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## Glasco & Co. Landscaping and Kwik Kopy Business Center win 'Small Business of the Year' Awards

At the Governor's Small Business Forum hosted in Brenham June 1, two local businesses received statewide distinction, having been selected as the "Small Business of the Year" for 2016. The awards were given out in two categories: businesses with 1-25 employees and those with 26-100. The forum was co-hosted by the Washington County Chamber, Burleson County Chamber, Grimes County Chamber and the Research Valley Partnership.

State Senator Lois Kolkhorst greeted everyone at the forum and commended all attendees for their dedication to serving the community. Secretary of State Carlos Cascos led the awards presentation and congratulated each award winner for their success and commitment to excellence.

The first award (business size 1-25) was presented to **Kwik Kopy Business Center**. Owners Sharon and Barry Brass were present, along with Chris and Michael Brewster. Their small business specializes in printing, advertising, shipping and locally-made gifts, providing office support to many other businesses in the region. After a lifetime of big-city living, corporate careers and traveling the world, Sharon and Barry fulfilled their dream to settle down in Washington County and opened the business in 2004, originally named Parcel Plus, with the goal of using their expertise to help other small businesses and individuals. As the business grew, it became widely known for its high-caliber printing and marketing services, and for its "local market." The successful business was re-

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Small Business of the Year (26-100 employees) Glasco & Co., Landscaping. Pictured are (L to R) Board Chairman Kurt Alfred, Dusty Robinson, Tami Glasco, Nathan Meyer, Secretary of State Carlos Cascos and Brad Napp, Governor's Office representative.



Small Business of the Year (1-25 employees) Kwik Kopy Business Center. Pictured are (L to R) Chamber Board Chairman Kurt Alfred, Chris Brewster, Barry Brass, Sharon Brass, Michael Brewster, Secretary of State Carlos Cascos and Brad Napp, Governor's Office representative.

### BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

MIX, MINGLE, MAKE CONNECTIONS!

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Thursday, June 23 from 5-7 p.m.

Enjoy great networking and refreshments!  
Bring plenty of business cards to share with other members.  
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# Ribbon Cuttings



New Member

## The Errand Lady

Owner: Cathy Holder  
Phone: 979-277-5725



New Member

## The Brenham Market

Owner: Jennifer Clack  
1305 East Blue Bell Road, Brenham

# Awards

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branded as KWIK KOPY Business Center in May of 2011, to better describe its core services to clients. As part of the company's succession plan, brothers Chris and Michael Brewster are now taking over the business and have bright plans for the future.

The second award (business size 26-100) was presented to **Glasco & Co. Landscaping**. This company represents an enthusiastic team committed to the pursuit of total satisfaction for customers and employees. Tami Glasco, Dusty Robinson, Nathan Meyer and other staff were present for the award announcement.

Secretary of State Cascos talked about how the company began in 1980 with just a single push-mower. That's when Tami and Troy Glasco arrived in Brenham and began the small lawn business while Troy attended Blinn College. Troy had grown up maintaining a golf course founded by his father and developed an interest in landscaping. His love for the business and the community kept him in Brenham. Since then, the company has grown to employ over 70 men and women. Troy passed away in July 2014, but the family continues to operate the business with the standards he set: excellence, integrity and a strong work ethic.

Many distinguished speakers were featured at this event along

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Secretary of State Carlos Cascos was the keynote speaker at the forum.



The team from Citizens State Bank, a Headline Sponsor, standing by their exhibit.

# Have you ever dreamed of traveling to Spain?

The Washington County Chamber is hosting its next group travel tour in Barcelona, Spain in February 2017. Just 8 months away, during the off the peak season when the cost is lower and crowds are smaller. You can really get to know a city and its locals when you travel in February. There is an early booking discount of \$100.

Thanks to professional tour company, Collette Vacations, and Chamber member Cricket Cruise & Travel, we are able to offer a one-week tour of Barcelona for an amazing price. The tour takes place February 4-11, 2017. (There is also an option to extend your tour another week and explore Madrid, too at a great price!) Highlights of the tour are the La Sagrada Familia, the Gothic Quarter, La Boqueria open-air market, Parc Guell, Salvador Dali Museum, Girona, Penedes Wine Region and much more.

Chamber members can enjoy the great tour price for this once-in-a-lifetime experience. Space is limited, so this may sell out quickly. Discount ends July 29, 2016. Find complete details on [www.BrenhamTexas.com](http://www.BrenhamTexas.com) under News and Events.



**Networking Happy Hour**  
Wednesday, June 15  
**RE/MAX Advantage**  
110 E. Alamo St., Downtown Brenham  
5-7 p.m.

For more information about Washington County YPO, send your contact information to [youngpros@brenhamtexas.com](mailto:youngpros@brenhamtexas.com) or visit online: [www.Facebook.com/YPOwashingtoncounty](http://www.Facebook.com/YPOwashingtoncounty)

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# Awards

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with Secretary of State Cascos, including TWC Commissioner Ruth Hughs; Senator Lois Kolkhorst, Trish Buck from Workforce Solutions of the Brazos Valley, economist Dale Craymer from TTRA, Dr. Thomas Tunstall from UTSA Institute for Economic Development, Anh Nguyen of Amplified Marketing, LaChristian Taylor from the Texas Commission for Women, and Brice Milliorn from Edward Jones, who served as Master of Ceremonies for the event.

Thank you to Headline Sponsors, Bluebonnet Electric, Brenham National Bank and Citizens State Bank. Another Small Business Forum will be held in June 2017, and nominations will be sought in the spring for next year's Small Business of the Year awards. See photos from today's event on [www.BrenhamTexas.com](http://www.BrenhamTexas.com) and [www.facebook.com/washingtoncountychamber](http://www.facebook.com/washingtoncountychamber).



Forum M.C. Brice Milliorn of Edward Jones and Clint Kolby of the Brenham Economic Development Foundation.



Headline Sponsor Brenham National Bank and their representatives at their exhibit.



Governor's office representative Israel Irrobali, Secretary of State Carlos Cascos, and Chamber President Page Michel.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY "ADOPT-A-SIGN" PARTNERS

To ensure the long-term care of the Welcome Sign monuments at the five entry points to Washington County, four landscaping companies from our community have volunteered to oversee their maintenance.

**Precision Lawn Management**  
— U.S. 290 West Sign

**Designing Landscapes** — U.S. 290 East Sign

**Glasco & Company Landscaping**  
— Hwy. 36 North and South Signs

**Wise Landscaping** — Hwy. 105 Sign

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



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



# Renewing Chamber Members

May 1-31

Thanks to the following members for continuing your investment in the Chamber. You are long-term "partners" in our mission to promote and preserve this great community, and we appreciate your confidence in the Chamber's ability to promote your business.

Newman Printing Company — 35 years  
 R & S Leasing — 34 years  
 Wells Fargo Bank — 31 years  
 Moore Supply Company/The Bath & Kitchen Showplace — 24 years  
 Innocor Foam Technologies — 21 years  
 Allied Ace Hardware — 19 years  
 Personnel Services — 19 years  
 Camp For All — 18 years  
 Hodde & Hodde Land Surveying — 18 years  
 Entec Pest Management — 17 years  
 Mitchell Clark & Company — 17 years  
 Julie Renken, D.A. — 16 years  
 Jack's A/C & Refrigeration — 14 years  
 Corner Liquor Store — 13 years  
 Texas Home Health — 13 years  
 Texas Plumbing Solutions — 13 years  
 Brenham Children's Chorus — 12 years

Overhead Door Co. of South Central Texas — 12 years  
 Cargile Photography — 10 years  
 BT Longhorn Steak House — 9 years  
 Budget Disposal — 9 years  
 Jerry Olson Design — 9 years  
 Knights Inn — 9 years  
 Aesthetic & Acupuncture Clinic of Texas — 8 years  
 CASA for Kids of South Central Texas — 8 years  
 Royers Round Top Cafe — 8 years  
 Brenham Iron Works — 7 years  
 Burton Friends & Neighbors — 7 years  
 Grace Lutheran School — 7 years  
**Metropolitan Water Company - Presidential Member** — 7 years  
 Green Duct Services — 6 years  
 Select Furnishings — 6 years  
 Glissmann's Gift Gallery — 5 years  
 Kool Shades Window Tint — 5 years  
 Rodney's General Repair — 5 years  
 St. Matthew Lutheran Church of Sandy Hill — 4 years  
 Still Waters Ranch - Bed & Breakfast — 4 years  
 Home Sweet Farm Market & Biergarten — 3 years  
 Mid-Continental Insurance Services — 3 years  
 Chappell Hill Cultural Heritage Group — 2 years  
 Lea Wie Photography — 1 year  
 United Rentals — 1 year

## New Members

**REVOLUTION PRINTING**  
 Owners: Mike & Tammy Comiskey  
 9490 Hwy 290 East  
 Chappell Hill, Texas 77426  
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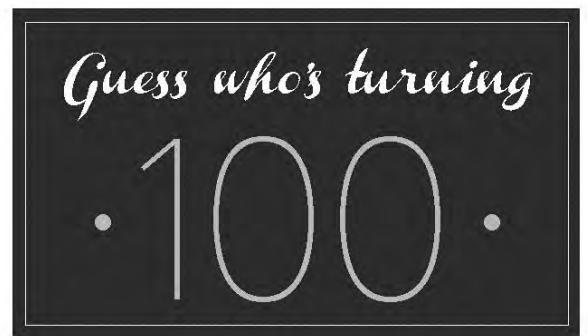
**SASSY CACTUS BOUTIQUE**  
 Owner: Brittany Hanath  
 111 S. Baylor Street (Physical Address)  
 7905 Old Mill Creek Road (Mailing Address)  
 Brenham, Texas 77833  
 Phone: 979-421-8127  
 sassycactustx@gmail.com  
*Clothing & Accessories*

**TRUTH BBQ**  
 Owner: Leonard Botello IV  
 2990 Hwy 290 West (Physical Address)  
 Brenham, Texas  
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 Lake Jackson, Texas 77566  
 Phone: 979-830-0392  
 Lbotello4@truthbbq.com  
 www.facebook.com/truthbbq  
*Restaurant*

## Did You Know?

That the Chamber provides hundreds of "Relocation Info" packages every year to individuals and businesses who are considering moving to this community. As a member, you are eligible to include your promotional material and reach this targeted audience for a nominal annual fee (\$75). Contact the Chamber office to be included.

**Washington County Chamber of Commerce**  
 314 S. Austin Street, Brenham  
 979-836-3695 | www.brenhamtexas.com



*You are!*

In 2017 your Washington County Chamber of Commerce will celebrate 100 years ... and we need your help!

We're looking for:

- Chamber historical tales and lore
- Stories and memories of local businesses
- Photos and memorabilia
- Testimonials to share

Please call 979-836-3695 or email [centennial@brenhamtexas.com](mailto:centennial@brenhamtexas.com)

*Thanks for your help!*

## Washington County Chamber of Commerce

Page Michel, President & CEO  
 Jane Hinze, Member Services Mgr.  
 Shae Janner, Business Programs Mgr.  
 Dawn Konieczny, Communications Coordinator  
 Lu Hollander, CVB Adv. & PR Mgr.  
 Jenny Mills, Website & Social Media Mgr.  
 Courtney Powell, Visitor Center & Group Mktg. Coord.  
 Debby Welch, Visitor Center Assistant  
 Cheryl Sevin, Bookkeeper  
 Support Staff: Darlene Denman, Judy Hyman, Jeanine Presswood and Nelda Snow.

## Washington County Blue Blazers

The Blue Blazers is a club with 15 members and 40 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.

**Darlene Denman**  
 Washington County Chamber

**Joyce Dickschat**  
 Brenham National Bank

**Wendy Frazier**  
 BBVA Compass Bank

**Eddie Harrison**  
 Retired-Brenham Municipal Judge

**Tammy Jaster**  
 City of Brenham-Blue Bell Aquatic Center

**Florence Julian**  
 Retired-Individual

**Brice Milliorn**  
 Edward Jones Investments

**Michelle Panko**  
 Barking Ranch Pet Resort

**Linda Pipes**  
 Retired-School Teacher

**Kathy Randermann**  
 KTTX 106.1/KWHI 1280

**Christy Schlottmann**  
 Allstate Insurance

**Randy Weidemann**  
 Van Dyke Rankin & Company

**Barbara Wilganowski**  
 Spherion Staffing

**Kristie Wensel**  
 Brenham State Supported Living Center



# Leaders Learn about Economic Development

The final session for the Leadership Washington County-Class of 2016 was held on May 12 and focused on Economic Development.

The day began at Del Sol Food Company where Briannas Salad Dressing is made. Plant manager Sherald Bell (LWC class of 2005) gave a history of the company, followed by a tour of the impeccably clean and modern facility.

The class then headed to Independence Coffee to hear from Matthew Wehring from the Small Business Development Center at Blinn College, who gave an overview of the SBDC and talked about issues facing small business owners. Ragan and Christi Bond, owners of Independence Coffee, talked about how the SBDC helped their small business grow into what it is today. A tour of the roasting and packaging facility was then given by the Bonds.

Next, the class went to the Barnhill Center at the Historic Simon Theatre where Chamber-CVB staff members Jenny Mills (LWC class of 2013), Lu Hollander (LWC class of 2007) and Courtney Powell presented the class with tourism information, a vital industry in our local economy. A tour of the theatre was then given by Donna Cummins.

The class later visited Germania Insurance where they had lunch sponsored by Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative. Gary Weiss, First Vice President of Germania, spoke to the class about leadership principals to apply within their businesses and in the community.

The group then traveled to the Bluebonnet Electric "Eco Home" inside the Southwest Industrial Park. There Erik Smith from the City of Brenham (LWC Class of 2016) gave an overview of the city's development services and urban planning. Hondo Powell of Bluebonnet Electric spoke about infrastructure needs for community development.

The Economic Development session ended with a trip to the A.W. Hodde Jr. Technical Education Center at Blinn College with a presentation by David Yeager. He gave an overview of training programs offered at the Tech Center and took the class on a tour of the facility.

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The class enjoyed touring Del Sol Food Co. to see the making of Briannas Salad Dressing.



Victoria Conarroe, Amy Espinoza and Kim Kaliszewski take a selfie in their scrubs on the Briannas tour.



SBDC Director Matthew Wehring gives the class an overview of services for small businesses.



Ragan Bond, owner of Independence Coffee, gives a tour of the roasting and packaging facility.

## Apply now for Leadership Program

The Washington County Chamber is now accepting applications from those interested in the Leadership Washington County's class of 2017. This program trains current and future leaders from all segments of the community on a variety of topics.

Employers are encouraged to sponsor key employees. The 10-month program involves a time commitment of one day a month and a tuition fee that covers all tours, meals, group travel and supplies. The first session is in early August 2016, and the class ends in May 2017. Scholarships are available. Inquire for details.

Call the Chamber at (979) 836-3695 or find more details at [www.BrenhamTexas.com](http://www.BrenhamTexas.com). Deadline for applications to be turned in is July 15.

**VISIT US ONLINE AT [WWW.BRENHAMTEXAS.COM](http://WWW.BRENHAMTEXAS.COM)**



## Brenham to Become Film Friendly

The Chamber-CVB is taking the first step to complete the process to get Brenham on the map for being "film friendly." Step one is attending a workshop hosted by the Texas Film Commission this month.

Staff member Courtney Powell will travel to Waco for a workshop to learn the necessary steps to making our community film friendly. Earning the "Film Friendly" designation will demonstrate to prospective television and movie crews that we welcome their presence and economic impact.

Attending this workshop will provide valuable knowledge about working with different types of productions, expediting film inquiries, using property for filming locations, location agreements, production insurance, neighbor notifications, and how to create effective filming guidelines.

Brenham/Washington County is filled with scenic locations, and with the "Burning of Brenham" movie production taking place, our community may move to the top of the list for other films.

## Travel & Tourism College

Travel and tourism professionals from across the U.S. convene each summer for Travel & Tourism College, an intensive curriculum of marketing, management and leadership courses. The schedule is packed from start to finish with classes, discussion groups and networking events.

Upon successful completion of the three-year program and a capstone project, graduates will receive the designation of Certified Tourism Executive (CTE).

Chamber-CVB staff member Jenny Mills will be starting her first year this month. She will attend in late June

and is excited about learning new things and strengthening her skills related to marketing Brenham/Washington County as a tourism destination.

"I've worked for the Chamber-CVB for over four years now and have learned so much through work experience and single-day seminars and conferences, but I'm eager to have the opportunity to make connections with others in the field and learn with them in a more intense education environment. My position is mostly website and social media based. In this ever changing world of online marketing, you have to keep up. Attending programs such as this is an excellent way of keeping up with popular trends and learning how best to use it to our marketing advantage," explained Mills.

She will complete the certification program over the next two years.

## Hot Nights, Cool Tunes Concert Series

Have a cool time around the historic downtown square in Brenham to the sounds of live music for four Saturday evenings in July.

The concert lineup is as follows: July 9 "The Newsboyz", July 16 "Texas Unlimited Band", July 23 "The Grooves" and July 30 "Suede." Also, the Classic Car Cruise-in by Stray Katz Car Clue. Admission and parking is free. For more information, visit [www.downtownbrenham.com](http://www.downtownbrenham.com).

## Blue Blazers Club Seeking New Member

This local service club has over 45 years of tradition. Members support the mission of the Washington County Chamber, acting as official greeters and hosts of our community.

Activities include monthly meetings (first Mondays at noon), greeting at Chamber functions, recruiting new Chamber members, and conducting ribbon cuttings and grand openings.

The club is currently seeking a new member. Anyone who is a Chamber member or affiliated with a Chamber member organization and interested in joining is encouraged to contact Jane Hinze at the Chamber office.

Please call 836-3695 or stop the Chamber at 314 S. Austin Street in Brenham to complete an application. Details can also be sent via email upon request. Contact [jane@brenhamtexas.com](mailto:jane@brenhamtexas.com). The deadline to apply is July 1.

## It's All About Being Connected

The Chamber of Commerce is the only organization in town that makes all of these connections...

- Connects its members with other members.
- Connects its members to customers.
- Connects the business community with government agencies.
- Connects businesses with community organizations.
- Connects job seekers with job opportunities.
- Connects community leaders with leadership opportunities.
- Connects current generations with new generations.
- Connects citizens with information.
- Connects tourists with the region's attractions.
- Connects members with educational opportunities.

## Leadership

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### Graduation Banquet Held

To conclude the year and celebrate the class' achievement, an elegant Graduation Banquet was held at the Ant Street Inn on May 24, hosted by owners Keith and Suzy Hankins (LWC Class of 2013) with dinner sponsored by Germania Insurance.

The keynote speaker was Dr. Chris Boleman, Assistant Director & State Leader for 4-H Youth Development, who gave an inspiring message on leadership. He was introduced by Kyle Merten (LWC Class of 2015) from Blinn College Foundation, who is currently First Vice Chairman of the Chamber Board.

The next class will form in July. Any business interested in sponsoring an employee, or any individual who would like more information, please contact the Chamber at (979) 836-3695 or [info@brenhamtexas.com](mailto:info@brenhamtexas.com). Details about the program are available online at [www.BrenhamTexas.com](http://www.BrenhamTexas.com).

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Gary Weiss welcomes the class to Germania, where lunch was sponsored by Bluebonnet Electric.

## Marketing Our Community Across the State of Texas

The Washington County CVB is a proud and active member of the following state and regional tourism industry associations:

- Texas Travel Industry Association
- Texas Assoc. of Convention & Visitors Bureaus
- Texas Hotel & Lodging Association
- Texas Society of Association Executives
- Texas Independence Trail Region
- I-10 Corridor Association
- Presidential Texas
- Central Texas Bluebonnet Travel Council
- American Bus Association
- South Central Motorcoach Association

## Did You Know?

... that the town site of Washington was laid out in 1834?

... that the First Methodist Church was founded in 1844, the first church in Brenham?

... that Thomas Affleck, one of the world's foremost research-writers on agriculture and horticulture, moved to the area in 1858 and lived on the Glenblythe Plantation near Burton?

## Working for YOU!

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

### WALK-INS

Visitor Center May 2016 — 391  
HQ Building May 2016 — 617

### WEBSITE

[www.BrenhamTexas.com](http://www.BrenhamTexas.com)

Unique Visitors May 2016 — 10,299  
Total Pages May 2016 — 19,516

### WEBSITE

[www.VisitBrenhamTexas.com](http://www.VisitBrenhamTexas.com)

Unique Visitors May 2016 — 11,989  
Total Pages May 2016 — 26,740

# What's Happening in June

June 9-July 16

## 46th Round Top Music Festival

The summer concert season opens on Saturday, June 11, and closes on Saturday, July 16. Tickets available online, free parking, picnic areas. Drinks available on Saturdays ([www.festivalhill.org](http://www.festivalhill.org)).

June 9, 16, 23, 30

## Craft Beer Night

Craft beer and pint specials, Home Sweet Farm Market & Biergarten, 5-8pm, 307 S. Park St., Downtown Brenham ([www.HomeSweetFarm.com](http://www.HomeSweetFarm.com)).

June 9

## Play in the Clay

One night make your own pieces then return a second night to decorate/glaze, \$80 per person for 2 classes, includes clay, decorating/glazes and two firings. Tuesdays and Thursdays 7-9pm at Bluebonnet Pottery, 12341 LBJ Drive ([www.BluebonnetPottery.com](http://www.BluebonnetPottery.com), 979-289-3765).

June 9-19

## Unity Theatre presents "Scapino"

This hysterical adaptation of Moliere's Les Fourberies de Scapin (literally Scapin's Deceits), takes place in Naples, Italy, and is full of comic madness and trickery, Thursday 7:30pm, Friday and Saturday 8pm, Sunday 4pm (979-830-8358, [www.UnityBrenham.org](http://www.UnityBrenham.org)).

June 10-27

## I Come From Hog Branch - Art Show

Lloyd Mays makes his debut with a solo show, Back Lot Gallery, 308 S. Park St., Downtown Brenham. Gallery hours are Friday and Saturday noon-7pm, Sunday 11am-4pm ([www.facebook.com/backlotgallery](http://www.facebook.com/backlotgallery)).

June 10

## Ribbon Cutting -

### Lighthouse Business Solutions

Join in welcoming this new member, 11:30am, 1610 N. Park St., Brenham.

June 10

## Ribbon Cutting -

### Brenham Housing Authority Community Center

Join in celebrating the grand re-opening of the BHA Community Center, 3:30pm, 1003 Hasskarl Dr., Brenham. Open house to follow.

June 10

## Brewery Patio Open

Enjoy craft beer with friends, Friday 5-10pm, Saturday 12-8pm, Sunday 1-6pm, Brazos Valley Brewery, 201 W. First St., Downtown Brenham ([www.BrazosValleyBrewery.com](http://www.BrazosValleyBrewery.com)).

Jun 10-12, 17-19, 24-26

## Live Music in the Biergarten

Largest selection of craft beer in Washington County, wine, local food and live music, Home Sweet Farm Market and Biergarten, times vary, 307 S. Park St., Downtown Brenham ([www.HomeSweetFarm.com](http://www.HomeSweetFarm.com)).

June 11, 18, 25

## Lone Star Gallery

The Lone Star Gallery will be open every Saturday in June. Featuring vintage, antique, re-purposed, shabby, & more. Free admission, free parking, indoor shopping, on-site concessions, 4214 S Hwy 237, Warrenton ([www.thelonestargallery.com](http://www.thelonestargallery.com)).

June 11-12, 18-19, 25-26

## Antique Carousel Rides

At Fireman's Park, open to the public week-ends March-October. Only \$1 per rider to enjoy a piece of Brenham's history with the family. Saturdays 11-4, Sundays 1-4.

June 11, 18, 25

## Wood Fired Pizza

### at Saddlehorn Winery

Pair newly added wood fired pizzas with award winning wines on Saturdays from 11am-5pm, weather permitting, while supplies last ([www.saddlehornwinery.com](http://www.saddlehornwinery.com)).

Jun 11, 18, 25

## "Step Into the Past" Tours

Multiple historic sites open on Saturdays 10am-5pm, full details are online ([www.VisitBrenhamTexas.com/step-into-the-past](http://www.VisitBrenhamTexas.com/step-into-the-past)).

June 11

## Sir Doug & the Genuine Texas Cosmic Groove

Q&A before the film with Director Nick Patoski, doors open at 6pm, tickets \$15 plus tax and fees, The Barnhill Center, 111 West Main St., Brenham ([www.TheBarnhillCenter.com](http://www.TheBarnhillCenter.com)).

June 12

## Ledbetter Homecoming

Registration and decoration of graves at Ledbetter Cemetery at 9:30am with memorial service to follow; 11:30-1:00 bingo, fried fish meal, silent auction; 1pm raffle drawing, Ledbetter Fireman's Park. Tickets can be purchased at Stuermer Store and from members of Ledbetter VFD.

June 14

## Total You Wellness Health Series

Second Tuesday of every month, a workshop series on everything from physical health, nutritional health, mental health, technology. Noon-1pm, Brenham Clinic, 600 N. Park St., free admission, limited seating (Mary Sanders, 979-277-6212 or Jeannie Kroll, 979-830-0508). Areas that effect your everyday life. Informative, educational, and engaging.

June 15

## YPO Networking

### Happy Hour at RE/MAX

Join the Young Professionals Organization of Washington County at RE/MAX Advantage in Downtown Brenham for a networking Happy Hour. Beverages provided by Mike Hopkins Distributing and food by LJ's BBQ. Bring plenty of business cards, 110 E. Alamo St., Downtown Brenham, 5-7pm.

June 16

## Friends of Bluebonnet Opry

Performing is Bobby Flores, Abby Taylor, Yellow Prairie, and the Bluebonnet Opry House Band, doors open at 5:30pm, food served at 6pm, show starts at 7:30pm, \$5 admission ([www.FriendsOfBluebonnetOpry.com](http://www.FriendsOfBluebonnetOpry.com)).

June 16

## Friendship Quilt Guild Meeting

Third Thursday of the month from 5-7pm, Brenham Church of Christ, 2800 Victory Ln., \$25 yearly membership fees, visitors welcome ([www.friendshipquiltguild.weebly.com](http://www.friendshipquiltguild.weebly.com), 979-830-1950).

June 16

## Movies in the Park "Minions"

The City of Brenham Community Services department presents "Movies in the Park" thanks to presenting partners Progressive Waste Solutions, KTEX 106-KWHI 1280, and the City of Brenham along with our movie sponsor The Barnhill House Toys & Books. Movie is scheduled to begin 10 minutes after sunset, 8:30-10pm, a free family event ([cityofbrenham.org/parks](http://cityofbrenham.org/parks)).

June 17

## Ribbon Cutting -

### Lone Star Indoor Trailer Park

Join in welcoming this new member, 4212 S. Hwy 237, Warrenton, 2pm.

June 17

## Washington County Historical Juneteenth Assoc. Concert in the Park

Raa Raa and the Zydeco All Starz Band will perform 8-11pm, Fireman's Park, Brenham ([www.brenhamJuneteenth.org](http://www.brenhamJuneteenth.org)).

June 18

## Washington County Historical Juneteenth Parade

Downtown Brenham, 10:30am with activities to follow at Fireman's park from 12-4pm ([www.brenhamJuneteenth.org](http://www.brenhamJuneteenth.org)).

June 20-24

## Creative Arts Camp

For children completing K-6th grade. Painting, drawing, jewelry making, hip hop dance, food art and pottery; \$80 includes t-shirt, snacks and supplies; scholarships available, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 2310 Airline Dr., Brenham, 8:30am-12:30pm ([www.stpetersbrenham.org](http://www.stpetersbrenham.org)).

June 21

## Ribbon Cutting -

### Grand Opening Faith Mission Higgins South

Join in celebrating the opening at 2230 S. Market St., Brenham, 1 pm.

June 23

## Business After Hours -

### Baylor Scott & White Medical Center

Enjoy networking, food and refreshments and bring business cards to exchange, 700 Medical Parkway, Brenham, 5-7pm.

June 28

## Ribbon Cutting -

### Independence Coffee New Location

Join in celebrating at this new location, 2805 Hwy 290 West, Brenham, 3:30pm ([www.independencescoffee.com](http://www.independencescoffee.com)).

## July highlights...

July 2-Aug 14

## Harvest Grape Stomp at Windy Winery

Enjoy hay rides, grape picking, barrel stomping, souvenir t-shirt. Stomps take place on weekends in July and August. Winery hours are Saturday 11-6 and Sunday noon-5. Stomps and tastings include fees ([www.windywinery.com](http://www.windywinery.com), 979-836-3252).

July 4

## Fireworks-on-the-Brazos

Celebrate our nation's independence where Texas declared her independence, sponsored by H-E-B, the annual celebration at Washington on the Brazos includes a fun-filled day of family activities. All park sites are open 10am-7pm. Live music by from 7 to 9pm in the amphitheater. Fireworks extravaganza at approximately 9:15pm. Standard tour fees apply ([www.birthplaceoftexas.com](http://www.birthplaceoftexas.com)).

July 4

## 4th of July Parade

Chappell Hill's 40th annual "Best Small Town Parade in America," featuring floats, cowboys, antique cars, the Marching Kazoo Band, Cool Rods Car Show. Creative entries welcomed, starts at 10am, downtown Chappell Hill, free admission ([www.chappellhilltx.com](http://www.chappellhilltx.com), 979-337-9910).

July 4

## Summer Cowboy Event

V.T. "Cowboy" Williams Exhibit, cowboy demonstrators, pony rides, petting zoo, and children's activities. Historic chuck wagon and trick roper, Chappell Hill Historical Society Museum, 9220 Poplar St., Chappell Hill, 10:30am-1:30pm ([www.chappellhillmuseum.org](http://www.chappellhillmuseum.org)).

July 7

## Movies in the Park "Max"

The City of Brenham Community Services department thanks partners Progressive Waste Solutions, KTEX 106-KWHI 1280, and the City of Brenham, along with movie sponsor Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative. Movie begins 10 minutes after sunset, 8:30pm-10pm, a free family event ([www.cityofbrenham.org/parks](http://www.cityofbrenham.org/parks)).

July 8-Aug 28

## The Process - Art Show

"The Process" by Sarah McIntyre will be at Back Lot Gallery in Downtown Brenham July 8-Aug 28. Gallery hours are Fri & Sat noon-7pm, Sun 11-4; open later on Saturdays in July during Hot Nights, Cool Tunes ([www.facebook.com/backlotgallery](http://www.facebook.com/backlotgallery)).



# Leadership

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**Congratulations to the Leadership Class of 2016**  
**Eric Benitez**, Citizens State Bank;  
**Courtney Benson**, Del Sol Food Company;  
**Ginger Bishop**, Brenham Police Department;  
**Michael Branton**, Seidel Schroeder;  
**Victoria Conarroe**, Washington County;  
**Amy Espinoza**, Germania Insurance;  
**Cheryl Gaskamp**, Brenham National Bank;  
**Dr. Mary Hensley**, Blinn College;  
**Cathy Holder**, MIC Group and The Errand Lady;  
**Dr. Walter Jackson**, Brenham ISD;  
**Susie Johnson**, Brenham State Supported

**Living Center**; **Zuhair Kadem**, Longwood Elastomers;  
**Kim Kaliszewski**, Germania Insurance;  
**Sarah Kubecka**, Longwood Elastomers;  
**Tara Lancaster**, Brenham Clinic;  
**Richard Parker**, Wells Fargo;  
**James Reed**, Blinn College;  
**Janice Scheve**, Camp For All-Camp Friends;  
**Marcia Shelton**, Shelton Technology;  
**Erik Smith**, City of Brenham;  
**Gretchen Vogler**, Washington County Adult Probation;  
**Daniel Watson**, CHI St. Joseph Health System;  
**Gena Wilimitis**, Miracle Farm;  
**Bernie Wilimitis**, Patriot Mergers & Acquisitions



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**Dr. Chris Boleman (right), the keynote speaker at the graduation banquet, is pictured here with Kyle Merten, LWC Class of 2015.**



**The class got a tour of programs offered at the A.W. Hodde, Jr. Technical Education Center.**



**Dr. Walter Jackson, Victoria Conarroe and Eric Benitez share their personal reflections of the Leadership program at the Graduation Banquet.**

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