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WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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## Leadership Application Deadline is Aug. 17

Leadership Washington County is a prestigious program committed to educating, training and motivating existing and emerging local leaders to build more effective skills for the future benefit of Washington County.

Program Goals:

- To educate, train and provide experiences that enhance leadership skills.

- To provide opportunities for participants to develop lasting relationships among community leaders.

- To provide greater awareness of community issues and opportunities to serve locally.

- To provide greater access to community resources and networking.

- To motivate participants to help make a

difference in our community by becoming actively involved.

If you or someone at your organization has been considering going through the next Leadership class, please visit BrenhamTexas.com for the 2020-21 application.

If you would like any further information, please contact Jane Hinze at the Chamber

## 2020 Tailgate-To-You

It is Tailgate time!!! Of course, like everything in our COVID-19 "normal", Tailgate 2020 will look different than previous years. This year, community spirit and support will be better than ever with the community's help!

The Chamber "spirit squad" will bring Tailgate to YOU! The goal is to flood social media with positive messages about Washington County businesses. The Chamber spirit squad will follow CDC recommendations as the health and safety of the community is the number 1 priority and will be mindful of the health safety plans and needs. Tailgate Packages include pizza, wings, cold beverages, cookies, spirit swag, social media attention, and more. Call the Chamber to reserve a Tailgate to You package, and de-

livery time. The Chamber "spirit squad" will deliver Tailgate to You August 24 - 28 and August 31 - September 4. Game Day sponsors will get priority selection for delivery time and date.

### Community Spirit Decorating Contest - Business and Residential Categories

In addition to Tailgate to You, the Chamber team is encouraging ALL businesses to decorate their store or business front with spirited decorations supporting the community's area schools. Be creative as there will be spirit decoration contest. Call the Chamber office to add your business to the list for judging. We also encourage residents to participate in the spirit decoration contest. There will be a separate

category for residential entries. The judging will begin the week of August 24th and the winners will be announced Friday, September 4th. Call 979-836-3695 with the address of the entry.

All proceeds from this fundraiser are put back into the community in the form of programs and services to enhance the business industry and economic climate. The goal of this is to promote positive community spirit while supporting our educators and students as they return to school! Washington County continues to be a great place to call home, so let's show community spirit and rally for teams to have a great start to the school year, Enjoy this great opportunity to support your community, promote your business, and have fun at the same time!

### GAME DAY SPONSORS



### MVP SPONSOR

- Brenham Banner-Press
- Seidel Schroeder

### ALL-STAR SPONSORS

- Brenham Collision Center
- Brenham Veterinary Hospital
- Dynamic Drains Plumbing & Drain Experts (RMPL #40546)
- Hermann Furniture Company
  - Personnel Services
- Thielemann Construction Company

## Seeking A Few Good Men, Women ...



As a Chamber member, you are invited to join in the process to nominate future board members. The Chamber needs new board members each year to fill a three-year term.

Suitable candidates will fit this description:

- An active member of the local business community
- Participates in Chamber events and programs
- A decision maker in his or her field
- Interested in serving as a volunteer

- A person with vision and leadership skills

- Interest in participating in the Chamber's annual Program of Work

- Able to attend monthly board meetings

Please give this some consideration and help us find the right people to steer the Washington County Chamber of Commerce. Submit nominations in writing from now until Sept. 1. You can send them by mail, fax or email.

Thank you!

# July Members of the Month

## Scenic Hill Retreat

7300 FM 332, Brenham  
979-530-7992  
ScenicHillRetreat.com

*How long have you been in business?*

— 16+ years.

*What services do you offer?*

— Private spa cabins and unique lodging for couples, families and groups.

*Tell us something unique about your business.*

— Scenic Hill Retreat features a historic farmhouse with 12 private cabins on secluded country property. Midway between Brenham and Round Top, Scenic Hill Retreat is perfect for the quiet romantic getaway, antique hunting, family vacation or for group gatherings. Relax with private hot tubs, lighted walking trails and the convenience of full private kitchens and baths.

*What do you love about Washington County?*

— We love sharing the scenic countryside along with the eclectic shopping, antiques, history, art and wineries available to our out of town guests. With the revival of Historic Downtown Brenham, the opportunity for dining and live entertainment makes for a great getaway.

## Seidel Schroeder

2707 S. Market, Brenham  
979-836-6131  
SSCCPA.com

*How long have you been in business?*

— Since 1967

*What services do you offer?*

— Tax, Accounting and Audit Services, Employee Benefits Administration and Business Valuation.

*Tell us something unique about your business.*

— The firm gives each employee 24 hours of paid time off to use for Community Impact Services. Community Impact is time spent working with a non-profit or outreach group in our area.

*What do you love about Washington County?*

— We love how the community pulls together during tough times and celebrates together during good times.

## Texas ENT & Allergy

539 Medical Parkway, Brenham  
979-353-5509  
TexasENTandAllergy.com

*How long have you been in business?*

— Since 2005

*What services do you offer?*

— Texas ENT & Allergy is an independent full service Ear Nose and Throat, Allergy and Audiology practice. The physicians and staff provide services

for adults and children. Recognizing the importance of allergy in many ear, nose, and throat problems, Texas ENT and Allergy provides allergy testing and allergy shots in addition to sublingual immunotherapy (allergy drops). They also have a broad range of diagnostic capabilities including advanced hearing and balance testing. They offer a full line of hearing aids and auditory rehabilitation options, including Cochlear Implants when hearing aids are no longer an option. Treatment options are patient focused, as the physicians and staff at Texas ENT & Allergy strive to provide the highest quality patient care for each individual patient.

*Tell us something unique about your business.*

— Dr. Andrew de Jong has been treating patients in the Brenham community for the past 20 years. Native resident, Genna Lechler, FNP joined our practice in 2012 and also now offices in the Brenham location, seeing patients four days per week.

*What do you love about Washington County?*

— Definitely the people. The Brenham community has been welcoming and supportive of our practice from the beginning. The small town feel of Brenham makes our location a great place to work.

## Thrivent – Five Star Financial Group

203 S. Jackson St., Brenham  
979-836-0693  
Thrivent.com

*How long have you been in business?*

— We have been in business in the Brenham Community since the 1970's.

*What services do you offer?*

— We provide Retirement/Estate, Investment and Comprehensive Financial Planning.

*Tell us something unique about your business.*

— We offer comprehensive Financial planning that is tailored to each individual, family or businesses specific needs and desires.

*What do you love about Washington County?*

— We love the people, the country atmosphere, and the ability to work with multiple generations.

## Capital Farm Credit

8 East Palm, Bellville  
979-865-2219  
CapitalFarmCredit.com

*How long have you been in business?*

— The Farm Credit System was established in 1916.

*What services do you offer?*

— • Financing Farms, Ranches and Other Rural Property - Flexible financing with competitive terms and interest rates for rural property, such as farms, ranches, timberland and recreational property. Refinance existing debt and finance property improvements. Real estate loans up to \$750,000 with down pay-

ments as low as 15% to qualified borrowers.

- Agricultural Production Credit

- Agricultural credit to full-and part-time farmers and ranchers

- Short-term operating loans are custom-tailored to match normal production cycle — usually 12 months. A revolving-line-of-credit option allows customers to draw and repay funds throughout the term of the note

- Loans for working capital, livestock, facilities and equipment.

- Special programs for military veterans and young or beginning operators.

- Agribusiness Operations – Financing for agribusinesses of all types and sizes, such as lumber mills, feedlots, feed mills, poultry houses and other agricultural processing operations. Our loans are customized for each operation's specific needs, including operating capital and the purchase, construction or improvements of the agribusiness facility.

- Homes and Homesites – Special loan programs to help customers purchase, build or refinance a home in the country, including purchasing land now to build later.

- Real Estate Appraisals — Our state-certified appraisers specialize in rural real estate valuations for estate planning, land division and property sales or purchases.

- Leasing — A variety of competitive leasing options for vehicles, farm and ranch equipment, specialized equipment including timber, aquatic, solar and winery-related needs and other capital equipment.

- Agri-Insurance — Our in-house insurance division provides personalized service to make sure customers get the risk management solutions that are right for your operation. Our goal is to enhance the customer's business while protecting their investment with quality insurance products.

- Online Banking — Customers can securely and easily manage their Capital Farm Credit accounts wherever they are, 24 hours a day, from their computer or smartphone.

*Tell us something unique about your business.*

— Capital Farm Credit is a proud member of the Farm Credit System, a nation-wide cooperative committed to supporting rural communities and agriculture with reliable, consistent credit and financial services, today and tomorrow. As a cooperative, Capital Farm Credit is owned by the same farmers, ranches, agribusinesses and rural homeowners we serve.

*What do you love about Washington County?*

— Washington County is “the birthplace of Texas” and is a big part of Lone Star State's rich history and tradition. Capital Farm Credit has supported and provided a reliable source of credit to Texas farmers and ranchers for more than a century. We love being there to support farming and ranching in the heart of Washington County, from the junior stock show to the future farmer to the seasoned producer.



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# Community Foundation kicks off registration for annual ‘Day of Giving’

BRYAN/COLLEGE STATION — Registration for the Community Foundation of the Brazos Valley’s second annual Brazos Valley Gives Day is underway, and local nonprofits are invited to sign up to be a part of a community-wide day of giving. Brazos Valley Gives is Tuesday, Oct. 27, and early giving will begin on Oct. 1.

Brazos Valley Gives is 18 hours of online giving that brings the region together on one day and as one community to raise critical funding and awareness for nonprofit organizations throughout the Brazos Valley. Powered by the

Community Foundation, Brazos Valley Gives provides citizens and businesses an easy platform to support the mission and “good works” of local nonprofit organizations that serve the Brazos Valley. 501c3 nonprofit organizations from throughout our 7-county region are invited to be a part. Brazos Valley Gives empowers individual donors and business leaders to come together to support causes close to their hearts—on this day, everyone can be a philanthropist with a minimum donation of \$10.

This day of giving where you live is being powered by the Community Founda-

tion, and all donations will pass-thru directly to the donor’s charity(ies) of choice. The goal for Brazos Valley Gives is \$375,000.

Last year, in the inaugural year of Brazos Valley Gives, more than 100 nonprofits participated with 100% of nonprofits receiving a financial benefit from the \$363,686 that was raised. Each participating nonprofit was also eligible for \$25,250 in prizes that were awarded during a post-celebration event. More than 1,100 individuals gave, and 879 donations were first-time donors to support a local nonprofit they had not supported before!

If you are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and interested in participating, please visit [brazosvalleygives.org](http://brazosvalleygives.org) to register, or for more information send an email to [brazosvalleygives@gmail.com](mailto:brazosvalleygives@gmail.com).

Local citizens and businesses interested in hosting a campaign or sponsoring an incentive prize for Brazos Valley Gives should call Patricia Gerling at (979) 589-4305. Early bird registration ends Aug. 21! Nonprofits that register by Friday, Aug. 21, will be eligible for a \$500 prize. Friday, Sept. 18 is the deadline for nonprofits to register to participate in Brazos Valley Gives.

*Thank you to our Chairman’s Circle members ...*



*Thank you to our Presidential Level members ...*



# Would you like to be a P.E.A.C.E. Partner for 2020-21

The investment is only \$50 and you and your employees can make a big impact on the future of our local workforce. Partners for P.E.A.C.E. help reinforce the Core Essential Values students are learning in local public schools at their businesses and through their employee interactions.



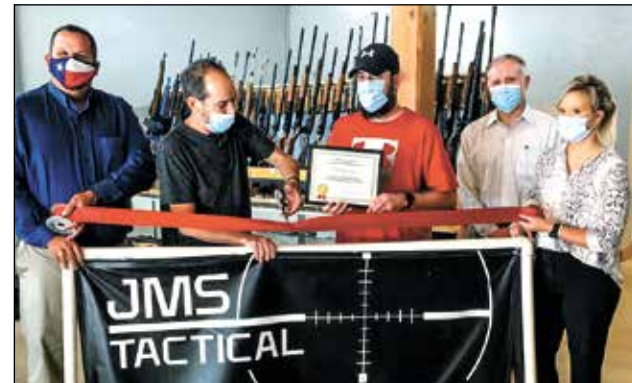
## Renewing Members

July 1-31

Mike Hopkins Distributing Company, Inc. — 49 years  
 Haskins, Dr. Jimmy R. — 47 years  
 Korth & Linke Welding, LLC — 43 years  
 Mark Hyatt State Farm Insurance Agency — 41 years  
 Appelt, Gary L., M.D. PA — 39 years  
 Heritage Society of Washington County — 39 years  
 Washington County Fair Association — 36 years  
 ATS Irrigation, Inc. — 35 years  
 Washington County Farm Bureau — 35 years  
 Nueces Canyon Ranch — 33 years  
 Discount Trees of Brenham — 30 years  
 Live Oak Resort — 30 years  
 Two Creek Feed & Farm — 29 years  
 Ant Street Inn — 28 years  
 Coach Light Inn Motel — 27 years  
 MHMR Center of Washington County — 27 years  
 Brazos Belle Restaurant — 26 years  
 Moorman Tate, LLP — 26 years  
 LaBahia Antiques LLC — 23 years  
 Texas Cotton Gin Museum — 23 years  
 Evans Cabinet and Door — 22 years  
 Countryside Lighting Co. — 21 years  
 MitchellClark & Company — 21 years  
 Robert's Service Station & Grocery L.L.C. — 21 years  
 K & M Grocery — 20 years  
 Tres Chic — 20 years  
 Brenham Fitness Center, LLC — 19 years  
 Plants N Things — 18 years  
 2TR Investments — 17 years  
 Brazos Valley Foot Care — 17 years  
 Ellison, Jim & Ellen — 17 years  
 First Finance — 17 years  
 Kenjura Tile, Inc. — 17 years  
 Rotary Club of Washington County — 17 years  
 St. Peter's Episcopal Church — 17 years  
 The Pomegranate/Funky Art Cafe — 17 years  
 Eberly Ranch — 16 years  
 Ranch Interiors — 16 years  
 Bluebonnet Pottery & Gift Gallery — 15 years

Brenham Grill — 15 years  
 Brenham Elks Lodge #979 — 14 years  
 Woodforest National Bank — 13 years  
 Texas ENT & Allergy — 12 years  
 Giddings Stone Mansion — 11 years  
 Grace Community Fellowship — 11 years  
 M. C. Byrd Wealth Management — 11 years  
 Wilhelm, Don C. — 11 years  
 Kramer, Peggy-County Treasurer — 10 years  
 Pipes, Linda & Paul — 10 years  
 Prenzler, Mr. and Mrs. Glen — 9 years  
 Washington County Ladies Lions Club — 9 years  
 Antiques Country Store — 7 years  
 Factory Connection — 7 years  
 M Bar Land & Cattle, LP — 7 years  
 Round Top Real Estate — 7 years  
 Woman's Cave — 7 years  
 America's Best Value Inn-Somerville — 6 years  
 BENCOR, LLC — 6 years  
 Ryan W. Friebe, M.D., PA — 6 years  
 Sew Stitches Boutique — 6 years  
 Heart and Hand Bodywork — 5 years  
 Rockin Mc Rustic — 5 years  
 Central Washington County Water Supply Co — 4 years  
 Christy Schlottmann Farmers Agency — 4 years  
 DI Truck Repair & Hydraulic Hose Service — 4 years  
 Jet Set Chocolates — 4 years  
 Modern Air Solutions — 4 years  
 Nugent, Thomas/Weaver, Tricia — 4 years  
 The Gunnery — 4 years  
 Washington County Vacation Rentals — 4 years  
 Cottages of Winedale — 3 years  
 Bridge Ministry of Burton Texas — 2 years  
 JD'S Cabin — 2 years  
 Las Americas Latin Cuisine — 2 years  
 Round Top Home Builders — 2 years  
 Hill Top Sales — 1 year  
 Kulow Chiropractic & Wellness Center, PLL — 1 year

## Ribbon Cuttings



New Member

### JMS Tactical

Owners: Joe Smith and Joe Smith  
 109 South Baylor Street, Brenham



New Member

### Washington County Engineering and Development Services

Manager: J. Ross McCall  
 3650 Highway 36 North, Brenham

## Get Noticed

The ChamberWorks newsletter is published inside The Banner-Press. Chamber members have the opportunity to advertise in this newsletter. Rates start at only \$25 per month.

If you are looking for a new opportunity to advertise, just call Jane Hinze at 836-3695.

Another great way to promote your organization is through targeted emails. The Chamber will forward your "e-message" to all members, as long as it meets certain criteria. For non-profits, it should not have a strong-sell for sponsorships or donations. The message should be newsworthy, typically about an upcoming event. For regular businesses, it should also be about upcoming special events, as long as there is no purchase required for the reader to experience the event.

## Working for YOU.

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

### WALK-INS

Chamber of Commerce

July 2020 — 267

### WEBSITE

www.BrenhamTexas.com

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Total Pages

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