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Green Graduates OU/EDI Program

Tony J. Green became a graduate of the University of Oklahoma's Economic Development Institute (OU/EDI) on November 17, 2011 at the OU/EDI session held in Indianapolis, IN.

OU/EDI is a three-session program, each one week long, which provides a broad spectrum of advanced education for the economic development professional and is accredited by the International Economic Development Council.

OU/EDI classes focus on three major

core areas of Business Retention & Expansion, Real Estate, and Finance as well as areas of concentration in Marketing, Strategic Planning, Entrepreneurship, and Managing Economic Development Organizations. Students complete 117 hours of instruction selected from more than 50 seminars, workshops and discussion groups.

In addition to OU/EDI, Green is also a graduate of Mississippi State University with a MBA, and of the Mississippi REALTOR Institute. Green also holds a Mississippi Real Estate Broker's License.



**MERRY CHRISTMAS &
HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM THE STAFF &
BOARD MEMBERS OF
THE MONROE COUNTY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE!**



The Old Place Bed & Breakfast



The Old Place Bed & Breakfast, owned by Jimmy & Theresa Glenn, is the perfect place to call your “home away from home”. The Old Place is ideal for you to host showers, luncheons or just get away for a while.

The Glens’ had always loved visiting bed and breakfasts, but it wasn’t until a friend suggested the idea that they decided that is how Jimmy’s grandparents’ old home place would be used. Growing up, the house had always been referred to as “the old place” so the Glens’ could think of no better name than “The Old Place” for their bed and breakfast.

Theresa became a do-it-yourselfer, attending hands-on classes at Lowe’s and watching HGTV like there was no other channel, and did most of the renovations herself. She refinished floors, painted, stripped wallpaper and even laid tile. After months of renovations, The Old Place held an open house in May of 2000 and had their first guests the following year.

The Old Place offers guests amenities that can’t be found at hotels. Guests get the whole house to themselves while staying there, with a taste of home and lots of personable attention. Quiet and peaceful, with sheep, donkeys, grapevines, flower gardens and even a “geese crossing” marked along the drive, you’d never know you were located inside the city limits of Amory. During their stay, guests can sit and enjoy the nice Southern weather on an old porch swing or have coffee on the garden patio.

As wonderful as owning a bed and breakfast is for the Glens’, it hasn’t always been easy. It took a lot of patience for them to get adjusted to coordinating guest life with their personal lives. As a former teacher and businessman, the couple wouldn’t have it any other way. When asked what has proven to be the best part of her new career, Theresa responded, “I have my dream job. I love the people that come here and I feel like they love to stay with us.”

Theresa contributes her success to the internet and their website, and from word of mouth. “People from out of town find us and fall in love with the place. So they tell people and word just travels.” says Theresa.

“I’m proud to tell people I’m from Monroe County” says Theresa Glenn

The Glens’ are big supporters of Monroe County. Stating community support and the convenience to larger cities like Birmingham, Memphis, even Columbus and Tupelo are huge positives for Monroe County. “I’m proud to tell people I’m from Monroe County” says Theresa, “Even though we are not a touristy type area, Monroe County still has a lot to offer. The Railroad Festival, Antebellum Homes and the Tenn Tom Waterway are just a few.”

Bottom line...The Old Place Bed and Breakfast is a quaint little place that I am proud to say is located in Monroe County.

If you would like more information about The Old Place, please visit their website at www.TheOldPlaceBandB.com.

To have your business featured, please contact Kelly at 256-7194 or kellym@gomonroe.org.

The Old Place Bed & Breakfast



The Porch Swing overlooking the Grapevines & Geese Crossing.



The old iron bed from Theresa's childhood sits in the overflow guest room.



A beautiful greeting for guests.



Original Fireplace. The Glenn's were brick masons in the early 1900s.



The back guest room is so inviting.



Old Copper Pots hanging the in kitchen.

Ribbon Cuttings



New Members
The Village Green ~ 1400 Highland Drive, Amory
Owners: Donald & Devy Ferguson



Grand-Reopening
Mel's Diner ~ Smithville, MS
Owners: Bobby & Melanie Edwards