



Breckinridge County Chamber of Commerce

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Sympathy is extended to
Mary Nell Bouvier
on the recent loss of her mother,
Janie Howard Jackson.

McGehee Insurance wants to let everyone know that the fire damage has been repaired and they are back in their former location at 118 Old US 60, Hardinsburg, KY

WELCOME THESE NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

Blackford-Breckinridge Baptist Association, Inc., 404 Elm Street, Cloverport, KY 40111 270-788-3241 provides ministry and administrative assistance to the 36 Southern Baptist Churches of our community. Email: thebaptistasoc@bellsouth.net, Website: www.bbbassoc.net

Breckinridge Bluegrass Music Association, 573 Finley Dowell Road, Hardinsburg, KY 40143, 270-580-4796 was established to preserve and promote bluegrass music in Breckinridge County. www.breckinridgebluegrass.com

Friends of Rough River Lake, Inc., 654 Out Post Road, Leitchfield, KY 42754 Works with the Corp of Engineers, and Rough River Dam State Resort Park to clean shorelines, promote tourism, and offer educational programs. Email: gillie.hust@friendsofroughriver.org, Website: www.friendsofroughriver.org

Thanks to the following members who continue to support the Chamber

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| American Legion Post #1 | Carolyn French |
| Atmos Energy Corporation | Carroll & Millicent Gibson |
| Barr Realty & Auction Co., Inc. | Irvington Heritage Council |
| Brandenburg Communications | Irvington Woman's Club |
| Jim & Dana Bland | Little Dave's Pizza, LLC |
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| Breckinridge-Grayson Program | Save Rite Drugs, Inc. |
| David & Linda Buchanan | Storms Electric, Inc. |
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| Desiree's | Trent Dowell Funeral Home |
| Farm Credit Services | U. S. 60 Body Shop |
| Freedom Cumberland Presbyterian Church | United Way of the Ohio Valley |
| | Wal-Mart, Inc. |

Board of Directors Election Ballots are due to be in the office by May 1st, must be postmarked by April 25th.

Friends of Rough River, Inc.

will meet Thursday, April 8, 7:00 pm, CDT,
at Rough River State Park!

For information: 270-257-2311 or 270-257-0744
www.friendsofroughriver.org

American Legion Post #1

will meet Thursday, April 8,
at Breckinridge County Community Center

For information: 270-756-2914

**Elizabethtown Community & Technical College
offers classes in Breckinridge County**

Leadership Strategies

Would you like a few pointers in how to effectively lead a productive team at work or in your volunteer activities? This course will teach you some of the basic principles of leadership, helping you to supervise others in a more effective manner. \$99

Hardinsburg	Instructor: TBA
Tues 4/13/2010-4/27/2010	5:00 PM-8:00 PM

They are also offering the following classes in Grayson County.

Time Management

All of us have the same amount of time each day. How we use that time is essential to our ability to be productive. Participants will learn to stop procrastinating and to be proactive in taking control of their time. \$25

Grayson County	Instructor: TBA
Thur 4/15/2010	5:30—7:30 PM

To Register

To register call 877-246-2322 ext 68700 or download the application from www.elizabethtown.kctcs.edu by clicking on the Workforce Solutions tab.

April 20 Chamber Breakfast

at Little Dave's Restaurant & Pizza,
9536 S Hwy 259, McDaniels, KY 40152

Sponsored by Breckinridge County Area Technology Center

Speaker: Trace Kirkwood with the Kentucky State Archives

Registration 7:00 AM, CDT Breakfast 7:30 AM, CDT

Cost is \$8 per person attending

Please RSVP by Friday, April 16

270-756-0268 or chamber@breckinridgecountyky.com

Upcoming Events at

Rough River Dam State Resort Park

for more information

Call Sheila Jones at the park at 270-257-2311
or 1-800-325-1713

Email sheila.jones@ky.gov

Bingo Luncheon!

Every Tuesday March– November!

(Lunch at 11:30 am, Bingo at 12:30 pm)

Bingo is back! Rough River offers a Tuesday Bingo Luncheon for adults 18 and over. Enjoy a discounted lunch buffet and then at 12:30 pm the fun begins with an exciting hour of BINGO! Gift certificates to our Gift shop are awarded as well as other prizes!

Bluegrass Friday Night! (Jam Sessions)

Friday, April 9th

Bring your instrument and come out and enjoy Jam Sessions in the Lodge from 6:00—9:00 PM! This is absolutely free. We will also offer a 10% off discount in the Dining Room if anyone would like to join us for Dinner!

Free Bowfishing 101 Seminar

Friday, April 16th , 6:00 –8:00 PM

Saturday, April 17th, 9:00 AM

The event includes classroom-style instruction as well as hands-on demonstrations. You will learn about the equipment, safe bowfishing practices, proper cleaning and disposal, and much more!

Once you're familiar with shooting, you'll target shoot with prizes awarded. There will be a meet and greet on Friday evening, with the seminar beginning on Saturday Morning.

(You do not have to attend Friday night, if you'd just like to take part on Saturday!)

St. Romuald Catholic Church Events

394 N Hwy 259, Hardinsburg, KY 40143

First Communion

April 18, 1:00 PM CDT

For information contact: 270-756-2356

American Red Cross-Breckinridge County

meeting

April 12, noon

at Breckinridge County Annex Building

525 Old Hwy 60, Hardinsburg, KY 40143

For information 270-256-2723

P. L. Kasey Senior Center Upcoming April Events*all times are Eastern Standard Time**<http://kaseycenter.dot5hosting.com>**for information & cost on any of these events call 270-547-4844*

Free light breakfast every Monday at 9:00 AM

Nutrition Bingo every Monday at 10:00 AM

"Walking Club" every Monday at 8:00 PM

Care Tenders every Tuesday at 11:00 AM

Tuesday and Thursday "Walking Club" and Exercise with Sharon
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Nutrition Bingo every Wednesday at 12:00 PM

Social Hour every Wednesday at 1:00 PM

Wii Bowling League, every Wednesday, 2:00 PM

Dinner served every Thursday evening 5:30 to 7:00 PM.

Carry-outs begin at 5:00 PM *Adults \$6 and children under 10 \$4***Pro-Tech Marine 8th Annual Boat Show**

Friday, May 14 thru Sunday, May 16

9:00 AM, CT to 5:00 PM, CT daily

Pro-Tech Marine's annual boat show and customer appreciation weekend is scheduled to run from Friday, May 14 to Sunday, May 16. There will be coffee and pastry's served each morning. Lunch will consist of barbecue catered from River Shack, hot dogs, and burgers cooked on the grill while you wait, side items such as baked beans, chips, soft drinks, fresh made popcorn, etc.

For more information contact: 270-257-2726 or visit www.protechautoandmarine.com

Hardinsburg Spring Clean Up

Heavy Trash Pick Up

April 28, 2010

\$30 per load

(regular size pickup)

For more information on items to be picked up contact
270-756-2213

World Equestrian Games Volunteers

Breckinridge County Tourism as part of the Kentucky Derby Region is requested to have 2 volunteers from Breckinridge County to work at the WEG. This event is in September. Breckinridge County's assigned day to work is the very first day, Saturday, September 25, 8 AM to 9 PM, EDT.

There will be a training for all volunteers as they want all volunteers to have a general knowledge of the Kentucky Derby Region which includes Louisville and the 15 counties which make up the region.

This volunteer time does not include entry into any of the venues.

If you are interested in working please contact
270-756-0268 or David Hayes at 270-756-2109.

"Build A Bed" across the state of Kentucky Project

Students from Breckinridge County Schools and Cloverport Community Schools are taking part in the "Build a Bed" project. The students are working with local churches, businesses, government agencies, interested citizens, Family Resource personnel, and Americorps. The students are collecting brand new twin size blankets for the new beds that are being built for Homeless shelters across the state. Although Breckinridge County does not have a shelter, all of our surrounding counties do.

It has been proven that when a child has a warm, comfortable, clean, proper place to rest, it can give them a boost of pride and confidence. This has a positive impact on the life of that person and they will perform better in school.

For more information at about when and where the blankets can be dropped off locally, please call 270-788-3388 ext 128. For general information on the "Build a Bed" project, go to build-a-bed.org or call 1-502-564-4986 ext 4037.

Breckinridge County Clothesline of Quilts

Committee is offering a 2010 calendar for \$7 each add \$2 if you wish to order by mail. These are available at the Chamber office or the Breckinridge County Extension Services Office.

For information 270-756-2182/0268

\$375 Sponsorship still needed for Duck Dash!

Chamber Events, Member News, Events & Opportunities

Advertising Opportunities available to Chamber members!

Map Ad Sales

are continuing for the reprint of the Breckinridge County Map

The ad sizes and pricing are full size 3.75" X 8.5", \$200, half-section 3.75" X 4", \$125, and business card size 3" X 2", \$150. You can also purchase a combination package including one full size and one business card size for \$275. The business card ads are on the front side of the map which contains the county map. The other ads are on the back side of the map which is the city side of the map.

The Breckinridge County Area Technology Center Desktop Publisher Class will be designing the ads for those businesses who don't already have ads ready to use.

For more information contact the Chamber Office.

The plan is for this project to be completed and ready to be distributed by May 15.

These prices are for Chamber members only!

Advertise your business on the Chamber Web site for \$1 per day

Don't forget to check out the POLL on the website!

The Chamber also offers business card advertising in the newsletter

Air Evac Life Team

Air Evac Life Team an independently owned, for-profit air ambulance provider, plans to open an office in Hardinsburg, in Breckinridge County, in June.

The company's offices typically can serve an area within a radius of 70 miles, said public relations specialist Todd Shanks, so the new office could serve parts of southeastern Jefferson County and Kentucky cities as far west as Owensboro, as well as Indiana cities as far north as English and Jasper.

The new base will be one of 91 in the company's network, the ninth in Kentucky and its farthest north.

Other Kentucky bases are in Hopkinsville, Albany, Middlesboro, Campbellsville, Bowling Green, Harlan, Danville and Whitley County.

The company is seeking applicants for jobs at the new base, which will have a staff of 12 to 15. Those interested can apply at www.lifeteam.net or call (800) 793-0010 for employment information.

Information for this article taken from Air Evac Life Team's website.

Chamber is in need of Sponsors for Chamber Breakfast in 2010

Sponsor the Chamber breakfast for \$100 and place/display your promotional materials on the tables. Then speak for 5 minutes and verbally promote your business to those in attendance.

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Veterans Assistance Officer to Assist Area Veterans

Jamie Berry,
Field Representative for the KY Dept of Veterans Affairs,
Is now at the Grayson County Veteran's Clinic
619 West Main Street
Clarkson, KY 42726
Monday thru Friday from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM
Thursday hours are 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Veterans and their families will be provided counseling and assistance in filing claims for state and federal benefits and assistance with enrollment into the VA Health Care system. This is a free service provided by the state of Kentucky.

Veterans should bring a copy of their DD214 (record of military service) with them, if they have it, and any other documents they feel could help with their claim. For further information, or if you have any questions, you may call 502-287-6414 or 866-653-8232 ext 56414.

Chamber Breakfast March 16, 2010

The breakfast held at Green Valley Restaurant in Irvington was sponsored by National Cooperative of Health Networks Association (NCHN) whose office is located at 400 South Main Street, Hardinsburg, Kentucky 40143. NCHN Executive Director Rebecca Davis explained to the 41 members and guest that NCHN is a national association of health networks and strategic partners. Their mission is to support and strengthen health alliances through collaboration, networking, leadership development, and education.



Kim Shrewsberry, the Family Resource Youth Service Center Director, at Hardinsburg Elementary School explained the Backpack program. It began at Hardinsburg Elementary in 2007 and became county wide in 2008.

Shrewsberry explained that there are a total of 2,147 students receiving either free or reduced meals daily. This is 65% of the total enrollment. Many of the students involved in the Backpack program receive the majority of their daily nourishment at school. The program is designed to help make sure that these students receive enough nourishment on the weekends. The food is placed in the students backpacks anonymously for them to take home. Any child may be part of the program, there is no verification required.

The food sent home with the students does not require cooking or refrigeration. The food includes shelf stable milk, raisins, cereals, peanut butter and crackers, fruit cups and pudding cups.

The food for this program is received from the Feeding America Program which stocks food pantries. The school district's food is stored at the Good Samaritan Center in Hardinsburg. The Good Samaritan Center purchases the food and the school district reimburses them for the food. The food cost \$80 per year per child.

There are local organizations and churches which help by either making regular donations to the Backpack Program or by sponsoring a child. For more information or to help with the Backpack Program contact 270-756-5066.

Farm City Dinner, March 4, once again a huge success!

The price was fantastic for the value of what you received. All 300 tickets for the annual event were sold. Those who attended enjoyed a meal consisting of baked chicken, ham, green beans, mashed potatoes with gravy, rolls, cake and cobbler plus beverage.

The meal was prepared by the high school lunchroom staff, with students from the 4-H Teen Club and FFA Organization helping to serve drinks. The Breckinridge Central EMS Honor Guard presented the colors and the national anthem was sung by Alison Chaney. Fr. Tony Bickett of St. Romuald gave the invocation.



Jonathan Boyd, president and COO of Breckinridge United gave an update on economic development and the function of Breckinridge United.

The guest speaker was Warren Beeler from neighboring Grayson County who is the director of the Division of Value-Added Animal and Aquaculture Production Programs in the state Department of Agriculture.

In his power-point presentation, Beeler used many facts and figures showing the USA had 42.2 percent of the total land being used for agriculture compared to 40.8 percent in 2007, a loss of 22 million acres of land.

In Kentucky, agriculture is a \$4.8 billion business with horses accounting for \$1.08 billion, poultry -\$917 million, corn-\$653 million, cattle and calves-\$57 million, soybeans-\$383 million, tobacco-\$370 million, dairy-\$237 million, hay-\$179 million, nursery-\$85 million, swine-\$83 million, vegetables -\$22 million.

Breckinridge County received \$3,245,866 in agriculture development funds and expended \$3,104,61. The number of farms increased from 1,443 in 2002 to 1,509 in 2007. Acreage in farms decreased by about 2,000 acres for the same time period. Harvested cropland increased by 2,600 acres during the 5 year period.

Beeler illustrated the fact that Breckinridge County ranks high among the 120 counties in production. Corn-1.83 bushels-rank 23

Soybeans-668,000 bushels-rank 22, Tobacco-4.5 million pounds-rank 3, Alfalfa hay-6,180 tons-rank 33, other hay-10,600 tons-rank 5, Cattle-42,000 head-rank 16, Beef-23,000 head-rank 6.

The cash receipt just for the agriculture is as follows: crops valued at \$26 million-rank 24, livestock value \$28 million-rank 23. The total value is \$54 million with a ranking of 24.

Beeler said, "Agriculture is an economic engine in Breckinridge County and this county is truly significant contributor to the state's agriculture.

Prizes were awarded to several lucky ticket holders. *(article compliments of The Herald News—David Hayes)*



Accent on membership —

Lincoln Trail Christian Church



Lincoln Trail Christian Church began when 22 individuals met at the home of Don Gutermuth to form a Christian Church in Irvington in 1976. The church continued to grow and purchased property at 508 Valley View Drive, Irvington, KY. The church held the first service in its building on January 1, 1989, having met in varying locations in Irvington prior to that.

Lincoln Trail Christian Church continues to be a community of men, women, and children, dedicated to living out the good news of Jesus Christ's love for us, through worship, prayer, and service to one another and to the community outside our walls.

It is understood that for some going to church can be intimidating. But don't worry--the community of faith at Lincoln Trail is made up of people just like you. They're not superhuman or spiritual giants, either. They have struggles, concerns, and hopes about what their lives should be, and they're prayerfully growing together, by the grace of God.



Sunday morning begins with Sunday School at 10 am, followed by an informal worship service at 11 am. All times are eastern (fast time). Please don't go shopping for a new suit or dress before you attend. Just come as you are, and please bring your kids. They've got programs for them, too--from children's sermons and Bible activity packets, plus lots of new friends for them to meet.

They also have midweek activities to help you grow: Bible studies, prayer meetings, and more.

There are plenty of ways to be involved at Lincoln Trail, but you'll never know what you're missing until you stop by and see for yourself.

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