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April 2017



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“TASTE” 2017

WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF OUR 2017 TASTE OF THE TOWN SPONSORS!

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IT'S' ALMOST TIME FOR TASTE OF THE TOWN!

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!!



Tony Wood, Taste of the Town Chairman, and the Taste Committee have been busy coordinating the twenty-sixth Annual Taste of the Town event scheduled for Sunday, April 30th from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Brazos Mall.

The sponsors that help make this exciting event possible include:

All Smiles, Allstate Insurance—Teresa Jacobs, Altus Emergency Center, BASF Corp., The Blueline Shop, Braskem America, Brazos Mall, Brazosport CAER, Brazosport Christian School, Brazosport Independent School District, CenterPoint Energy, Chevron Phillips, CHI St. Luke's Health Brazosport, Coca-Cola, Del Papa Distributing (Bud Light), The Dow Chemical Company, The Facts, Faust Distributing (Miller Lite), Freeport LNG, The Gateway at Lake Jackson, H-E-B, Lake Jackson Dermatology, Lake Jackson Modern Dentistry, Leo Martin Chevrolet, Massage Heights Lake Jackson, MEGlobal, Meridiana Texas, MSR Houston, Oak Farms Dairy, Olin Corporation, Phillips 66, Port Freeport, Residence at Lake Jackson



Apartments, Riviana Foods, Inc., Shintech, SI Group, Inc., State Farm Insurance—George Franklin, Waste Connections, Yaklin Ford.

Jim Mahon, Candlewood Suites, is Chairman of the ticket sales this year, and has included a ticket order form in this newsletter. Please note on the ticket order form that discounts are available.

Bruce Juback, El Chico, Vendor Chair, reports that our booth spaces are filling up fast with the following vendors and sponsors who will feature their favorite "tastes." They include: Buffalo Wild Wings, Carino's Italian, Center Court Pizza & Brew, CHI St. Luke's Brazosport, Coca-Cola, Del Papa Distributing (Bud Light), Domino's Pizza, El Chico, El Toro Mexican Restaurant, Faust Distributing (Miller Lite), H-E-B, Honey Baked Ham, McDonald's, Oak Farms Dairy, On the River Restaurant/River Point Restaurant, Pancheaux's Cajun Cantina, Panda Express, Raising Canes, Riviana Foods, Inc., Sake' To Me, Sam's Club, Seahorse Bar & Grill, Shanghai Restaurant, Taco Cabana, Texas Roadhouse & Wurst Haus.

Vicki Melass & Raylene Wilson, Allstate Insurance—Steve Wolverton, and their verbal auction team are busy collecting some great items for the auction. Heather Rimato-Morrison, Rimato Insurance, will oversee the Kings Feast which will again be part of the verbal auction. The auction will be held in the food court from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Items valued at \$250 and above are being gathered but more donations are needed. Please call one of the Chairmen or the Chamber office if you are interested in donating an item.





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“2017 Taste Of The Town”

Sunday, April 30, 2017 ~ Brazos Mall ~ 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Order Tickets Now!!!

The following discounts are available now!

- 40 or more tickets \$ 12.00 each
- 20 - 39 tickets \$ 13.00 each
- 10 - 19 tickets \$ 14.00 each
- 1 - 9 tickets (until 4/28/17) \$ 15.00 each
(at the door) \$ 20.00 each
- Children 6 & under Free

Notice!!!!

All tickets ordered at discount prices must be paid for by April 28, 2017. All tickets sold at the door, or paid for after this date will be full price.



Mail or Fax form
as soon as possible to:

Brazosport Area Chamber of Commerce
300 Abner Jackson Parkway · Lake Jackson, TX 77566
(979) 285-2501 · Fax (979) 285-2505

Name _____

Company Name _____

Tickets _____ \$ Enclosed _____

Bill Me ☐ Billing Address _____

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TASTE OF THE TOWN RAFFLE



The Taste of the Town, to be held on Sunday, April 30, 2017, will once again include a raffle as part of this year's event. The lucky winner will receive a \$5,000.00 shopping spree with any Brazosport Area Chamber member.

Jim Mahon, Candlewood Suites, has sent each Chamber member six raffle tickets with a letter inviting them to purchase and/or sell the tickets. There will be 600 tickets sold at \$20 each or 6 for \$100. The raffle drawing will take place in the food court at 9:00 p.m. It is not necessary to be present to win.

We need your participation! Taste of the Town is the Chamber's major fund-raiser each year and helps to support the many projects and programs that benefit the members and the entire area.

If you have questions or need more tickets, please call the Chamber office at 285-2501.

Outstanding Volunteers

The Holiday Home Tour Committee was named Outstanding Volunteers for their contributions to the success of the Holiday Home Tour event



Pictured L to R: Chairman of the Board David Winder, Dow Chemical Company, Sue Merritt, Jeannette Merritt, Gateway Mortgage Group & Holiday Home Tour Chair, and Leslie Barber. Not pictured are Helen Jones & Lesley McGehee.

New Members

American Tank & Vessel, Inc.
15810 Park Ten Place, Ste. 210
Houston, TX 77024
W. T. Cutts, 281-492-7778
www.at-v.com
Metal Tanks & Vessels

Blue Fin Charters
1160 E. Brazos Street, Freeport
Julie Baron, 979-239-1133
www.bluefinfreeport.com
Fishing Charters

Brazosport Noon Lady Lions Club
P.O. Box 51, Lake Jackson
Nancy Gray, 979-239-8687
Non-Profit

Big Frog Custom T-Shirts & More
201 Hwy. 332 W., Ste. 111, Lake Jackson
Lisa Perez, 979-417-2200
www.bigfrog.com/lakejackson
Custom Apparel, Embroidery

Citizen Canines
Paddy Donovan, 832-341-4578
www.citizencanines.net
Dog Training

Greg Hill
713-582-9909
Individual

Kumon
201 Hwy. 332, Ste. 201A, Lake Jackson
Hemang Patel, 979-417-2017
www.Kuman.com
Education, Tutoring

Pearl Snaps
2500 N. Hwy. 288, Angleton
Adrienne Doner, 979-888-1300
www.pearlsnaps.co
Shopping & Specialty Retail, Apparel & Accessories,
Boutique, Gift Shop

Power-Mark Resources
6150 Richmond Avenue, Ste. 102, Houston
Roger Depres, 979-820-4685
www.powermarkresources.com
Electricity, Energy Broker

Safeline Technologies
125 Dewberry Drive, Lake Jackson
Sharon Todd, 979-482-4057
www.safelinestore.com
Safety Supply Store

Sienna Villas
902 N. Avenue J, Freeport
Tammy Saldana, 979-233-8981
Apartment Complex

Texas A&M—Healthy South Texas
100 Medical Drive, Healthy Communities
Annex Bldg., Lake Jackson
Kristy Prihoda, 979-285-1478
<http://healthytexas.tamu.edu/>
Education, Health Care, Non-Profit

Third Coast Aviation, LLC
8000 Airport Way, Ste. 117, Angleton
Tony Boulanger, 832-598-1367
<http://thirdcoastaviation.com>
Flight School

VLK Architects, Inc.
20445 TX-249, Ste. 350, Houston, TX
Todd Lien, AIA, 281-671-2300
www.vlkarchitects.com
Architecture Firm

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Ribbon Cuttings



Safeline Technologies
1400 Velasco Blvd., Freeport
Sharon Todd, 979-482-4057
www.safelinestore.com
Safety Supply Store



Texas A&M—Healthy South Texas
100 Medical Drive, Healthy Communities Annex
Bldg., Lake Jackson
Kristy Prihoda, 979-285-1478
<http://healthytexas.tamu.edu/>
Education/Health Care/Family, Community,
Non-Profit/Counseling



Meridiana Texas
4003 Meridiana Parkway, Iowa Colony
Lindsey Denson, 713-252-2871
www.meridianatexas.com
Real Estate—Commercial & Residential



Urban Crest
221 Hwy. 332 W., Lake Jackson
Sherry Anthony, 979-297-4000
www.urbancrestlj.com
Apartment Complex

NETWORK MIXERS

Sponsored by The Clarion at Brazosport College & The Center for the Arts & Sciences featuring Shaun Hopper, Acoustic Finger-Style Guitarist



Jim Mahon, Candlewood Suites & Wes Copeland, The Center for the Arts & Sciences



Vorin Dornan, The Clarion at Brazosport College; Mary Meyers, Brazosport Ear, Nose & Throat



Shaun Hopper



David Winder, Dow Texas Operations & David and Nancy Freshour

Leadership BRAZOSPORT

The 2017 Leadership Brazosport Class toured Sea Center Texas & The Lake Jackson Historical Museum in February.



L to R: Greg Deatrick, Olin; Bryan Frazier, Brazoria County Parks Department; Frank Bartolomeo, Sea Center Texas volunteer; Preston Phillips, Heritage Bank; Nicole Maddox, Farmer's Insurance; Andrew Keppta, Brazos Mall; Tracee Tolett Watts, Brazosport College; Brittany Rosenbohm, Brazosport ISD Education Foundation; Rachel Arthur, Brazosport ISD; Dawn Gourley, Freeport LNG; Daniel Gonzalez, TDECU & Desire Risinger, TDECU.



L to R: Greg Deatrick, Olin; Bryan Frazier, Brazoria County Parks Department; Nicole Maddox, Farmer's Insurance; Tracee Tolett Watts, Brazosport College; Brittany Rosenbohm, Brazosport ISD Education Foundation; Rachel Arthur, Brazosport ISD; Daniel Gonzalez, TDECU; Perston Phillips, Heritage Bank; Desire Risinger, TDECU. Neldia Ahlquist, Neldal Insurance; Robert Rule, Lake Jackson Historical Museum & Andrew Keppta, Brazos Mall

Leadership *Brazosport* Goes TO *Austin*

The 2017 Leadership Class visited the State Capitol and Governor's Mansion for their Government Session.



Thank you to Representative Dennis Bonnen for taking the time to visit with the Leadership Class. Top Row, L to R: Daniel Gonzalez, TDECU; Brian Martin, SI Group; Greg Deatrick, Olin; 2nd Row L to R: Desire Risinger, TDECU; Tracee Watts, Brazosport College; Doug Wright, SI Group; Bottom Row, L to R: Neldia Ahlquist, Neldal Insurance; Edith Fischer, Brazosport Chamber; Representative Bonnen & Sandra Shaw, Brazosport Chamber.



Texas First Lady Cecilia Abbot was spotted on the grounds of the mansion during the visit. Pictured L to R: Doug Wright, SI Group; Brian Martin, SI Group; Sandra Shaw; Desire Risinger, TDECU; Edith Fischer; Daniel Gonzalez, TDECU; Tracee Watts, Brazosport College; Greg Deatrick, Olin; Neldia Ahlquist, Neldal Insurance.



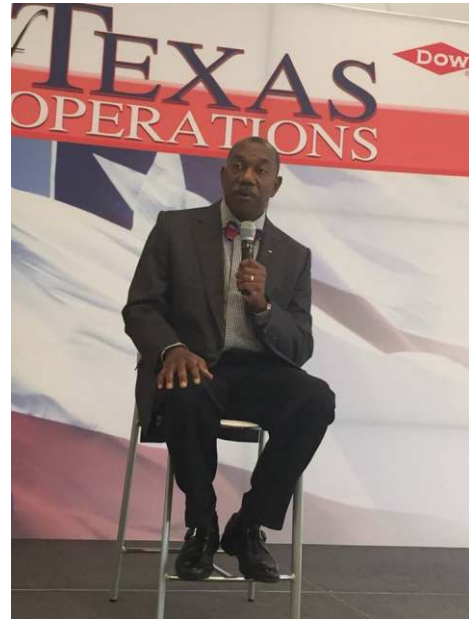
Thank you to Senator Joan Huffman for meeting the Leadership Class during their trip to the Capitol. Pictured Left to Right: Doug Wright, SI Group; Greg Deatrick, Olin; Neldia Ahlquist, Neldal Insurance Agency; Desire Risinger, TDECU; Daniel Gonzalez, TDECU; Senator Joan Huffman; Edith Fischer; Tracee Watts, Brazosport College; Sandra Shaw; Brian Martin, SI Group.

Brazosport *Professionals Network*

Many thanks to Earl Shipp & David Winder, Dow Chemical Company, for hosting & sponsoring the Brazosport Professionals Network meeting in February.



L to R: Anne Bartlett, Brazosport College and BPN Co-Chair; Earl Shipp, The Dow Chemical Company and Meredith King, True to Life Ministries and BPN Co-Chair..



Earl Shipp, The Dow Chemical Company, gave an informative presentation to attendees of the BPN meeting.



There were over 75 in attendance

Brazosport *Professionals Network*

Many thanks to Yvonne Mintz, The Facts, for being the guest speaker at the Brazosport Professionals Network March meeting. Also, our gratitude goes out to ATC Company/ATC Appraisal Services & BASF Corp. for sponsoring the venue for this meeting.



Yvonne Mintz, Editor & Publisher, The Facts, and Meredith King, True to Life Ministries & BPN Co-Chair.



L to R: Jerry Shaffer, ATC Company, LLC/ATC Appraisal Services, LLC; Meredith King, True to Life Ministries & BPN Co-Chair, and Diego Cogoux, ATC Company, LLC/ATC Appraisal Services, LLC.



There were over 50 in attendance



Membership Luncheon

The Brazosport Chamber and the Angleton Chamber co-hosted a Membership Luncheon with Guest Speakers Chris Wallace and Aaron Cox from the Texas Association of Business.



L to R: Sandra Shaw, Brazosport Area Chamber of Commerce; David Spence, Angleton Chamber Chairman of the Board; Chris Wallace and Aaron Cox, Texas Association of Business; Beth Journeay, Angleton Chamber of Commerce

*Thank
You*

Nancy Moreno, Chick-fil-A at Lake Jackson, for the delicious tray of nuggets and chicken sandwiches.

Billing for Membership Dues

Please expect to receive your future membership invoices electronically with an option to click and pay straight from the invoice.

If you have not given the Chamber your e-mail address or have an updated e-mail address, please notify our office at 979-285-2501 as soon as possible.

We expect this process to be more convenient and cost efficient for our members. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Many Thanks to our Building Donors

Our “Retire the Debt” building campaign is an on-going campaign until the building note is paid in full. We will continue to list our donors in future publications. The following are the donations received since 2011 to date. We are so grateful to these members for their contributions to the Chamber as well as the community.

\$2,500:

Freeport LNG

\$1,100:

The Dow Chemical Company

Gulf Coast S&S

Leo Martin Chevrolet

\$925:

Gordon & Nancy Wollam

\$850:

BASF Corp.

\$750:

CHI St. Luke's Health Brazosport

\$600:

Dr. Perry Mueller

\$650:

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Corky & Vicki Melass

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\$500:

Representative Dennis & Kim Bonnen

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K&S Restaurants

Nalco

Shintech

Bob & Lori Sipple

\$451:

Comfort Suites

\$450:

Art & Lynn Vandaveer

\$400:

Blue Water Dental Care

MSR Houston, LLC

\$300:

Killum Pest Control

\$250:

Brazosport Leadership Class of 2015

Brown's Auto Sales

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Kitty's Purple Cow

McDonough Engineering

Merrill Lynch

SI Group, Inc.

State Farm Insurance—George Franklin

David & Renee Winder

\$225:

Commissioner Dude & Debra Payne

\$200:

Dr. Alkesh Amin, M.D.P.A.

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Clute Pawn & Jewelry

Dairy Bar

Freeport Welding & Fabrication, Inc.

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Sharon Rogers

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Tom's Pawn

Wells Fargo Advisors—Gary Foose

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Snap Fitness

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Luycx Plumbing

Mejia Industrial Supply

Judge Matt Sebesta

\$125:

Sandlin Broadcasting Company

\$100:

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Brevard Company

Tom Chaffin

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Freeport-Lakewood Funeral Homes

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Port Freeport

Prather & Harlan A/C

Kat Roebuck

Patty Sayes

Sorrell Construction Equipment & Materials

State Farm Insurance—Kalen Bailey

State Farm Insurance—Wayne

Reitmeyer

TDECU-Your Credit Union

Texas Crewboats

The Facts

The Source Weekly

VCA Lake Jackson Animal Hospital

Victory Insurance Agency

Village of Jones Creek

Robert Worley

\$50:

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Baymont Inn & Suites

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Don Davis Delearships-LJ

Dottie Duby

Em-Print Company

Payroll Vault

Total Safety U.S., Inc.

Wal-Mart Super Center

\$40:

Mayor Joe Rinehart

\$25:

Brazosport Corporate Housing

Judge Jack Brown

Red Snapper Inn



April 29th 8 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Come Join us for a FUN, FREE, FAMILY event as we celebrate

"Planes, Trains, Tractors & Automobiles"

Texas Gulf Coast Regional Airport

Pancake Breakfast (available for purchase)

Hot Dog & Hamburger Baskets (available for purchase)

Aircraft Judging

Precision Landing Contest

Local Collector Autos

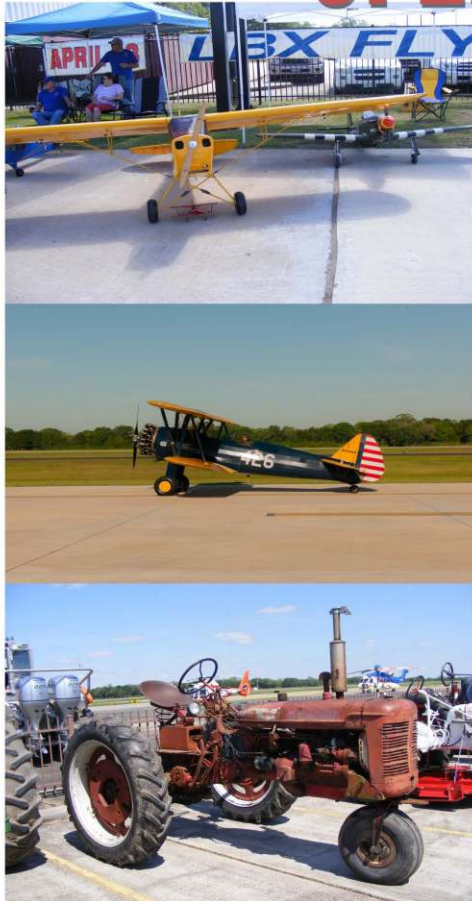
Warbird Rides for Sale

Antique Tractors

RC Aircraft Display

Model Trains

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!



Special Guests Include

U.S. Coast Guard, Saltgrass Antique Tractors, Brazos Valley RR Society, Angleton Area EMS, PHI Helicopters, Gulf Coast Emergency Rescue Squad, Brazoria County RC Modelers, MSR, AOPA, Coastal Planes, Third Coast Aviation, ARRS, CAF Houston Wing, Mid Coast Corvette Club Brazoria Co. Library System and musical guests "The Ramblers" with Notgrass, Edquist & Koonce!

- Enter at Registration for Your Chance to win great door prizes (must be present to win)
- Raffle tickets for an iPad and GoPro available for sale
- Pricing for Warbird rides, Complete Program & Precision Landing Rules may be found at www.flylbx.org or the fly-in Facebook found at www.facebook.com/lbxflyin

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- LNG/LPG/LIN/LOX Tanks
- Emission Reduction Technology



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Hydrocarbon Tanks



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