



Chamber Chatter

February 23, 2009

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

Kyle, TX 78640

www.KyleChamber.org
512-268-4220

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2009

24 11:30am – Kyle Chamber Monthly Luncheon sponsored by Plum Creek Development Partners – Hays CISD Performing Arts Center – [RSVP Today!](#)

26 3:30pm – Dr. London Farewell Reception – Hays CISD Performing Arts Center

27 5:00pm – Grand Opening Celebration of Word of Life Church – 400 Old Post Rd. in Kyle

MARCH 2009

4 7:30am – Grand Opening of Kohl's Department Store! - 20185 Marketplace Avenue in Kyle

5 6:00pm – Kyle Chamber Ambassador's BASH – Sean Patrick's Irish Pub & Texas Grub – 202 E. San Antonio St., Ste 119

7 9:00am – Steeplechase Park & Creek Clean-up – Call Parks & Rec. 262-3939 to set up your team!

8 2:00am – Daylight Saving Time Begins

10 All Day – Free Business Counseling with the Texas State Small Business Development Center – Call 268-4220 to make your appointment

10 12:00pm – Kyle Chamber Ambassador Committee Meeting, come see what they are all about! – Depot

Tomorrow!
RSVP by 2pm to save!

Kyle Chamber Luncheon
Sponsored by:

Plum Creek Development Partners

February 24, 2009
11:30am-1:00pm

Hays CISD Performing Arts Center
(979 Kohler's Crossing in Kyle)

Please join us for the first Kyle Chamber luncheon of 2009! Guest speaker, Peter French of Plum Creek Development Partners will be updating you on the current development in the Plum Creek area. We will also be introducing the 22 new members that joined the Kyle Chamber in the months of December and January!

[RSVP Today!](#) Cost for the luncheon is \$10 for members & \$15 for future members if you RSVP by Monday, February 24 or \$15 for members & \$20 for future members at the door. To RSVP, call the Kyle Chamber office at 512-268-4220 or [Click Here](#) and send us an email!

Kyle Chamber Luncheons are held the fourth Tuesday of every month, February-November at the Hays CISD Performing Arts Center, unless otherwise noted. Members and future members are encouraged to attend and hear the latest information that affects you and your business.

The Kyle Area Chamber of
Commerce presents the:

Ambassador's B.A.S.H.



Thursday, March 5, 2009

6pm-9pm

Sean Patrick's Irish Pub N' Texas Grub

202 W. San Antonio Street

San Marcos, TX



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Free

Networking Opportunity!

Bring Your Business Cards!



Free Food!

Free Drinks!

Live Music!

Door Prizes!



Ambassador B.A.S.H. stands for Business Advancement Social Hour. If you would like information about sponsorship opportunities, contact Rudy Barnes, Chair at 512-669-5556.

**Word of Life Church
Grand Opening Celebration**

Friday, February 27
5pm-8pm
400 Old Post Rd. in Kyle

Please join Word of Life Church and the Kyle Area Chamber of Commerce as we celebrate the grand opening of the new Word of Life Christian Faith Center in Kyle, off of FM 150 East.

The facility is now open for rental usage! With a 3500 sq. ft. multipurpose room, classroom space and a large parking area, you won't have any trouble planning your next function! Contact Word of Life Staff for more information about renting the facility.



Word of Life Christian Faith Center · 400 Old Post Road Kyle, Texas
·512.268.0700. Virtual tour video is available on
www.wordoflifekyle.org

join us!



in thanking

KIRK LONDON, Ed.D

Superintendent of Hays CISD

for **joining** our community and

joining together our communities

RETIREMENT RECEPTION

Thursday, February 26, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Hays CISD Performing Arts Center

The public is invited.

Refreshments will be served.



Hays CISD



Please join CTMC Hospice Care at their 5th annual Hats Off For Hospice on March 29, 2009. This is a special event that helps to raise money for Dream A Dream, a wish granting program for our hospice patients and families. Wishes have ranged from special vacations, family portraits, limousine rides and more! Help to make a dream come true...

SAVE THE DATE!!

March 29, 2009

2:00 PM—6:00 PM ♦ TX Old Town, Kyle



Live & Silent Auction

One-of-a-kind auction items including fine jewelry, cowboy boots, and spa getaways!! Autographed items from Grammy Award winning artists such as Alan Jackson, Reba McEntire and George Strait. Signed sports items from Michael Jordan, Kobe Bryant, Troy Aikman, Magic Johnson, Craig Biggio and so much more!!

\$40
One Ticket

\$75
Two Tickets

\$10
Kids between 8-17

FREE
5 and under

\$300
Reserved table for 8 people

\$20
Concert Tickets Only
(Excludes BBQ Plate)

Soda and water available for purchase.



Music by
RECKLESS KELLY

Show starts at 4:00 PM

www.HatsOffForHospice.com



\$25/One Ticket \$50/Three Tickets

Ruidoso is beautiful in the summer and winter time! Whether you're a skier or golfer, there is plenty to do for the entire family. Winner does not need to be present to win. Travel must be completed by March 29, 2010 and is subject to availability.

CTMC
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HOSPICE CARE
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San Marcos, TX 78666
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For ticket information, please call our office at 512-754-6159. Thank you.



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Free Small Business Counseling at the Kyle Chamber Office!

Everyone is encouraged to take advantage of the free opportunity available to you through the Texas State University Small Business Development Center. A representative from Texas State comes to the Kyle Chamber office the second Tuesday of every month just to meet with you and answer any questions you may have. Whether you already have a business and want to make sure you are on track, if you are looking to start a business or if you would just like help writing a business plan, Mr. Ray Mason is here to help you.

Just call Maggie at the Kyle Chamber office to set your appointment. Appointments do fill fast, so call 512-268-4220 today! All counseling sessions are confidential.

How will the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 affect you? Look to the IRS for Answers.

The new American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 is the subject of many conversations and is generating many questions. Many of these questions center on how will this affect taxpayers this filing season and next. The IRS has placed information to help answer that question, and others on a special website:

[Tax Provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009](http://www.irs.gov)

The Service is working diligently to complete an analysis of this new legislation to determine its full effect on processes and forms and to implement them. Please monitor the IRS Website for the latest information over the course of the next few weeks and months.

www.irs.gov.

Expect Great Things at the Kohl's Grand Opening Celebration!

Wednesday, March 4

7:30am

20185 Marketplace Ave.

Kyle, TX 78640

Join the Kyle Chamber and City & County Officials as we celebrate the latest grand opening in Kyle! You won't have to drive any farther than your local Kohl's Department Store to look great! Light refreshments will be served.

(512)268-1537

KOHL'S
expect great things®

Join a Committee!

Joining a Kyle Chamber Committee is a great way to meet new people and to gain potential new business! Some of the Committees you can join are:

Business Development Committee
Ambassador's Committee
Kyle Annual Classic Committee
Awards Gala Committee
5-K Committee
Website Committee

Call 512-268-4220 to find out more!

Central Texas Medical Center is pleased to announce an offering of three \$1,000 scholarships to deserving regional high school seniors.

The scholarships may be used for costs of attending a university, college, community college or vocational/trade school. Proof of enrollment and a tuition statement must be submitted in order to receive the scholarship. The scholarship awards are based on financial need, community involvement, academic achievement, work/club experience and essay writing skills.

Application forms are available on-line at www.ctmc.org. The form is posted under 'About Us.' Interested students must send or deliver their completed forms to the CTMC PR & Marketing Department, located at 1301 Wonder World Drive in San Marcos, by March 31, 2009. Applications must be delivered or **postmarked on or before Tuesday, March 31, 2009.**

CTMC has a long history of supporting its community. In 1990, CTMC awarded the first high school scholarship of \$250 to a single recipient. Today, the scholarship amount has been increased and three students are selected to meet the needs of rising tuition costs and to further invest in the youth of the community. If you or a student you know is interested in applying, please visit the website or contact Tabitha Walsh at 512.753.3676.

You are Invited to A Community Briefing

for Educators, Business and Community Representatives, Parents, Policymakers,
and Anyone Interested in Central Texas High School Graduates



- ✓ Hear results from the Ray Marshall Center's latest research on post-high school education and employment outcomes for the Classes of 2006 and 2007
- ✓ Interact with a panel of policymakers and education, business, and community leaders about why this research is important and how it can be used to improve programs and services for students
- ✓ Provide project staff with ideas on how to engage your local school community in conversations about the Student Futures Project

Tuesday
February 24, 2009
6:00 – 8:00 pm

OR

Wednesday
February 25, 2009
2:30 – 4:30 pm

Barton Springs Room, 3rd Floor
Training & Technology Building
ESC Region XIII

Directions: <http://www5.esc13.net/about/directions.html>

Thompson Conference Center, Rm.
2.201

The University of Texas at Austin
Directions: <http://www.utexas.edu/cee/tcc/>

Free Parking and Refreshments

Please **RSVP your attendance** to Stephanie A. Korcheck
at skorcheck@skillpointalliance.org or 512 323-6773 ext 125

For more information, including recent publications,
visit the Student Futures Project website www.centexstudentfutures.org.



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for the Study of Human Resources



Kyle Library Offers Free Tax Assistance

Beginning this Saturday, free assistance with tax preparation will be available to you at the Kyle Library. You can take advantage of this program every Saturday between 10am and 1:30pm. Appointments are filling up fast and the next available appointment is on Saturday, March 21.

Walk-ins are welcome but there is no guarantee that you will be seen. For more information or to make an appointment, contact the Kyle Library.

Kyle Community Library
409 W. Blanco Street / P.O. Box 2349
Kyle, Texas 78640
512-268-7411

Help "Kyle Shine in '09!"

A community parks cleanup project is planned for the Plum Creek Watershed and the City of Kyle on Saturday, March 7, 2009. We are letting you know in hopes that your business or organization will be able to help in this worthwhile effort. The clean up will include Steeplechase Park, areas around Lehman High School and Fuentes Elementary and subdivisions in the Plum Creek Watershed. All volunteers will assemble at Steeplechase Park at 9:00 a.m.

You will be provided a target area to clean, as well as supplies such as gloves and trash bags. At the end of the cleanup, the trash will be weighed and sorted for recycling as much as possible. Lunch, t-shirts, entertainment and an Environmental Fair will be provided for volunteers helping with the cleanup. We are looking for event sponsorships, teams of volunteers, and/or donations. Your business will receive recognition for donations or sponsorships with placement of your logo on the back of the t-shirt. If you have any questions, please call Kerry Urbanowicz, Director of Kyle Parks and Recreation Department, (512) 262-3939, to discuss how your business can take part.

If your business and/or employees would like to be a part of this community service event, please return the registration form to Liz Sedlacek at GBRA (email lsedlacek@gbra.org; fax (830) 372-2757) or Kerry Urbanowicz at Kyle City Hall (email kerryu@cityofkyle.com; fax 262-3933) by **February 20th.**

We want your Pictures!
Please send photos of events to
kaccpix@yahoo.com. Be sure to
include the name (and/or business)
of the people in the picture and what
event it was taken at.