



The Latest News

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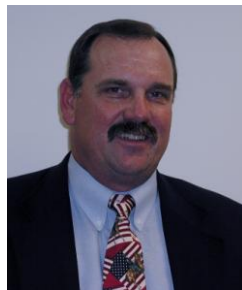
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Upcoming Events

- Mar 13-** Member Luncheon at La Quinta/Brookshire
 Cody Dennison, Waller County Ag Agent /The Role of Ag Ext in Business
- Apr 10** –Member Luncheon at La Quinta/Brookshire
 John Boaz and Bobby ‘Tre9, Herring - Hope for our Youth - It Takes a Community
- May 8** - Member Luncheon at La Quinta/Brookshire
 Mary Anne Piacentini/Katy Prairie Conservatory
- May 15** – FUNdraiser: 1st Annual Ice Cream Social at PAVFD

President’s Message

Bill Fry/Severn Trent Services



February meeting this month was missing several familiar faces. We had a very informative speaker, Rodney Bradshaw with Workforce Solutions. I will be in touch with Workforce Solutions to hire qualified people to fill several job vacancies. Adam Traweek is our new Vice President. I appreciate Adam stepping up to continue supporting our Chamber vision of being more involved in the Community.

Speaking of community, do not forget the 1st Annual “It takes a Community” Ice Cream Social Fundraiser to support Royal ISD to provide two scholarships and continue Teacher Recognition Program for excellence in teaching to be held May 15th at the Pattison VFD. We need your support as a sponsor. Please contact me or Steve Pierson to be a sponsor or “super scooper”. Hope to see everyone at our March meeting to be held at La Quinta/Brookshire on March 13th.

Members News - and events

LJA Engineering, Inc. is proud to announce that William T. Ehler, PE has been promoted to Vice President in the firm’s Houston Land Division. Currently, Bill supervises all engineering related efforts for the Lakemont, Imperial, Savannah Lakes, Woodridge Forest, Hidden Creek and Teal Run developments which are located in Fort Bend County, Brazoria County and Montgomery County. In addition, Bill serves as the District Engineer for eight municipal utility districts that are an integral part of these communities. – This past month, Jerry Hlozek, PE, has joined LJA Engineering, Inc. as a Project Manager in the firm’s Houston Land Development Division; and, Chris Cotter, PE, has joined LJA Engineering, Inc. as Transportation Manager in the firm’s Houston Public Infrastructure Division.

Rooms To Go was at the Oaks at Brookshire on February 10th delivering two truckloads of furniture – chairs, tables, and sofas- all donated by Rooms To Go for the residents. The recently completed renovation at the **Oaks at Brookshire** has doubled the capacity of its Memory Loss Unit and its dining and activities areas.

Programs & Events
Rosemary Gambino/Rose Hill Ranch

PR & Marketing
Michael Montgomery/West Engineering Services

Website
Paul McConnell/Key Insurance Agency

Annual Banquet
Roberta Meader/West Engineering

Fundraising
Steve Pierson/Katy Family YMCA

Nominating
Anthony Francis/LJA Engineering

Governmental Affairs
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Jason Holmes/Wyatt Resources

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Janet J. Montgomery, CFP, CWS

Amegy Bank

Memorial Hermann Katy

Photo: Oaks at Brookshire Administrator, Craig Childs, and Rooms To Go General Manager, Andrew Day.



This was not the first time that RTG General Manager, Andrew Day, and his staff were at the Oaks delivering gifts –

In December, at the Christmas family luncheon, every resident received a gift from Rooms To Go – personally delivered by Andrew Day and Rooms To Go employees.



Yes, Dottie, good things DO happen in Brookshire!

Save the event dates – Tuesday, **February 21st** – 6-8pm – **Pattison United Methodist Church**, FM 359 & Avenue H in Pattison – Pancake Supper-All you can eat - \$6 for adults and \$3 for age 5 and under. . . Saturday, **March 3rd** – Pattison UMC Chili Benefit –Adults \$5; children (3-12) \$3; children under 3 free. Chili Dinner, silent auction and entertainment.Sponsored by the United Methodist Women's Organization for the benefit of Kids For Christ. . . Sunday, **February 26th** – **The Gallery At Brookwood** – You're invited to meet the Artists – wine & hors d'oeuvres – 4-6pm – 1752 FM 1489, Brookshire, 281.375.2159. . . **March 24th** – **Royal ISD** -Royal FFA Parade at 10a.m., BBQ Lunch at 11a.m., FFA Auction and Sale at 1:30p.m. . . Saturday, **April 21st** 8am-12pm – **Keep Waller County Beautiful's 2nd** Annual Trash-Off and Litter prevention in partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful and Texas Department of Transportation.

In Case You Missed It

February 14th Luncheon/Meeting – Guest Speaker, Rodney Bradshaw, Gulf Coast Workforce Board Director, introduced us to Workforce Solutions, a public workforce development organization linking employers to job candidates and people to jobs – providing comprehensive human resource services for businesses and

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Green Group Holdings, LLC
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Hasta La Pasta Italian Grill
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residents of the 13-county Houston-Galveston Gulf Coast region so employers can meet their workforce needs and individuals can build careers to compete in the global economy. Workforce Solutions is funded by state and federal tax-dollars that are redirected back into the Gulf Coast region and does not charge for their services. In 2011 Workforce Solutions provided employment services to 405,639 individuals and business services to 43,298 employers. For information regarding Workforce Solutions' services, call 1.888.469.5627 or visit www.wrksolutions.com for Workforce Solutions office nearest you.

Information flyers were made available for the July 4th Family Freedom Festival at the Pattison Area Volunteer Fire Department and the Times Tribune FFA Publication. For information regarding the Family Freedom Festival and/or would consider being a sponsor, call 281.934.3473 or email familyfreedomfest@gmail.com. To show your support of the FFA by purchasing an ad in the March FFA Publication, call 281.934.4949 or email your ad to news.trib@timestribune.com.



Photo left: Guest Speaker Rodney Bradshaw, and Chamber President Bill Fry. Below: Vickie Casto, Arnold England, and Linda Anderson.



Door prizes were won by Judge Oliver Kitzman, Leonard Cash, Albert Wilkins, and Reverend Dottie Dumas and Mary Garbett took home the roses! The Business Spotlight for the next luncheon meeting was won by newly elected Chamber Vice President, Adam Traweck of Amegy

Appreciation goes to Amegy Bank, Brookshire EDC, and Right Time Real Estate for donating the door prizes; to Vickie Casto and Linda Anderson for their assistance; – and to Galileo's for the excellent service. That delicious chicken entre served, by the way, is from the menu under the specialties – Pechuga Chapala.

The next membership luncheon will be held at La Quinta Inn & Suites in Brookshire on March 13th. Cody Dennison, Waller County Ag Agent will be the guest speaker.

May 15, 2012 West I-10 Ice Cream Social

“We are so pleased and excited with the response, enthusiasm, and commitments we have received from the community – businesses, individuals, elected officials, and

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
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 Roosevelt Alexander
 Rose Hill Ranch
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 Collectibles
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 Waller County Fair Association
 West Engineering Services
 Weston Lakes Country Club
 Wilson Engineering Company
 Wyatt Resources, Inc.

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the school district - for sponsoring and supporting and volunteering at our first ol' fashion ice cream social," from Steve Pierson, the fundraising committee chairman. It will be such a fun event involving the entire community -with the performing jazz bands, elected officials and community leaders as guest scoopers competing for tips, big prize drawings, 50/50 drawing, and more. Names of sponsors received by March 15th will be printed on the "It Takes a Community T-shirts, as well as, on the pre-printed tickets, all banners and promotions for the event. Advance ticket sales will begin in April.

All proceeds from this FUNdraiser will go to the West I-10 Chamber's Education and Scholarship Fund which will be used to award scholarships to two graduating seniors and programs to encourage reading and learning on all campuses of Royal ISD.

Please contact Steve at 832.661.8800 or the West I-10 Chamber at chamber@westi10chamber.org for more information or to sign up to participate in this upcoming fundraising event.

West-10 Chamber of Commerce FUNdraiser - Working together for our future

It Takes a Community!!

1st Annual

Ice Cream Social

Benefiting West I-10 Education/Scholarship Fund

Featuring ~

- Guest Scoopers
- 50/50 Raffle
- Prize Drawings
- Live music
- All you can eat ice cream ~ Make your own sundae

Tuesday

May 15, 2012

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

TICKETS

\$5 ADVANCE

OR

\$7 DOOR

\$5 SENIORS (at door)

Children under 3 free

It takes a Community - we need you!!!

Music, Door Prizes, Raffle Items, Volunteers for ticket sales, supplies, setting up/clean up, etc. etc.

at the

Pattison Area Volunteer Fire Department

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE NOW!

\$1,000 - \$500 - \$250

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