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WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Admin Pros' Luncheon - April 20

In April, people across the nation will be celebrating Administrative Professionals Week. The Chamber is excited to be hosting the sixth annual Administrative Professionals' Appreciation Day luncheon on Monday, April 20, at the Blinn College Banquet Room in Brenham.

This will be a fun and exciting event for you to attend with key staff members. Let them know how much they are appreciated!

Special luncheon speaker will be Elizabeth McCormick, a decorated US Army Black Hawk Pilot. Her keynote address is titled "YOU. In the Pilot's Seat" and is sure to inspire and motivate attendees.

Thank you to the following sponsors who have already committed to making this luncheon a success:

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There are still sponsorship opportunities available with a variety of valuable benefits including the option to have an exhibitor table at the event. Contact Shae Janner at shae@brenhamtexas.com if you would like to know more.

Join in celebrating those who make our everyday work lives so much easier and more organized. Treat your staff and recognize them at this luncheon to thank them for the extraordinary work they provide.

Tickets are \$25 for Chamber members, \$35 for non-members, and \$250 for a Reserved Table for eight. There will be door prizes and fun gifts for all attendees.

Call the Chamber at 979-836-3695 or email your reservation request to shae@brenhamtexas.com or purchase tickets online at www.BrenhamTexas.com.



Wednesday, March 25
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Boys & Girls Club
of Washington County

\$10

**(Includes BBQ Brisket &
Pulled Pork Tacos from LJ's BBQ)**



Special luncheon speaker will be Elizabeth McCormick, a decorated US Army Black Hawk Pilot.

Ribbon Cuttings



Grand Opening
**Blinn College District —
 Agricultural Sciences Building**
 1403 Old Mill Creek Rd, Brenham



New Member
RE/MAX-Bluebonnet Properties
 Owners: Mike and Pam Schroeder
 308 S. St. Charles St., Brenham



New Member
The Wash Wag
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 204 S. St. Charles St., Brenham

**BUSINESSES
 WHAT WE CAN DO
 TO PROTECT OTHERS FROM THE CORONA VIRUS**

- Wash Hands Regularly (at least 20sec each time)
- Have Hand Sanitizer on desks and counters for others to use.
- Cover nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing.
- Wipe down counters, cash registers, keyboards, mouse often with cleaning wipes.
- Greet with smiles and avoid handshakes.
- If you, or employees are sick, work from home, get plenty of fluids and rest.
- If have flu-like symptoms, seek medical care.

#BeSafeSupportLocal

Promote Your Business as a Breakfast Sponsor

“Wake Up, Washington County!” These networking events are held quarterly at various locations. You will meet other members and learn about their businesses as well as have the opportunity to inform others about your products and services. You will also hear updates from the Chamber about what is going on in the community.

For Chamber members, there is no admission to attend. Two sponsors are sought for each event and it provides a huge amount of exposure and publicity. There is a site sponsorship and a food sponsorship, both \$200.

This event is a great way to promote your business.

Your business name will be included on the invitations that all Chamber members receive, and you will be given recognition and additional time to talk about your business at the breakfast event.

Contact Jane Hinze at the Chamber for more info: jane@brenhamtexas.com or 979-836-3695.

**Washington County
 Chamber**
 BrenhamTexas.com

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*As a Chamber member, your promotional information
 is seen by thousands of people every month.*

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 Chamber of Commerce
 Feb. 2020 — 417

WEBSITE
www.BrenhamTexas.com

Unique Visitors *Total Pages*
 Feb. 2020 — 5,563 Feb. 2020 — 12,969

Did You Know?

That the Chamber provides hundreds of “Relocation Info” packages every year to individuals and businesses who are considering moving to this community. Members are eligible to include promotional materials and reach this targeted audience for \$100 at the Basic Level and \$85 for the other membership levels. Contact the Chamber office to be included.

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Brenham, Texas 77833
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Leanna.brun@gmail.com
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Gift Shops

CAPITAL FARM CREDIT

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kyler.crenshaw@capitalfarmcredit.com
www.capitalfarmcredit.com
Financial Services

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Contact: Tori Bryan
1717 Lauraine Street (Mailing Address)
Brenham, Texas 77833
Phone: 254-931-7550
toribryan@forthe.city.center
www.forthe.city.center
Non Profit Clubs and Organizations

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2502 S. Day Street
Brenham, Texas 77833
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PR@stage.com
www.gordmans.com
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3833 S. Texas Avenue, Suite 288
Bryan, Texas 77802
Phone: 877-894-6939
info@howdykan.com
www.howdyenterprise.com
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MAYFAIR CONSTRUCTION LLC

President: Allen Grainger
8165 FM 390 E. (Physical Address)
Brenham, Texas 77833
P O Box 30 (Mailing Address)
Brenham, Texas 77834
Dirt Contractor-Sand/Gravel/Stone/Rock
Land Clearing & Leveling

PARTY GATHERINGS

Owners: Clara Carrias & Inez Flowers
P. O. Box 332 (Mailing Address)
Industry, Texas 78944
Phone: 979-277-8274 or 979-451-4008
Wedding & Event Services

WOODMENLIFE - CARY DOLLAR

Owner: Allyson B. Davis
805 W. Main #2 (Physical Address)
Brenham, Texas 77833
742 S. Jefferson Street (Mailing Address)
La Grange, Texas 78945
Phone: 979-551-0692
abdavis@woodmen.org
www.woodmen.org
Financial Services

Renewing Members

Feb. 1-29

Brenham Maifest Association — 38 years
Detering Brothers Investments — 38 years
Antique Rose Emporium — 36 years
Brenham Banner Press — 36 years
Brenham Heating & Air Conditioning Co. — 36 years
Kohring Monument Company — 36 years
TFE Company, Inc. — 36 years
Brenham Wholesale Grocery Co., Inc. — 35 years
Herrmann International — 35 years
Kenjura Pharmacy, Inc. — 35 years
Moeller Electric Company — 35 years
Hi-Line Industries II, Inc. — 32 years
Collier Construction LLC — 30 years
Toubin, Leon — 30 years
Tegeler Toyota — 29 years
Hermann Furniture Company — 24 years
Goss Communications, Inc. — 23 years
Hodde Real Estate Company — 23 years
Brenham Activist Association — 22 years
The UPS Store — 22 years

Barnhill House Toys & Books — 20 years
Culligan of Brenham — 20 years
Diamond Chauffeur Transportation — 20 years
Nathan's BBQ — 20 years
Pooltex American, Inc. — 20 years
Strand Associates, Inc. — 20 years
Voelter, Dr. Donald — 20 years
Legend Log Homes — 17 years
George Bush Presidential Library & Museum — 16 years
Subway Sandwiches & Salads — 16 years
Brazos Valley Food Bank, Inc. — 15 years
J & A Roofing — 14 years
Quebe Guesthouse — 14 years
Bluffview Villas — 13 years
Brenham House Bed & Breakfast — 13 years
Sonic Drive Inn #2 — 13 years
Borchardt, Dot-
Washington County Tax Assessor — 12 years
Giddings Stone Mansion — 11 years
Buccaneer Food Store — 10 years

Honest Builders LLC — 10 years
Brenham Family Dental — 6 years
Peeka Ranch Alpacas — 6 years
Brenham Craftsman Charmer — 5 years
Moser Community Media LLC — 5 years
Belle Towers Senior Living Community — 4 years
Brenham Technical Services, LLC — 4 years
Camp Blessing TX — 4 years
PLANNORTH Architectural Co. — 4 years
Baur, Steve — 3 years
Brazos Valley Council of Government/Workf — 3 years
Kmiec Construction LLC — 3 years
SVN | Riverstone Commercial Real Estate — 3 years
Tegg Art Studio — 3 years
Chappell Ridge — 2 years
Moosefeathers Florist — 2 years
RBC Buildings — 2 years
Robinson Landcare — 2 years
The Rusty Bird Cage Boutique — 2 years
US Army Recruiting Station Brenham — 2 years

Thank you to our Chairman's Circle members ...



Thank you to our Presidential Level members ...



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Would you like to be a P.E.A.C.E. Partner?

A Partner for P.E.A.C.E. (Public Education Ambassador for Community Engagement) is encouraged to share the monthly value and promote that value within the company so that possible employees and customers will see that you also support public education. It is in hopes that the adults who see these values at their workplace will share with the children in their lives who are also seeing this at school. These Core Essential Values are taught at both Brenham and Burton ISDs.

The investment is only \$50 and you and your employees can make a big impact on the future of our local workforce.

Thank you to these dedicated Partners for P.E.A.C.E. who continue to make this program a success in Washington County. They help reinforce the Core Essential Values students are learning in local public schools at their businesses and through their employee interactions:

Ant Street Inn
Associated Credit Union of Texas
Bank of Brenham
Baylor Scott & White Medical Center
Better Homes & Garden Real Estate Hometown – Mandy Allen
Blue Bell Creameries
Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative
Boys & Girls Club of Washington County
Brazos Valley Schools Credit Union
Brenham Abstract & Title Company
Brenham National Bank
Burton Chamber of Commerce
City of Brenham
Creatively Yours
Edward Jones-Brice Milliorn, CFP®, Financial Advisor
Germania Insurance
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Independence Coffee Company
Padgett Hearing Aid Center
Personnel Services
Seidel Schroeder
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Unity Theatre

We would love to have more!

Be on the lookout for creative things to happen at these local businesses as their employees promote this values during the month. If you interact with students in grades K-4 in local public schools, be sure to talk to them about the Value of the Month and enhance what they are learning in school and out in the community. Everyone in the community can help reinforce these Core Essential Values in our youth.

The Value of the Month for March:



Reasons Buying Locally Benefits You

1. Right now, while this community is wanting to support local law enforcement and first responders, make this a priority in your family. Keep your dollars here.

2. By shopping in Washington County and paying local sales tax, your dollars stay here to fund city and county operations such as roads and bridges, parks, the library, police and fire departments and more.

3. Local businesses give better support to YOUR community groups. Non-profit groups receive an average of 350% more charitable support from local businesses than they do from non-locally owned businesses.

4. Local businesses make up the largest employer base, giving more jobs to YOU and YOUR family.

5. YOU get more knowledgeable and friendlier customer service. You get to know your local merchants, and they get to know YOU.

6. Spending \$100 at a local independent business creates a ripple effect of \$45 in additional local economic activity.

7. Shopping locally saves YOU gas and time.

8. Local businesses preserve and enhance the unique character of Washington County. This makes it special for YOU and attractive for others to come spend their money here.

9. Shopping locally allows YOU to stay in better touch with YOUR neighbors and the local pulse of YOUR community.

10. Local businesses are more likely to utilize local advertising, banks, insurance companies and other local services.

11. Without the sales tax dollars that stay in Brenham and Washington County, YOUR property taxes would have to be approximately 14% higher.

WASHINGTON COUNTY “ADOPT-A-SIGN” PARTNERS

To ensure the long-term care of the Welcome Sign monuments at the five entry points to Washington County, four landscaping companies from our community have volunteered to oversee their maintenance.

**PLM
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Landscaping**

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Landscapes**

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Leadership an Local Opportunities

Leadership Washington County held its Civic Day session on March 4 with a day full of information about city and county operations, hearing from local government speakers and non-profit managers.

The session began at the Cannery Kitchen where the group was hosted for breakfast by Faith Mission. County Judge John Durrenberger gave an overview of county operations.

The group then traveled to the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library and were greeted by librarian Andria Heiges. After her presentation, City of Brenham Director of Public Works Dane Rau (LWC class of 2004) and Community Services Specialist Crystal Locke (LWC Class of 2010) shared information about their departments. The group then toured the library and learned all the available resources it has to offer the community.

The session continued at the Brenham State Supported Living Center, where lunch was served. The facility's new director, Mike Gartner welcomed the group. They also heard from other key staff and then toured the beautiful campus. The group visited one of the residential cottages, the wheelchair fabrication shop, and the Expressions Bistro, where residents' crafts are sold to the public along with coffee and tea.

Back on the bus they went; across town to Animal Friends of Washington County, a non-profit organization dedicated to the health and well-being of dogs and cats. They offer spay and neuter surgeries, as well as vaccinations and other wellness services. They were able to tour the clinic and the adjacent dog park, which not many members of the class knew existed.

The field trip day concluded with a visit to the Blue Bell Aquatic Center. Director Tammy Jaster (LWC Class of 2010) and Kelsey Toy (LWC Class of 2019) gave the students information on the history of the BBAC and the services they offer year-round to the community and surrounding area. Randy Wells of Faith Mission caught back up with the group to speak more about his organization.

Leadership Washington County is a program of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce designed to train and motivate current and future leaders for our community. The next class will form in July.

For more details and/or an application, please call the Chamber at (979) 836-3695 or find the information online at www.BrenhamTexas.com.



Washington County Judge John Durrenberger speaks on the county's operations and procedures.



The class gets a tour of the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library by Misti Rudloff.



The wheelchair fabrication shop is an impressive asset to the BSSLC campus.



Terry Boeker takes the class inside one of the BSSLC cottages.



The class gets a behind the scene look inside the Animal Friends clinic.



Tammy Jaster and Kelsey Toy talk about Kidfish, an annual event at the aquatic center.

Members of the Month of February

Board & Brush Brenham

115 W. Alamo St., Downtown Brenham
979-353-0004
BoardandBrush.com/Brenham

Skincare by Shari

306 E. Main St., Downtown Brenham
979-203-8192
Skincarebyshari.com

How long have you been in business?

— Opened April 11, 2019

What services do you offer?

— At Board & Brush in Brenham, we marry the joy of wine and paint with the classic timelessness of wooden signs. Our instructor-led DIY wood sign workshops allow you to combine your creativity and willingness to learn new skills. We provide you with the instruction, materials and design for you to distress, sand, stain, paint and customize your personalized piece of art!

Tell us something unique about your business.

— Whether you're looking for a fun way to celebrate your birthday, a distinctive evening out with a group of friends, or a unique relationship-building outing for your employees, look to our DIY wood sign workshops in Brenham. Our space is uniquely set up to provide a warm, welcoming environment that allows everyone to feel comfortable and excited to create their own custom piece of decor. We are also BYOB, so don't forget your favorite beverage or snack.

What do you love about Washington County?

— I love the beauty of Washington County. Downtown Brenham is absolutely charming and Washington County has so much history. I always loved coming to Brenham when I was a kid. The community is amazing and I love always seeing familiar faces. Opening a business downtown felt just right, like I was home.

Brenham Self Storage & A1 Flags

2000 Hwy. 290 E., Brenham
979-836-0711

How long have you been in business?

— Since 1991

What services do you offer?

— Rent climate and non-climate controlled self-storage units; moving boxes and packing supplies available. Also, flags and flag accessories for sale.

Tell us something unique about your business.

— Friendly services to help with your storage needs.

What do you love about Washington County?

— Blue Bell, bluebonnets, antiques and the history.

How long have you been in business?

— I opened my skincare business in the Performance Health & Wellness location on December 3, 2019. Prior to that, I worked at a local spa. I am a licensed esthetician.

What services do you offer?

— I offer skincare services such as facials, peels, and other enhancement services such as eye, lip, neck, and décolleté treatments. In addition, I provide facial waxing, as well as brow and lash services, and even a back facial! I treat various skin concerns such as aging skin, rosacea, sun damage, dehydrated skin, sensitive skin, and acne. Visit my website at www.skincarebyshari.com to see all my services! You can also purchase through me skincare products from a professional clinical skincare line with proven ingredients and results.

Tell us something unique about your business.

— Something unique about my business is that every client is not only provided with quality professional skincare services, it's also incredibly relaxing. My clients walk out of my treatment room with skin that is refreshed, glowing, beautiful, and healthy!

What do you love about Washington County?

— What's not to love? It's a small community with a huge heart!

Brenham Abstract & Title Company

205 N. Market St., Downtown Brenham
979-830-0980
BATCOBrenham.com

How long have you been in business?

— Brenham Abstract opened in around 1983.

What services do you offer?

— We provide title insurance for purchases related to real estate. Also includes financing for transactions related to land.

Tell us something unique about your business.

— We have spent the last 13 years buying artwork from Arts & Appetizers in the auction and have displayed it in our lobby.

What do you love about Washington County?

— We love the rich history that comes from Washington County. The land is some of the prettiest in all of Texas. The community is an amazing and diverse collection of residents.



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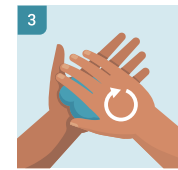
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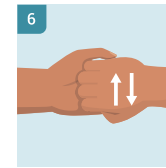
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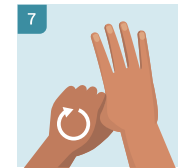
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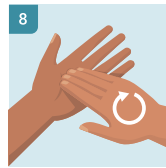
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THE OPPOSING PALMS



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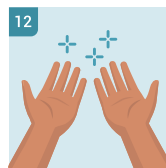
RINSE HANDS



DRY WITH
A SINGLE USE TOWEL



USE THE TOWEL
TO TURN OFF THE FAUCET



YOUR HANDS ARE CLEAN

Please thoroughly wash your hands to
keep us healthy!

Stay, Play, Buy Local

Many people do not realize the importance of shopping in your own community. Sales tax dollars kept here support your local police department, fire department, parks and recreation facilities, road projects, businesses and workforce.

Shop with pride in Washington County. Support the "Home Team." It benefits every business and every resident.

Chamber member businesses support the community year-round, and they appreciate the support of local

residents as customers and clients. View a list of all Chamber member businesses online at www.Brenham-Texas.com. A lot of our Chamber Members will include HOT DEALS on our website to promote their sales and special offers.

The Chamber provides education, advocacy, marketing assistance, referrals and more to members, along with great networking and leadership development opportunities. For more information, stop by the Chamber office or call (979) 836-3695.



What's Happening in March

March 12-28
Texas Public School Week at Brenham Heritage Museum
 Through photos the Museum shares the history of Texas Public Schools. Visiting hours are Thurs- Sat 10am-4pm. For more information about visiting the TPSW exhibit, or to schedule an educational tour for a group, please call 979-830-8445 (BrenhamHeritageMuseum.org).

March 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28
Live Music at The Kenney Store
 Varying artists. Grill opens at 3pm weekdays, noon on weekends, music starts around 8:30pm, 811 S. Loop 497 (TheKenneyStore.com).

March 13-15, 20-22, 27-29
Live Music at Home Sweet Farm
 In the biergarten enjoy live music, craft beer, wine and fun outdoors, 307 S. Park St., Downtown Brenham (HomeSweetFarm.com).

March 13, 20, 27, April 3
Wine Down on the Deck
 "Wine Down" on the Deck and Watch the Sun Set each Friday in March, April and May. Watch the sun set over a bottle of your favorite wine and a cheese board. Great way to end the week and catch up with friends. Admission is free but tastings, bottles, and food have a charge (PleasantHillWinery.com).

March 14
Downtown Brenham Scavenger Hunt
 4th Annual St. Patrick's Day Brenham Bounce Party. Great music, food, drinks, and entertainment starting Saturday at noon (DowntownBrenham.com).

March 14
Solo Piano with James Dick
 An afternoon of solo piano virtuosity with James Dick - international pianist, Texas Medal of Arts recipient, Steinway Artist and Founder and Artistic Director of Round Top Festival Institute, 3-5pm (FestivalHill.org).

March 17
Lunch and Learn at Winedale
 James "Doc" Ayres, founder of the Shakespeare program at Winedale, discusses the 50th anniversary of the program, 12-1pm, 3760 FM 2714, Round Top, free.

March 17
The Young Irishers Concert
 The Young Irishers will return to the O'Donnell Center to showcase the finest young talent Ireland has to offer. Dr. W.W. O'Donnell Performing Arts Center, 600 Blinn Blvd (Blinn.edu/boxoffice).

March 18, 25, April 1
Lent Services - "Eyes on Jesus"
 Each Wednesday throughout Lent, 5:15pm light supper, 6pm worship, Abiding Word Lutheran Church, 464 Oak Tree Crossing Dr., Brenham (AbidingWord.org).

March 19
Hermann Furniture Presents "Spring Gatherings"
 Join Jennifer as she shares seasonal designs in door to table decorating, 2-3pm, 213 W. Alamo St., Downtown Brenham. Seating is limited. Please call to make reservations, 888-836-7237 (HermannFurniture.com).

March 19
Connect After 5 - Brenham Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
 Enjoy great networking, delicious food and refreshments. Bring plenty of business cards to share. Free for chamber member and their employees, 400 E. Sayles St., 5-7pm.

March 19
Friends of Bluebonnet Opry
 Featuring Rob Moorman, Lorraine Chavana, Victor Rodriguez, plus the Bluebonnet Opry House Band, doors open at 5:30pm, food served at 6pm, show starts at 7:30pm, \$7 admission. (FriendsofBluebonnetOpry.com).

March 20
Groundbreaking - Blinn College District
 Celebrate the groundbreaking of a new, 72,000-square-foot science, technology, engineering, and innovation building on the Blinn-Brenham Campus. 11am, 900 Prairie Lea St., Brenham. RSVP to events@blinn.edu or call 979-830-4336.

March 21-22, 28-29, April 4-5
Bluebonnet Wine & Cheese Trail
 The wineries along the Bluebonnet Wine Trail will offer ticket holders a select pairing of two wines and a specially-crafted cheese dish. Tickets must be purchased in advance, online (TexasBluebonnetWineTrail.com).

March 21
Central Texas Beekeepers School
 Learn how to produce your own honey and help save the bees by attending the 12th Annual Central Texas Beekeepers School. School is open to the public. Register online (CentralTexasBeekeepers.org).

March 21
WCTractor-Kubota Open House
 Kubota Field Event, 8am-1pm, 5435 Hwy 290 E., Brenham (WCTractor.com).

March 21
Living History Saturday
 Family activities including quill pen writing, signing a copy of the Texas Declaration of Independence, visiting with militia soldiers and playing early Texas games (936-878-2214, ext. 228, WhereTexasBecameTexas.org).

March 21
Texas Ranger Day 2020
 Discover Burton's unique history at the 10th annual Texas Ranger Day, 12-5pm, hosted by the Burton Heritage Society. Admission to the event is free, tickets for all you can eat fajitas and beans are \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids age 5-10 (BurtonHeritageSociety.org).

March 21
Johnny Cash Tribute Concert
 A Johnny Cash tribute show by Bennie Wheels at the Simon Theatre, 111 W. Main St., Downtown Brenham, 7pm (TheBarnhillCenter.com).

March 23
Announcement of the 2020 Read Book
 Ribbon Cutting to announce the 2020 Read Book for Lifetime Learning, 11:30am, Nancy Carol Roberts Library meeting room, 100 Martin Luther King Jr. Pkwy, Brenham.

March 24
Senior Community Health Screening
 Brenham Country Club is hosting Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings. This 5 test package checks you for risk of stroke, cardiovascular disease and other chronic conditions. Fees vary. 9am-4pm, 4107 Hwy. 105, Brenham (LifelineScreening.com/communitypartners).

March 24
Loving My Whole Self
 Workshop for finding self-love and wholeness in the face of depression, stress, and grief. Mt. Seriah Outreach Campus of Mt. Rose MB Church, 1006 W. 1st St., Brenham, 6-8pm, 979-421-8420.

March 25
Brenham Area Real Estate Investors and Landlords Meeting
 Helping new and experienced investors in real estate investing, landlording and networking, vendors welcome, at Citizens State Bank, 2007 St. Day St., Brenham, 11:30am-1pm (512-468-3235, jamesh7213@gmail.com).

March 25
Lunch & Learn - Boys & Girls Club
 Join the Young Professionals Organization at this Lunch & Learn and hear from representatives of the Boys & Girls Club of Washington County. \$10 includes LJ's BBQ brisket and pulled pork tacos. Must RSVP and pay in advance. Call 979-836-3695.

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Washington County Blue Blazers

The Blue Blazers is a club with 15-20 members and more than 40 years of tradition. They support the mission of the Washington County Chamber. The volunteers in the club act as official greeters and hosts of our community. Their activities include monthly meetings, greeting at Chamber functions, recruiting new Chamber members, and conducting ribbon cuttings and grand openings.

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YPO meets at Ballad of the Bird Dog

The Young Professionals Organization of Washington County recently met at Ballad of the Bird Dog for their monthly networking event. Follow them on Facebook to stay up-to-date on their meetings and events.
@YPOWashingtonCounty

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March 25
Chick Fil A Drive Thru Dinner
Brenham Children's Chorus hosts this drive-thru dinner from 4:30-6pm, Community Education Bldg, 1301 S. Market St., Brenham (BrenhamChildrensChorus.com).

March 26
If the Shoe Fits-Flower It! Show & Luncheon
Thirty plus flower exhibits on display at the Ant Street Inn Ballroom, 107 W. Commerce St., Downtown Brenham, 11am-1pm, hosted by the Bluebonnet Garden Club. Tickets are \$25, purchase online (BluebonnetGardentClub.com).

March 26
Central Texas Beekeepers Association meeting
In the VIP Building at Washington County Fairgrounds, Brenham. Advisory Council 4:30pm, Apprentice Youth Program 5:30pm, Pot Luck Meal 6:30pm, presentation 7:30pm (www.centraltexasbeekeepers.org).

March 26
St. Peter's Lutheran Church of Gay Hill Drive Thru Fundraiser
Spaghetti, green beans, corn, bread and dessert. Proceeds goes to the Restoration of the Church's Pews, 8201 Old Gay Hill Rd., Brenham, 4:30-6:30pm.

March 26
Steppin' Out to the Garden of Shoes Evening Event
Flowers, fun, food & libations at the Ant Street Inn Ballroom, 107 W. Commerce

St., Downtown Brenham, 5-7pm. Tickets are \$20, purchase online (Bluebonnet GardenClub.com).

March 26
Chappell Hill Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours
Held at The Rock Store by Chappell Hill Bank, 5070 Main St., Chappell Hill, 5-7pm.

March 27-April 4
LaBahia Antiques
Dealers from across the country will provide antiques, collectibles, vintage and re-purposed items in the historic 1902 LaBahia Hall. Country cooking all day (LaBahiaAntiques.com).

March 27
Basic Quick Books
Whether you are a small business owner needing to get started with QuickBooks, or you already use QuickBooks in your job and need a refresher, we can help you learn to navigate QuickBooks. Learn how to use the QuickBooks accounting program to manage your business books – the right way. Facilitated by a Certified QuickBooks Pro-Advisor, our classes will get you started on the path of strong financial management. Lunch is not provided. \$100, A.W. Hodde, Jr. Technical Education Center, 2910 S. Blue Bell Rd., Brenham (BlinnCollege.sbdcnetwork.net).

March 28
Licensed to Carry Class
Held at Salem Fire Dept., 251 Salem Rd., 8am-2pm. Contact Finney Clay 979-836-0986.

March 28
CASA Cafe - Trauma & Compassion Training
Learn how to care for those with trauma while taking time to care for ourselves. Open to everyone but an RSVP required to attend. CASAS for Kids of South Texas, 1500 S. Day St., Brenham, 979-277-0088 (WeSpeak4Kids.org).

March 28, 29
Foraging For Food
Dr. Mark "Meriwether" Vorderbruggen, PhD. teaches which plants throughout the park are edible and medicinal. Class size is limited so call or email to reserve your spot, for ages 13 and up. Morning session 9am-noon, afternoon session 1-4:30pm, free. RSVP required. 936-878-2214, ext. 228 or Adam.Arnold@thc.texas.gov.

March 31-April 4
Marburger Farm Antique Show
"As Close to a European Market as You Can Get." Contact Ashley at 1-800-947-5799 or ashley@marburgershow.com (roundtop-marburger.com).

April Highlights

April 2
Connect After 5 - Brenham National Bank
Enjoy great networking, delicious food and refreshments. Bring plenty of business cards to share. Free for chamber member and their employees, 2211 S. Day St., 5-7pm.

April 2
BINGO Game Night at 4 Star Concert Hall
1st Thursday Bingo, 6 rounds of Bingo starts at 7pm, doors open at 6. Prizes awarded for the winner of each round and the lucky last round winner. 209 S. Market St., Downtown Brenham (4StarBrenham.com).

April 2
Aggie Signing Cadets Concert
The Texas A&M University Singing Cadets is the University's premier men's chorus. The Barnhill Center at Historic Simon Theatre, 111 W. Main St., Downtown Brenham, 7-9pm. Purchase tickets online (TheBarnhillCenter.com).

April 3
Ribbon Cutting - Back Lot Gallery
Anniversary Celebration and Introduction of Artist, 308 S. Park St., Downtown Brenham, 1pm.

April 3
First Fridays Farmer & Artisan Market
Featuring fresh foods, homemade products and more in Downtown Brenham on the courthouse square, 3-7pm (www.downtownbrenham.com).

April 4
Burton Farmers & Artisans Market
All local home grown and handcrafted items. Sponsored by Burton Chamber of Commerce. 9am-1pm, Texas Cotton Gin Museum Roy Winkler Family Pavilion, 307 N. Main St., Burton (BurtonTexas.org/FarmersMarket).



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