

# Poplarville Chamber of Commerce Newsletter



## Thank You To Our Renewing Members:

October 2012

The Jewelry Box

Margaret Smith, Individual

Transitions Salon and Day Spa

*Correction:* The membership listing in the October newsletter did not include the complete business name for **Deb's Pizza and Pasta House**. Deb's menu offers pizza, pasta, salads, sandwiches, and more!

## Chamber Business of the Month

The Poplarville Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce Community Accounting & Tax Services as the recipient of the October 2012 Chamber Business of the Month. Community Accounting & Tax Services has been in business for 40 years. It employs 3 people and is located at 4692 Hwy 53 Suite A. Hours are from 9am- 5pm, Monday - Thursday. Their telephone number is: (601)795-0630.



Pictured left to right are: Mary Nell White and Dorothy Alexander with Community Accounting & Tax Services.

## LUNCH & LEARN

Thursday, November 15, 2012

Sign up today for the next Lunch and Learn session sponsored by Pearl River Community College (PRCC) and the Chamber of Commerce, which is scheduled for Thursday, November 15, in the Olivia Bender Cafeteria at PRCC.

Guest speaker will be District Attorney **Hal Kittrell**, who will be discussing ways to protect your business against counterfeit bills, bad checks, identity theft, and various other scams during the upcoming holidays. Sessions are open to all businesses and their employees. Cost is \$8.00 for Chamber members and \$10.00 for non-members. Please call Brenda Wells at 601-403-1379 or 601-403-1420 to reserve your place.

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### 2012-2013 Chamber Officers

President: Brenda Wells

President-elect: Maggie Smith

Secretary: Tammy Krutzfeldt

Treasurer: Peggy Smith

### Board Members

Cynthia Oreaboe

Jason Meador

Marcelle Tims

Pam LaHaye

Delos Williams

Leah Cowart

Mark Bridgers

Teresa Penton

## Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Luncheon

The Annual Awards Luncheon was held on Thursday, October 18, at PRCC's Olivia Bender Cafeteria. Awards were given for the seasonal displays, chaired by Marcelle Tims and Cynthia Oreaboe, both of whom are employed by Hancock Bank. Students enrolled in the Business and Marketing Department at Pearl River Community College judged the displays. Winners for "Paint the Town Blue" were: 1st place: Pearl River County Nursing Home, 2nd place: Hancock Bank, and 3rd place: Pearl River Drugs. Winners for "Show Your Fall Colors" were: 1st place: The Back Door Bookstore; 2nd place: Apples; and 3rd place: Allstate Insurance.

The keynote speaker, Honorable Herb Frierson, pictured below, provided insights into a performance based budgeting system which will be introduced in the 2013 legislative session.

The highlight of the Awards Luncheon was the Citizen of the Year Award. Shown below left to right is Citizen of the Year Mike Patten receiving his award from co-worker, Joe Montgomery.



Mike Patten has served as past President of the Chamber and the Lions Club, has served on the Library Board and as attorney for the Poplarville School District. Mike has served for over 12 years with the Boy Scouts and in numerous other activities.

The Chamber wishes to extend a special **THANK YOU** to our sponsors for the Annual Awards Luncheon.

**Silver Sponsor: Hancock Bank**

**Bronze Sponsors: BankPlus**

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# Partners for Poplarville

Nelda Mills, current president of the Poplarville Woman's Club, met with the Chamber in October to discuss a possible partnership between the two organizations. Since both organizations are interested in bringing people into town for shopping, as well as entertainment, it makes perfect sense to form this partnership to create a stronger entity. The plan is for the Chamber and Woman's Club to coordinate sponsorship and organization of certain events. The idea is to make a better Poplarville for everyone.

*Ms. Nelda Mills, President  
Poplarville Woman's Club*

## Upcoming Events

### **October 2012:**

**Wednesday, October 31st—Merchants Trick or Treat  
3:30 to 5:30pm - Downtown Poplarville**

### **November 2012:**

**Friday, November 30, Poplarville Chamber Sponsored Christmas Parade  
5:30 P.M. - Downtown Poplarville - Applications will be available on  
Poplarville.org website beginning November 1st, 2012**

### **December 2012:**

**Saturday, December 8th, Trail of Trees - Downtown Poplarville**

**Saturday, December 15th, Ping Pong Drop - Downtown Poplarville -  
Time to be announced later.**

*Interested in being a part of the Chamber? Please call (601) 795-0578  
or visit the website at [www.poplarville.org](http://www.poplarville.org) to download an application.*

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## From the President's Pen. . .

Fall is in the air! There's a cool crispness in the breeze, and brilliant fall colors can be seen everywhere. Poplarville really got into the spirit of "Show Your Fall Colors", and brightly colored, creative displays can be seen all over town. A huge **THANKS TO THE LOCAL MERCHANTS** for your participation, to the **Garden Club** for providing displays at a number of city and county buildings, and to all elected officials, community organizations, and citizens who provided support. These type displays create a wonderful atmosphere and delight our local residents, as well as visitors who come into town for various activities hosted by local organizations and schools.

The Chamber is busy preparing for the list of upcoming events which are outlined on page 3 of this newsletter. There are plenty of activities and the Chamber hopes that you will want to be involved in as many as possible.

We welcome your comments, ideas, and involvement! If you are interested in becoming involved or sharing ideas, please contact me at 601-795-0578 or email: [poplarvillechamber@gmail.com](mailto:poplarvillechamber@gmail.com).

*Brenda Wells, Chamber President*

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