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Hardin County Chamber of Commerce

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DEC 2014

Christmas in the Park is Dec 12-13

PICKWICK, TENNESSEE --It's that time of the year again and Pickwick Landing State Park is gearing up for the 10th Annual Christmas in the Park Celebration.

The Park will kick off the celebration Dec. 12-13, 2014 as the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce hosts the Holiday Mart inside the conference center at Pickwick Inn, Santa Claus from the North Pole will be there though out the weekend, along with the elves. Both nights from 6-9pm, sight-seers may drive-thru or take a horse drawn wagon ride thru the park viewing the many dazzling holiday light displays...FREE to all!

The weekend will include family-friendly activities and treats that celebrate the warmth of the holiday season through a celebration that is sure to warm the hearts of all. "Christmas in the Park has been one of the most anticipated and well- received events of the year" shared Chamber Director Beth Pippin. "Geared towards families, this event will definitely be a perfect way to ring in the holidays with the beauty of the lake and the awe of the season". There will be lots of new activities for the 10th celebration! Reindeer Run 5K! Luminary display contest!

Reindeer Games!
Christmas Carol Karaoke!
Other activities include kiddie train ride to see Santa, bedtime story reading with the elves, Breakfast with Santa, children's crafts, the Jingle Bell Trail, outdoor Christmas Carol karaoke, local dining and shopping, great festival foods and so much more.



For more information about the celebration, call the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce at 731-925-2363, or for Inn accommodations call 731-689-3135.

Visit us at www.hardincountychamber.com or on Facebook at Christmas in the Park Pickwick Landing State Park.

Christmas in the Park Dec 12-13 Pickwick Landing State Park Volunteers Needed!

To help with planned activities:

- *Reindeer Games Santa Says for Saturday afternoon
- *directing and greeting at the gate each night
- *your business or organization can decorate the cabin for the winner of the vacation giveaway!
- *decorate the Jingle Bell Trail!
- *luminary display contest!

Call the Chamber if you are interested in helping make the 10th anniversary of CI TP a great time in Hardin County!





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Join us!



Thank You for your renewals!

The Chamber is funded through the dues investments of our members. We sincerely thank these –and all members– for their continued support of this organization!

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MEMBERSHIP DUES:

If you are on the past due list for 2014, please pay your Chamber Investment Membership dues / renewals before December 31, 2014.

We wish to close out our year as we have already begun plans for 2015!

Your timely investment is appreciated as we work hard to insure successful community endeavors.

All members will be entered in our “Whatever Floats Your Boat” Contest. For more information on the contest, please read the Banquet article on the next page.

Thank you!



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Whatever Floats Your Boat Membership Drive and Surprise: Chamber Banquet January 29



The Hardin County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet scheduled for Thursday night, January 29, 2015 will be a night of celebration that honors local business/industry and professional accomplishments.

Our theme this year is *"Whatever Floats Your Boat"*. We will be featuring Hardin County's own outdoor playground...the river and lake! So whether you enjoy skiing, wave runners, motor boating or a calm afternoon with family and friends paddling along the banks of our scenic waterways, all scenarios can be found in Hardin County! Every season is different! *Whatever Floats Your Boat!* **Let's celebrate it!**

And as your Chamber, it is you, the membership that floats our boat! We appreciate your support and hope you will make your plans now to attend the banquet and start nominating your choices for the annual Community Service Awards.



In addition to the awards ceremony there is a wonderful meal, annual photo contest, silent auction, and our

big surprise for our Membership:

One lucky Chamber Member will WIN a pair of kayaks just for being a member!

We will draw a chamber member's name from our fish bowl at the banquet. You must be a current member in good standing, with dues paid up through December 2014.

ALSO if you bring us in a new member prior to the banquet, then we will add their name in, plus we will add YOUR BUSINESS in an extra time...and keep adding for every new member you bring us! Membership forms can be found on the Chamber's website at www.hardincountychamber.com

Award Nomination form and the photo contest form are on line at www.hardincountychamber.com

Follow us on Facebook to keep up to the week on banquet surprises!

Banquet tickets will be for sale after the first on the year!

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Leadership Hardin County



Industry Day had the group in hairnets and hard hats!

We began our day hearing from Steve Bunnell, CEO of Team Hardin County/SDI C. He shared details on **Hardin County's economic outlook.**

We toured Savannah Foods enjoying hushpuppies and then traveled to PCA for a walking tour inside the plant and outside for a driving tour of the logs, water treatment and environmental areas.

To end the day, we took a detour and visited the Tri-State Gun Club for some target practice.

December will have us checking out HealthCare in our county ending our session programs and looking ahead at graduation at the Chamber Banquet in January.



Hardin County Happenings:

Dec 4 Leadership Hardin County / Healthcare Day

Dec 5 Pickwick Christmas Parade

Dec 6 Saltillo Christmas Parade

Dec 6 Christmas by the River in Savannah including the TOUR of Homes, Merry Little Christmas Shopping Spree, find more on our facebook page!

Dec 5-6 Country Christmas at HCHS 6pm each night

Dec 8 Savannah Christmas Parade (rescheduled date)

Dec 12-13 Christmas in the Park Pickwick Landing State Park

Dec 13 Reindeer Run Relay for Life at State Park 8am registration

Dec 17 Ron Acree, TNSBDC is at the Chamber with Free and Confidential business advise. Please call for an appt. 925-2363

Dec 19 Hardin County Schools out for the holidays!

Dec 20 Medal of Honor recipient Kyle Carpenter will be honored at Hardin County Courthouse ceremony beginning at 1:30pm

Dec 24-28 Chamber will be closed for Christmas

Dec 31 Peace, Love, & Pickwick **New Year's Eve Party**

Jan 29 Chamber Banquet!

Follow us on Facebook for more updates on Holiday events thru out Hardin County !

Hardin County Head Start Angel Tree



from the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce provides gifts and clothing to 80 Head Start Children.

Deadline to shop or make a monetary donation is December 11.



Saturday, Dec 13

Christmas in the Park

To register call:

731-926-7839

731-926-6511

Peace Love & Pickwick

New Year's Eve 2014

Wednesday, December 31
at Pickwick State Landing Park
\$275 per couple

Room Accommodations
Dinner & Midnight Toast
Live Entertainment by Magi
New Year's Eve Party Favors
New Year's Day Brunch

Reservations by Team Hardin County: 800.552.3866 or 731.925.8181

Sixties Apparel Requested





Hardin County Chamber of Commerce and Pickwick Landing State Park
celebrating 10 years of

Christmas in the Park

Pickwick Landing State Park

December 12-13, 2014

Schedule of Events!

Friday, Dec. 12

noon-9pm Holiday Mart—over 60 vendors inside the Inn

6-9pm horse drawn carriage rides! kiddie train rides! drive-through lighted displays! Visit Santa!

5-7pm Hardin County Varsity Singers caroling on the lawn

8-9 pm Bedtime stories with the elves by the fireplace!

Saturday, Dec. 13

7-10am Breakfast with Santa in the Captains Galley Inn Restaurant

8am Reindeer Run 5K Relay for Life registration begins / Run is at 9am

10am-9pm Holiday Mart-gifts for everyone on your list! From over 60 vendors

10-11am **Santa's Workshop for the kids!**

11am-2pm **Enjoy lunch in the Captain's Galley! Overlooking beautiful Pickwick Lake**

2pm Reindeer Games at Shelter 1

*Jingle Bell Trail with the HCHS Varsity Singers Carolers

*Santa Says

6-9pm horse drawn carriage rides! kiddie train rides!
drive-through lighted displays! Visit Santa!

7-9pm Christmas Carol Karaoke on the front lawn

8-9 pm Bedtime stories with the elves by the fireplace!



Join the fun! Volunteers Needed!

To help with planned activities:

- *Santa Says leader
- *directing and greeting at the gate each night
- *your business or organization can decorate the cabin!
- *decorate the Jingle Bell Trail!
- *luminary display contest

Merry Christmas! Visit www.hardincountychamber.com
for more details and more fun!



19th Annual Community Distinguished Service Awards

Nomination Form

Complete and return this form by January 8, 2015

Citizens of Hardin County and members of the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce are invited to nominate businesses, non-profit organizations, and individuals who have made a significant contribution to the Hardin County community. Nominations will then be considered for recognition.

The Community Distinguished Service Awards will be presented at the 19th Annual Hardin County Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Awards Banquet on Thursday, January 29, 2015 at Pickwick Inn.

Select a category: _____ **Man of the Year** _____ **Woman of the Year**
_____ **Volunteer of the Year** _____ **Educator of the Year** _____ **Darryl Worley Public Servant**
_____ **Student of the Year**-nominations limited to Education Committee

_____ **Chamber Service Award:** this award is given by the Hardin County Chamber Board of Directors to a Chamber volunteer or board member who has demonstrated outstanding commitment, dedication and care to the Chamber throughout the year.

_____ **GEM (Going the Extra Mile) Award:** this award is for an individual or group in our county who has made an outstanding contribution and is easily recognized as having gone "the extra mile". The award may be based upon a community, civic, business or professional endeavor.

_____ **Noel Freeman Community Service Award:** this award is chosen by the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and given to an individual or group that has made an outstanding contribution to Hardin County.

Name of Nominee _____

Address _____

Representative Name (if nominee name is a business or non-profit) _____

Reason why you feel nominee should receive this award _____

(Attach additional information if necessary)

Your Name _____ Phone _____

Return form to the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce
320 Main Street, Savannah, Tennessee 38372 or fax 731-925-8069 or info@hardincountychamber.com
For questions please call the Chamber at 731-925-2363

Hardin County 2014 Photo Contest Whatever Floats Your Boat

(...as long as there is water in your picture!)



Winners will be announced to the annual Chamber Banquet on January 29, 2015



Photo Contest Rules:

- ◆ Pictures must have been taken in Hardin County, Tennessee within the past year. Contest is open to entrants of all ages who have connection to Hardin County; those who reside or whose family have resided in Hardin County at some point, as well as those who work in Hardin County.
- ◆ Photographers who earn a significant portion of their income through photography are considered "Professionals" and will be displayed, but not eligible for prizes.

Guidelines, Fees, and Requirements:

- ◆ Photos may be color, black & white, film or digital.
- ◆ Entry fee is \$10 each for entries up to three, and \$5 each for additional entries.
- ◆ Entry format is a print 5 x 7 or 8 x 10 unframed, matted or unmatted. Completed entry form must be affixed to the reverse along with confirmation of payment to Hardin County Chamber. HCCC has the right to reproduce photos in any format including print and social media.

This year's theme is:

Whatever Floats Your Boat!

All pictures must be water related. river, lake, pond, stream, waterfall, pools...anything water...!

Just whatever floats your boat!

All entries will be displayed at the Annual Chamber Banquet on January 29, 2015. Deadline to enter is January 16, 2015. Please submit your entries now through the January 16 deadline at the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce, 320 Main Street, Savannah, TN.

AWARDS: Best of Show will be chosen at the Banquet and will receive a Hardin County Basket filled with gift certificates from area businesses. Additional Prizes will be given.



2014 Whatever Floats Your Boat Hardin County Photo Contest

Title: _____ Name: _____

email: _____

Phone: _____