



# Leadership Crawford County Newsletter

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## A note from the President

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year and to thank all of you for your involvement in Leadership Crawford County. I

believe that with your participation, either as a class member, a board member, an advisory board member or a sponsor, we are helping make our community a

better place to live and work.

I wish you all the best in 2007.

Shelly Fuller

*Leadership Crawford County is designed to develop effective leaders by enhancing their civic, social and professional skills.*

## Class 3 Selects Projects

### Team 1

Teresa Postlewaite - Larry Quick  
Louise Schalasky - Jamey Tracy

#### *Adult Softball League*

To design and organize an adult softball league in Crawford County. The goal is to have the league functioning by late summer 2007.

### Team 2

Ben Vaupel - Don Annis  
Pheobe Biernbaum - Rodney Ogle

#### *Transportation Funding for Hemodialysis*

The goal of this group is to set up supplemental compensation funds for patient expenses not paid by other sources (Medicare, Medicaid). The program will help Crawford County residents who must travel to other communities to receive dialysis services. They hope to work with the Rides Mass Transit to provide transportation.

### Team 3

Michael Howard - Corie Biggs  
Julie Kraemer - Garry Wilson  
Kimbra Stephens

#### *Educate the Students of Crawford County on Methamphetamine Addiction and Abuse*

Develop an informational program to go into each Crawford County School and educate the parents and community members on methamphetamine addiction and abuse.

### Leadership Crawford County Board

#### Officers:

Shelly Fuller-President  
Mark Hill-Vice-President  
Carol McGahey-Sec. Treas.

#### Board:

Emily Carroll  
Chris Forde  
Robbie Nethery  
Jason Sutfin  
Connie Calvert  
Carla Wesner  
Kristy Veenstra  
Tracy Weber

## Class Days



Class 3 with the latest completed class project: RIDE Mass Transit

For the last three months Class 3 has been busy learning about our community.

In November the class toured the Ethanol plant in Palestine and heard from local farmers about the different aspects of farming, learned about commodities marketing, government programs, and the dairy industry.



Brad Harmon, Shandi Meiszner, and Vince Mickey-discussing small business with class members

December class day was a look into business from last years Leadership class. The class began the day touring Hershey and Tempco and ended their tours at Mullens in Palestine. One class member made a comment that it was really

something to see a plant that was totally automated, then go to a plant that was semi-automated and to end with a plant that had no automation. In between tours they heard from area chambers, had a small business forum and Bob Berty spoke on the functions of Crawford County Development.

Eating breakfast at Washington Grade school with the kids started January's Education Day. After breakfast they heard from Cindy Beard, Treasurer of the Robinson School District, Judy Gaul about home schooling, toured

Hutsonville's new school, heard about life as a school board member, traveled to the New Herbon Christian school and ended the day with Leadership training.

On a cold day in February the class traveled to Springfield to tour the State Capital, visited the House and Senate and heard from Representative Roger Eddy and Senator Dale Righter. They also met with Benjamin Yount of Metro Source and learned about his job involving the media in Springfield and met with husband and wife lobbyists, learning how their jobs affect the voting process.



Class 3, eating breakfast at Washington Grade School



Cindy Beard discussing school finances



Leadership Training



Roger Eddy at the House



Visiting the Senate

## Leadership Trivia?

What Advisory Board member coached Grade School and High School softball for 10 years?

To find out the answer, go to our web site: [leadershipcrawfordcounty.org](http://leadershipcrawfordcounty.org)

A good leader  
can't get too far  
ahead of his  
followers.  
Franklin D. Roosevelt

## Carla's Corner by Carla Wesner

### Have You Set Your Goals for 2007?

For many of us the start of a new year marks the beginning of a goal setting process that often loses its momentum by mid-year. This year, I challenge you to refine your goal process to achieve a more powerful result. As you finalize your goals, here are a few things to consider:

**Begin by setting the goals that are aligned with your individual purpose.** What do you plan to accomplish over the next one, two, or three years? What will it look like when you achieve your personal purpose? It is critical to be clear about what you are trying to accomplish. Without the end in mind, you will not truly know if you ever accomplish the goal.

**Give careful consideration to last year's goals.** Use your 2006 goals as

planning tools for the future. What were the outcomes of your 2006 successes, and how did they support your personal purpose? Did those outcomes move you closer to realizing your end result? If you missed the mark a bit, what have you learned from the experience so you can achieve a stronger outcome in the future.

**Share your goals with others.** When you ask others to support your goals, you strengthen your potential for success. Others often provide you resources as well as insight in attaining your goals. In addition, others can offer you just the right amount of encouragement to fulfilling your mission before you toss it aside.

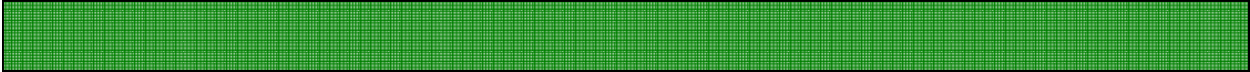
**Setting goals does not always mean something new.** Setting goals can include identifying what is working well and then,

developing a plan to continue the behavior or initiative. Often, building on what is working can create a more powerful and lasting result.

**Make sure the goals are attainable.** While "ending world hunger" is a noble cause, it is not realistically achievable in the short term. It is important for your goals to be within your 'circle of influence' and reasonable. Goals that are too aggressive to be accomplished may create feelings of personal failure, when in fact, some progress was made along the way.

So remember, take the time to create goals that will have a lasting effect on your future and your success as an individual.

If your actions  
inspire others to  
dream more,  
learn more, do  
more and be-  
come more, you  
are a leader.  
John Quincy Adams



## Advisory Board Comments

Leadership Crawford County is in its third year of bringing new leaders to Crawford County's many and diverse organizations. We have a great group of leaders who put in countless numbers of hours, with great pride, to make Leadership Crawford County one of the finest leadership programs around. This has all been done with volunteer labor.

We are at the point where we need to reach out to all graduating class members and reenergize them. We need to work on an alumni

program that will continue education on what is happening in the county and provide an avenue where we can get volunteers for various organizations and programs. We also need to assist some of the projects that have hit road blocks and help them achieve completion.

If you have any ideas on how we can improve our program and keep our class members involved, please email or call: Connie Calvert at the CCDA office, 546-1412 or email her at [ccd1@frsb.net](mailto:ccd1@frsb.net) or

Carol McGahey, 586-5103 or [csmcgahey@wbnorriselectric.com](mailto:csmcgahey@wbnorriselectric.com)

In closing, I want to thank all the volunteers and class members that have made Leadership Crawford County a great success. It has been fun watching the classes and how they interact. I am always impressed with each years new class members. Crawford County is fortunate to have so many young leaders becoming involved in the community.

Steve McGahey  
Chairman, Advisory Board

**"The function of leadership is to produce more leaders, not more followers."**

Ralph Nader

## What is the Role of a LCC Board Member?

The success of Leadership Crawford County depends on the volunteer efforts by past class members.

Like any other board we establish policies, define goals and keep each other informed on the progress of each committee.

We meet once a month and discuss the class agenda and cover any problems that have occurred. We also have sub-committees that meet on an as-needed basis.

Sub-Committees:

- Leadership
- Program
- Projects
- Retreat
- Alumni
- Public Relations
- Graduation

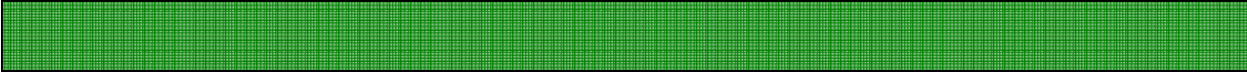
Each board member also works on two class days. They organize and plan the events for that day.

The board is very fortunate to have administrative assistance from CCDA, Connie Calvert. Connie is the person you

can contact if you need help or have questions.

(CCDA and University of Illinois Extension co-sponsor Leadership Crawford County.)

Upon graduation, the LCC Board will be asking any members from Class 3 if they would like to join the Leadership board. Our goal is to have at least 2 persons from each class represented on the board.



## Alumni News

“There is no limit to what can be accomplished when no one cares who gets the credit.”

John Wooden

Jamie Truett (Class 1) has been transferred to the Texas City Refinery in Houston. Jamie and her family moved in November, 2006. She is a Project Engineer for the new proposed Diesel Hydrotreater Unit. Her e-mail address will remain the same.

Justin Legg (Class 1) Justin and Lacey are expecting their fourth and maybe final child on June 8th? Happy New Year!!

Angela Erton (Class 1) has a new son, born August 25, 2006. His name is Connor.

We need information about our Alumni. Any information about a promotion, birth of a child or grandchild, new job, new position in a community service organization, or any other significant personal event should be emailed to: csmcgahey@wbnnorriselectric.com.

## Junior Achievement- Any Volunteers? By Angela Erton

*“Junior Achievement uses hands-on experiences to help young people understand the economics of life. In partnership with business and educators, Junior Achievement brings the real world to students, opening their minds to their potential.”*

We have received very positive feedback from the students, teachers, and sponsors on the program. We are in the second year of the program and will finish teaching 2nd grade in February and will kick off 3rd grade in the spring. Our challenges have been expanding, fund raising and getting new volunteers.

We currently have 3 or 4 openings to teach the 3rd

grade program this semester and are looking for volunteers. Volunteers are trained to teach five sessions at one of the 3rd grade classes in the county. The sessions last approximately 45 minutes each and are laid out in detail, so preparation for teaching the class is easy.

We are also looking for additional board members to help with coordination of the program. Board member duties include: solicit funds from local businesses, recruit volunteers to teach the classes, coordinate training for volunteers, track schedules of the volunteers teaching each class, attend school board meetings to report program success, collect and take

photos of the classes for sponsor and volunteer appreciation certificates, submit photos to the Daily News to assist in advertising and sponsorship of JA, create a yearly newsletter recapping the previous years success, and anything else which might arise.

If you are interested in volunteering for Junior Achievement of Crawford County, please email any of the following board members:

Brian Robb  
ccilja@yahoo.com  
Valerie Austin  
Vaerie.Austin@dana.com  
Angela Erton  
Angela.Erton@dana.com

### Advisory Board

Steve McGahey  
Bev Turkal  
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Robin Guyer  
Jack Chamblin  
Rick Catt  
Rich Kocher

## Leadership Trivia?

What Advisory Board Member started a home-based business 24 years ago?

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## Leadership Crawford County

### Class Dates

<i>March 14</i>	Health and Safety
<i>April 11</i>	Media and History
<i>May 9</i>	Industry
<i>May 16</i>	Graduation

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**Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.**

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