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Nominations Sought for the 2022 “Business of the Year” Awards

The Washington County Chamber is now accepting nominations for “Small Business of the Year” and “Business of the Year” in Washington County for 2022. There are two categories: one for businesses with 1-49 employees and one for 50+ employees. Nominations must be submitted by Thursday, January 12, 2023.

If you are aware of a local business that you feel is deserving, please nominate them. Criteria for this prestigious award include:

- The business participates in multiple ways in the community and makes lasting contributions to the growth and well-being of the community.
- The business has displayed evidence of high professional and business standards.

- The business sets an example of leadership for others to follow, within its industry and its workforce.
- This business is locally owned/operated.

While you're thinking about it, please consider nominating your own business. Nobody knows your business better than you.

A form is available to pick up at the Washington County Chamber office (314 S. Austin Street, Brenham) and it is also available online at brenhamtexas.com under “News & Events.” If you wish to fill out the nomination online, go to <https://bit.ly/3imtfyL>. For more information, call 979- 836-3695.

2022 Man and Woman of the Year Award Nominations Now Being Accepted



As the end of the year approaches, it is time to start thinking about who deserves the honor of being selected for the 2022 Man and Woman of the Year-Lifetime Achievement Awards.

This is a long-standing tradition of the Washington

County Chamber, recognizing the achievements of two extra-special individuals each year. The 2021 recipients were Joy Fuchs and Terry Luedtke.

The 2023 Banquet will be held on February 2nd. Prior to the banquet, the immediate Past Chairman of the Chamber Board will convene a committee comprised of past award recipients to review all nominations and vote on the candidates for the current year.

If you know someone you would like to nominate for this honor, please fill out a nomination form. It includes the judging criteria. You may contact the Chamber to have a form emailed to you or download the form online at [BrenhamTexas.com](https://brenhamtexas.com) under “News & Events.” Completed nomination forms are due to the Chamber by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2023.

Winners are only selected from nominations received. Please note that prior nominations (submissions from prior years) may be considered if resubmitted by the January 12 deadline.

Ribbon Cuttings



Mercy Creek Homes
301 E. Main Street, Brenham, TX



Texas Vein and Wellness Center
635 Medical Parkway. Brenham, TX



The Yard
1405 W. Main Street, Brenham



Buff City Soap
960 U.S. Highway 290 East, Brenham, TX



Brenham Heritage Museum
105 S Market St., Brenham, TX

New Chamber Leaders Elected

All Chamber members received their annual ballot in October to elect new directors to the Chamber Board. Members voted to elect six new board members, and they will serve a three-year term. A nominating committee assigned by the Chairman of the Board developed the list of candidates. The six newly elected directors to serve in 2023-2025 include:

Justin Michael Colley
Brannon Industrial Group (BIG Company)
Regional Sales Manager

Justin was born in Arlington, Texas in 1985. He grew up in Arlington and graduated from James Martin High School in 2003. He was a dedicated member of the Martin High School Band and served 2 years

as the Loading Crew Captain/Squad Leader. Justin attended Tarrant County College and the University of Texas at Arlington. He completed a Bachelor of Business Administration. During college, he met his wife, Shelby Seeker Colley, who is a Brenham native. They married in 2008 and moved to Brenham after graduating from UTA. Justin & Shelby have 3 children, Harper (12), Bennett (10), and Ryan (10). Shelby is a teacher in BISD, where his children all attend as well.

Justin began his career with MIC Group Brenham East, where he worked for six years. His titles included Sales Representative, Special Projects Director, and Business Unit Manager. He spent the next six years at Alleghany Technologies (Houston) and represented multiple Alleghany Divisions. Following Alleghany, he continued his sales career with Brenham Dodge. He is now a Regional Sales

Manager with Brannon Industrial Group. His primary focus with BIG Company is to further grow the business in and around Washington County. Justin is also a Leadership Washington County graduate and an active member of the WC Chamber Blue Blazers.

Gary Durrenberger
Bank of Brenham
Branch Manager & Vice President – Chappell Hill

Gary Durrenberger is currently the Branch Manager & Vice-President of Bank of Brenham's Chappell Hill branch.

A native of Giddings, Texas, Gary graduated from Giddings High School in 1987 as a multi-sport letterman and student council member. He went on to earn varsity letters in football and golf at Howard Payne University where he graduated with a Bachelor's of Business Administration Degree in 1991. He also attended West Texas A&M University and Blinn College.

Gary spent 20+ years in Tucson, Arizona, building a career in the consumer finance and mortgage industries. He also had successful entrepreneurial pursuits during this time. In January of 2020 Gary accepted the call to join Bank of Brenham and his proud to call Brenham and Washington County home.

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Gary is the son of Washington County Judge John Durrenberger and his wife Cheryl, and Kay Wallace of Giddings. He has three children - Garrett, Landon, and Madison, and two grandchildren - Haylen & Klutch. Gary serves on the Chappell Hill Historical Society's board of directors as its Vice President. In addition to golfing and some occasional hunting and fishing, Gary is a professional country music songwriter with radio, television, and motion picture credits to his name.

Shane Nelson
 Bluebonnet Abstract and Title
 Owner

Shane Nelson is a patent and trademark lawyer and also the founder / owner of Bluebonnet Abstract and Title, located in Brenham and Bellville. He received his undergraduate and graduate degrees in Chemical Engineering from Texas A&M University, and his law degree from the University of Texas.

After practicing law in downtown Houston for

10 years, he and his family relocated to Washington County in 2015 to get out of the hustle and bustle of Houston and enjoy living and participating in a small community. When not working on their ranch, Shane and his wife Erin enjoy spending time with and raising their three kids, camping, serving at church, and making the most of each day that we're given.

Lete Phillips
 Lete Phillips Exercise Program
 Owner

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Lete Phillips is a native of Bauru, São Paulo, Brazil and graduated with a degree in Languages and Psychology. She enrolled at the University of Texas, in Austin, Texas, in 1976 to study English. It was while studying, she met Kenneth "KP" Phillips, of Brenham, Texas. They fell in love. KP traveled to Brazil where they were married, in September 18th, 1976. They have 3 daughters and 6 grandchildren. In January 1977, they returned to Texas to settle in the community of Brenham.

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Jamie RankinPresident
Jane Hinze.....Member Services Manager
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Lete’s passion and interests includes health and fitness for all ages, especially the older adults, where she has been inspiring others to wellbeing for over 45 years. She has many certifications, and she is a member of the International IDEA Association. She has been featured twice as a “Member Inspiring the World to Fitness!”. She, also, received certifications from the Dr. Kenneth Cooper Aerobic Institute, in Dallas, Texas.

She was the first woman to train with Brenham’s police officers, under Chief Carnes, and helped to establish a mandatory fitness program. Her footprint in fitness also found her being the first woman to enter the Brenham Cubs football gym for an off- season fitness training program.

She has been a supporter of Washington County Chamber since the late 1970’s as a volunteer as well as serving as a chamber board member twice. In 2003, she was awarded the coveted Washington County Chamber Woman of the Year. She has been a Boys and Girls Club Board Member twice and is an avid supporter of many of Brenham’s nonprofit organizations. She also served as the Chair for the 2018 Camp for All Gala.

One of her most significant contributions has been her support and commitment to establishing a Senior Center for Washington County and surrounding areas. She has served as a Board Member for many years and continues to be active by providing exercise sessions for the seniors for over 20 years.

She has been very involved with the City of Brenham. Her influence helped establish an animal adoption center at the Brenham Police Department. She was also the force behind the initiation to stop the loud train horn from traveling trains while coming through the town disturbing the many downtown businesses, homes, churches, and schools. She has more things that she has accomplished with the City

due to her involvement such as building sidewalks to protect school children at St. Paul’s Christian Day School. Now, when the students walk to Blinn College to watch a play, then have a nice sidewalk.

With all her other contributions to our community, she has also been highly involved with Blinn College International Athletes for over 20 years by serving as a “Home away from Home”. She attends games, prepare meals, takes them shopping and opens her home to these international athletes.

She is a member of Saint Mary’s Catholic Church.

Chris Ann Stroech
Washington County Landscapes
Co-Owner

Chris Ann Stroech is the co-owner of Washington County Landscapes, Landscape Architect and Contractor, in Brenham, Texas. She received her undergraduate degree from Texas A&M University in Interdisciplinary Studies, and she received her Masters of Education from Sam Houston State University in Educational Leadership and Curriculum Development.

She enjoyed teaching 8th grade language arts and working in the administration side of education as a Director of Instruction in Cy-Fair ISD. When her husband, Lucas Stroech, began Washington County Landscapes, she transitioned to managing the office where she enjoys doing a little of everything.

She is actively involved in her children’s activities and donating her time to the community. She recently became a Blue Blazer and has enjoyed her time serving in this new role.

Chris Ann loves spending time with her husband and three children.

Stephanie Wehring
Boys & Girls Club of Washington County
Executive Director

Stephanie Wehring was born in Houston but

has called Brenham home since she was 5 years old. Stephanie is a proud graduate of Brenham High School Class of 1989. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences from Texas A&M University and a Certificate in Nonprofit Management from The Bush School of Government & Public Service at Texas A&M.

She has a passion for helping others, as evidenced by her 25-year career serving various non-profit organizations across central Texas, such as The Rose Breast Center, Health For All, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, and the Washington County Chamber of Commerce.

Stephanie joined Boys & Girls Club of Washington County as its Executive Director in July 2017. In addition to her role at the Club, Stephanie has been an active volunteer in the community serving various organizations such as Adam’s Angels, Christ Lutheran Church, For the City, Brenham GameChangers, and as a Blue Blazer with the Washington County Chamber of Commerce.

Stephanie is also the owner of Sterling Estate Solutions, an estate liquidation company that specializes in organizing and operating estate sales for families going through a life transition. She is married to her husband, Matthew, of 16 years and when not having an estate sale or going to one, she enjoys traveling, reading and spending time with her family.

As of January 2023 the remainder of the Chamber Board will include: Dr. John Turner, Blinn College District (Immediate Past Chair); Dan Blalock, Brenham Abstract & Title Co.; James “Jim” Chisolm, Texas Star Winery; Kara Matheney, Washington County AgriLife Extension Service; Shay Morrow, QuestSpecialty Corporation; Darron Smith, Brenham National Bank; Blake Barnes, Baylor Scott & White Medical Center; Eric Benitez, Cedar Frame Real Estate; Dr. Tylor Chaplin, Brenham ISD; Jolene Curtin, Texas Farm Credit; Carlos Garcia, Mariachi’s Mexican Restaurant; and Becky Ogg, Germania Insurance.

Executive officers to serve in 2023 were elected by the Board at the December board retreat.



Chamber President Jamie Rankin, along with Chamber Board of Directors, presents Justin Boone of CRA the Chairman’s Circle plaque at the November board meeting.

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

Thank you to our Presidential Level members...

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Now thru Dec. 14th

Faith Academy Food Drive

Faith Academy of Bellville FFA, Junior High Cheer, and Varsity Cheer are teaming up for a Food Drive. Community Donations accepted now thru Dec. 14th. Suggested Items: Canned Fruits and Vegetables, Pasta, Rice, Beans and other Non Perishable Items. Drop off at Faith Academy, 12177 Hwy. 36, Bellville, Office Bldg 4. Any questions please call 979-865-1811.

Dec 8

Ribbon Cutting - KWHI 75th Anniversary Celebration

Celebrate KWHI's 75th Anniversary, 223 E. Main St., Downtown Brenham, 4:30pm.

Thursdays

Thirsty Thursdays Tacos & Trivia

The taproom is open from 3-9pm on Thursdays with trivia from 6pm to close. 206 S. Jackson St., Brenham (brazosvalleybrewery.com).

Thursday - Saturday

Music at Grapevine on Main

Music from 6-9pm on the deck under the trees, with an always present cool breeze. Wagyu burgers, Artisan thin-crust pizzas, charcuterie boards and other light bite menu items available. 5120 Main St., Chappell Hill.

Thursdays - Sundays

Chapelton Vineyards Wine Tastings & Tours

Taste & Tour the newest winery in Washington County. Open Friday-Sunday 11am-5pm. Reservations recommended, but not required. Tour included in purchase of a tasting flight. Charcuterie & cheese plates available for purchase; 14858 Whitman Rd., Washington (chapeltonvineyards.com).

Dec 8-18

Coney Island Christmas

A Comedy by Donald Marguiles based on the story "The Loudest Voice" by Grace Paley. Unity Theatre, 300 Church St., Brenham. Visit UnityBrenham.org for showtimes.

Dec 9

Fridays

Friday Vibes

Live music, beer, and bites at Brazos Valley Brewery. Taproom is open from noon to 10pm every Friday. Family and dog friendly. 206 S. Jackson St., Brenham (brazosvalleybrewery.com).

Dec 9-10

Candlelight Christmas

Silent Night and gunshots, festive music and solemn moments—an 1850s Texan Christmas experience. Discover the origins of some of our favorite Holiday traditions as costumed interpreters bring to life the festivities of the season with musket-fire, music, dancing and more. Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site, 23400 Park Rd. 12, Washington. (WhereTexasBecame-Texas.org).

Dec 9-10, 16-17, 23

Ledbetter Volunteer Fire Department's Christmas Lane of Lights

Enjoy a hayride through a lighted path of Christmas reflections. Live musical entertainment and Santa will be there each night. All proceeds of this event benefits the Ledbetter Volunteer Fire Department. For additional information, or for large groups contact Gwen 979-540-0105 or Lana 979-966-3477. FM 1291 & Hwy 290, Downtown Ledbetter Fridays & Saturdays 6-8:30pm until Dec. 23. \$10 per person, cash or check. Children 2 years and under are free.

Dec 10

Burton Christmas Market & More

Hand-crafted local items, baked goods, a silent auction and more at the Oliver Whitener-Roy Winkler Pavilions. From 1-3pm, Santa will arrive for festive photos. Enjoy community caroling from 3-4pm. Presented by the Burton Heritage Society and the Burton Chamber. All activities are free except for food/drink/shopping. For details call the Texas Cotton Gin Museum at 979-289-3378 or visit www.burtontexas.org.

Dec 10

Bethlehem in Independence

Go to @independencecommunityevent on Facebook for more details or call 979-421-0134.

Dec 10

Chappell Hill Garden Club Christmas Home Tours

Wallis Evans House, Rockin n Ranch, Bluebird Hill, Cardinal House, Permelia Haynie House, Shaver Park House and Masonic Lodge, where you will see the Rug Hookers Display. Entertainment is Round Top Ruggers Rug Show. 10am-5pm. Annual Teddy Bear Parade on Main starts at 3:30 p.m. (ChappellHillGardenClub.com).

Dec 10

Christmas at Winedale-Folklife Event

A mid-19th century Folk life Reenactment includes folk life demonstrations including wagon rides, hay rides, mini horse carriages, spinners, weavers, wood carvers, quilters, blacksmith, encampment, outdoor cooking, butter churning, period music, square dancers, storytellers, crafts for children, German Santa, Historic Houses will be decorated as they would have been in those times. Winedale Historical Complex, 3738 FM 2714, Round Top, 12-4 (979-278-3530).

Saturdays

Sound on Stage Saturdays

Brazos Valley Brewery and Taproom is open Saturday from 12pm-10pm with live music every Saturday from 6pm-9pm and all day on a beer release day. Playground for the kiddos and lots of outside seating for the doggos. 206 S. Jackson St., Brenham (brazosvalleybrewery.com)

Live Music at Floyd's Wine Lounge

Live music every Saturday night 8-11pm, 315 S. Baylor St., Downtown Brenham

Dec 10

Brenham Children's Chorus "In the Spirit" Christmas Concert

Dr. W.W. O'Donnell Performing Arts

Center, Blinn College, Brenham, 2-4pm (BrenhamChildrensChorus.com).

Dec 13

Brenham Elks Lodge Sweetheart Bunco Night

\$5.00 to play and bring a gift. Men are welcome to join in on the fun. Brenham Elks Lodge, 400 E. Germania St., Brenham, 6:30-9pm. Second Tuesday of the month. (979-551-5269 or 979-836-2261).

Dec 14

Basic QuickBooks Workshop

This is an all-day, basic level course, intended for people who have no experience or limited experience using the QuickBooks software. 9am – 5pm, with an hour off for lunch. (Lunch is not provided.) \$100, email layla.barrett@blinn.edu.

Wednesdays

Whiskey Wednesday at Brown Water Cigar Bar

Every Wednesday, join Brown Water Cigar Bar for weekly cigar and whiskey (Brown Water) pairings and specials. Enjoy national premium cigars from a walk-in humidor with bourbon, scotch, rum, Irish whiskey and wine flights; 11am-8pm, 200 W. Alamo, Downtown Brenham.

Hop Day Wednesday

Open 3pm to 9pm with Dapper Bear Food Truck from 4pm to 9pm serving their famous crabcakes and other seafood goodies. Family and pet friendly with plenty of outside seating and playground. 206 S. Jackson St., Brenham (brazosvalleybrewery.com).

Beer Wednesday at Floyd's Wine Lounge

Every Wednesday for Beer Wednesday. Half-off all draft beers from 3-10pm, 315 S. Baylor St., Downtown Brenham.

Dec 15

Friends of Bluebonnet Opry

Featuring Derek Spence, tribute artist to George Strait, and The Bluebon-

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net Opry House Band. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Show Starts at 7:30 p.m. Grill is open for great tasting food. Silver Wings Ballroom, 4100 Hwy. 105, Brenham. Tickets \$8 at the door (friendsofbluebonnetopry.com).

Dec 15

Brenham Heritage Museum Foodways Tastings: Holiday Traditions

The first temporary exhibit at the new museum will be about local foodways. In conjunction with the exhibit, the Brenham Heritage Museum is holding a series of five food tastings with local Brenham businesses. This event will be a mix of good food & drink and the local history of how cuisine shaped our community. (BrenhamHeritageMuseum.org).

Dec 16

Ribbon Cutting - Wild Ones Baby Boutique

Join in celebrating this new member, 212 W. Alamo St., Downtown Brenham, 10:30am.

Dec 17

Living History Saturday

Travel back in time to where a nation was born in 1836. On the third Satur-

day of each month, staff and volunteers dress in period clothing to bring to life the people and events of Old Washington for a unique opportunity for the entire family to discover various aspects of life during the Republic of Texas. The program features family activities including writing with a quill pen, signing a copy of the Texas

Dec 20

BVH Senor Discount Day

Brenham Veterinary Hospital offers a senior discount day on the third Tuesday of each month. Pet owners over age 50 save 15% on wellness exams, wellness vaccines, spays and neuters. By appointment only, please call 979-836-2472 to schedule. Small animals only, does not apply to large animals - cattle, horses, llamas, donkeys etc. (brenhamvethospital.com).



Stats – from the month of: November 2022

Walk-In’s
Chamber of Commerce 265

Website – **www.BrenhamTexas.com**

Unique Visitors **5,073** Total Pages **10,918**

Save the Date

February 2
Washington County Chamber Annual Banquet & Awards

March 29
State of Healthcare Forum

April 24
9th Annual Administrative Professionals’ Appreciation Luncheon

April 28
3rd Annual Chamber Classic Golf Tournament

August
Tailgate 2023

Washington County Blue Blazers

The Blue Blazers is a club with 15-20 members and more than 50 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.

Justin Colley <i>BIG — Brannon Industrial Group</i>	Genna Lechler <i>Brand It Graphix</i>	Linda Pipes <i>Retired-School Teacher</i>	Matt Wellmann <i>Wellmann Insurance</i>
Joyce Dickschat <i>Brenham National Bank</i>	Candace Lubojasky <i>Candace Lubojasky Real Estate & Design</i>	Carl Prihoda <i>Citizens State Bank</i>	Kristie Wensel <i>Brenham State Supported Living Center</i>
Melissa Duckworth <i>Thielemann Construction</i>	Lauren Maass <i>Germania Insurance</i>	Teresa Rosales <i>Cardinal Financial</i>	Barbara Wilganowski <i>Spherion Staffing</i>
Brianna Edmunds <i>PLANNORTH Architectural Co.</i>	Kristie Marth <i>Brenham Iron Works</i>	Christy Schlottmann <i>Christy Schlottmann Farmers Agency</i>	
Brooke Huckert <i>ValuePoint Wealth Management</i>	Rachel Nordt <i>Edward Jones</i>	Chris Ann Stroeck <i>Washington County Landscapes</i>	
Tammy Jaster <i>City of Brenham-Blue Bell Aquatic Center</i>	Pita Pangan <i>Associated Credit Union of Texas</i>	Amy Supak <i>Kruse Village</i>	

“Chamberversary” Celebration Visits

The Blue Blazers have begun celebrating our member’s “Chamberversaries” by surprising them with Celebration Visits and thanking them for their investment.



Ant Street Inn
30 years



Brenham GameChangers
5 years



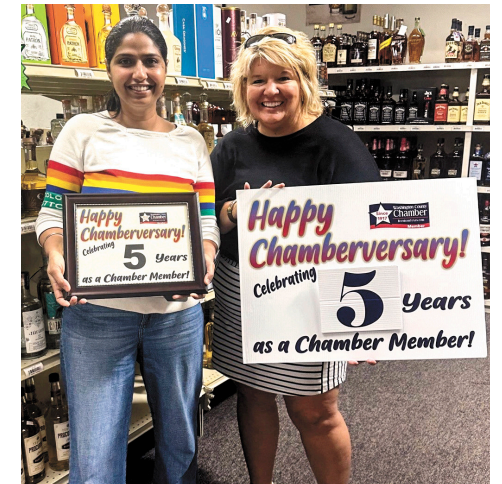
Margaret E. Blizzard Senior Activity Center
15 years



Main Street House – 5 years



Dahmann & Associates – 45 years



Toppers Liquor – 5 years

Chamber Says Farewell to Retiring Directors



Four outstanding volunteers will retire as Chamber board members this month. They have been closely involved with the mission and success of the Chamber since January 2020. The retiring directors (as pictured) include:

Michelle Panko of Barking Ranch Pet Resort, **Jeffrey Sadler** of BRIANNAS Fine Salad Dressings, **Susan Cates** of Brenham Washington County Economic Development, and **Roger Ross** of Coldwell Banker Properties Unlimited.

Also pictured is Dr. John Turner of Blinn College District. He served as

Board Chair for 2022 and will remain on the board in 2023 as Immediate Past Chair.

These volunteer leaders have been valuable members of committees and projects over the past three years. They will be greatly missed from the board of directors, but we know they will always remain strong members of the Chamber and our local business community.

Please join us in thanking them for their years of service to the Chamber membership the next time you see them!



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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 business, it should also be about upcoming special events, as long as there is no purchase required for the reader to experience the event.

E-messages are sent a maximum of once per quarter per member during each calendar year.