



Chamber Business

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Mark Your Calendar

July 4
Independence Day
Chamber Offices Closed



July 10
Member Orientation
Open to ALL Chamber members.

Chamber Offices
900 Conover Dr.
5:30 p.m.

July 11
Wells Fargo
Ribbon Cutting
11:30 a.m.
3051 Camp Wisdom

July 18
Christmas In July
Luncheon and Auctions
benefiting local charities and
student scholarships
Silent Auction: 11:00 a.m.
Luncheon: 12:00 p.m.
\$25 per person.
Ruthe Jackson Center
3113 S. Carrier Pkwy.
Reservations required by
July 13th.

July 26
Chase Bank
Ribbon Cutting
5:00 p.m.
3061 Camp Wisdom

July 26
Branding Iron Breakfast
7:45 a.m.
Denny's
408 Westchase

Christmas in July: Big Fun & the Spirit of Giving



An annual tradition just keeps getting better! The Civic Committee of the Chamber will host the annual Christmas in July luncheon to raise funds for educational scholarships and grants for local non-profit charitable organizations.

Civic Committee Chairman Kristin DeLoach of CommCentral is working with the Christmas in July Chairman Sonya Lomax of Costco to make the event fun for attendees and profitable for the scholarship and grant recipients. Highlights of the luncheon, which will be held July 18th at the Ruthe Jackson Center, include live entertainment, and hundreds of silent auction items. Auctioneer Jeff Copeland will keep things lively with an exhilarating live auction, as well. Thanks to Auction Chair Carol Parker of Texas Trust Credit Union for coordinating the auction as she has done for many years. We will also get to meet many of the recipients of the scholarships and grants that were awarded as a result of last year's Christmas in July fundraiser. Kelly Giessner and Veronica Hopkins are co-chairing the decorations committee and have planned a festive Texas Cowboy Christmas theme for your enjoyment, so don't miss out on the fun!

Reservations are required, (\$25 per person) so please make your reservation as soon as possible by calling the Chamber office at 972.264.1558. If your company would like to sponsor a table and get preferred seating, please call the Chamber office to make your request. Full table sponsorships are \$500 and include 8 tickets. Half-table sponsorships can be reserved for \$250 and include 4 tickets.

Thanks to all of our sponsors and contributors to date:

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Central Fire Station/Rick Ledbetter
State Representative Kirk England
Chic-fil-A
Mountain Creek Retirement Living
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Church

New, Improved and NOT Just for New Members

The "Yacht Club", formerly known as the Chamber's Fulfillment Committee has an informative membership orientation planned for July 10th at 5:30 p.m. at the Chamber office, 900 Conover Drive.

Come learn of ways that Chamber member companies utilize their membership investment to increase their client base and broaden their market reach.

Not sure what privileges and services you are entitled to as a Chamber member? Then you definitely need to be at this meeting. There are many ways to maximize the return on your membership investment, and the Yacht Club and Chamber staff will be delighted to share them with you. Familiarizing yourself with the many marketing and networking opportunities provided by the Chamber will benefit you for years to come. Please help us plan for refreshments and materials, by making your reservation at 972.264.1558.



The memory of Sgt. Gregory L. Hunter has been honored with a permanent monument at the site where he was gunned down 3 years ago. View the monument at 2225 W. I-20, in the NE section of the Wal-Mart lot.



Representative Paula Pierson celebrated an open house and ribbon cutting with members of all three Chambers in her district: Grand Prairie, Arlington, and Mansfield.

2007 Chairman's Message

Darin Wilson, National Print Group

Greetings!

"Summer's here and the time is right for dancing in the streets." Grand Prairie is a great place to be dancing. Don't forget that the Parks and Recreation are doing their summer "Concerts in the Park" and we have "Damn Yankees" being put on by the Arts Council. If that's not enough there is always Lone Star Park for racing and live music on the weekends, as well as NOKIA with a great list of concerts this summer.

Anyone that has read any of my monthly ramblings will know that my main theme has been "Get Involved". Well, this month I am changing it slightly to "Get Out!". With so many things to do outdoors in Grand Prairie I encourage you to just get out and play. From the things listed above to the lake, walking trails, parks and pools the only thing in the way of your fun is you. So get off the couch and enjoy all this great city has to offer.

Now I do want to take a minute and remind you of a couple of important things coming up for the Chamber. The Civic committee is putting the finishing touches on Christmas in July and could use your support. And don't forget that Fall Fantasy is right around the corner as well. We have a lot of the same fun things as in the past but we are bringing a few new options to the "Table" as well. You will understand the emphasis on "table" soon. And remember "Get Out!"

Sincerely,
Darin



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The Mission of the Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce is to promote, strengthen and expand our business community.



Got A Minute?
Board of Director's Meeting
 June 2007

Board Appointments: Chairman Darin Wilson reported that he would be appointing John Smrcina to the board with a motion by the Executive Board. There was a second by Kristin DeLoach and the motion carried.

Ex-Officio Reports:

Rita Heep, City of Grand Prairie Economic Development: Ms. Heep reported that the opening date for the Renaissance Hospital has been moved to October. The costs of the project has been raised to over \$70 million. She reported on several new businesses either opened or soon to be open at the shopping center now open at Highway 360 and Camp Wisdom Road. Businesses include the Target and Home Depot, along with Chili's, Kinko's, Mattress Firm and On the Border. Rita noted the Trammell Crow spec buildings at Highway 161 and 303 now have dirt moving as well. The Asian Town Square in the old Wal-Mart has an October completion date. There was some discussion on the Sam's part of that building, and she noted it is in a Wal-Mart Trust through 2011. The new ballpark will begin moving dirt next week as agreements and contracts are signed. It was also noted that per legislation in Austin, the City can begin to condemn some land that is at I-20 and FM 1382, where the land owners can not be found, and property taxes have not been paid. And finally it was noted that there are interested parties for the land at I-20 and Highway 161.

Shana Nix, Arlington ISD: Shana Nix reported that Arlington ISD Board has voted to hire a search firm for the new superintendent. She also noted that the school district has adopted a new logo and tag line "more than a remarkable education". Ms. Nix answered questions regarding the TB scare at Bowie, and noted that only two students tested positive and they are currently being treated with positive expectations for them both.

Community Development: Arthur James reported the Leadership Alumni will be meeting and are currently working to secure the next class participants. Application forms are available at the Chamber office. He noted the Civic Committee cancelled their June meeting, and the committee will be supporting the Freedom Luncheon of Lifeline Shelter. They are also currently working on the Christmas in July and are seeking auction items, sponsors, and table sales. The committee to review the future of the Great Texas Scholars program will be meeting on Tuesday, June 19 at 2:00 p.m. Arthur noted that the Chamber would be scheduling their week for the Meet & Greet the Troops for either late August or early September. Emelda Valcarcel also noted that June 22nd, MCA will be participating in the Meet & Greet the troops, and they are also planning a bowling night at Forum Bowl to support the Boys & Girls Club.

Marketing and Communications: RaDonna Hessel reported that the referral guide and community directory ad sales are complete, and sales are up over \$10,000 from the previous year. She asked the board to recognize Greg Cashman for his efforts on behalf of the Chamber. The staff hopes to have it to the printer in June, with a July distribution date. She also reported on the E-Link video update and changes.

Membership Development: CW Higgins noted that the Branding Irons will be participating in a ribbon cutting for State Representative Paula Pierson. Other Ribbon Cutting schedules were distributed. The Business After Hours in June will be on the 28th, at Texas Trust Credit Union. The Membership Luncheon will be on June 20th, with Mike Vecek speaking about the new Grand Prairie Minor League Baseball Club. Mr. Higgins also reported on the Golf Classic, chaired by Ron Jensen. The Golf Classic netted over four thousand more than budgeted and was a success. The Chamber staff with golf committee assistance is working on the fall - Five Star Golf Classic. Dates are set, and the staff is working to secure the one sponsor, at \$5000. Advertisements will begin when the sponsorship is secured. Melinda Polley then reported on the Fall Fantasy event and changes being made by the committee that includes a longer poker tournament, and three cash prizes for the Big Spender drawings.

Business Development: Jeanine Walker reported that the Business Development would be meeting June 13th, with Jim Cummings as the speaker. Jim is the Director for Environmental Services at the City of Grand Prairie. He will be addressing the natural gas production and leasing in Grand Prairie. Jeanine encouraged the board and members to attend.

Chamber Partnerships: RaDonna Hessel reported that with the completion of the 80th Legislative Session the committee will be meeting now on a quarterly basis. It was noted that August 22nd, the Chamber will host their monthly luncheon a week later in the month, with Congressman Kenny Marchant as the speaker. For the Chamber's October Luncheon, invited speakers include Representatives Kirk England and Paula Pierson, and Senator Chris Harris. Members are encouraged to put those luncheons on their calendars.

Chamber Development: RaDonna Hessel reported to the board on the businesses that have been dropped from the membership due to non-payment of their dues, or per their request. Those dropped members for May included 1st Look Home Inspection, 20/20 Sight, ADE-Investment and Insurance, Bamboo Garden Chinese Restaurant, Compassion Discount Caskets, DFW Group Inc., Jackson Law Office, Christopher Routt, P.C., and Unlimited Funding Solutions.

President's Report: RaDonna Hessel reported on repairs to the Chamber facility including a major water leak in the irrigation system and the cost of repairs. She also noted the upcoming effort to install insulation at the Chamber and asked Board members to consider the dates and their availability. It was also reported that a Chamber member has expressed concerns with the Grand Prairie Post Offices and the service of both. The member has asked the Chamber to consider joining him and other businesses in their efforts to address the problems. The Board asked the Chairman and President to schedule a meeting with the new Post Master to discuss the issues and to attempt resolution before escalating the issue regionally or to our Congressman.

BUDGET WISE

Making your reservation no later than the Friday before our monthly luncheons saves you \$5! Your cost to attend rises to \$20 when reservations are made on the day or week of the luncheon.

Thanks to all who are helping us determine our head count and food requirements early!

Special thanks to Texas Trust Credit Union for hosting the June Business After Hours.

Advertising Inserts

For only \$95, your company can place a promotional insert in the Chamber Newsletter to be mailed to our entire membership. If you provide us with the flyers and \$95, our staff and volunteers will take care of the labor to insert the flyer into our newsletter and the postage. Just bring at least 900 copies of an 8 1/2 x 11 inch flyer on 20 to 24 lb. paper to our offices by the 25th of the preceding month. **For distribution in our August newsletter, please submit flyers no later than July 25th.** For details on this low-cost, no-fuss, no-muss, direct mail opportunity, call 972.264.1558.



SUSTAINING MEMBER

As a sustaining member I know I'm supposed to use this article as a forum to share with you all of Texas Roadhouse-Grand Prairie's accolades and how we're one of the premier restaurants in the area and on and on. Instead, however, I'd rather urge those who actually take the time to read these articles to get involved in what you can, in what time allows, and in some cases what gives you "warm fuzzies". Since joining the Chamber and being more involved I have met many wonderful people who are "Grand Prairie proud", who have great vision for this city we live and/or work in, who are willing to give of themselves for others and smiling all the while. Our Chamber asks for a lot, expects very little and is genuinely appreciative of any and everything they get. In turn let me share a story with you.

Anyone that knows me knows I'm very goal oriented. One of my biggest goals was to have achieved 5 million dollars in sales by year end 2006 which would mark the end of my 5th year as Managing Partner of my restaurant. Considering the sales of my restaurant when I bought into it were less than 4 million, this was quite a lofty goal. At the end of November we were \$508,000 away from our goal. We pulled out all our magic tricks to get us to our goal but after two weeks it looked like we could miss our goal by just a few thousand dollars. I called the Chamber office and explained everything to RaDonna Hessel asking her to inform the membership of our goal and our dilemma. Within minutes I was receiving emails from people I both knew and didn't know saying they would be in before the end of the year to support our goal. That very evening members were coming in offering encouragement and support informing me they were telling everyone they knew to help us. I don't know how many of you are familiar with the movie with Jimmy Stewart, "It's a wonderful Life" but I truly felt like George Bailey. It is a very humbling experience to see how much support you have from a city and how many friends you have in that city. I can, without hesitation, say it is mostly due to my association with the Grand Prairie Chamber. By joining the Chamber and being involved, not only has my business grown but so has my friends base. What a great city! What a great Chamber! And yes, we met our goal and became the first Texas Roadhouse in the state to reach the 5 million dollar milestone. Thank you Grand Prairie!

Respectfully,
 Mike Medrano Jr.



Special Thanks to Our Sustaining Members

Member firms volunteering financial support to the Chamber above and beyond their regularly scheduled basic dues to offset building expense, utilities, insurance and taxes.





JULY BULLETIN BOARD

The 2007 - 2008 Leadership Grand Prairie Class is now forming. Class will begin in September 2007 and graduate in May 2008. To request an application or more information, email darcy@grandprairiechamber.org or call 972.264.1558.

Currently there is no Business After Hours host for August. If your company would like to host our monthly networking event, please call RaDonna or Darcy at the Chamber office. (Ample air conditioned area is a must in August.)

"Reduce Waste, Save Money" Business Recycling Workshop:
July 20th, 7:30 a.m. - 12 noon, the NTCRA (North Texas Corporate Recycling Association) will host a half-day business recycling workshop at Grand Prairie's City Hall located at 317 College Street. The workshop is designed to provide commercial recycling options and provide resources and tools to help business owners and managers implement successful and money-saving recycling programs. Topics include: Business Recycling Basics "What's in Your Waste Stream?"; Coordinating Property Management & Custodial Staff; Recycling Resources; Industrial Issues & Challenges; Pollution & Prevention; Electronics Recycling. Seating is limited, so register today. You may register online at www.ntcra.org or contact Rose Chavez at RChavez@gptx.org or (972) 237-8151.

We gratefully acknowledge Jennifer Comacho and Chase Bank, 2007 Golf Classic hole sponsor. Our sincerest apologies for omitting Chase from the list of sponsors in the June newsletter.

Wells Fargo ribbon cutting ceremony Wednesday, July 11th at 11:30 a.m. All Chamber members are invited to participate. 3051 Camp Wisdom Rd. (corner of Hwy. 360 and Camp Wisdom). Refreshments will be provided.

Wells Fargo invites you to attend Kids Day Saturday, July 14th at 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. featuring the Wells Fargo Stagecoach, & Jack the Dog, face painting, pictures, Stagecoach Basketball Shootout, hot dogs, chips and cold drinks, too! Free rides in the stagecoach and pictures until 1:00 p.m. Located at 3051 Camp Wisdom Rd. (corner of Hwy. 360 and Camp Wisdom in Grand Prairie Towne Crossing). Call (972) 623-4100 for info.

Chase Bank invites you to attend their family fun celebration on July 14th near the corner of Hwy. 360 and Camp Wisdom Roads. Chase is located at 3061 Camp Wisdom Road. Bring the whole family for a special day of food and summer fun for everyone.

Chase Bank ribbon cutting ceremony Thursday, July 26th at 5:00 p.m. All Chamber members are invited to participate. 3061 Camp Wisdom Rd. (corner of Hwy. 360 and Camp Wisdom in Grand Prairie Towne Crossing).

Don't miss next month's luncheon:
Sponsored by
Creative Embroidery & Trophies
August 22nd at the Ruthe Jackson Center
11:30 - 1:00

U.S. Congressman Kenny Marchant will be our guest speaker.
Make your reservations early.



Mayor Charles England and city council members posed proudly with their gold shovels at the ground breaking ceremonies for Grand Prairie's own minor league baseball stadium, scheduled to open in the Spring of 2008.

For season ticket info contact Erin Poage at 972-237-8409 or email epoage@gptx.org.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SHINE

The mission of the Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce is to "promote, strengthen and expand our business community". That, of course, includes promoting YOUR business through the many networking, sponsorship, and event opportunities afforded through your Chamber membership. Some of these opportunities cost little or no money.

Door Prizes are awarded at many Chamber events including luncheons, Business After Hours and more. You are welcomed to bring a door prize to these events, and get your company a little low-cost advertising to boot! Don't wait to be asked...jump right in!

Another great low-cost opportunity exists each month in our **new member goodie bags**. Each month, the Branding Iron committee prepares goodie bags which are given to each new member. Your company is invited to include an item of value (not just literature) that will get your company noticed over and over again. Please call Darcy Harris at 972.264.1558 for more details.

Auction hints are another option. Many of our fundraisers (such as Christmas in July this month...*hint, hint*) include silent and/or live auctions. Auction donors are thanked on the programs and often times in the newsletter, as well. Make sure you use these opportunities to "promote, strengthen, and expand" your own business often to get maximum impact from your Chamber membership investment!



NEWS & NOTES



Pediatric and Adolescent Center of Grand Prairie & Arlington is holding its annual health fair on August 11, 2007. This FREE event will be focusing on Back-To-School physicals as well as health screenings for babies and adolescent children. Mini information sessions such as Asthma, Nutrition, Physical Activity, etc. and food will be provided by Renaissance Hospital. For more information, or to participate, contact Chonnie Richey at 972-206-2940, ext. 213.

WHAT: "Join Scouting. It's Hula-otta fun!" Membership Recruitment Event / Luau for girls ages 5 - 13.
WHEN: Saturday, July 21, 2007 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
WHERE: Girl Scouts of Texas Council Southern Sector Center at 8705 S. Hampton Rd., Dallas, 75232.
DETAILS: Girls are invited to come find out how to build a future of success with the Girl Scouts. Adults are also invited to find out how to be a Girl Scout volunteer. Guests will be treated to lunch, activities, door prizes, and more. To register, call 214-946-7075 or email Kelley Cargile at kcargile@gsnetx.org.



Lone Stars & Stripes Fireworks Celebration at Lone Star Park July 3rd and 4th. General admission is just \$3 per person, kids 3 and younger are free. Grab a picnic blanket and head to Lone Star Park to celebrate Independence Day.

Gates Open at 3 p.m. Spectacular 20-minute fireworks display choreographed to music following the last live race, approximately 10:15 p.m.

Sincere Gratitude to
All Star Professional Training
for sponsoring the June membership luncheon
and to our guest speaker, Mike Veeck.

WIN A CRUISE!



It's not the "Good Ship Lollipop"...it's WAY better! Grand Prairie Ford has donated a 7-day cruise for two for the grand prize in the Chamber's "Must Be Present to Win" contest! Another busy Chamber month created many new opportunities to draw more names for this exciting contest. These lucky people are now included in the drawing for a chance to win!

5/31 Branding Iron Breakfast	Maria Gonzales
5/31 Business After Hours - LA Fitness	Pat Watson
6/7 Executive Board Meeting	CW Higgins
6/7 Fall Fantasy Meeting	Richard Whitman
6/8 ClJ Mtg./Civic Committee Board	Alvin Malcom
6/12 Board Meeting	Rita Heep
6/12 Paula Pierson Ribbon Cutting	Joe Landon
6/13 Business Development Mtg.	Mary Jean Moloney
6/18 Leadership Alumni Mtg.	Jan Smith
6/19 Great Texas Scholars Review	Jim Gilbert
6/20 Membership Luncheon	David Jasso

Have you remembered to watch for your name each month? If you've been present at any Chamber event, you could be a winner. Being present is the name of the game...literally! One card is drawn at each and every Chamber function. On November 8th at Lone Star Park, during our Business After Hours, all of the names collected throughout the year will be placed in a final drawing. If your name is drawn AND YOU ARE PRESENT at the Lone Star Park event, you will win a 7 day cruise for 2 courtesy of Grand Prairie Ford.

MANY chances still exist for you to get your name in the drawing. Keep the Chamber staff on their toes too! If you attend any event (even committee meetings) a drawing should be held for those in attendance. So if a staff person doesn't do this, make sure you remind them to!





A great crowd gathered at LA Fitness for the May Business After Hours. Thanks to Theresa Hartman and crew for a fun time!

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JUNE LUNCHEON PHOTOS & NEW MEMBERS



Chair Darin Wilson of National Print Group and Board Member Keith Odom of NOKIA Theatre welcome Diane Wall of Christian Brother's Automotive, 2804 N.E. Green Oaks Blvd. (817)633-2886.



Lila Thorn of Hexter-Fair Title Company and Darin Wilson present Terry Jones (right) of the Great Southwest Industrial District Association. (817)709-9141.



Marty Martin of ADventures and Chairman Darin Wilson welcome new member Tom Fuller of I.T. Works, 4708 Fox Meadows, Mansfield, TX 76063 (817)412-4278.



Lynn Motley (left) of the Grand Prairie Historical Organization (214) 808-1913 is presented at the June luncheon by Patricia Rodriguez of Resource One Credit Union and Darin Wilson.



Branding Iron Larry Barker and Darin Wilson welcome proud new member Steve Selner (right) of On Time Express, 3409 High Prairie Drive (972) 313-6570.



Membership Director Greg Cashman and Chairman Darin Wilson welcome Meredith Hatch of the Primrose School of Grand Peninsula, located at 2430 N. Grand Peninsula Dr. (817) 477-0077.



Branding Iron Maria Gonzales of Allstate Insurance presents new member Robert Scroggs of Century 21 Judge Fite Realtors 4136 S. Carrier Pkwy. #540 (972) 282-8888.



Melody Sanford of Hands of Computer Repair, (center) 2650 Bardin Rd. Suite 103 (972) 602-9733 is welcomed by Sandi Morrison of Commerce Title and Chairman Darin Wilson.



Mike Veeck (left) of Grand Prairie Professional Baseball delighted the audience at the June Luncheon with amusing anecdotes from his life in and around baseball...and hamming it up for the camera!



Sandi Morrison of Commerce Title presents the Civic Committee's Business Landscape of the Quarter award to Richard Whitman of Texas Trust Credit Union, located at 425 W. Jefferson Street.



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