



Contact Information

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Leadership Collierville is designed to develop well-informed, effective leaders in Collierville. Our program helps participants become more aware of issues that impact our town not only by providing dialogue and interaction with key decision-makers from our local government, but also from the businesses and non-profit agencies that help enhance Collierville.

We encourage our participant leaders to build relationships and network with other community leaders to help build a base for working on community projects together.

Our well-informed graduates hold positions on many community boards and commissions, including government, businesses, non-profits and foundations. Initiatives such as Relay for Life, Habitat for Humanity, Main Street Collierville, the Collierville Literacy Council, and the Page Robbins Adult Day Care Center along with many others, have been spearheaded by Leadership Collierville graduates.

Leadership Collierville has a nine-month adult program beginning in September and ending in May. Our monthly program aims at providing a broad education on local, county and state government; education and our schools; businesses and local economics; diversity training; and community development.

We also encourage team building, examining innovative strategies for resolving community challenges and various leadership styles and networking. Since 1994 we have graduated over 250 participants in our adult program and over 175 high school students from our Youth Program.



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**APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2009 LEADERSHIP
CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE HOME PAGE OF
THE CHAMBER WEBSITE –
COLLIERVILLECHAMBER.COM**

Program Days

Program kicks off in October with Opening Retreat and ends with Graduation in May

Opening Retreat

- A two-day retreat in October allows participants to become better acquainted with each other. This retreat promotes teamwork and delves into various individual leadership styles.

Community Day

- Emphasizes “quality of life” factors in Collierville with **extensive** tours of the town including non-profit agencies, public and private facilities, cultural arts and the history of Collierville. In the spring, attend a performance at the Harrell Theatre.

Business & Economics Day

- Provides an overview on how business is done in Collierville and the economics of the area. Meet with area businessmen and women and the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the environment of the local business community. Learn more about the industrial area and the recruitment of new businesses to the Town. Attend a Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Public Safety Day

- Provides an overview of local & county public services that are provided to keep our community safe. This day will involve an in depth look at the Fire and Police Departments. The class will also look at the measures that are taken to insure the safety of our citizens if a disaster occurs.

Government Day

- Provides an overview of local, county and state government. This day involves interaction with elected officials from the local to the state level. Town administrators provide a greater understanding of the dynamics of town government and the inner workings of each department. Participants must attend a commission or board meeting and report back to the class. The descriptions and responsibilities of the various Town Commissions and Boards are inter-woven into many of the class days.

Education Day

- Provides an overview of the public and private schools in Collierville. This day involves discussions with the Superintendent of Shelby County schools and/or members of the Shelby County Board of Education, local principals, private school administrators and the University of Memphis at Carrier Center. This day also includes tours of schools, panel discussions, and interaction with the Collierville Education Foundation.

Altruism Day/Closing Retreat

- **Closing Retreat** centers on reviewing the events of the class year, reflecting on lessons learned, and planning for future projects. Discover more ways to become a community leader.

Leadership Collierville



Class of 2008

Pictured: Front Row L-R: Terry Dean, Executive Director; Joan Donahue, Crosswind Elementary; Melanie George; Lezley Dixon, John Green Realtors; Suzanne Denzin, Morgan Keegan; Sindhia John, PowerTrack; Chelley Saquic, Renasant Bank; Kathy McBroom, Prairie Life Fitness Center; Deanna Britton, Collierville Burch Library and Shelia Willard, BancorpSouth. Second Row, Amie Stein, Germantown & Collierville Appeal; Elizabeth Allen, Collierville Chamber of Commerce; Natalie Swanson, Eclectic Eye; Tony Sarwar, Fino Villa; Billy Patton, Patton Computers; Byron Phillips, Helena Chemical Co; Bill Samisch, Security Bancorp/Patriot Bank; Sam Gassaway, X-L Services Inc.; Bob Chandler, Chandler Ehrlich & Co. and Stan Joyner, State Farm Insurance.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

Youth Leadership Collierville is a seven-month program for sophomore and junior high school students living in Collierville, who attend public or private schools or are home-schooled.

Students gain a better understanding of the role that business, government and service play in the success of a community and are encouraged to take a more active role in their school and the town. They also learn to communicate more effectively and work as a team.

One of the students' favorite days is "Youth Leadership Service Day" where each participant prepares a meal and interacts with the families staying at Ronald McDonald House in Memphis.



Volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House



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