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**FIRST FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK SPONSORS  
SUNSET SYMPHONY**

**COLUMBIA, Tenn. – MAY 2, 2008** – First Farmers & Merchants Bank has a long tradition of supporting area Rotary Clubs and this year is no different. The Bank recently made a \$2,500 donation to the Columbia Breakfast Rotary Club for the sponsorship of the Sunset Symphony announced Rotary member and F&M’s Chief Financial Officer Pat Bearden.

“It is First Farmers & Merchants Bank’s mission to be highly active and committed to the community,” said Bearden. “We’ve supported the Breakfast Rotary since its inception 11 years ago. I’m pleased to contribute these funds on behalf of the Bank for this wonderful event.”

The Sunset Symphony is a wonderful evening of great family fun with superb food and impeccable music. The event will be held on the grounds of historic Elm Springs Plantation on July 12, 2008. Reservations can be made for individual dinners or entire tables. Admission to the Sunset Symphony is FREE (parking \$2.00 – benefiting the Boy Scouts of America).

The gates open at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6:00pm. The Maury County Community Band performs at 6:30 p.m., followed by Nashville Symphony’s Paul Tobias & The Continental Strings at 7:30 p.m.

If you choose not to buy a dinner, bring chairs or blankets to enjoy the evening on the lawn. Music is provided by the Maury County Community Band and Paul Tobias & The Continental Strings.

All proceeds from the Sunset Symphony go to various projects and organizations supported by the Columbia Breakfast Rotary Club. For additional information visit:

www.sunsetsymphony.com.

**About First Farmers & Merchants Corporation**

First Farmers & Merchants Corporation is a bank holding company headquartered in Columbia, Tennessee. Its sole subsidiary is First Farmers and Merchants Bank (F&M Bank), one of the largest independent banks in Tennessee. In 2007 F&M Bank reported total assets of \$823 million and deposits in excess of \$698 million. An additional \$2.6 billion in assets held by its Trust & Financial Management Department. F&M Bank operates 20 offices in a seven-county area that includes Lawrence, Maury, Marshall, Hickman, Dickson, Giles and Williamson counties. It is distinguished by its commitment to traditional, personal banking relationships that incorporate state-of-the-art technology to provide the highest possible level of service. For additional information, visit [www.fandmbank.com](http://www.fandmbank.com) or call the main office at 931.388.3145.

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