

College invites chocolate lovers to have their cake and eat it, too

If you crave chocolate sensations and are inspired by making a meaningful impact on the lives of others, you can literally have your cake and eat it too while dancing the night away during Limestone College's Scholars, Dollars & Chocolates Scholarship Banquet scheduled for September 30 at 7 p.m. in the Broad River Electric Cooperative auditorium (811 Hamrick Street, Gaffney).

Now in its fourth year, Scholars, Dollars & Chocolates can make college education dreams a reality for Cherokee County students. "Every penny raised through the banquet supports the Cherokee County Scholarship Program," said Tisha Thompson, Director of Development at Limestone. "Through the program, we are able to award each Cherokee County day student attending Limestone

\$1,500 annual scholarships based solely upon their county residency. During the 2009-2010 academic year, we provided 145 local students with more than \$185,000 in scholarship aid. These funds make an even great impact considering the challenging economic

times the nation is currently experiencing."

The scrumptious homemade chocolate desserts are just that: homemade by Limestone College Cherokee County alumni. The banquet will also feature the Cherokee County-based Iron City Band, a dance

floor, and posh door prizes.

Individual banquet tickets are \$25, and can be purchased by contacting Thompson at (864) 488-4618 or tthompson@limestone.edu. The event is also an excellent opportunity for corporate sponsorship

opportunities. For \$500, corporate sponsorships include a corporate table with organization name displayed, tickets for six guests to be seated at the corporate table, a half-page advertisement in the banquet printed program, and inclusion in follow-up promotion.

'Back to School Bash' planned in Blacksburg

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Adults aren't the only ones who enjoy the weekend, you know.

The Blacksburg Business Association (BBA) will host a "Back to School Bash" this Saturday at the town's community house on Shelby Street from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

The event is free to all. According to business association president George Kirby, the event is something the organization looks forward to hosting, as it has for the past four years.

"The driving force is the kids," Kirby said. "We want something for our children to be able to do on Saturday nights. This will serve that need at least for one Saturday during the school year."

Vendors will also be on hand to serve hot dogs, hamburgers and an array of other food items. Blacksburg High School guidance counselor Billy Tansou will also be on hand, serving as the DJ for the event, playing a variety of music for the listening and dancing pleasure of those in attendance.

Blacksburg Town Council recently approved a request by the BBA to assist the organization with \$7,000 in Hospitality Tax funds, some of which will be used to help with the "Back to School Bash," next month's "Octoberfest" festivities featuring premier beach music band "The Fantastic Shakers" and its "Christmas On Main" activities.

"Town council has been a tremendous help to us, with them seeming to be rather pleased with what we are doing and where the BBA is going," Kirby said. "We get their blessing before doing anything and when they can do their part to support us, they do."

Kirby said he is looking forward to drawing quite a crowd for the event,

which he says is not just for children of the Iron City.

"We're looking forward to having a great time. The last two a tremendous number of children came; hopefully we can do better this year," the BBA president said. "Even though it is being held in Blacksburg, we hope all from Cherokee County and surrounding counties and municipalities come and enjoy this."

Should it rain Saturday, festivities will be moved to Blacksburg Middle School.

For more information, call Kirby at (864) 839-6006.



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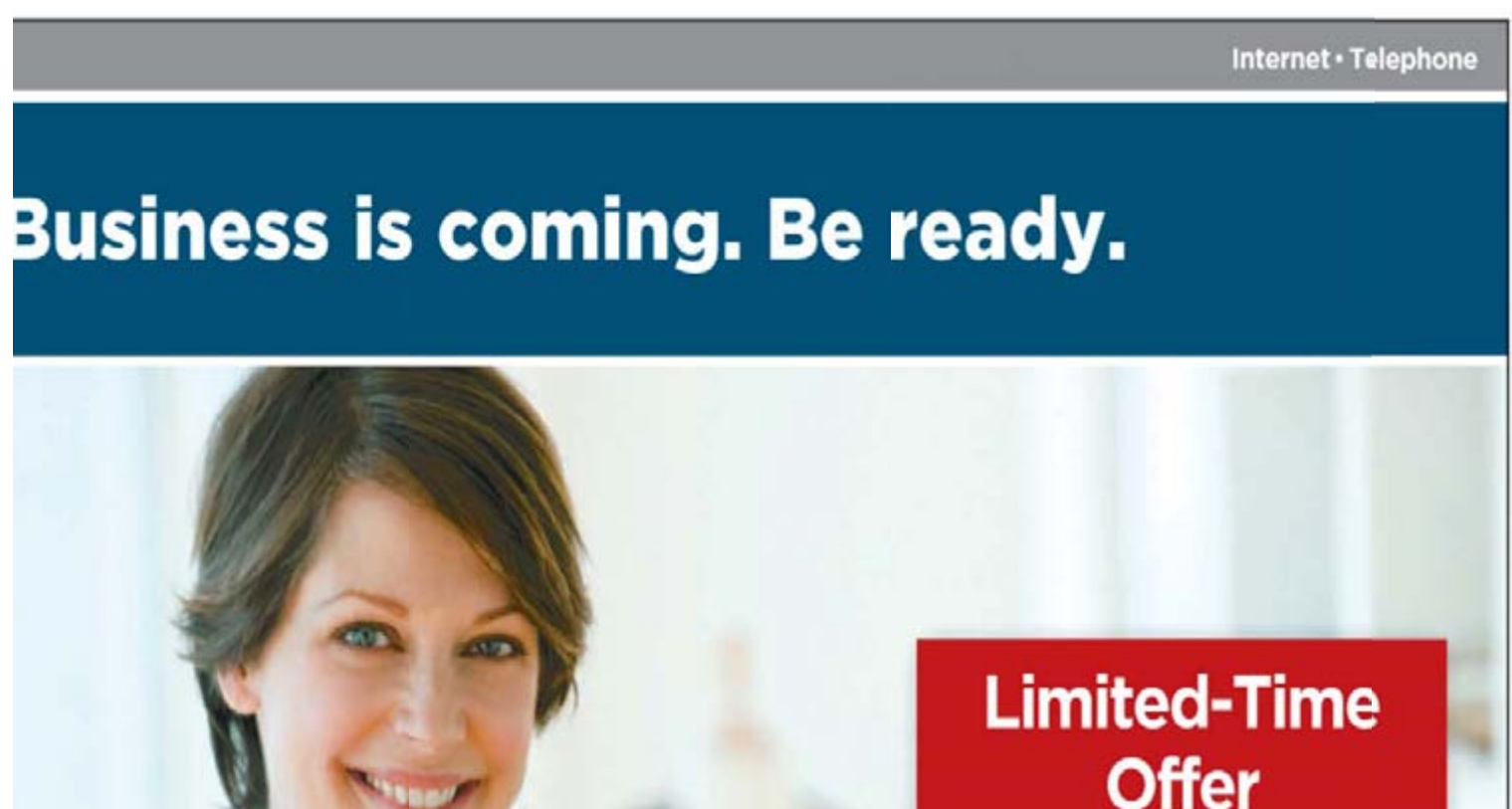
Motts accepted

Andrew Motts of Pacolet has been accepted to the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics (GSSM). He joins 68 other students representing 24 S.C. counties as the class of 2012.

Motts is the son of M.B. and Elsa Motts.

GSSM is a public, residential high school for academically talented and motivated juniors and seniors.

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