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The Greater York Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Program

The Greater York Chamber of Commerce created a scholarship program in October 2005. Each year the Chamber has awarded a scholarship to a graduating Senior from York Comprehensive High School. Since it's inception in 2005, the scholarship endowment has not been able to reach the level necessary for the interest to fund the scholarship of \$300.00. The Education Committee would love for the scholarship to increase in amount and the number of scholarships given.

Has the scholarship program been forgotten by the Chamber Membership? The Education Committee feels it is time to again raise the Chamber Membership's awareness of the program and provide an opportunity for you to support the program. The Committee is asking that you consider supporting the scholarship endowment with either a one-time gift or a pledge to be paid over a specific number of years. A pledge card is included in the newsletter for your use. Your support can mean the difference for a young person.

Cynthia Segreti

Education Committee Chair

21st Annual York County Day ~ April 30, 2008

Luncheon ~ Legislative Presentations

Evening Reception with SC Legislators

Registration \$75 Chamber members, \$100 non-members

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Business of the Month



**William Page left receives the award from
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CWF Crating builds crates, skids and pallets on-site. They can create a packaging procedure to fit specific needs using an on-site kiln to heat treat wood materials. CWF Crating is IPPC certified. They also offer competitive market prices on Grades 3 & 4 lumber. CWF Crating is located at 2302 Old York Road, York, SC. Business hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM. CWF Crating has been a member of the Greater York Chamber of Commerce since 2002.

Please join the Greater York Chamber of Commerce in congratulating CWF Crating, Inc. as the March 2008 Business of the Month.

Director's Report

Each year the four York County Chambers of Commerce in working together as the Council of Chamber of York County draft a legislative agenda of common issues that affect the County as a whole. The agenda is then sent to Board of Directors of each Chamber of Commerce for approval. When approved by the four Chambers, the Legislative Agenda becomes the focus for monitoring the General Assemblies actions during the legislative session and serves as the major issues of concern advocated during York County Day. The 2008 Legislative Agenda preamble and key issues are:

Preamble to the Legislative Agenda for 2008: The chambers of commerce in York County believe local communities, with a strong economy and quality of life are critical to advancing the state and its economic and global competitiveness in the future. Positive outcomes on the following three issues will strengthen our county and state.

Inter-Basin Water Transfer - Supports continued efforts by our state to prohibit North Carolina entities from withdrawing additional water from the Catawba River and diverting that water to another river basin.

Funding for K-12 and Higher Education – Supports funding necessary to advance state-supported institutions of higher education and local school districts (especially those in high-growth areas), while also opposing school choice legislation that could negatively affect public school funding.

Local Spending Caps - Opposes additional spending caps imposed by the state on local governments.

World War II Project

Mr. Carroll Moore is campaigning a county effort called the Greatest Generation Pilgrimage to raise transportation funds to take WW II veterans to Washington DC to see the WW II Memorial. Time is precious as the veterans are passing away at 1,200-1,400 every single day. The effort began in Ohio 4 years ago and many communities, including Hendersonville, NC, have raised funds to send plane loads from their areas.

Approximately 1,200 WW II veterans reside in York County. To date, 24 veterans and 16 guardians are signed up for the first one-day trip with a goal of sending one plane load of 100. Each guardian will escort 3 veterans. The funds needed to fill one plane with 100 people are \$35,000. If any business or individual is interested in supporting this effort, please contact: American Legion Greatest Generation Pilgrimage Fund, 722 Burnt Mill Road, Blacksburg, SC 29702. Funds will be designated for York County veterans.

**Visit the member directory on the
GYCC website to make sure your
business is listed in the best search
categories.
www.greateryorkchamber.com**

Calendar of Events

March 20th-5:30 PM-7:30 PM

Business After Hours
Bank of York (Main Office)

March 24 ~ Office Closed

April 3rd-5:30 PM-7:30 PM

Business After Hours
Clover Community Bank

April 19th ~ 1 PM-1 AM

Relay for Life
York Comprehensive HS

April 30th

York County Day

May 8th-5:30-7:30 PM

Business After Hours
Bradford & Bradford, PA

GYCC Board ~ 2nd Tues @ 7:30 AM
Economic ~ 1st Tues of Jan, Mar, May,
July, Sept, Nov @ 7:30 AM
Education ~ 3rd Wed @ 7:30 AM
Government ~ 3rd Tues @ 7:30 AM
Membership ~ 2nd Mon @ 5:30 PM

IAT, Inc.

David Roberts started IAT, Inc. a locally owned company in 2004. The company was formed to produce and market David's Secret Sauce, a gourmet pasta sauce. Visit www.davidssecretsauce.com for a product information, recipes and a list of retail locations where the pasta sauce is available. Locally the sauce is available at GYCC member businesses Bush-n-Vine, Palmetto Fresh Market and The Peach Stand.

IAT, Inc. is a member of SC Specialty Food Association and SC Finest under the SC Department of Agriculture. These associations promote South Carolina products. IAT, Inc. has been a member of the Greater York Chamber of Commerce since 2005.

Local Businesses Support Education

Family Trust Federal Credit Union awarded twenty-five \$250 grants educators at the 1st Annual Family Trust Teacher Grant Awards Banquet. The grant winners were honored at a dinner banquet held at The Old Cotton Factory. District representatives from York County, school principals of the Family Trust grant winners, spouses, friends, Family Trust board of directors and employees, and Gary and Peggy Williams of Williams & Fudge, Inc. were all in attendance to support the educators of York County.

The Family Trust Teacher Grant Program was formed in 2000 as a way to support teachers by funding projects that encourage unique and creative learning opportunities or enrich regular classroom activities. Approximately \$42,250 has been given since the program began.



Pictured left to right: Catherine Catoe, Jefferson Elementary; Katie Scheib, Jefferson Elementary; Wendy Wingard-Gay, Jefferson Elementary; Amanda Watson, Cotton Belt Elementary; Faye Neil, York Comprehensive High School; Tracy Warren, York Junior High School

Others received grants but not pictured: Stacey Rothaupt, Cotton Belt Elementary; Debbie Lancaster, Harold C. Johnson Middle School; Martha Dial, Hickory Grove-Sharon Elementary; Amy Ramsey, Hickory Grove-Sharon Elementary; Emily Estridge, Hunter Street Elementary; Lesley Reel, York Comprehensive High School; David Spencer, York Junior High School; Jane Gilfillan, York Junior High School; Carol Podmore, York Junior High School; Kim Jones, Hickory Grove-Sharon Elementary

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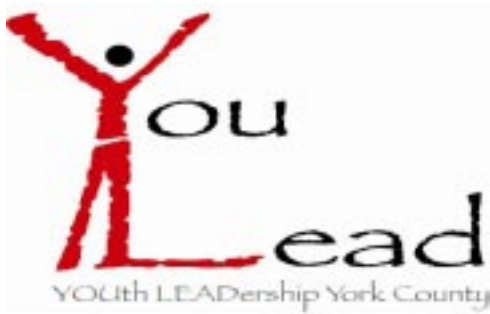
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Youth Leadership York County Application Deadline March 15, 2008

Applications for the 2008-2009 Youth Leadership York County program are now available to sophomores at any York County high school. The youth leadership program, a joint effort of the chambers of commerce of York County, is an eight-month long experience for students at both public and private schools in our community.

High School students who are rising Juniors in Clover, Fort Mill, Rock Hill or York School Districts, Trinity Christian or Westminster Catawba Christian schools may apply for the program. Applications are available online at www.yorkcountychamber.com. Students can also view pictures and download applications and brochures from www.myspace.com/youlead york and from the Youth Leadership York County Facebook page. There is no cost to participate in the program.

Completed applications must be submitted to the York County Regional Chamber of Commerce no later than March 15, 2008. Finalists will be invited to participate in an interview process and all applicants will be notified of their status by May 1, 2008.

Mail Completed applications to: YouLead, PO Box 590, Rock Hill, SC 29731

Fax: YouLead (803) 324-1889

E-mail: youlead york@yahoo.com or cdaly@yorkcountychamber.com

The chambers of commerce of York County include the Greater York Chamber of Commerce, York County Regional Chamber of Commerce, Greater Clover Chamber of Commerce and the Lake Wylie Chamber of Commerce.



The GYCC presented P.A.T.H. a check for \$540.00 on January 25, 2008. The Chamber donates the entry fees from the annual Christmas parade.

Pictured: GYCC President Paul Kutz presents the check to P.A.T.H. Director Cheri Curtin and team of volunteers.

Curves Food Drive

Bring in a bag of non-perishable food items for the Curves food drive and join Curves of York for only \$30.00 down and \$34.00 a month!

Good for the entire month of March!

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