

## REQUIREMENTS FOR *Successful Participation*

Beginning in January and ending in August, each monthly session is packed with information about our unique community. This **monthly commitment** between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. will be time well spent acquiring knowledge about community and current issues in Lafayette County, as well as focused leadership training. **The following requirements must be met for successful completion/graduation:**

- ▶ Attendance at sessions is mandatory. Only **ONE** absence is allowed.
- ▶ Except in truly unavoidable situations, punctuality and maintaining presence for the entire session is required.
- ▶ Where a personal or business crisis arises, the participant is required to make up any missed session according to guidelines established by the Steering Committee.
- ▶ Active participation in a community based project.

### **For an application contact:**

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## SUCCESSFUL *Past Projects*

**The Community We See** - With the mission to make an immediate, lasting contribution to the overall beautification of public and private lands in Lafayette County, the team placed 21 trash receptacles in public areas around the county and held a campaign to promote beautification of private property.

**Community 2000** - A visioning project to help the city develop a master plan. That project is now called Vision 2020 and is certainly one of the most impactful projects that Oxford has ever seen.

**Green Lafayette Oxford University (GLOU)** - GLOU's mission was to work with the LOU community to raise awareness of green initiatives by providing re-usable shopping bags to the community. They passed out 1,500 bags at various events and promoted a greener LOU to area citizens.

### **LEADERSHIP LAFAYETTE** *Steering Committee*



#### **Mary Kathryn Millner, Oxford Convention and Visitors Bureau (Program Chair)**

Chip Bolton, *FNC, Inc.*

Torie Howell, *Justice Network of Mississippi*

Gwen Knight, *FNC, Inc.*

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## Leadership *Lafayette* **2010**

*"Building community leaders  
through shared knowledge, skills  
and experiences."*



**A program of the  
Oxford-Lafayette County  
Chamber of Commerce**

## BE A LEADER

### *In Your Community*

On behalf of the Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce, we would like to extend an invitation to you to participate in Leadership Lafayette. The Leadership Lafayette program is a series of training sessions and activities, designed for emerging community leaders. It is designed to assure the continuity of leadership in Lafayette-Oxford-University community and assist already established community leaders, who seek more effective ways to contribute to the community.

The objectives of the program include identifying potential community leaders, developing individual leadership potential, acquiring knowledge about community and current issues in Lafayette County, creating dialogue and rapport among participants and current leaders, and promoting a sense of "community" through shared efforts benefiting the local community.

The continued success of our community depends on leaders equipped with the skills necessary to effectively meet the challenges of our future. We feel that Leadership Lafayette fulfills the mission of preparing these future leaders. We look forward to your participation!

Sincerely,

*Leadership Lafayette*  
*Steering Committee*

## LEADERSHIP LAFAYETTE 2010 Schedule

### **Special Session: Thursday, January 14**

Chamber After Hours  
*Leadership Lafayette Kick Off!*

### **Session 1: Friday, January 15**

Community Focus:  
*Leadership Lafayette Orientation I*  
Leadership Focus:  
*Personality Assessment*

### **Session 2: Friday, January 29**

Community Focus:  
*Leadership Lafayette Orientation II*  
Leadership Focus:  
*Team Building*

### **Session 3: Thursday, February 11**

Community Focus:  
*Lafayette County History &  
Vision for the Future*  
Leadership Focus:  
*Project Management*

### **Session 4: Thursday, March 4**

Community Focus:  
*Criminal Justice*

### **Session 5: Thursday, April 8**

Community Focus:  
*Town and Gown*  
Leadership Focus:  
*Community & Employee Relations*

### **Session 6: Thursday, May 6**

Community Focus:  
*Community Development in Taylor*  
Leadership Focus:  
*Leadership Growth*

### **Session 7: Thursday, June 3**

Community Focus:  
*Business and Industry Tours*  
Leadership Focus:  
*Economic Development*

### **Session 8: Thursday, July 8**

Community Focus:  
*Healthcare*  
Leadership Focus:  
*Communications/Public Speaking*

### **Session 9: Thursday, August 5**

Graduation Banquet

**All sessions are from 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.**  
*Dates are tentative and subject to change.*  
*Please note that additional time will be required by each participant for a group project.*

**CLASS MEMBERS CANNOT MISS MORE THAN ONE SESSION.**

## SELECTION OF

### *Class Participants*

Leadership Lafayette participants will be selected by the Steering Committee on the basis of completed applications **received by December 11, 2009**. Preference will be given to candidates who, in addition to their potential for leadership, would contribute to the overall diversity and strength of the class and have available time to commit to the program and future community service. Program participation is limited to 25. Tuition for the program is \$300.00. (That's an average of only \$30 per session!)