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Kandi & Sherry
handing out candy



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Breckinridge County Chamber of Commerce

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Monday–Thursday
8:00–4:00 CDT
Closed daily 12:00–1:00
Closed Friday

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Pictured at right front row, from left-Jesse McCreesh, Aaron Pate, Tonia O'Reilly, Jessie Turpin-Gray, Cami Stewart. Back row from left, Justin Bryant, Alex Booty, Logan Melton, Matt Hanks, and Kyle Smith.

Chamber October Breakfast



The guest speaker at the October Chamber breakfast was Jody Wassmer, president of the Owensboro Chamber of Commerce. Wassmer was named Chamber Executive of the Year in 2007 and serves as President of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Executives Association. Wassmer is involved in C-LINK (Chamber Leadership Initiatives for Northwestern Kentucky). This is a group of 10 counties with representatives from 12 chambers of commerce working to get recognition and project funds for northwest Kentucky as a whole region in both Frankfort and Washington, D.C.

The 10 counties involved are Breckinridge, Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, McLean, Muhlenberg, Ohio, Union and Webster. The building of Interstate 69 through western Kentucky is the major regional project the group is lobbying for at this time. This proposed interstate will go from Michigan to Texas and offer better transportation for businesses and industry; it will involve building a new bridge across the Ohio River somewhere between Henderson and Owensboro. "County borders are not important any longer," said Wassmer as areas must work together in a global economy. This group is also supporting Breckinridge County's attempt to improve Hwy 86 to Elizabethtown.

C-LINK sponsored a legislator reception in Frankfort and plans are in the works for a lobbying trip to Washington, D.C. Nick Cambron, C-LINK chairman states "This is all about our collective voices being stronger than any one of us, and we really believe this ten-county alliance will gain some attention with lawmakers." The 12 chambers collectively have about 3,000 business members, and the 10 counties have a total population of more than 300,000 residents. The ten-county area is represented in Frankfort by four senators and eight representatives. Each of the chambers involved have 2 representatives on the C-LINK board. Chamber President David Schoenbachler and Breckinridge United's Jonathan Boyd are the representatives from Breckinridge County. Jody Wassmer thanked Breckinridge County for its support and involvement in C-LINK.

Thanks to the Cloverport Board of Education for the use of the conference room. Thanks to the Cloverport Lunchroom staff for providing a delicious meal and thanks to those who helped to serve the food. Thanks to the Cloverport Student Government Council for conducting the meeting.

**College Computer Classes/
Continuing Education**

If you could sign up for a computer class locally what would you like to take?

What type of continuing education would you like to see offered locally?

Please respond to 270-756-0268 or email chamber@breckinridgecountychamberky.com

Junior Achievement volunteers are needed to help teach classes in Business Ethics, the NEFE Financial Learning Program, and Banks in Action Program next spring, if you are interested or have some expertise in these areas please contact David Schoenbachler, 617-1910.

UNITED WAY INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Did you know that you can donate to United Way and have your dollars flow right back into Breckinridge County? Well, you can!

Did you know that you can donate to United Way and have your dollars sent to another county or state? Well, you can do that too! Perhaps your mother lives in another county or state, she receives services that are partially funded through United Way – and you want your money to go there – we can help you.

Breckinridge County people have a wonderful opportunity to help others throughout our community. Several community leaders have met with United Way staff and we feel it is time to have 'local people helping local people'. We already have commitments from several businesses and community leaders who will soon be having a United Way campaign.

On Tuesday, November 18 at 1:00 (CT) United Way staff will hold an informational meeting at the Breckinridge County Chamber office. (This meeting will last approximately 1 hour.)

Please come and join in to see how every dollar raised can make a difference in our communities of Breckinridge County.

If you have further questions, please call the chamber office @ 270-756-0268 or email chamber@breckinridgecountychamberky.com.

**PLEASE WELCOME
THESE
NEW CHAMBER
MEMBERS**

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**Jeff's Ballpark Barber Shop**  
owned & operated by Jeff Armstrong,  
187 Ballpark Road,  
Hardinsburg, KY 40143 offers quality  
haircuts in a smoke-free environment,  
with morning coffee & treats for the  
kids.

jeffandbim\_luv@yahoo.com  
270-230-5449

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Tom Winchell
941 S Hwy 105,
Hardinsburg, KY 40143

**Thanks to the following
members who continued to
support the Chamber**

Breckinridge County Extension
Office

Paul Edd & JoAnn Butler

City of Cloverport

Elizabethtown Community
& Technical College

Finley's Wireless

Hometown Auto

Hosparus

P. L. Kasey Center

Lucas Brothers Hardware

Mountain Laurel Lake

Powell Services
Jackson Hewitt Tax Service

Ryan Trucking, Company, Inc.

**CHAMBER BREAKFAST
SCHEDULE**

**Chamber Breakfast
November 18, 2008**

Rough River Dam State Resort Park

Speaker:

Susan Dyer

Holt House & Lincoln

Registration: 7:00 CDT,

Breakfast 7:30 CDT

Cost \$8.00 per person attending

RSVP by November 14, 2008

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**There will not be a breakfast in  
December.**

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**Please make plans to rejoin us in
Hardinsburg on
January 20, 2009
Irvington on
February 17, 2009
Rough River on
March 17, 2009 and
Cloverport on
April 21, 2009.**

These locations are tentative, so please watch for future emails and newsletters for the specific locations and speakers.

LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR I-69

The C-LINK group is asking anyone who would be willing to write & send letters to Senators McConnell and Bunning, and Congressman Ed Whitfield regarding the importance of federal funding for I-69 please contact Sherry at the Chamber for sample letters and addresses that these need to be sent to.

THANKS TO

**REAL DEAL REALTY, LLC
&
TEXAS GAS TRANSMISSION CORPORATION**
for helping provide candy for the little spooks, ghosts, goblins, and etc. who "Trick or Treated" downtown Thursday, October 30.

CHAMBER MEMBER NEWS, INFORMATION & UPCOMING EVENTS

Breckinridge Central EMS Code 3 cookbooks are available for \$13.00 each.

Contact 756-2367 or 668-7720 for information on where to purchase a copy for yourself and as a gift for someone.

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**Breckinridge County Clothesline of Quilts** is seeking groups or individuals who would be willing to help paint the boards which make up the quilt blocks. These blocks are being hung on barns throughout Breckinridge County.

The Clothesline of Quilts committee also still has sun catchers for sale. These would make GREAT Christmas gifts.

For information or to volunteer contact  
Katie 270-756-2182

at Breckinridge County Extension Services Office,  
or Sherry 270-756-0268 at the  
Breckinridge County Chamber of Commerce

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PC Connections announces new customer services. They are now offering Bill Pay Service with over 4000 billers nationwide. They are also offering Home Telephone Service.

Contact 270-756-0404 for more information

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**Irvington Heritage Council** wants to invite everyone to visit The Train Depot at Irvington the first Sunday of each month from 2-4pm ET or by appointment

Contact Main Street Manager  
Mark Henderson, 547-3021

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McGehee Insurance is proud to have Chad Robinson on staff as a certified specialist in the field of Medicare supplements and drug plans. Open enrollment for 2009 is now, Nov.15-Dec. 31, 2008. Now is the time to review the options. Give Chad a call at 756-5500 or 547-5800

P. L. Kasey center dinner Friday, November 22
from 4-7 pm ET. For more information 270-547-7648

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**Irvington Heritage Council activities:** Christmas Bazaar, featuring, baked good, decorations, crafts, silent auction items, at the Irvington train Depot, Friday Nov. 21 4-7 pm ET, Sat. Nov. 22 9 am-8 pm ET, Sun. Nov. 23 2-5 pm ET.

For more info or reserve booth space contact  
Gaye McCubbin 668-7720

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Towne & Country Pharmacy, Florists, & Gifts in the Towne & Country Plaza will be hosting their annual Christmas Open House Saturday, November 22 from 8-5 CT and Sunday, November 23 from 1-5 CT. Come in and check out the 30% savings on gift ware and Christmas items. There will be unadvertised in store specials some come check it out. 270-756-5121

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**Rocky Top Tree Farm & Crafts**, 152 Smiley Basham Lane Hudson, KY 40145 (270) 257-2777 will be hosting her annual Christmas Open House Friday, Saturday & Sunday, November 28-30 from 9:00 to 5:00 CT. Come check out the Christmas wreaths, greenery, live & cut trees, painted gourds and many other crafts.

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Rough River Dam State Resort Park invites you to Winter Wonderland on Monday, December 1 at 6:00 CT. They will be lighting the tree in the Mini-Golf Area, Santa will be there, and there will be hot chocolate/coffee to keep you warm! This event is free of charge. There will be a canned food box on site for donations for the needy of the local area. For more information: 27-257-2311 or sheila.jones@ky.gov

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**UK Cooperative Extension Service** is sponsoring a free self defense class which will be taught by State Trooper, Steve Pavey. You are invited to come out on Monday, December 1st at 6:00pm at Breckinridge County Community Building (located behind the Breckinridge County Extension Office). He will be teaching basic skills and knowledge and how to defend yourself in any given situation. Please call the Breckinridge County Extension Office at 270-756-2182 by November 26th if you plan on attending. Refreshments will be served after the class.



The Chamber took part in an Open House/Ribbon Cutting to help the Hardinsburg Pizza Hut celebrate their 30th Anniversary on Saturday, October 18.

Pictured front row:  
Chamber Executive Director Sherry Stith, Pizza Hut employees Karen Podzielny, Jesse Egen, Shannon Ford, Alicia Miles, and General Manager Patty Brown, Jean Lee Cloverport City Council, Pizza Hut employee Mark Bisanz and Chamber Board Member Dottie Watson.

Back row:  
Chamber Board Member David Buchanan, Pizza Hut Corporate Representative Gregg Borgo, Chamber President Elect Ints Kampars and Chamber President David Schoenbachler.

# Accent on membership

## — — — — Premier Designs Fashion Jewelry Independent Distributor Jean McDaniel



Jean McDaniel a Breckinridge County native returned to Irvington in 1975 after her husband Jack retired from the Army. She herself retired from the Civilian Payroll section of the Finance and Accounting Division at Fort Knox, KY in 1989. Jean served on the Irvington City Council and is very active in the Freedom Cumberland Presbyterian Church. In 2006 Jean decided to start her own home based Premier Designs Fashion Jewelry business. Jean who had supported the Chamber yearly with a family membership then became a business member. She and Jack moved into a patio home at 100 Bank Street, #2 in Hardinsburg in February 2007.

Jean was asked in 2000 by some friends who were working with a group of business members to form a local Chamber to go with them to visit several other chambers. Jean became involved with this group and has been active with the Chamber since its official formation in January 2001. She worked with the membership committee and helped to plan and organize the Chamber breakfasts when they first started in 2001. She has both worked and scheduled volunteers for the Railroad festival, County fair,

Sacajawea festival, the state fair, and Hoedown day.

Jean will tell you that the Chamber has come a long way from its beginning in 2001 as she was one of the first board members. Jean will tell you that the membership has grown, the office equipment has been updated, and the office given a clean professional look. There has been a web presence developed to help promote all Chamber member businesses, educational opportunities have been provided for members throughout the past 6 years. Jean was there with her support when the first Oath of office ceremony was held at BCHS to provide the public with an opportunity to meet all the elected officials. Jean has been a supporter of the annual Farm City Dinner which is an effort to bring together the farming and business communities for a time of fun and fellowship. She had worked in the early years to get an annual dinner started and was pleased when this actually became a reality in 2006.

Jean believed and still believes that the Chamber is good for the county. She definitely tries to do her part to support and help the Chamber grow. She promotes the Chamber and Breckinridge County when she has the opportunity.

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