
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: JUMPER/SCHEDULING COMMITTEE
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: GOVERNOR TO SPEAK AT PEW PARTNERSHIP LUNCHEON
DATE 10/22/02
CC: FILE

The Southern Growth Policies Board, of which the Governor is chairman, was chosen as one of 10 national implementation partners for the Pew Partnership's new *Leadership Plenty* program to help communities develop grassroots leaders. USM's Center for Community and Civic Engagement is one five entities working with SGPB to implement the program. Pew is interested in expanding the program in Mississippi.

Specifically, Pew wants to host a luncheon for selected business, community and other (education, non-profit, etc...) persons who we think would be interested in learning more about Pew and the *Leadership Plenty* program. Pew is thinking around 50-75 people could be invited to this luncheon. Pew will present an overview of the *Leadership Plenty* project at the luncheon.

After the luncheon, Pew will return to the state sometime around March to actually conduct the *Leadership Plenty* formal training program for representatives of the interested organizations. Pew will also provide all of the materials to those interested parties. Pew would basically be training the trainer, as the reps of the interested organizations would return home to conduct the *Leadership Plenty* program in their communities after having attended the formal training.

Pew is interested in hosting the luncheon during the second week of December, but they want to schedule it so that the Governor can speak. Thus, they are not booking the date or the hotel site until they hear from us. **I am requesting/recommending that the luncheon be held on Tuesday, December 10, at 12:00 as this date works for the Governor's calendar, as well as Pew and SGPB staff schedules.** The Governor needs to do this event as he is chairman of SGPB with leadership as his theme and Pew is offering the expansion at no cost to Mississippi, but with great benefit to our state. Persons from across the state will be invited to attend the luncheon. We need to let PEW know ASAP as to the Governor's availability as they have to book the hotel for the luncheon.

Thanks!