

LEADERSHIP ALABAMA PARCA ROUNDTABLE

To prosper in the 21st century, progressive planning and attention to our public programs must become the challenge and responsibility of all of our private citizens. Our leaders in business, labor, education, agriculture, the nonprofit and volunteer organizations, and in all segments of our society must play a role if our state is to move forward. Leadership Alabama was founded to provide the network necessary to activate those citizens who must fill these leadership roles.

Leadership Alabama is a non-profit organization, which each year brings together a class of 50+ participants for four two and one-half day retreats in a nine-month period. The program objective is to present to the participants a series of issues-oriented forums based on the belief that knowledge is a key element and prime motivator of leadership.

The **PARCA Roundtable** was established in January of 1998 to give young civic and business leaders the opportunity to study issues and government policy in Alabama in conjunction with the research conducted by the Public Affairs Research Council of Alabama. The Roundtable meets quarterly with public officials and other leaders to learn about and discuss issues currently affecting the state and local governments. The Roundtable exists to increase the involvement of its members in seeking solutions to the state's problems.

Prospective PARCA Roundtable Members are nominated by the current Roundtable upon approval of the Roundtable Executive Committee.

PARCA Roundtable Founder - Edgar Marx
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A Program of Leadership Alabama
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**Thursday, April 8 -
Friday, April 9, 2010
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PURPOSE

In 1995 Leadership Alabama introduced an innovative program to support the existing leadership network and programs of Leadership Alabama by bringing together our leaders of the future.

The Alabama Leadership Initiative is a two-day program in which emerging leaders from across the state participate in a microcosm of the Leadership Alabama program year. They explore issues in education, economic development, politics and government with leading experts in these areas.

In 2002, the Public Affairs Research Council of Alabama Roundtable joined Leadership Alabama as a cosponsor of the Initiative. This partnership provides participants a vehicle for continued civic involvement after the program ends.

The Initiative will serve a dual purpose: to expose young leaders to the decision makers in Alabama who are sensitive to the challenges we face as a state; and to promote the understanding and belief among the participants that a personal commitment to helping Alabama meet those challenges is a lifetime honor and obligation.

The Alabama Leadership Initiative provides the individual participant with the unique opportunity to step inside the circle of decision makers and problem solvers who mold the future of our state.

PROGRAM

Historians, demographers, experts on current trends and regional distinctions, political leaders, educators, and established citizen leaders come together to bring our emerging leaders a snapshot of Alabama.

The 2010 Alabama Leadership Initiative (ALI) enables young leaders to interact with elected and appointed officials and private citizens whose actions and decisions govern the direction of our state. Through presentation and discussion the participants will become acquainted with the varied public and private initiatives established to meet the challenges Alabama faces today and in the future. The class is limited to participants between the ages of 25-40.

Each session is an integral part of the program and participants are expected to attend from 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 8 through the closing session on the afternoon of Friday, April 9, 2010.

Tuition for the two day program is \$350. Some financial assistance will be available. Participants will be responsible for travel expenses to and from the meeting and for hotel accommodations.

AGENDA

Thursday, April 8, 2010

10:00 am

- **How We Got Here**

Examining Alabama's Economic and Political history

- **Lunch/Roundtable Issues**

- **Politics/Government**

Observing Alabama's Legislature

- **State of Poverty**

6:00 p.m.

Cocktail Reception with members of Leadership Alabama and PARCA Roundtable

Friday, April 9, 2010

8:00 a.m.

- **Improving Education**

Engaging our Communities around Education Reform

- **Discussion with Governor Bob Riley**

- **Lunch with Dr. David Bronner**

The program will conclude at 2:30 p.m.