



## Member of the Month



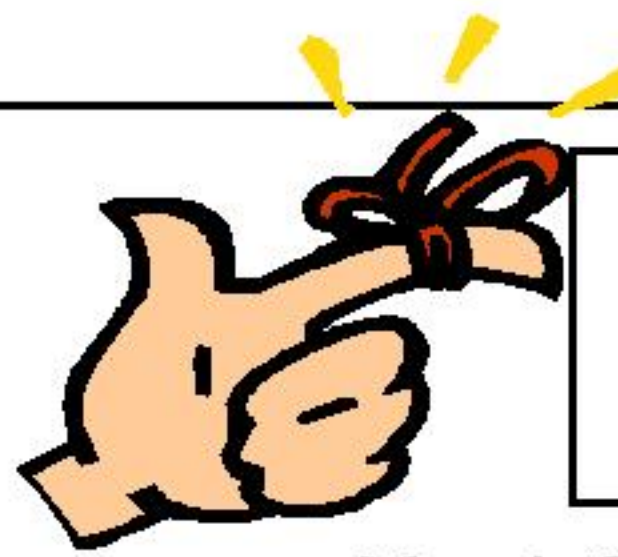
## New Members

The Winterville Chamber of Commerce would like to congratulate its Member of the Month, the Winterville Ruritan Club. This organization has been a part of our community for seventy years. They are dedicated to improving the community and building a better America through fellowship, goodwill and community service. The Ruritans conduct many service projects that help to improve the quality of life in Winterville. They sponsor the Town's Veteran's Day Celebration each year. They support area girl scouts and boy scouts and Meals on Wheels. They are a major sponsor of the Winterville Watermelon Festival and provide a breakfast for all Veterans during the event and conduct Bingo games at night during the festival. The Ruritans have monthly Bingo games on Saturday nights for members of the community. Each spring they conduct a raffle that benefits our area schools. They also sponsor a scholarship for a deserving student each year at South Central High School. They hold an annual Blood Drive and sponsor youth athletic teams. The Ruritans meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 at their building located on the corner of Church and Sylvania Street across from A. G. Cox School. They serve a meal and have a program at each meeting. Levi Smith is serving as the President this year. The cost of membership is \$100 and they are always looking for new members. They invite anyone who likes good fellowship and wants to contribute to help build a better community to join their club. We are fortunate to have them as a member of our town and as a member of our Chamber. We thank them for their hard work and dedication to the Winterville community.

The Chamber welcomes several new members this month. The first is McCloud and Associates owned and operated by Valerie McCloud. It is located at 2423 Mill Street in Winterville. McCloud and Associates provide a variety of services to members of the community. Some of the services offered are tax assistance, computer training, Mental Health services for children and adults and grant writing. We welcome them to the Chamber. Our second new member is Winterville Car Wash located next to the Food Lion shopping center in Winterville. It is owned and operated by Kim and Mitchell Shue who currently reside in Emerald Isle. They also own car washes in Greenville at the Buyer's Market and in Vanceboro. It is a family operation with Mr. Shue and his sons, Andrew and Austin who live locally. The Winterville Car Wash offers the services of the Laser Wash 4000 which is the workhorse of the car wash industry. It offers a touch free wash with hot water. All of the car wash packages offered with the Laser Wash 4000 provide undercarriage wash to protect your vehicle from salt damage in the winter. All their washes offer a spot free rinse. Spots are left on your car by minerals in the water that are left behind as the water evaporates. Mr. Shue's car wash has a system that can remove the minerals and chlorine from the water leaving your car spot free as it dries. The Winterville Car Wash also offers a covered vacuum area to provide protection from the weather (continued)



(New Members - continued) and shade in the summer. This vacuum area offers dry foam carpet shampoo and spot cleaner for your car's carpet and upholstery. We appreciate the service they provide for our community and welcome them to the Chamber. We have three more new members that have recently joined and more details about their businesses will be in our April newsletter. One is Barber Rentals owned by Clyn and Edna Barber. Another is The Right Stuff Hair Salon located at 2586 Railroad Street and operated by Edward and Vanessa Cole. The Chamber will be assisting them with a Ribbon Cutting on February 25th. And finally we welcome Charlotte Helm-Britton with Woodmen of the World and Aflac. The Chamber is happy to have our new members and we wish them great business success in Winterville.



## March Reminders

- March 2 - Winterville Kiwanis Club Pancake Supper at W. H. Robinson
- March 14 - First day of Daylight-Savings time
- March 15 - Chamber of Commerce meeting at 5:30 at the Winterville Community Room
- March 17 - St. Patrick's Day
- March 19 - Nomination forms are due for the Community Awards
- March 20 - The first day of spring
- March 22 - Winterville Kiwanis Club Pancake Supper at Hope Middle School
- March 25 - Business After Hours hosted by Hicks Chiropractic and Verde Spa from 5:30 to 7:30



## Community Awards Banquet

Plans are underway for the Chamber's Annual Community Awards Banquet to be held during the month of April. A steak dinner is planned with a quest speaker and entertainment. The Key Club from South Central High School will serve as our waitresses and waiters for the evening. Awards will be given for Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year, Outstanding Educator, Outstanding Public Servant and Outstanding Youth. Please take the time to nominate someone that deserves recognition for what they do for the community. Contact Debbie Avery for a nomination form. The deadline for nominations is March 19.

Member to Member Discount - Medical Park Pharmacy would like to offer Chamber members a 10% discount off all over-the-counter items. The Chamber reminds members to shop locally with businesses that give back to the community!

The Winterville Kiwanis Club would like to thank everyone that helped to make their annual Chicken Dinner Fundraiser a success!

The Winterville Watermelon Festival was chosen by the Southeastern Tourism Society as one of the "Top Twenty" festivals for August in the southeastern United States. Congratulations!

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