

Leadership Franklin

Government Day

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The objectives for today's program are:

- To introduce elected city, county and state officials
- To discuss current local government issues
- To obtain a better understanding of how our local & state government works
- To identify the different responsibilities among local, state and federal government decision makers

Attire: Business Attire, both men and women (men shall wear coat and tie)

IMPORTANT: The bus will leave promptly at 7:00 AM. Please don't be late!

6:45 AM Meet on the Third Avenue side of City Hall

7:00 - 7:45 Travel to the Nashville Stites & Harbison office at the new SunTrust Plaza Building next to the Ryman, Symphony Conference Room.
Introductions and review of itinerary.
Moderator: Rocky Garzarek (LFA)

7:45 - 8:10 Full Breakfast and Overview of Tennessee Three Star Program by Tracy Childress, Regional Economic Development Specialist
Introduction: Vernon Gerth (LFA)
Breakfast Sponsor: Stites & Harbison.

8:10 - 8:50 Open Discussion: Governmental Cooperation & Pending Issues in the State Legislature Affecting Franklin and Williamson County. State Senator Jack Johnson and State Representatives Charles Sargent and Glen Casada (LFA).
Introduction: Rocky Garzarek (LFA)
Moderator: Mike Williams, Executive Director, Tennessee Petroleum Council

8:50 – 9:00 Break

9:00 - 9:10 Drive to State Capitol

- 9:10 - 10:00 Tour of Capitol hosted by State Representative Charles Sargent with potential meeting & picture with Governor Bredesen. **Be prepared for a class picture!**
- 10:00 - 10:10 Travel to Hope Garden Neighborhood in Nashville – Neighborhood Revitalization
- 10:10 - 11:10 Guided Tour of Hope Garden Neighborhood with Eddie Latimere, Affordable Housing Resources, Inc.
Introduction: Vernon Gerth (LFA)
- 11:10 - 11:45 Travel to Monnell's
- 11:45 - 12:45 Lunch at Monnell's: Sponsored by: Michael King, Owner
- 12:45 - 1:00 Travel to Williamson County Administrative Complex
- 1:00 - 1:40 Open Discussion: Sustainability – What are we doing to improve our quality of life?
Participants: Harpeth River Watershed Association Dorie Bolze (LFA), Southern Land Company Ben Crenshaw, Crescent Resources Pat Emery (LFA), Natalie Dodd, Franklin Tomorrow.
Introduction: Vernon Gerth (LFA)
Moderator: James Smith – Five Points Benefits
- 1:40 - 1:50 Break
- 1:50 - 2:30 Open Discussion: What is the financial health and future of our schools and library?
Participants: County Mayor Rogers Anderson (LFA), FSSD Finance Director John McAdams, WCS Interim Superintendent Dr. David Heath, Chairman of Library Board Jack Vicary.
Introduction: Rocky Garzarek (LFA)
Moderator: County Commissioner Chairman Houston Naron.
- 2:30 - 2:50 Travel to Franklin City Hall and Break.
- 2:50 - 3:30 Open Discussion: Current Challenges to the City of Franklin. Topics: Growth management, revenue sources and budget, infrastructure and service delivery.
Participants: Mayor John Schroer, Alderman Clyde Barnhill, City Administrator Eric Stuckey, FMPC Chairman Mike Hathaway, and D9 Development Bernie Butler.
Moderator: Vernon Gerth (LFA)
- 3:30 - 4:15 Open Discussion: Roadway and transportation issues facing the City of Franklin and Williamson County. Participants:
TDOT Chief of Environment and Planning Ed Cole, Wilbur Smith Associates Vice President Jerry Stump (LFA), E.G.&G. Consultants Paul Roszak, City Engineer David Parker (LFA).
Introduction: Rocky Garzarek (LFA)
Moderator: Alderman Dan Klatt (LFA)
- 4:15 - 4:25 Break

- 4:25 - 5:25 Class Exercise – Jeopardy – How well do you know your city? Questions primarily based on information proved throughout the day. Premium city logoed apparel presented to the winning team!
- 5:25 - 5:45 Travel to Stoney River in Cool Springs.
- 5:45 - 6:45 Heavy hors d'oeuvres at Stoney River. Overview of Caroline J. Cross Award and remember to turn in evaluations!
- 6:45 PM Adjourn