



# Chamber Chatter

To promote, empower, and be a valuable resource to the business community and chamber members; and to position our community as a tourism location and ideal place to live.

**February 28, 2011**

Kyle Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau  
100 N. Front St. / PO Box 900

Kyle, TX 78640

[www.KyleChamber.org](http://www.KyleChamber.org)

512-268-4220

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MARCH 2011

**3** 6:00pm – Ambassador’s BASH & Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Hilltop Center for Cancer Care – 1180 Seton Parkway, in the Medical Office Building

**4** 12:00pm – Kyle Chamber Awards Gala Committee Wrap-up Meeting – Plum Creek Golf Clubhouse

**5** 4:00pm – Season Opener for Thunderhill Raceway

**5** 3:00pm – Milt’s Pit BBQ Mardi Gras Party & Crawfish Boil – Exit 213 in Kyle

**5** 11:30am – Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl for Kids Sake – Sunset Bowling Lanes San Marcos – [www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks](http://www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks)

**5** 7:00am – Hays CISD Denim & Diamonds – Texas Old Town Tejas Hall – [Get your tickets/table here](#)

**8** 11:30am – Ambassador Committee – Texas Pie Company

**9** 6:30pm – Kyle Leadership Academy Topic: Parks & Recreation – Historic City Hall – Kyle Leadership Academy is free & open to all Kyle residents – 512-262-3921

**10** 12:00pm – Tourism Committee Meeting – Plum Creek Golf Club

**11** 11:30am – Center Street Cookhouse Community Lunch sponsored by Legend Oaks Healthcare & Rehabilitation Kyle – all proceeds benefit the Kyle Area Senior Zone – Historic City Hall

**13** 2:00am – Daylight Saving Time – turn your clocks forward 1 hour

**17** 3:00pm – 150 [Farmers Market](#) opens – Michaelis Ranch 3600 W. FM 150

**22** 11:30am – Save the Date! Kyle Chamber Luncheon State of the City sponsored by Hilltop Center for Cancer Care – Plum Creek Golf Club – [Click here](#) to RSVP!



## HILL TOP CENTER FOR CANCER CARE

*Helping Cancer Patients Become Cancer Survivors*

# You are Invited!

To our:

## Ambassador Bash and Open House



### Enjoy Live Jazz, Appetizers and Drinks!

**Thursday, March 3rd, at 1180 Seton Parkway Suite 150**

(Next to the new Seton Hospital from 5:30 to 7:30 pm)

For questions call the Kyle Chamber at: (512) 268-4220

Hosted By:



Dr. Jeffrey Chen



Dr. David Jones

# Center Street Cookhouse

## Historic City Hall



Come to the Center Street Cookhouse and celebrate the newly restored Historic City Hall. Each month the doors will open and the community will be invited to dine-in for lunch from 11:30am – 1pm. All proceeds will benefit the Kyle Area Senior Zone. Historic City Hall is located at 101 S. Burseson Street in downtown Kyle.

**Friday, March 11 \$6 per person**

*Thank you to our Sponsor:*

Legend Oaks Healthcare and  
Rehabilitation Kyle  
1640 Fairway  
Kyle, Texas 78640  
512-268-1003



*On the Menu:*

Caesar Salad  
Chicken Alfredo  
Breadsticks  
Dessert-Cookies/Brownies  
Sweet Tea

KYLE AREA SENIOR ZONE

## United Way of Hays County Seeks Partners for 2012 Funding

United Way of Hays County (UWHC) will begin accepting applications from health and human service agencies interested in seeking funding from UWHC for the 2012 funding cycle on March 1.

Agencies who are interested in applying for funding must meet the following requirements: be a non-profit agency, have a CPA audit or equivalent and have been providing services in Hays County for at least two years. Other requirements will be provided to agencies in the application packet. All current and past funded agencies must reapply for funding.

Applications will be available for download from the United Way of Hays County website beginning March 1. Agencies are asked to notify United Way of their intended application by March 18. All agencies interested in applying for funding must attend a mandatory informational meeting on Tuesday, March 22, at 11am in the San Marcos Police Department Training Room located at the San Marcos Police Department Headquarters. The deadline for turning in applications is April 15.

For questions regarding the application or the funding process, please call Michelle Harper, United Way of Hays County Executive Director at 512-353-1420 or email [unitedway@centurytel.net](mailto:unitedway@centurytel.net).

Join other local businesses in supporting the Shattered Dreams program taking place at Hays High School March 10th. It's an extremely powerful program that reminds students and the rest of the community about the dangers of drinking & driving. At this point we are seeking monetary donations to assist in supplying dozens of volunteers with adequate food, drinks, retreat accommodations and other necessities as they work to put on this eye opening program.

Please contact Crystal Smith-Dixon for more information. (512) 757-3681 or [crystalgenchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:crystalgenchurch@yahoo.com). You may also send donations to 1146 Sweet Gum Dr, Kyle TX 78640. Made payable to Hays High School Shattered Dreams.

Thank you for your support,  
The Shattered Dreams Team

### The Miss Kyle Pageant announces their Expansion to Miss Hays County

The Miss Kyle Pageant is expanding to the Miss Hays County Pageant. Since 2006 when the pageant first began, only residents of the Hays CISD school district and students at Texas State were permitted to participate. Now, ladies that live in Hays County are eligible to participate in this exciting event.

The Miss Hays County Pageant's mission is to give young ladies the opportunity to learn lifelong skills such as leadership and confidence as well as provide them with a sense of community and a chance to win scholarships.

\$4000 dollars will be awarded to ten different young women. Registration begins immediately and no pageant experience is required. There are some restrictions for entry.

"In an effort to be as organized as possible for the expansion we have hired Clearly Classy Events this year to handle all of the details of planning the pageant itself...." states Kesa Larsen, Pageant Director, "...this will allow me to focus on the contestants and their needs throughout the process."

The pageant will be held October 8, 2011. Entry fees to the Little Miss are \$50 and \$150 for Miss and Teen Contestants. For more information on the pageant, and for registration, please visit [www.MissHaysCounty.com](http://www.MissHaysCounty.com) or contact Kesa by email [Kesa@MissHaysCounty.com](mailto:Kesa@MissHaysCounty.com) or by phone at 512-227-6260.

# DENIM

# & Diamonds



*With Your Help We're Growing Ideas*

Innovation in Education  
Hays CISD Education Foundation Annual Event

Join the Hays CISD Education Foundation in  
celebrating Innovation in Education

# DENIM & Diamonds 2011

*Saturday, March 5th*

*7:00pm*

*Texas Old Town-Tejas Hall*

*1205 Roland Lane*

*Kyle, TX*

Gourmet Dinner, Music by The Sophisticates,  
Live Auction, Silent Auction and Raffle

Attire~Texas Chic

## *Our Mission*

To generate and distribute resources to Hays CISD to enrich,  
maintain and expand programs needed to meet the District's stated  
mission and promote excellence in education.

*Denim & Diamonds...With your help we're growing ideas...*

Hays CISD Education Foundation still has tickets & sponsorships available for the Denim & Diamonds fundraising event to support the education programs for both students and staff at Hays CISD.

*Sponsorship Levels Available:*

*Gold - \$5000*

*Silver: \$2500*

*Bronze: \$1500*

*New this Year...Alumni: \$500*

For more information, check out our calendar event page at

[http://www.kylechamber.org/EventCalendarItem.php?Events\\_ID=538](http://www.kylechamber.org/EventCalendarItem.php?Events_ID=538).

**Filing for a place on the May ballot** for Kyle City Council begins on **February 12** and ends on March 14.



Pick up your ballot application at the city [secretary's office](#) or [download here](#).

**CTMC NAMED "BEST HOSPITAL IN HAYS COUNTY"**

Hays County residents made their choice clear where they receive the very best in health care. Central Texas Medical Center (CTMC) was named, "Best Hospital", in the recent "Best of Hays 2010" publication released by the *San Marcos Daily Record*.

Voters nominate the best business in Hays County for each category on the blank ballot. To qualify for the honor, businesses must be located in Hays County. From Kyle to Wimberley to San Marcos, out of all votes cast, CTMC earned the most votes for the "Best Hospital" category.

"We are truly honored so many residents took the time to let others know how they feel about the care and service they receive at CTMC," said Clay DeStefano, CTMC Administrative Director of PR and Marketing. "On behalf of the entire CTMC family, thanks to everyone who voted and trusts us to care for their loved ones."

Recently, CTMC was also recognized as the first ever, "Green Business of the Year", by the San Marcos Chamber of Commerce. CTMC created a "Green Team", made up entirely of CTMC associates working to bring recycling, energy conservation and other earth-friendly practices to CTMC. These recent acknowledgements follow CTMC's recognitions of 2008 San Marcos Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year, 2007 Kyle Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year and 2007 San Marcos Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Organization of the Year for CTMC Hospice.

For more information about CTMC, please visit [www.ctmc.org](http://www.ctmc.org). You can also follow us on our social media sites, [www.facebook.com/centraltexasmedicalcenter](http://www.facebook.com/centraltexasmedicalcenter) or [www.twitter.com/ctmc\\_sanmarcos](http://www.twitter.com/ctmc_sanmarcos).

**STOCK CAR RACING!**

Presented by: **FEEL THE THUNDER!**

**Thunderhill Raceway**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 5**

**SEASON OPENER**

ADULTS \*\$12  
\*includes sales tax

Featuring: **NASCAR A-LINE MODIFIEDS!**

**SCHEDULE**

4:00 p.m.—Grandstand Gates Open
4:15 p.m.—Qualifying
6:00 p.m.—Racing Action Starts

**THUNDERHILL RACEWAY**  
24801 IH 35 - KYLE, TX  
(Exit #210 Yarrington Road, just south of Kyle, TX)  
(512) 507-1486 [www.thunderhillraceway.com](http://www.thunderhillraceway.com)

**FRIDAY NIGHT STEAK NIGHT**

Friday, March 4, 7:30P-10:00P

Thunderhill Raceway Grandstand Concession Area

We'll be having our first "Friday Night Steak Night" at the Thunderhill Raceway the evening before our 2011 Season Opener. Our new track caterer – Cheryl Bailey Catering – will be serving her award winning 12-oz. Ribeye Steak Plate – includes Mashed Potatoes, a Side Salad, a Dinner Roll, Dessert and Tea – for only \$20 (Adults) and \$10 (half-size) for the Kiddos.

So, bring your family out to the track for our Open Test-n-Tune (4P-10P) and plan to treat them to a nice dinner at the same time! These are beautiful, fresh-cut steaks, so your advance orders will need to be placed by Wednesday night (**March 2**).

If you'd like to reserve your steak dinner(s), please contact Cheryl Bailey Catering at 830-221-0555 or by filling out the information below and forwarding it to Cheryl at [sitstayeat@yahoo.com](mailto:sitstayeat@yahoo.com):

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Adult Plates @ \$20 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Half-Size (Kiddo) Plates @ \$10 each

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Served by: Cheryl Bailey Catering [sitstayeat@yahoo.com](mailto:sitstayeat@yahoo.com) (830) 221-0555

# Prom Night 2011



Trudy's

**BOWL FOR KIDS!**



Big Brothers Big Sisters  
of Central Texas

Trudy's Bowl for Kids is an easy way to make a difference in the lives of children. As the signature annual fundraiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters, Bowl for Kids enables us to increase the number of children who are matched with adult mentors.

### Trudy's Bowl for Kids

**Saturday March 5, 2011, Noon - 5 p.m.**  
**Sunset Lanes, 1304 Hwy 123, San Marcos**  
[www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks](http://www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks)

- Teams consist of a maximum of 5 bowlers - Team Captain plus 4 others.
- Each team is asked to raise \$500. One way to do this is to ask 20 friends for \$25.
- Register at [www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks](http://www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks), click the "register here" button, and complete the form or call Kate Garrett at 512.807.3615.
- Collecting donations is quick & easy. Encourage friends and family to donate online at [www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks](http://www.bigmentoring.org/haysbfks) or collect donations and bring them with you to the bowling alley.
- Trudy's Bowl for Kids also offers a variety of sponsorship opportunities to meet your corporate goals or individual budget. Benefits of sponsorship include recognition in all pre- and post- event promotional materials, media publicity, and reserved opportunities to join in all of the fun!
- Does your employer offer a matching gift program? Many of our donors have discovered that they can double and triple their contributions with matching gifts. Visit [www.bigmentoring.org](http://www.bigmentoring.org) to learn more.

For more information about the event, contact Kate Garrett, Corporate Development Manager at 512.807.3615 or [kgarrett@bigmentoring.org](mailto:kgarrett@bigmentoring.org).

Your Kyle Parks and Recreation Department has officially kicked off the Easter Egg Recycle Drive! If you have gently used plastic Easter Eggs that have been taking up space in your closets, drop them off at Kyle City Hall or HEB Plus (at the "exit" entrance).

All plastic Easter Eggs that are collected will be used at the 12th Annual Sisters Easter Egg-Stravaganza, Wednesday, April 20th! This is a great opportunity to free up space and to support your local community events!

For more information, please contact Sarah Grady at 512.262.3939 or visit [www.kylepard.com](http://www.kylepard.com).

City of Kyle PARD  
Easter Egg-Stravaganza  
Easter Egg Recycle Drive

Drop off your new or  
Gently Used & Clean Easter Eggs



Kyle City Hall or H.E.B. Plus- Kyle  
All eggs collected will be used at the  
Easter Egg-Stravaganza  
Wednesday, April 20th  
Gregg - Clarke Park  
5:00-8:00pm

