

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

New Board Members Elected

We are pleased to announce four new Board Members who were recently elected to serve on the Chamber Board of Directors. They include:

Derrick Crosby—Southside Bank

Malae Harris—ETMC

Ben Delmonico—Chandler Nursing Center

Kim Fleming—TTA Associate Board Member

Brett Mariano—Citizens State Bank—(1st Alternate in the event of a Board member resignation)

The new Directors will replace the four Directors whose terms are expiring at the end of the year. They will serve a three year term beginning in January 2015. The Directors help determine a budget and set the agenda for the coming years as the Board looks for opportunities to more efficiently promote the member's businesses and organizations.

We would like to thank everyone that was nominated for their willingness to be on the Board. We would also like to thank the four Board members whose terms are expiring in January for their tireless work with the Chamber. They are Barbara Reeves, John Camper, Joe Selman and Dr. Chris Moran. We appreciate all you did to help promote and serve the Chamber the last three years.

The Chamber has also appointed a 5 member Advisory Board to help assist them by providing ideas and knowledge from their professions and age groups. They include Mark Warren, Dr. Chris Moran, Bill Bass, Sami Herrington and Loren Parks. Committees will be formed soon and we hope to place many non-Board members on several of them. If you are interested in serving on a committee please give the Chamber a call at 903-849-5930. We always appreciate new input.

December Dates to Remember

6 Holiday in the Park —5:00-9:00
 Grand Pavilion at Winchester Park

9 City Council Meeting

9 Workforce Solutions—10-3
 Chamber Parking Lot

11 Monthly Luncheon—noon-Lago del Pino
 Speaker—Mayor Ann Hall

18 Monthly Board Meeting —5:30
 Community Center

25 Christmas—Offices closed 25 & 26

Chamber Year in Review

As 2014 draws to a close it provides an opportunity to look back on accomplishments from this past year. The Chamber began the year with our annual awards banquet held in the beautiful new Rock Hill Baptist Church sanctuary. Our annual charity golf tournament in April at Pine Springs Golf Club set a record in money raised for BISD scholarships. Two new events, Riverfest in May and the Glow Run in October not only brought hundreds of visitors from out of town to our city but also allowed us to raise enough money to be able to do more promotions for our member businesses at no cost to them. Money raised from these events also enabled the Chamber to assist our community with over \$12,500 in donations distributed to River Park and Winchester Park, BISD scholarships and FFA, God's Open Hands, the Chandler VFD, the Chandler Historical Society, the Chandler Visitor's Center, the American Cancer Society and the Lion's Club.

The Chamber has added 39 new members so far in 2014. Magnets with member business names by category and phone numbers were printed as well as a beautiful 62 page Welcome Magazine with member and City information. Both are being distributed to newcomers to Chandler as well as its citizens. Copies of each can also be picked up at the Chamber office. Thanks for everyone's help in making 2014 the most successful year ever for the Chamber and we look forward to a fantastic 2015!

Chamber Business of the Month —December



Forget-Me-Not Flowers and Gift has been selected as the Chamber's Business of the Month for December. Owner Julia Hassell who is also a Board member for the Chamber has selflessly volunteered her

time and artistic ability the last few years by providing the beautiful arrangements for our banquet as well as opening up her business for an After Hours the past few Decembers. Stop by and see what all Forget-Me-Not Flowers and Gifts has to offer this holiday season.

Welcome New Members

Sonshine Sisters-Chandler, TX
 Christian Clowning

East Texas Door Co. Inc.—Tyler, TX—Doors

Al Laughlin Pest Control Services -Chandler, TX—
 Pest Control

It Works Global—Chandler, TX—Health Wellness