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What's In It for Me?



“What’s in it for me?” is a question that we are sometimes reluctant to ask. It seems rude, awkward, self-centered, somehow...inappropriate to ask in polite company. But Austin Tatum, an Oak Ridge High School senior interning at the Chamber, has been asking that question a lot lately. Austin, who has been working with our staff under the Youth Leadership Development Community Involvement Program (YLDCIP), has been interviewing past participants in the Chamber’s Business Expo. Essentially, he’s been asking those Chamber members the “what’s in it for me?” question. Here’s what they’ve been telling him:

First, they’ve told Austin that the Business Expo, which is scheduled for November 12 at the Oak Ridge Civic Center, is a “what’s in it for me?” event that no chamber member should miss.

They’ve said that Expo is a great low-cost venue for getting face-to-face with men and women already positioned to make buying decisions. They’ve told Austin that Expo is a great vehicle for demonstrating a new product or service. They’ve said that some customers arrive at Expo looking for something specific, but others are “tire kickers” who want to feel out the availability of potential suppliers. They’ve said that the Business Expo also represents an opportunity for existing Oak Ridge companies to better tell their story to the visiting public, too. And for individual consumers, Austin’s been told that Expo is a good place to find a new source for cell phone service, insurance, automobile repair, and a host of other products or services. Expo is a “networking on steroids” kind of activity.

Successful Expo participants know that exhibiting is easy, but the hard work – and the work that will ultimately boost sales – is the work exhibitors do before and after the show. It’s inviting each of your existing customers – and those difficult customers you’ve not quite been able close – to visit the Business Expo and drop by your booth, perhaps offering them a special discount for purchases made during the event. It’s contacting the businesses you purchase goods or services from and inviting them to attend, as well. Pre-Expo work involves posting your Expo plans on your Facebook page and tweeting your plans to exhibit.

After-show follow-up means calling every person who leaves a business card in your booth, asking for their business today or in the future. Follow-up is adding hundreds of Expo-generated e-mail addresses to your data base and “pinging” those visitors with a thank-you e-mail and an occasional reminder that your business has a valuable product or service to offer.

For Expo exhibitors, “what’s in it for me?” at our November 12 Expo is a chance to meet new people, build new relationships, find new customers and boost sales. That’s pretty much a bottom-line answer to a question that we sometimes think is...well...inappropriate: “What’s in it for me?”

I’ll look forward to seeing you at the Oak Ridge Chamber Business Expo on November 12...and so will Austin.

Sincerely,



Millennium Partner Spotlight

The Face of URS in Oak Ridge:

Jim Hall, Regional Vice President



Robert Brown, DOE Oak Ridge Office Deputy Manager (right), presents an award for safe work performance to Jim Hall for work by their employees at the Melton Valley Transuranic Waste Retrieval Project on the Oak Ridge Reservation.

Of the many faces over the years of URS in the Oak Ridge community, beginning with company's construction team that arrived in Oak Ridge under the super secret Manhattan Project, one face stands out among all others.

The face of James Coleman Hall, the URS Regional Vice President in Oak Ridge, is well known and well recognized as the leader responsible for what the U.S. Department of Energy industrial complex is today in East Tennessee. He is a member of the company's high performance team that charts the management and operations' mission, vision and performance. As an experienced leader in the community and company, he exemplifies the best of URS.

"Jim Hall has been and continues to be a major contributor to making Oak Ridge a better place. I have great respect for his capabilities and find him to be one of the most likeable and personable folks in town" said Homer S. Fisher, Senior Vice President Emeritus for the University of Tennessee.

Hall leads business development for emerging markets, where he identifies, tracks and manages opportunities associated with markets that are developing or are not currently served by URS. He also leads URS' \$3.5 billion Global Management & Operations Services business development team in Oak Ridge while globetrotting to build the URS business in the United Kingdom.

Hall was instrumental in URS' successful pursuit of the UK's Sellafield Sites contract, where he led the prequalification effort and was the URS capture manager. In 2008, the UK Nuclear Decommissioning Authority awarded a consortium led by URS to manage the environmental restoration of the Sellafield sites with a value \$2.5 billion, under a five-year base contract, with an option to extend the contract periodically for a total of 17 years.

He spent 31 years with the U.S. Department of Energy, where he served as manager of Oak Ridge Operations, provided executive management of the multi-program Oak Ridge complex. During his tenure, the complex employed as many as 21,000 federal and contractor employees and had an annual \$3 billion budget.

Hall's business management foresight for the region became a reality in 1995 when he created a new "Vision of the Oak Ridge Complex" which established a new business model and a "roadmap" that would be followed during a time of changing missions and shrinking Federal budgets. His plan accomplished priority environmental work, attracted new work and replaced jobs in the community that would have been lost in Federal downsizing with private sector jobs. This plan was vetted with community leaders, private sector executives, state and Federal political leaders, and DOE officials.

A year later he initiated and established the "Reindustrialization Program" as a means of leveraging federally owned assets which before had been considered liabilities by communities. His efforts were recognized by the President with a Presidential Rank Award.

Hall joined URS as part of Westinghouse in 1999, with established credentials in domestic and international business development, operations and research & development. He has been a driving force being URS' reputation for excellence and safety.

"The hallmark of URS is its committed to safety at all levels, Hall emphasizes. "With our safety and health professionals working to ensure best-in-class safety performance, URS embraces the philosophy of the Voluntary Protection Program safety culture for all employees and subcontractors."

URS is responsible for implementing the U.S. Department of Energy's Integrated Safety Management System throughout the complex, and URS' Safety Management Solutions is recognized by the U.S. Department of Energy as a "Center of Excellence." Safety Management Solution's innovative techniques and approaches have led to successful decontamination and decommissioning activities at various sites, including the Oak Ridge Site, the Savannah River Site and the Rocky Flats Environmental Test Site.

Hall is the friendly face that drives URS and its commitment to its ideals and successes in the Oak Ridge community.

For information on how your Chamber-member business can become a Millennium Partner, contact Greta Ownby (ownby@orcc.org).



Members at Work

Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) awarded 16 teachers and administrators from 10 area schools with nearly \$33,000 in grants to fulfill a variety of educational programs and equipment requests.

The grant monies enabled the purchase of Promethean boards, iPod touches, microscopes, computers, calculators and an array of other science, math and technical learning materials. Oak Ridge High School (a \$4,425 grant for the purchase of materials to create a general physics laboratory. The materials include hand-cranking generators, digital multimeters, galvanometers, bar magnets, large compasses, super slinkies, motion detectors and more) and Willow Brook Elementary School (Thirty TI-15 calculators and two overhead TI-15 calculators used to project the calculator's computations onto a screen, valued at \$885), both in Oak Ridge, were among the recipients.



Pender

John Pender has been selected as director of special projects for science education at *ORAU*.

In this role, **Pender** has oversight of feasibility and transitional planning in support of strategic efforts that will strengthen *ORAU's* capabilities in science education and workforce development. He will also serve as a human resources liaison between program sponsors, participants and host facilities. **Pender** will support and advance *ORAU's* recruitment efforts, targeting students and recent graduates from the nation's highest-ranked research universities. www.orau.org

Scott Swander has joined *Hobson Yoder Financial Group* in Oak Ridge as a partner, bringing his experience as president and principal of Synergy Wealth Management in Little Rock, Ark., to the Oak Ridge firm.



Mary Yoder, Martha Hobson and Scott Swander

individuals. He brings a knowledge of cutting-edge technology and is a Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor with experience in pre-retirement and post-retirement planning needs. He also brings the same core business values as **Martha Hobson** and **Mary Yoder**, both Certified Financial Planner™ practitioners and principals of Hobson Yoder Financial Group.

Hobson Yoder Financial Group, 100 East Tennessee Ave., is dedicated to building long-term relationships with clients to help them achieve financial life goals. The firm offers comprehensive fee-based financial services, including asset management, estate and life planning, eldercare planning, tax-efficient investing, and retirement planning with 401(k) rollover services.

Merrick & Company has been awarded the 2010 American Business Ethics Award™ (ABEA). The award honors U.S. companies that exemplify high standards of ethical behavior in their everyday business conduct and in response to specific crises or challenges. Three national firms are recognized each year with this award that has been given out for the past 16 years by the Foundation for Financial Service Professionals (FFSP). Past award recipients include General Mills, Whirlpool Corporation, Pitney Bowes, Kiplinger, Starbucks, and Levi Strauss.

Entries were evaluated by an independent panel of judges comprised of ethics experts from business and academia. The evaluation criteria included:

- The company's and executive's commitment to ethics.

Swander opened Synergy Wealth Management six years ago, developing a business focusing on high net worth

- Demonstrated corporate code of ethics, credo, core values, and mission.
- Clear communication of the company's ethical standards.
- Clear indication that staff understands and accepts the firm's ethical standards.
- A provided means for employees, customers, and other parties to bring ethical problems or conflicts to the firm's attention along with mechanisms for resolution.
- Delivery of consistently high quality services.
- Demonstrated awareness of environmental impact.
- Corporate commitment to providing a work environment that is safe, free from harassment or inappropriate discriminatory behavior.
- Demonstrated commitment to community.

Merrick & Company is a \$100 million engineering, architecture, design-build, surveying, and geospatial solutions firm, serving domestic and international clients in the energy, security, life sciences, and infrastructure markets. The firm is committed to sustainable design and construction practices through its 50+ LEED-accredited professionals and is continually expanding its in-house resources to serve tomorrow's needs. www.merrick.com

St. Mary's School was one of only 304 schools in the nation to be designated as a 2010 Blue Ribbon School by the US Department of Education!

The Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle, and high schools that are either high performing or have improved student achievement to high levels. The program is part of a larger Department of Education effort to identify and disseminate knowledge about the best school leadership and teaching practices.

St. Mary's met all the criteria for a

“high performing school.” For the Blue Ribbon Schools Program, “high performing” means that the achievement of *St. Mary’s* students in the most recent year tested placed it among the highest performing schools in the nation in reading and mathematics as measured by a nationally normed test--which means *St. Mary’s School* is officially in the top 10% of schools nationwide. www.stmarysoakridge.org

The Oak Ridge Playhouse will present *Scrooge* as its holiday production. Charles Dickens’ *A Christmas Carol*, comes to life in this musical adaptation of the holiday classic. Stinky old Ebenezer Scrooge is visited by spirits and shown that, unless he changes his ways towards his fellow man, he will be faced with a sad fate. A delight for the whole family.

The show will open Thanksgiving night and runs through Sunday, December 5. Tickets are available on the Playhouse’s website www.orplayhouse.com

Methodist Medical Center and *Vanderbilt Heart Center* were the only two hospitals in Tennessee recognized by the American College of Cardiology’s Mission: Lifeline™ Program in an August issue of *US News and World Report*. All 76 hospitals featured earned recognition for their prompt care for heart attack patients that require immediate treatment to save heart muscle and save lives. *MMC’s* average time for treating heart attacks with a cardiac cath intervention is under 65 minutes – more than 25 minutes faster than the national benchmark of 90 minutes.

Covenant Health, parent company of *Methodist Medical Center*, has been ranked #34 in the nation out of 600 health systems by SDI, a healthcare information organization. The ranking is based on clinical quality, access to services, information technology, financial stability, and leadership. Thomson Reuters also ranked the health system among the top 51 best performing systems in the nation, again based on clinical excellence and on data related to outcomes, re-admissions, length of stay, and patient satisfaction.

MCH Corporation (MCH) announced that it has been the recipient of an award from the Tennessee District Office of the Small Business Administration designating it as the Tennessee 8(a) Contractor of the Year. The award was presented to **Michael Hamilton** of *MCH Corporation* at the MED Week awards banquet on October 10th in Nashville, TN. The company is the first participant in the SBA 8(a) program from Monroe County, Tennessee and it has participated in the program since 2008.

Since its entry into the 8(a) program *MCH Corporation* has grown over 400% and has secured prime contracts with four (4) different federal customers and now performs work for the Department of Energy, the Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Air Force, and the U.S. Marine Corps.

Headquartered in Sweetwater, TN, *MCH Corporation* is a provider of high quality, responsive, technical services and products with a more than twelve year history of delivering high quality services and products in timely and cost-effective manner. www.mchcorp.com

To share news with our membership, send your news and photos to Kathy Gillenwaters at gillenwaters@orcc.org.

Board Nominees

Per the Chamber’s Bylaws seven individuals are elected each year to serve on the Chamber’s Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee has recommended and the Board of Directors have approved the following slate of nominees to be presented to the membership for election on December 7 during the Annual Meeting/Holiday Reception.

- Peggy Adcock, Y-12 Federal Credit Union
- Beth Harris, Belk
- Chris Johnson, ORNL Federal Credit Union
- Gretchen Julius, Doubletree
- Alan Parker, EnergySolutions
- Dean Russell, Flatwater Grill
- Kerry Trammell, NHC of Oak Ridge

Business Expo November 12 Updates on Happenings in Oak Ridge, Networking, Great Prizes and More!

Plan on attending the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce’s biggest networking event of the year. The Business Expo provides you with the opportunity to get some face-to-face time with other businesses, vendors and the general public.

The Expo will be held at the Oak Ridge Civic Center from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 12.

Many participating companies will offer door prizes throughout the day. The Chamber is giving away an iPad to one lucky attendee.

This year, several of our key partners will offer breakout sessions throughout the day to let you know the exciting things going on in our community.

Presenters include:

- John Eschenberg of DOE,
- Alan Eubanks of the Oak Ridge Rowing Association,
- Jesse Smith of Knoxville-Oak Ridge Innovation Valley,
- Mark Watson, Oak Ridge City Manager,
- Kate Groover of the Oak Ridge Revitalization Effort,
- Katy Brown of the Oak Ridge Convention and Visitors Bureau,
- Kim Denton on behalf of the Oak Ridge Industrial Development Board, and
- Mary Beth West of Mary Beth West Consulting to present the results of the recent social media survey her company conducted through the Chamber.

To reserve your booth space, contact Lynn Christman at 483-1321 or lchristman@orcc.org.





Christmas Parade 2010

“It’s Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas”

Presented by: The Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce

The Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce cordially invites you to participate
in the annual Oak Ridge Christmas Parade.

Saturday, December 11 at 6 p.m. (new time)

Line-up will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the Corporate Center Parking Lot
(Corner of Lafayette Drive and Laboratory Road)

Parade ends at Oak Ridge High School, 1450 Oak Ridge Turnpike.

Please note: *The starting and ending points of the parade have changed.*

Line-up information will be e-mailed to all registered entries by December 7th

*Reserve your entry space by completing this form and returning it to the
Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce by 5 p.m. on December 6th. There is NO ENTRY FEE.*

Organization or Company Name: _____

Address, City and Zip Code: _____

Contact Person: _____ Email: _____

Required. All communication will be done via email.

Phone: _____

Entry Description including number of persons participating, types of vehicles, walking group etc.:

*Santa and Mrs. Claus will be the last entry in the parade, therefore we kindly request that Santa and Mrs. Claus
not be a part of any other entries in the parade.*



Partnership Wins State Website Award



Kim Denton accepting the LinkTenn Award from Matt Kisber, Commissioner, ECD during the Governor's Conference.

The Oak Ridge Economic Partnership was honored to receive a LinkTenn Award in September during the 57th Annual Governor's

Conference on Economic and Community Development in Nashville. This award was given to 8 communities or organizations across Tennessee who have achieved outstanding economic development marketing through the use of their website. Criteria for the

award included search engine ranking, availability of downloadable documents and data, effective branding, ease of navigation, interactivity with users, appropriate links, use of social media, advanced website technology, valuable use of maps and overall appearance.

What makes a website so crucial in economic development?.....

The experts say a website is the most important marketing tool that a community or organization can have. Because most site selection begins with a "desk search," an effective website can mean the difference between landing a project or missing out on one.

Site selectors tell us an effective website should have the local information they

cannot find anywhere else. In the current climate of economic development and the vast amount of information on the internet, site selectors have become site eliminators. If they cannot find information easily and quickly, they move on.

Some of the Partnership's website award winning features.....

The website is user friendly, easy to navigate, well labeled and embedded with helpful links throughout. It features site selection and innovation sections, comprehensive property / space inventory and a directory of area businesses. The PDF creator can be used to download documents to create proposals and tailored reports. The site is uniquely tied to the Oak Ridge Chamber to give a cohesive bird's eye view of the community as a whole. Please check it out! www.oakridgetn.org

Bangs is 2010 State Star of TSBDC



"Your Success is Our Business"



Charles "Tee" Rowe, President/CEO, Association of Small Business Development Centers; Jerry Cartwright, State Director, Florida SBDC; Patrick Geho, State Director, Tennessee SBDC; Jutta Bangs, Sr. Business Specialist, Tennessee SBDC, Oak Ridge office; Antonio Doss, Associate Administrator, Office of Small Business Development Centers, U. S. Small Business Administration; Jim Mullery, Vice President, ACT! Sales, Sage North America

Patrick Geho, State Director of the Tennessee Small Business Development Center (TSBDC) announced that Jutta Bangs has been selected as the 2010 State Star of the TSBDC.

"I am

delighted to make this announcement, and to recognize Mrs. Bangs for extraordinary contributions to the work of the Tennessee Small Business Development Center and small business in Tennessee," said Patrick

Geho, State Director.

Bangs is a Senior Business Specialist at Roane State Community College's Small Business Development Center located at the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Bangs was chosen for being an outstanding performer, making a major contribution to the TSBDC program, and showing a strong commitment to small business in the Oak Ridge, and surrounding 8-county, area.

"It is an honor to accept this award," said Bangs, "and to have the opportunity to help so many people achieve the dream of starting and succeeding in their own business."

A special reception honoring the ASBDC 2010 State Stars was held in San Antonio, TX in conjunction with ASBDC's 30th Annual Conference. The reception was sponsored by Sage North America- Business Software Solutions for Accounting.

For more than 30 years, the Sage family has assisted small and mid-sized businesses with a wide range of business management applications and services.

More than 3.1 million organizations in North America operate their business with Sage solutions.

Small Business Jobs Act of 2010

TSBDC is helping small businesses survive in '10

The Small Business Jobs Act, signed by President Obama on September 27, will provide critical resources to help small businesses continue to drive economic recovery and create jobs. The new law extends the successful SBA Recovery loans while offering billions more in lending support and tax breaks for entrepreneurs and small business owners.

Most important is the provision to extend SBA Recovery loans (with the 90% guarantee and reduced fees) through December 31, 2010.

For information, please contact the TSBDC at 865-483-2668 or e-mail jbangs@tsbdc.org (located at the Chamber of Commerce in Oak Ridge).

The TSBDC offers free, confidential counseling by appointment. Our counselors can assist with a range of needs to facilitate in the growth, success, and development of your small business.



Young Professional Spotlight

Meet Danah & Stan Mitchell

Meet Danah and Stan Mitchell, young professionals, Oak Ridge residents and owners/publishers of *The Oak Ridge Observer*.



hmm was that a bit of a redundant statement?

Stan: We need to bring in more retail.

Q. What are your professions?

A. **Danah:** Stan is the writer, I'm the artist, and in our line of work that's a big advantage. We're like bread and butter and it works beautifully.

Q. How did you all meet?

A. **Danah:** It was 2 years ago, and technically we met online. We had to literally "squeeze in" our first official meeting on a week night after we both got done at our respective jobs. Romantic, isn't it? We sat down in a local restaurant and talked. Stan bought me a lemonade and it's been love ever since.

Q. How long have you been married?

A. 6 Months as of Oct 10

Q. What do you like best about our city?

A. The respect and balance of both the arts and science. It has a very impressive history that makes you feel at times like you're part of something big and important.

We like its size, though We'd love to see it grow. Oak Ridge has small-town closeness without small-town ignorance.

Q. What 2 or 3 things can we do to make it a better place to live?

A. **Danah:** Oak Ridge really is "a diamond in the rough" and while it's not all that it could be, it still is still something special....



Q. How has YPOR impacted you and Oak Ridge?

A. **Danah:** YPOR helps restore my faith in the belief that we can make a difference today. I think we're at the tipping point right now in YPOR. I really can't say what the lasting result of YPOR will be, but I feel pretty positive about it.

Stan: We love the energy, new friends we've met and the ability to dream, which this group has.

Q. What potential do you think the group has?

A. The group is made of a variety of impressive talents. Even after almost 2 years in the group, we still haven't managed to grasp what most of these people do for a living! There are some serious job titles in that crowd. Our fellow Young Professionals are the real deal and Danah is hoping they'll elect her as mascot, so she can continue to hang out with all of them!

Q. Talk about *The Oak Ridge Observer*.

A. **Stan:** A naïve, 27-year-old man decided five years ago that he thought he would borrow \$20,000

and start a weekly newspaper. That same man would tell you now that he wouldn't try the same thing with less than \$250,000. So what's that mean? I'm not completely sure, but I'm confident it means I owe God and a ton of friends and family members a load of thanks. And I think it means we should never underestimate the ability of young people to dream and achieve things that are nearly impossible. Similarly, Oak Ridge pulled off incredible feats in the '40s, and it did so with mostly young people. I don't think that's an accident. Regarding the future, we just take it one day at a time.

Q. Talk about being a young couple running a business.

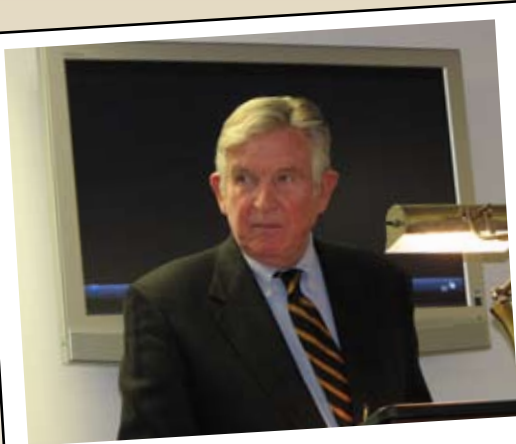
A. **Danah:** We really enjoy what we do and I think what we enjoy most is being able to run the business together. We compliment each other well and we are very aware of how fortunate we are to be able to be with one another 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and not want to rip our hair out or each other's hair out for that matter. Stan and I are hard workers and we have to sacrifice a lot of what we want for the Observer. Still we know that we don't have to do this, we don't have to spend every Wednesday night screaming and scrambling on a deadline. We don't have to forgo vacations, or turn down every other invitation to hang out with our friends. We don't have to do this newspaper business. But we choose to keep doing it, because ultimately we believe it's worth it. So even after the horrific deadlines and our rapidly depleting sanity we love our business *The Oak Ridge Observer*. It's a very rewarding life.

Stan: The positives are we get to work together, and we love what we do. It's exciting and never ending.

Photo Album



Chuck's Car Care hosted a Business After Hours for Chamber Members in September.



Former University of Tennessee football coach Johnny Majors spoke to a packed house at the ORUD Business & Breakfast in October.



Members of newly-formed Youth Leadership class participate in a team-building activity at their first meeting.



ACHW hosted a Business & Breakfast to honor retiring founding partner Ben Adams, pictured with his wife Connie.



The Chamber, ORRE, Oak Ridge CVB and TSBDC presented a social media seminar in September. Specialized social media seminars will be announced soon.



Panera Bread had a gorgeous September morning for their recent Business & Breakfast.

Membership Update

Renewing Members

Please join your Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce in celebrating the continued commitment of these returning members. Our members are the reason we exist and we appreciate your continued support.

40-45 Years

Bank of America

10-19 Years

Allergy, Asthma & Sinus Center

Alzheimer's Association

Brandon's Awards & Engraving

Dr. Gene Caldwell

CH2MHILL OMI

Citizens National Bank

CommunityLink

NAI Knoxville

Oak Ridge Country Club

The Tombras Group

U.S. Department of Energy-Oak Ridge

URS

Westgate Lodging

5-10 Years

Bacon & Company

Best Western Cedar Bluff

Christopoulos & Kennedy

Thomas L. Clary M.D.

Covenant Health Corporation Finance

Dot's Catering

Enclave Business Park

Grainger Industrial Supply

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HME, Inc.

K-9 Search on Site

Knoxville Tourism & Sports Corporation

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Park Med Urgent Care Center

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Philotechnics, Ltd.

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Southern Safety Supply

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Briarcliff Healthcare & Rehab Center

Commercial Maintenance

Daxor Corporation

Donny Hitch Collision Repair

East Tennesseans for Airfare Competition (ETAC)

East Tennessee Personal Care Service

Eddie Hair Tire & Auto

FirstBank

The Flatwater Grill

Flex/Space Properties

Food City #681

Ruth Ann Maddux

The Manhattan

Merrick & Company

Oak Ridge Breakfast Rotary

Oak Ridge Nursery School

Partners Development

Performance Medicine of Oak Ridge

Russell Printing Options

Security Walls

Verizon Wireless Cellular Sales

William J. Wilcox, Jr.

New Members

Please join your Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce in welcoming these businesses to the membership of our chamber. It is our pleasure to have you as part of the business advocacy organization for the Oak Ridge area.

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Calendar of Events

November 2
Business & Breakfast
Willow Ridge
97 Oak Ridge Turnpike
7:30-9:00 a.m.

November 2
Young Professionals Meeting
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
5:30 p.m.

November 3
ORCC Finance Committee Meeting
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
11:00 a.m.

November 3
ORCC Board of Directors Meeting
ORCC Joyce Conference Room,
11:30 a.m.

November 4
Political Action Task Force Meeting
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
9:00 a.m.

November 12
OREP Board of Directors Meeting
ORCC West Conference Room
9:00 a.m.

November 12
Business Expo
Oak Ridge Civic Center
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

November 16
Leadership Oak Ridge Graduation
Flatwater Grill
3:00 p.m.

November 16
**Young Professionals joint event with
Connect Y-12**
New Hope Center
5:15 p.m.

November 17
Youth Leadership
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
2:30 - 5:00 p.m.

November 18
Development Forum
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

November 23
Young Professionals Meeting
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
5:30 p.m.

November 25 & 26
**Chamber offices will be closed in
observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday**

November 29
ORCC Executive Committee
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
11:30 a.m.

November 30
Business & Breakfast
Advanced Management
1936 Oak Ridge Turnpike
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

December 3
Political Action Task Force Meeting
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
9:00 a.m.

December 7
Business & Breakfast
Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge
990 Oak Ridge Turnpike
8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

December 7
**Oak Ridge Chamber Holiday Party and
Annual Meeting**
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
4:30 - 7:00 p.m.

December 1
ORCC Board of Directors Meeting
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
11:30 a.m.

December 10
OREP Board of Directors Meeting
ORCC West Conference Room
9:00 a.m.

December 14
Business After Hours
Turnkey Transportation
663 Emory Valley Road
4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

December 15
Youth Leadership
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
2:30-5:00 p.m.

December 16
TSBDC Startup Seminar
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

December 16
Development Forum
ORCC Joyce Conference Room
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

December 23 & 24
**Chamber offices will be closed in
observance of Christmas**

December 31
**Chamber offices
will be closed in
observance of New
Year's holiday.**



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Oak Ridge Tool



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