

Greater Tallassee Area Chamber of Commerce

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TALLASSEE NOW!

TALLASSEE NOW! will be selling barbeque plates again on Saturday, July 18, at 3 p.m., corner of Barnett Boulevard and Ann Avenue in downtown Tallassee. Cost will be \$7 per plate; however, bring a receipt showing \$25 of retail purchases IN Tallassee on the DAY of the barbeque, and the cost will be \$2. No more than five plates per family may be purchased at \$2. THE RECEIPTS MUST BE DATED JULY 18TH.

We will also be selling camp stew--\$3 for 8 ounce serving.

Rain check coupons which were issued at the June 13th event will be honored that day.

We are coordinating this TALLASSEE NOW! event with the annual Street Dance sponsored by the Talisi Historical Society. We will have a barbeque sandwich shop at 209 James Street, and will begin serving sandwiches there at 5 p.m.

The Babe Ruth State Tournament—13-15 year olds—will be held in Tallassee on July 17-20, and is expected to bring hundreds of players, families, and fans from across the state into our City. We hope to attract some of these visitors to downtown to enjoy the barbeque as well as the Street Dance.

We NEED volunteers to help with the TALLASSEE NOW! event. Please call the Chamber office, 283-5151, and let us know when you will be available to help.

EVENTS

Babe Ruth State Tournament	July 17, 18 & 20
Street Dance	July 18
Tax Free Weekend	August 7 & 8
Trade Day	October 17
VFW Parade	November 7
Civil War Reenactment Battle for the Armory	November 14 & 15
Christmas Tree Lighting	December 4
Christmas Parade	December 5
Chamber Luncheon	December 11

CHAMBER CHATS

July 30, 2009, 6 p.m.
Mitchell Veterinarian Clinic, Dr. Michelle Mitchell
Gilmer Avenue
Tallassee

August 27, 2009, 6 p.m.
City of Tallassee Schools and Michael Butler, WTLS
Field House, Tallassee Football Stadium
Tallassee

September 15, 2009, 6 p.m.
BankTrust
Bank Annex on King Street
Tallassee

October 20, 2009, 6 p.m.
Ben Atkinson Motors, Inc.
1616-1618 Gilmer Avenue
Tallassee

November (date to be announced)
Studio B, Brooke Rigsby
1220 Gilmer Avenue
Tallassee

CHAMBER BENEFITS

More support from the media. In a previous memo you were told about discounts **to chamber members!!** The offer was from WACQ, WTLS radios and *The Tallasse Tribune*. That same offer was extended by *The Wetumpka Herald* and *The Eclectic Observer*. The following offers exist from April 1 through August 31, 2009 on new advertisements—Buy one get one free at both WACQ and WTLS and a ten percent discount on ads placed in *The Tallasse Tribune*, *The Wetumpka Herald* and *The Eclectic Observer*.

LITHOGRAPHS

The Board of Directors has authorized a 50 percent discount on our remaining lithographs. Please call 283-5151 for more information concerning this.

TRADE DAY

Trade Day will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2009. Applications have been mailed to last year's vendors. If you know of anyone who would like to have a booth, please call the Chamber office---283-5151.

Brooke Rigsby, Chair Person
Trade Day

BEAUTIFY TALLASSEE NOW!

The greater Tallasse Area Chamber of Commerce's Beautification Committee has been working since Spring to help support efforts of the city and initiate projects to help beautify the City of Tallasse.

The Beautify Tallasse NOW! weekend in May was a huge success with several tons of trash being brought in. Workshops were also held for people to learn gardening ideas. Several local businesses also partnered with the Chamber to offer discounts on plants for that weekend.

Current projects for the Beautification Committee include beautification of the downtown area by planting flowers in pots and cleaning up the downtown area. The Committee also hopes to begin work soon on beautifying the entryways into Tallasse.

Recognition of local "Yards of the Month" also continues with the most recent award going to the Weldon Family on Eubanks Drive.

We appreciate all of the community support as we have worked to Beautify Tallassee NOW! For any ideas or suggestions or if you would like to become a volunteer, please call the Chamber office at 283-5151.

Laura Leigh Peters, Chairperson

OTHER COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Talisi Historical Preservation Society

The THSP is very active in continuing restoration and preservation objectives. Meetings are the third Monday of every month at the Welcome Center, 6 p.m. The main fund raiser is the Street Dance, so we look forward to seeing you there!

McCraney-Cottle Arts Council

The McCraney-Cottle Arts Council is finalizing its 2009-2010 season. As usual, there will be great music and theater, and this year an Art Show as well. Look for the season schedule in our next Newsletter. For more information or to be added to the mailing list, call Missy Jones at 252-8506.

Mount Vernon Theater

The Mount Vernon Theater will be open again for touring on July 18 from 3 until 5 p.m. We are hearing that GKN has expressed an interest in helping with the final work, and hope that other industries as well as individuals will come forward with their skills and talents. Dale Segrest is now a part of the group that is pushing to get the restoration completed.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Summer is here and your Chamber is in full swing. Our Chamber Chats have been great with each having a new host/location. We've been at the Community Library, Mount Vernon Theater, WACQ, Crain's Garden Center, Dale Segrest Law Office, and Tallassee Rehab. TALLASSEE NOW! was a success on June 13th, BUT it is not stopping there. It will be back—Saturday, July 18th. Thanks to Jason Griffith and his committee for the successful Golf Tournament. It looks like the web site will be up and running very soon. Y'all don't stop now; we are on a roll.

We had to say good-bye to Frelia Bush, Michael Pierce, and Mickey Shaw. We thank them for their support and wish them well. Penny Jones of Jones Sign Shop, LLC, has agreed to be one of the new board members. Welcome, Penny.

We will have an exhibit at the Alabama Advantage program of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs. This will be at the State Capitol July 20-24. Title of the exhibit is "The 5th Annual Living in Alabama Communities."

In the months to come we will be busy redefining the Chamber activities, continuing with our community projects, and selecting an Executive Director. The Chamber office will be open with volunteers 9-12, Monday thru Friday. Please let us hear from you with your needs and or suggestions---283-5151.

Thank you.

Ann Christian, President

