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Upcoming Events

June 20 – West I-10 EDC Meeting at Igloo/Speaker TBA

July 10 – Mbr Luncheon at Galileo's in Pattison; Guest Speaker – Vince Yokom
Waller County Economic Development Partnership

July 18 – Governmental Affairs Committee Mtg- 8AM at Cotton Gin

Note: There is no Member Luncheon scheduled in August.

President's Message

Bill Fry/Severn Trent Services



Our June meeting this month was well attended. We had another very informative speaker, Ronnie Melton, Royal ISD Career & Technical Education Director, who provided information about the opportunities that the Royal ISD is providing the students and the community to receive the training necessary to enter the work force as a skilled worker.

The Chamber Education committee reported on our four scholarship winners and the Teacher Recognition Program

for excellence in teaching awards handed out in May.

I want to thank Kathryn and Paul for the hard work on the website improvements and the presentation provided on June 12. And, I encourage all business members to take advantage of some of the many new options we have made available to enhance your business listing on the chamber's website.

Enjoy the summer and I hope everyone gets some time off to re-charge.

Hope to see everyone at our July meeting to be held at Galileo's in Pattison on July 10 at 11:30 a.m.

Chamber welcomes new member

Ken Carter Photography. (Business Partner/Member) P.O. Box 61125, Houston, TX 77208, Tel: 936.524.1235; email: KenCarterPhotos@aol.com. Ken's photojournalism experience spreads across more than 20 years and around the globe. www.KenCarterPhotos.printroom.com.

Members News - and events

Brookwood Community – is new home and owner of Shudde Hat Company. Now, Brookwood is making and selling the famous Shudde brothers hats, a Houston mainstay for over 100 years. Yvonne Streit, Brookwood's founder, says that Houstonians that have been customers of Shudde Brothers forever and ever are driving out to Brookwood for their hats.

Royal I.S.D. – Congratulations to the Royal H.S. Seniors and the recipients

Membership
Karl Skadowski/Texas Landman

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Website
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Annual Banquet
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Governmental Affairs
Adam Traweek/Amegy Bank
Jason Holmes/Wyatt Resources

Education
Robert and Julie Ormond/
Kyle Custom Homes

Administrative
Kathryn McAdams Wilson

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West I-10 Sustaining Members

West Engineering Services
Igloo Products Corp
Rooms To Go
Turner Duran Architects
Brookshire Economic
Development Corporation

Silver Members

Texas Children's Hospital
Janet J. Montgomery, CFP, CWS
Amegy Bank
Memorial Hermann Katy

2010-2011 Members

Allen Boone Humphries Robinson
Allen Samuels Katy Dodge
Amegy Bank
Anchor Dental/Katy
Aradyne Industries, Inc.
Arens Services
Blinn College – Sealy Campus
Brookshire Economic Development
Brookshire Car Care
Brookshire Municipal Water District
Brookshire Steel
The Brookwood Community
Buller Productions

of the West I-10 2012 Scholarship Awards: Perla Aguilar: an accomplished floriculture student attending Texas A&M University in Agribusiness/ Pre Law that already owns her own floral business; Corinthia Williams: Attending Texas A&M University for Kinesiology and has been a student trainer for 3 years; Stephen Morgan, a well rounded student that participated in everything from football and soccer to a UIL one act play and UIL academics will be attending Texas A&M University for mechanical engineering; Lindsey Maresh, an FFA Officer that overcame a brain injury her freshman year of high school that will be attending Sam Houston State University for International Agribusiness. West I-10 Education Chairman Robert Ormond and Chamber President Bill Fry presented scholarships to the students at the Royal High School Awards Night on Thursday May 24th.



Bill Fry/Severn Trent Services; Perla Aguilar, Stephen Morgan, Lindsey Maresh, Corinthia Williams, Robert Ormond/Kyle Custom Homes

In Case You Missed It

June 12th Luncheon/Meeting – held at La Quinta Inn/Brookshire featured guest speaker Ronnie Melton, Director of the Royal Career & Technical Ed(CTE) department,



shared the merits and accolades of the Royal CTE where students are provided an opportunity to explore various career pathways to determine their educational needs and options, develop employability traits, and attain marketable skills. CTE students have participated in community and leadership activities, and have brought home awards from State competitions. The staff of Royal CTE was recognized by the West I-10 Education

Committee with a Spirit Award at the June 1st Teachers Awards Luncheon. Education Committee Chair Robert Ormond and Chamber President made the presentation to Chris Nunes, Business Management & Marketing, Chase Jacob, Audio-Video Production (back row); Jason Woods, Agricultural Science (Animal Systems); Eli Juarez, Machining Technology; Christy Jacob, Agricultural Science (Horticulture Production); Scott Guidry, Welding & Metal Fabrication. Not included in photo: Tammy Taylor, Health Science Occupations and Lance Loftin, Automotive Technology.



Career & Recovery Resources
 Cecil Bell, Jr.
 CenterPoint Energy
 City of Fulshear
 City of Pattison
 Consolidated Communications,
 Darleen St. Jean, CPA
 Days Inn, Brookshire
 Daystar Publishing, Inc
 Dennis W. Homolka, CPA
 Edward Jones
 Emily Hillsman, CPA
 Enterprise Bank
 Eve's Garden
 Farmers Insurance Group
 First Service Credit Union
 First United Methodist Church/
 Brookshire
 Fort Bend Family Health Center
 Galileo's Mexican Grill
 Gateway Realty
 Gr8 Insurance
 Green Group Holdings, LLC
 Grundfos, CBS Inc
 Hasta La Pasta Italian Grill
 HDH Instruments, LP
 Houston Executive Airport
 Houston West RV Park
 Igloo Products Corp
 L.N. Jones Outreach Ministries
 La Quinta Inn & Suites
 J&J Packing Company
 JNS Consulting Engineers
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 La Quinta Inn & Suites, Brookshire
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 New Life Beginnings Church
 Oliver S. Kitzman, Sr.
 One 2 mini Ranch Tack & Feed
 Orizon Industries, Inc.
 Patriots Junk Removal & Hauling
 Pattison Area Volunteer Fire Dept
 Pattison United Methodist Church
 Priority Emergency Room
 Ray's Grill
 Repka's Grocery & Kitchen
 Right Time Real Estate LLC
 Rio Brazos Hunting Preserve
 Rooms To Go
 Roosevelt Alexander
 Rose Hill Ranch
 Royal I.S.D.

West I-10 2012 Teacher Spirit Award recipients Sandra Haynes/Early Childhood Ed, Sandra Saldaña/Royal Elementary, Sedrick Keys/Royal Jr. High, and Chris Nunes/Royal High School were presented their awards at the Teachers Awards Luncheon on June 1. Recipients are chosen by their respective principals and peers for "going the extra mile" for their students.



Igloo Products Corp hosted a meeting on May 22nd with area elected officials and chamber members and U.S. Congressman Michael McCaul who was traveling throughout Congressional District 10 to update constituents on recent legislative actions, as well as to gain input regarding the economy, job growth, American security and other key issues occurring in Washington DC that affect residents of the district.



West I-10 Chamber members attending were Jeff Cartwright and Alex Hodges of Igloo, Pattison Mayor Bill Matthews, Adam Traweck of Amegy Bank, Houston Executive Airport Executive Director Andrew Perry, Brookshire Mayor Pro-Tem Marilyn Vaughn, Vickie Casto of Brookshire EDC, Deborah Tallman of Career & Recovery Resources, Steve Pierson, Waller County Pct 4 Commissioner Stan Kitzman, and Doyle Callender of Amegy Bank.

July 10, 2012 Member Luncheon

The July luncheon will be held at Galileo's Mexican Grill in Pattison with Vince Yokom, Waller County Economic Development Partnership Executive Director as guest speaker. Program will focus on the present and future economic development in Waller County. Those planning to attend may register online by going to www.westi10chamber.org homepage and clicking on the event. Members and member's guests \$15 and Non-members \$25 payable by check or cash at the door or credit card or PayPal when registering online.

In the meantime, come out to Pattison and celebrate the 4th of July . . .

San Jacinto Girl Scouts
 Saturn Machine, Inc.
 Severn Trent Services, Inc.
 Shanco Equipment Specialists
 Southwest Properties
 Stan Kitzman, Commissioner Pct 4
 State Rep. John Zerwas MD
 Stewart Title, Fulshear
 Tackle Construction Co. Inc.
 Ted Krenek, JP, WC Pct 4
 Texas Children's Hospital
 Texas Landman, Inc.
 The Best Years Antiques & Collectibles
 The Oaks at Brookshire
 Thomas Instrument
 Turner Duran Architects
 Vahalik & Vahalik, PC
 Waller County Economic Development
 Partners
 Waller County Fair Association
 West Engineering Services
 Weston Lakes Country Club
 Wilson Engineering Company
 Wyatt Resources, Inc.



Family Freedom Festival

4:00 P.M.
 until
 9:30 P.M.
 Free admission



Pattison Area
 Volunteer
 Fire Department

LASER SHOW AT DARK

Form your teams NOW:

- Dominoes 2 members
- Volleyball 6 members
- Horse shoes 2 members
- Washers 2 members
- Tug o' War 6 members
- Sack races
- Tossing Tournament
- Hay Scramble for the kids
- Best Dressed Team Award
- S.W.A.T. vehicle display

Food Events

- Hot Dog Eating Contest
- Pie Eating Contest
- Best Aple Pie Contest
- Watermelon Seed Spitting

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Volunteer
 to be
 a judge



Inflatable Jumps
 for the kids



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Working together for our future

Have a safe July 4th!