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**Hempstead's 2nd Newsletter of 2010
Your Hempstead Chamber of Commerce
Bringing news to you.**

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**November and
December
Of 2010**

**Special points of
interest:**

Business of the Month

Thanksgiving

Elections

Festival Of Lights

“Lets hear it for our business of the month”

“The “Vanity Fair Outlet Mall”

located at 805 Factory Outlet Dr. Hempstead Texas.

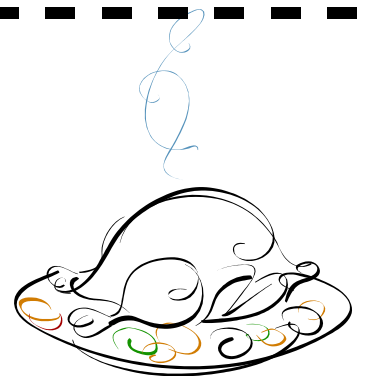
The Hempstead Chamber of Commerce would like to thank you for letting us hold our first annual one ring circus on October 13th 2010. We greatly appreciate everything you have done for the Hempstead Chamber of Commerce.

We hope everyone had a great experience and a wonderful time; we hope to see you next time!



**“Thanksgiving Day will soon be here
It comes around but once a year
If I could only have my way,
We'd have Thanksgiving every day.” Author unknown**

**Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving from the
Hempstead Chamber of Commerce**



“A great job to the Chamber's Officers, Members and Volunteers!”

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Have you heard the news around town? We are holding elections for the Hempstead Chamber of Commerce. Any CHAMBER member who has been a member in good standing for at least 6 months prior to the election will be eligible to be elected to the BOARD. Each BOARD member will be elected for a two year term by plurality vote of all CHAMBER members in good standing in attendance at the regularly scheduled November meeting of CHAMBER/BOARD, with BOARD members being elected in alternating years.

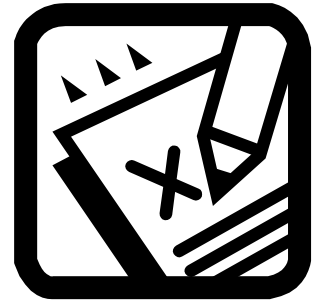
We will meet at Erik's Mexican restaurant at 6:00 PM on November 8th 2010. There will be a buffet for \$7.99, or you can order off the regular menu. If you would like to join us please RSVP by November 8th 2010.

Finally, if you would like to be nominated on the ballot sheet please Call, Fax, or E-mail me to see if you qualify.

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The Festival Of Lights has come again. December 11th 2010.

It will be held in Downtown Hempstead, Texas. Vince King will perform at 7:00PM as Elvis. Cobi Fourtine and First United Methodist Church will perform between 3:00PM and 5:00PM. Our parade starts at 6:00PM. There will be food, games, shopping, Santa Clause and much more.

We will be decorating the downtown park area, if you sponsored a tree or lamp post last year you will have first pick on sponsoring it again this year. If we have any available we will send out an email to the members who would like to sponsor a tree or lamp post.

We will have our annual decorating contest for homes and businesses, So put your decorating shoes on and get ready!

We will soon have online all of the Festival Of Lights information you will need to know on our website. So check it out at: www.hempsteadtxchamber.com

The City of Hempstead, Hempstead High school, and the Hempstead Chamber is holding their 2nd annual Basketball Classic.

The tournament will be held at the Hempstead High School gym beginning Thursday, December 16th at 3:00 p.m., Friday, December 17th, and Saturday, December 18th all day with the "Championship" game beginning at 5:45 p.m. There will be twelve (12) competing teams this year which is almost "double" from last year. There will be trophies awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Consolation teams. Tickets will be available at the door.



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www.Hempsteadtxchamber.com

Calendar of events:

11/8/2010- Chamber Meeting

11/8/2010- Elections

11/25/2010- Thanksgiving

12/11/2010- Festival Of Lights

12/16/2010 - Start of 2nd Annual

12/17/2010 - Basketball

12/18/2010 - Classic

12/24/2010- Christmas eve

12/25/2010- Christmas day

From the President's Desk

Wow, only 2 months left for the year 2010.

Where did it go? As I look back over the past 10 month's a lot has been accomplished: a new office, one of the largest Watermelon Festivals, and even a Circus came to town with a great turn out. Still to come our annual Festival of Lights on December 11th, and the Second Annual Basketball Classic sponsored with the City of Hempstead and the Hempstead High School on December 17th and 18th featuring 12 teams from 12 different cities. Both of these events bring people from surrounding communities to Hempstead. They also give chamber members a way to advertise their business to the community and all that visit the community. The question has been asked "what does the Chamber do for me?", I have listed just a few of the services we provide to our members to help advertise their business and get people to visit Hempstead.

Another way is through the Chamber Website. In the past 30-day period the website received 3086 hits. During the Watermelon Festival, starting in March through mid July the website is visited about triple that amount, if not more. Your business can advertise on the chamber website for \$300 a year, this is another way the Chamber of Commerce helps you. The Website is kept up to date. Check it out at www.hempsteadtxchamber.com .

The Chamber is only as strong as its members.

Happy Holidays