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Chamber announces the 2021 Women in Leadership Awards

To help recognize and honor women who are key to the success of local organizations, the chamber is launching a new awards program called the Women in Leadership Awards (WILA).

The WILA program is being led by a steering committee from the chamber's Women in Business networking group. Honorees will be recognized for integrity, passion, humility, empathy, for fostering collaborations, being a servant leader, uplifting others and adding value to their organizations.

Six award recipients will be selected in the categories of: Large Business, Small Business, Woman-Owned Business, Education, Nonprofit/ Volunteer and Young Professional (under 40).

The awards will be announced at a celebratory luncheon Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the Doyle Convention Center. There will be exciting promotions in The Galveston County Daily News and video tributes that will be showcased live and on social media/online platforms.

A portion of the proceeds of this event will be donated in the name of each award winner to a 501(C)3 nonprofit organization of their choice.

As a valued community partner and chamber member, you are invited to consider submitting a nomination for a woman who has made a significant contribution to your organization. Or ,in the case of a young professional, a woman who is

making a difference right now.

This award will not only honor key women in local organizations, but also inspire others to strive for excellence in their professional and personal lives.

Nominations are due by 5 p.m., July 21.

Special thanks to these event sponsors: AMOCO Federal Credit Union, City of Texas City, Eastman, UTMB Health and Valero.

If you are interested in joining the list of WILA Sponsors to help recognize women leaders in the community, contact Chamber President Page Michel at 409-935-1408 or president@texascity chamber.com.



Scan the QR code to fill out the nomination form.



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The Chamber Golden Division (retiree volunteers) met after a year-long hiatus, and everyone at the chamber was so happy to see them again.



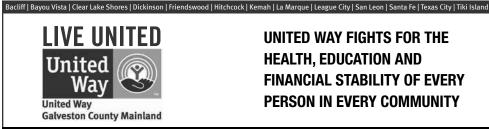








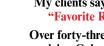




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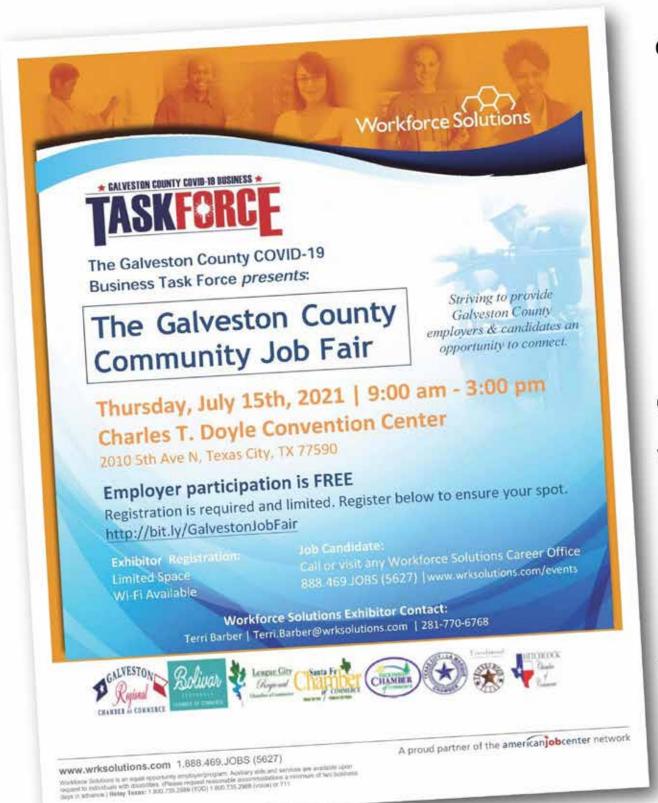
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The Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives (TCCE) is the professional society of chamber of commerce executives, staff, and affiliated members in the state of Texas.TCCE provides professional education, resources, consulting, idea exchange, and connection to a community of like-minded professionals committed to excellence in the chamber industry and the success of the communities they serve.

Members of the Chamber staff traveled all the way down to the valley for the TCCE Conference on South Padre Island. Looking forward to the next two days of learning and networking.

The TCCE conference ended on a high note with our own Jenny Senter winning the 2021 Marvin Hurley award! It's the highest honor in the state for the chamber profession. This same award was won previously by Jimmy Hayley.



HOT HEADS AND SIZZLING TAILS... IT'S SHRIMP BOIL TIME AGAIN!

The smell of succulent shrimp, the lure of cold beer on a hot summer evening and the exciting sounds of live music will soon fill the air at the Texas City-La Marque Chamber's annual Shrimp Boil.

The Shrimp Boil will start at 6 p.m., Friday, Aug. 20 at Nessler Park in Texas City.

Young, old and everyone in between agree, the Shrimp Boil is a night to relax and have a good time while visiting with friends, colleagues and neighbors. The Shrimp Boil is a favorite tradition of the community that has been held for more than 40 years, and it draws a crowd of almost 1,000 people every year.

Back by popular demand, Kevin Bogard and team from Marathon will prepare spicy Jambalaya. It will have that true Cajun taste as James Bergeron and crew prepare the Shrimp and fixins'.

Entertainment for the evening is The Line Up. Most native Galvestonians

"The shrimp boats are coming, their sails are in sight. Shrimp boats are coming, there's dancin' tonight."

JO STAFFORD

remember the first time they saw The Line Up. Newcomers will love their sound.

Led by founding member Willy Gonzales, The Line Up was formed almost 30 years ago as a five-piece ensemble.

"We were all from different bands, it really was an all-star lineup," Gonzales said. "In fact, that is how we got the name."

Assembled as the house band of Hennessy's, a popular local nightspot at the time, the band soon began to land gigs outside the club and reverted to a three-piece for performances.

"We have been a three-piece ever

since," Gonzales said.

Although band members changed a few times, current bassist Stacy Cook has been with The Line Up since 1996, and Jeff Pennington, lead guitarist, has been with the band for more than 25 years.

With each band member's unique background and talent, The Line Up is a cross-section of cultures and genres.

"There is not one type of music that anyone in this band likes enough to play all the time," Gonzales said. "We like the stuff that is timeless, and we play it all."

Advance tickets are \$25 and can be

purchased at the chamber office and at local banks and credit unions. Tickets are \$30 per person at the event. The ticket price includes a shrimp dinner with corn, potatoes, jambalaya, water, soft drinks and live musical entertainment. Beer will be available for purchase. Hot dog meals will be available for kids for \$5, including chips, cookie and a drink. Special thanks to the Texas City Rotary Club for preparing the hot dog meals!

"We look forward to seeing everyone at the Shrimp Boil," said Page Michel, chamber president. "Just bring an appetite and an ear for good music and be ready to have a great time."

Get tickets and plan to enjoy this "end of summer" event.

For more information about the 2021 Shrimp Boil, or to purchase tickets in advance, contact the Texas City-La Marque Chamber at 409-935-1408. Tickets will also be sold at the door for \$30.



LEADERSHIP MAINLAND



Over the past couple of months, the 2021 Leadership class has been exploring law enforcement, city and county operations, and economic development. There has been presentations at the County Courthouse, City of La Marque facilities, Mainland City Centre and more. The session in July will focus on Health Care and Human Services.

For more information about the Leadership Mainland program, contact Chamber President Page Michel at president@texascitychamber.com.









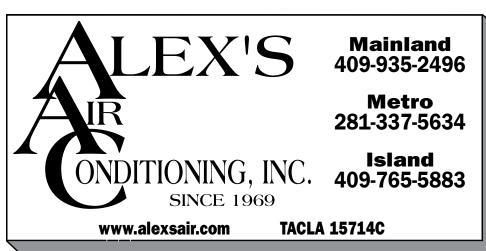


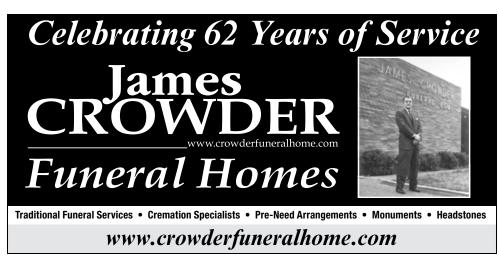


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Beeler Manske Clinic	42	Comcast Business Class	8	Trustee Hal Biery - TCISD	3
Hugh Patrick Construction	31	Dickinson Bar-B-Que & Steakhouse	7	Gulf Coast Ammonia	3
Gulfway Plaza	31	World Gym	6	Kleen Supply	3
Sunbelt Supply Co.	29	Biehl & Company	6	Triple Deuce Construction	3
Housing Authority - City of Texas City	26	H-E-B	6	·	5
Maxim Group	24	Stuttgarden Tavern	5	Island Fire and Safety DBA A-1 Fire Equipment	3
Bay Area Council, Boy Scouts of America	24	South Shore Harbour Resort & Conference Center	5	Wingfield Partners	3
SAI Gulf LLC	23	RSS Ag Products	5	Allometrics	3
Gal-Tex Pilot Service Corporation	22	Topgolf	5	Texas City Pharmacy	3
Moody Gardens Hotel, Spa & Convention Center	19	Workforce Solutions	5	Marco Specialty Steel	2
Village at Morningstar	15	Brown & Root	4	Higher Up Texas	2
Cherry Companies	15	Force Corporation	4		1
Rock Tha House Moonwalks	15	Sun Coast Resources	4	Esco Products	I
Marsh Darcy Partners	14	Marais Restaurant	4	Moore Industries	1
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