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### **Presidential Thoughts-February 2008...**

Many of us were disappointed when our January Membership Meeting was cancelled due to snow. It seems like the weather has dictated many of our activities this winter. We are delighted that Janet McRae, Director of the Miami County Economic Development has agreed to be our guest speaker again in March. Please mark your calendars to join us then. Janet welcomes your calls if you have questions before that time.

Our guest speaker for February is David Kerr, Kansas Secretary of Commerce. David is often quoted as saying, "...they don't have a negative impression of Kansas-they have no impression of Kansas at all." There is a campaign to aggressively market Kansas. Be sure to RSVP by Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> for this very informative meeting.

Don't forget to get registered for the Home and Business Expo. This will be a great opportunity to promote your business and the products and services you offer. You may want to think about advertising positions you may have open in your business as well. Don't forget to shop locally and "Think Spring Hill!"

#### **Welcome New Members**

SimpleCare, Walk in medical clinic, is designed to treat minor injuries and illnesses. Located at 22386 South Harrison in the BlackHawk Shopping Center, you may reach Dr. Joseph McDonnell at 913-592-2409, fax 913-592-2473 or email at [joeinkc@earthlink.net](mailto:joeinkc@earthlink.net).

Farm Bureau Financial Services, located in the BlackHawk Plaza is just opened the doors on Jan. 15th. Farm Bureau is a multi-line organization, if it can be insured; Kristin Goin can find a way to make it happen! Farm Bureau concentrates on personal home, auto, and life insurance, as well as disability and retirement products. They are very competitive in the farm market, from hobby farms to commercial operations. Kristin is the commercial agriculture specialist for our area and covers anything from equine operations to feedlots and hunting and guiding operations to dog kennels. Kristin Goin can be reached at 913-592-2336 or fax 913-592-2360. Email her at [Kristin.Goin@fbfs.com](mailto:Kristin.Goin@fbfs.com).

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[jmcrac@miamicountyks.org](mailto:jmcrac@miamicountyks.org). Janet McRae, Economic Development Director, was scheduled as our Guest Speaker in January. She has been rescheduled to speak at our March Membership Meeting. If you are interested in contacting Janet about resources and opportunities you may contact her at (913) 294-4045 or at [jmcrac@miamicountyks.org](mailto:jmcrac@miamicountyks.org).

Perfect One Carpet Care, 20870 Barker. Michael is available to clean your carpets, furniture and drapes. Call Michael can be reached by phone 913- 709-5398. Email him at [ST3Mich@hotmail.com](mailto:ST3Mich@hotmail.com).

**Make sure to make your reservations for February 21st Membership Meeting!**

## HOME AND BUSINESS EXPO INFORMATION

The Ambassadors are busy organizing the Home and Business Expo scheduled for April 5, 2008 at the Spring Hill Elementary School on Webster. With the help of David Chrisjohn of Slice N Spice, we have added a grilling contest! We will have our first King of the Grill in Spring Hill. Sound like fun?

The excitement continues to grow as the plans are put together. We will have entertainment through the day from the community as well as the schools.

We are looking for more volunteers to help put this event together. If you would like to help please let us know. We need people to work on the sponsors committee, food and beverage, entertainment, the set up and much more. Come join the fun!

If you have any questions and suggestions, please call the Chamber office.

## LOOK WHO OUR SPONSORS ARE SO FAR!!

- ★ CULBERTSON ORGANIZATION, LLC.
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### Legislative Breakfast 2008

#### Event sponsors: Embarq, Spring Hill USD 230, Spring Hill Chamber of Commerce

Spring Hill Annual Legislative Breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from 7-9:00 am. At the Spring Hill Middle School (formerly the High School) Our Senators and Representatives will be available to update us on what is happening this year. Please RSVP by Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.

### CHAMBER ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008- Open House



**Spring Hill Family Dentistry**  
Kurt Echols, DDS

**Edward Jones Investments**  
Chad Shaddox, Marita Anderson

**Spring Hill Family Medicine**  
Dr. Jerad Widman



**Young Orthodontics**  
Dr. Andrew Young



**Metcalf Chiropractic**  
Dr. Matt Metcalf



**4 Elements**  
Eleanor Merritt

**FIRST FRIDAY DONUTS-FEBRUARY 1, 2008  
SIMPLECARE- DR. JOSEPH MCDONNELL**



**SHRC Hoop Clinic**

Hey No School Friday February 15  
Spring Hill Elementary  
300 S. Webster  
Grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, players will be divided by skill level  
9:00 am.-11:00 am.  
Fee: \$15

**Picture This**

Have Holiday pictures sitting in boxes? During the rest of winter let's Sort, Set OR Click. Each night will feature a different goal dealing with pictures.  
Tuesdays February 19 \*Sorting \$20  
February 26 \* Set/Grid \$20

March 4 Organizing Digitals \$10  
Register for all three for only \$35

**Co-ed Volleyball League**

Get your friends, neighbors, co-workers together for some fun.  
Ages: 16 & older  
Play- Sundays February 24-April 20  
Civic Center, 401 N. Madison  
Registration Deadline: Friday February 15  
Team Fee: \$125

**For more information call Spring Hill Recreation Commission at 592-2214 or visit the website at [springhillrec.org](http://springhillrec.org)**

# Calendar of Events

## February

Feb 18- President's Day observed

Feb 21- Membership Meeting 12-1:00 pm

**Guest Speaker-David Kerr, Kansas Secretary of commerce**

Feb 27-Chamber Day on the Hill

## March

March 1- 7-9:00pm-Legislative Breakfast

March 7- First Friday Donuts-Crown Realty, Steve Smyth 8-9:00

March 8<sup>th</sup>-**Ribbon Cutting**-Farm Bureau Financial Services-10:00 am

March 13- Chamber Board Meeting

March 20- Membership Meeting-**Guest Speaker, Janet McRae, Director-Miami Co Economic Development**

## April

April 4- First Friday Donuts-Salon Mystique 8-9:00

April 5- Home and Business Expo  
King of the Grill in Spring Hill

April 10- Board Meeting

April 17- Membership Meeting 12-1:00 pm

## May

May 2- First Friday Donuts Grace Community Church 8-9 am

May 8- Board Meeting 12-1 pm

May 15- General Membership Meeting 12-1 pm

May 26- Memorial Day – Chamber Office Closed

## June

June 6- First Friday Donuts Reece Nichols-Steve Wehner and Assoc. 8-9 am

June 12- Board Meeting 12-1 pm

June 14- City Garage Sale – All Day

June 19- General Membership Meeting 12-1 pm

## July

July 4- Independence Day – Chamber Office Closed

July 10 Board Meeting 12-1 pm

July 11 First Friday Donuts 8-9 am

July 17- NO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
**August**

Aug. 1- First Friday Donuts, Rec Commission, City of Spring Hill and Multi-Service Center 8-9 am

Aug. 14- Board Meeting 12-1 pm

Aug. 21 General Membership Meeting 12-1 pm

## September

Sept. 1- Labor Day – Chamber Office closed

Sept. 5- First Friday Donuts, First Option Bank 8-9 am

Sept. 11- Board Meeting 12-1 pm

Sept. 18- General Membership Meeting 12-1 pm

Sept. 20- Spring Hill Fall Festival – All Day

## October

Oct. 3- First Friday Donuts 8-9 am

Oct. 9- Board Meeting 12-1 pm

Oct. 13- Columbus Day – Chamber Office Closed

Oct. 16- General Membership Meeting 12-1 pm

## November

Nov. 4- ELECTION DAY – PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE

Nov. 7- First Friday Donuts 8-9 am

Nov. 10-ANNUAL DINNER 6-8:30 pm

Nov. 13 Board Meeting 12-1 pm

Nov. 20-NO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Nov. 27- Thanksgiving Day – Chamber Office Closed

## December

Dec. 5- First Friday Donuts – Perfect Details – 8-9 am

Dec. 11-Board Meeting 12-1 pm

Dec. 18- NO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Dec. 25- Christmas Day – Chamber Office Closed

Dec. 26- Chamber Office Closed

Dec. 31- Christmas Eve – Office may close early