



Lynda York
Chairman
2010-2011

Chairman's Letter

I was driving through the Azalea district recently and was overwhelmed by the azaleas in full bloom! It doesn't take a very observant person to notice the beauty of the azaleas and other springtime flowers in bloom all over our fair city. The other thing that is gratifying to see is all the people that this Divine gift brings to Tyler each year.

If you take a look at a Webster's dictionary you will notice that one of the definitions of bloom is "...a flourishing, healthy condition." As I watched a group of people get off a charter bus to stroll through one of our historic neighborhoods, I realized that the flowers were not the only thing in bloom. This influx of visitors also helps a host of local businesses "bloom." based on the Webster's definition. Restaurants, hotels, retailers, real estate agents and the ripple effect upon many more businesses cause our city to "bloom." I wonder how many people decide to move to Tyler after one of these spring time visits?

Those thoughts also led me to think about other things that are blooming in my favorite city. When I think about our local economy, I think of healthcare, the oil and gas industry and the entire industry that serves retirees. It's hard to think of a more vibrant or stronger foundation for an economy. Add to that a state that seems to treat business fairly and you can see why Tyler really is in full economic bloom.

What a great time to be a Tylerite! I want to encourage you to take the time to get out and enjoy the beauty and think about everything that is "blooming." You will, too, be proud.



Standing Left to Right: Bill Tandy, Dr. Harold Doty, Claude Henry, Julie Henry, Tony Pytlak, Shirley Thomson, Bruce Thomson, Randall Brown. Seated Left to Right: Susan Doty, Jeannette Pytlak

Leadership Tyler Executive Series

Leadership Tyler is excited to announce the 2011 Executive Orientation Series Participants (Class 6) to include:

Randall Brown, Head of School, All Saints Episcopal School and his wife, Kristen Brown

Dr. Harold Doty, Dean, College of Business & Technology, University of Texas, Tyler and his wife, Susan Doty

Claude Henry, Executive Vice President, Texas Bank & Trust and his wife Julie Henry

Tony Pytlak, CEO, Strategic Fulfillment Group, and his wife Jeannette Pytlak

Bill Tandy, CEO Heritage Land Bank

Bruce Thomson, Senior Vice President, Bancorp South and his wife Shirley Thomson

This series is exclusively for CEOs and Senior VPs and their spouses who are NEW to the community. The program explores the issues, challenges, and opportunities of Tyler/Smith County specifically. Topics are selected to help participants understand the environment in which they do business and each session is held in a location appropriate to the session's topic.

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Executive Orientation Series sessions for 2011 include:

Tuesday, March 15th: Tyler History. Held at the home of John and Ellen Musselman. Speaker Henry Bell III, a 4th generation Tylerite and Chief Operating officer for the Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce. Sponsored by Adkins (formerly PBS&J).

Tuesday, March 29th: Business / Economy. Held at the home of Ann and Gary Howell. Speaker Tom Mullins, CEO of the TEDC/ TACC. Sponsored by Summit Solution Group.

Tuesday, April 12th: Education / Healthcare. Held at the home of Dr. Pat and Mary Dale Thomas. Sponsored by RehabPro. Panelists include: Dr. Dwight J. Fennell, Texas College
Dr. Rod Mabry, University of Texas at Tyler
Dr. Mike Metke, Tyler Junior College
Lindsey Bradley, Trinity Mother Frances Health System
Bob Evans, East Texas Medical Center-Tyler
Joe Woelkers, University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler

Tuesday, April 26th: Held at the home of Judge Tom Ramey and his wife, Jill Ramey. Speakers include Mayor Barbara Bass, City of Tyler and Smith County Judge, Joel Baker. Sponsored by Allen Samuels East Texas Dodge.

Tuesday May 10th: Quality of Life. To be held at Jake's of Tyler and focuses on the Downtown Arts coalition and Downtown Tyler Development. Speakers include Beverly Abell, Director of Main Street, City of Tyler, and Susan Guthrie, Director of External Affairs, City of Tyler. Sponsored by Regions Bank.

This series is designed to quickly orient incoming executives to the Tyler community and its resources while assisting them in becoming:

- More knowledgeable about how business is done in Tyler/Smith County.
- Proud and excited to have chosen to relocate to this area.
- Deeply invested in Tyler's growth and its future.

The objectives of the series include:

- Acquainting participants with the history, business environment, political, civic, cultural, recreational structures and other resources.
- Providing participants with an opportunity to interact with a cross-section of key local and regional leaders and decision makers.
- Introducing participants to other executives and professional individuals and couples in the community.

About Leadership Tyler:

Leadership Tyler was established in 1986 for the purpose of identifying, motivating, and developing future leadership in Tyler. During the development of Leadership Tyler, one of the founding members stated "we want this first class of Leadership Tyler to develop an esprit de corps that will transcend race, political, and occupational affiliation. We want these participants to develop a bond with one common goal: How can we improve the quality of life in Tyler?" Improving Tyler is exactly what Leadership Tyler Alumni have done since the first class graduated in 1987. The Leadership Tyler Core Program has graduated alumni who are well-informed, committed, and passionately engaged in creating a vital, positive community for current and future generations. Leadership Tyler's lasting legacy is its graduates – more than 700 core program members and now 45 Executive Orientation Series alumni serve as policy-level community trustees for dozens of different organizations, as elected and appointed officials, and as leaders in the private, public and non-profit sectors of Smith County. Leadership Tyler is a non-profit 501(c) 3 and is supported through tuition and program fees, alumni membership dues, individual contributions and corporate sponsorship. All contributions are tax deductible. Contributions to Leadership Tyler greatly help us in achieving a vision of a community rich in leaders who are well informed, committed, and passionately engaged in creating a vital, positive community for current and future generations. Contributing to Leadership Tyler has an exponential effect on your contribution dollars. Leadership Tyler provides the training for leaders who then in turn affect their places of work, neighborhoods, families, and more than 200 non-profit organizations in the Smith County area. For more information about Leadership Tyler or to apply for the core program, please contact Colleen Colby at 903-535-9242 or email at colleen@leadershiptyler.org. You can check out our website at www.leadershiptyler.org.

2011 Leadership Tyler Executive Participants



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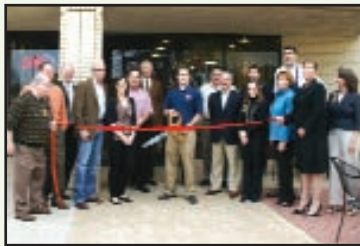
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contactors of the **month**



Tricia Walker
February 2011

Contactors of the Month for March, Tricia Walker, is a 2 year member of the Contact Club. She is a Senior Account Representative for East Texas Radio Group and is also involved in

Toastmasters and Tyler Executive Women's Network. She and husband, Gary, are parents of Lisa, Diana and Matthew.



Abigail Duty
March 2011

Abigail Duty, Contactors of the Month for April, is the Business Development Officer for Texas Bank and Trust. She is involved in the community as a member of the Junior League, United Way, Junior Achievement, and Hearts

in Harmony. She and husband, Sam, are the parents of a new baby son.

GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 12

Start working on your backswing and get ready for Monday September 12th. Chamber members will once again tee it up again for the Thirteen Annual TACC Membership Golf Tournament.

The unique tournament will allow for members to meet and network with other Chamber members and potential members.

Sponsorships are available including a lunch, beverage and hole sponsors. Information on the tournament will be mailed to the membership in August. For information call the Chamber at 903-592-1018 or hbell@tylertexas.com.

TYLER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL MEETING

October 6, 2011

Harvey Convention Center

NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS SOLICITING NOMINEES FOR CHAMBER BOARD

The Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Director's Nominating Committee is soliciting nominees for election to the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee, seven of which will be elected by three-year terms beginning October 1, 2011, selects fourteen names. The committee is outlined in the Chamber's bylaws to include the Chairman of the Board, Chairman-elect of the Board, the Council Chairman, the Chairman of the nominating committee, who is appointed member of the Executive Committee, and three at large members.

Directors who are retiring in September include: Paula Anthony, Shannon Dacus, Jonna Fitzgerald, Dawn Franks, Rocky Gill, Tom Tyler and Bob Westbrook. Anyone wishing to submit names for nomination is urged to contact Henry Bell at the Chamber at 592-1018 or by mail.

VOLUNTEER OF THE 2ND QUARTER ANNOUNCED



Lynda York recognizes Volunteer of the Quarter, Becky Phillips, for her work on Seniors Celebrating Life event.

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