyer County Promise Scholarship** for all high school and GED graduates in Dyer County.

The Chamber continues to promote the **Adult Education Program** in Dyer County.

Transportation

John Ford, Vice Chair

The Chamber worked on **building positive relationships** with the newly elected Governor and legislators and will continue to do so.



Dyer County Adult Leadership works through training courses at Camp Mack Morris.

We are working to improve access to the **Port at Cates Landing** by improving State Route 22 **and widening US Highway 78.**

We are continuing to seek ways of **strengthening local airport services.**

The Chamber continues to participate in the Regional Infrastructure Assessment study and The Regional Logistics Council.

We are working with TDOT to accommodate prospective industry in the Industrial Park.

Regional Development

David Hayes, Vice Chair

The Chamber attended a meeting in Union City, TN to discuss regional marketing efforts and helped finalize the NWTN Regional Strategic Plan.

The Chamber continues to develop a **Regional Transportation** plan to take benefit of the Mississippi River Bridge, Port at Cates Landing, and I-69.

We continue to develop a **Regional Agribusiness Task Force**.

Healthcare Industry

Russell Pigg, Vice Chair

We are positioning ourselves to **be more regional** in working with Ripley, Union City, and Bootheel counties.

We are recruiting for Orthopedics, Neurology, ENT, Cardiology, Internal Medicine, and Family Practice.

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