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Mineral Wells Area Chamber of Commerce

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Luncheon appreciates elected officials

Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Victor Carrillo will headline the Chamber's 2009 Legislators and Elected Officials Appreciation Luncheon, set for 11:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 14, at Holiday Hills Country Club. The Railroad Commission regulates oil and gas and its commissioners are elected statewide.



Victor Carrillo, Texas' top oil and gas regulator.

Chairman Carrillo has an extensive record of public service, including Taylor County Judge, Abilene City Council, and Chairman of the Outer Continental Shelf Advisory Committee. *Hispanic Magazine* named him one of the most influential Hispanics in the United States, and we are very pleased Mr. Carrillo is coming to Mineral Wells. General admission to the event is \$25 before Sept. 8, \$30 thereafter. Call (940) 325-2557 or stop by the Chamber at 511 E. Hubbard to purchase your tickets.

A native of Abilene, Carrillo joined the Railroad Commission in 2003 when Gov. Rick Perry appointed him to fill the unexpired term of Tony Garza. He has also served as Chairman of the Governor's Texas Energy Planning Council, which created a comprehensive energy plan for the State of Texas. Much of Carrillo's education and professional experience relate to oil and gas exploration and production. He has a B.S. degree in geology from Hardin-Simmons University and an M.S. degree in geology from Baylor University. In 1988, he joined Amoco Production Company in Houston as a petroleum geophysicist, where he gained experience in the full spectrum of oil and gas exploration and production.

At the luncheon, all elected officials in attendance will be recognized, including area State Reps. Jim Keffer and Phil King and local officials.

HATS OFF TO YOU!



Tickets are on sale now for the Annual Chamber Awards Banquet, to be hosted by our very own renowned recording artist Jimmy Baldwin. The theme is "Hats Off To You," so wear your favorite business or industry hat and come prepared to have a great time. Mark your calendar for 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 5, at the Holiday Hills Country Club. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. *Please vote for your favorite awards candidates on the enclosed ballot.*

Thanks to sponsor First State Bank. To sponsor, call (940) 325-2557.

AUGUST MEMBER OF THE MONTH

On August 7th **Elliott and Waldron Abstract Co.** was surprised with the Chamber Member of the Month Award. Presenting the award were Annette Bennett, Brian Shoemaker, and Bobbye Estes of the Chamber Board of Directors, Chamber Director Beth Watson and Leadership Mineral Wells Class 15 members Ken Johnson, Susan Retana, and Brian Bennett. The Chamber wishes to congratulate **Elliott and Waldron Abstract Co.** for 50 years of quality service. Pictured are Jane and Wendell Privitt and Staff.



Ribbon Cuttings



On July 24, 2009, the Chamber welcomed On the Run (Exxon) to Mineral Wells. On The Run has vowed to be an active part of the community and is open to suggestions and the needs of the town. The convenience store is a one-stop shop providing excellent customer service. Pictured are owner Sham Sudduha, manager Rakibul Alam, associate Nasirul Hauue, Chamber Board Member Mayor Mike Allen and Chamber Ambassadors. Stop by On The Run and satisfy all of your hunger and thirst cravings and get a fill up at the same time. Not pictured Moonerul Khan.

At right, on Wednesday, August 19, 2009, the Mineral Wells Area Chamber of Commerce welcomed Preston's Lawn Care to the Chamber Family. They offer services in lawn care, irrigation, tree removal and power washing. Preston's Lawn Care can handle all of your outdoor needs. Owner Preston Montalvo is pictured with Raymond Akers, Chamber Board Officer Brian Shoemaker, members of Leadership Class 15 and Chamber Ambassadors and Staff.



On Tuesday, July 28, the Mineral Wells Area Chamber of Commerce had a Ribbon Cutting for new business Caps Motors and More LLC, located at 2006 Old Millsap Hwy (the old Ashley Hats building). Caps Motors and More LLC is the only place in Mineral Wells to purchase Air Conditioner Motors and Capacitors. Pictured are Larry and Tamera Rollins, David Rollins, Chamber Ambassadors and Leadership Mineral Wells Class 15. Thank you, Caps Motors and More LLC, for providing this service for area businesses and residents.



Welcome New Chamber Members

An Ancient Art Soap Co.
PO Box 135
Strawn, TX 76475

Caps Motors & More LLC
2006 Old Millsap Hwy
Mineral Wells, TX 76067

Mineral Wells Study Club
PO Box 1486
Mineral Wells, TX 76068

Stephen Byars
305 Forest Crest Ln.
Coppell, TX 75019

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87163 I-20
Santo, TX 76472

Texas Family Medical
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Mineral Wells Soccer Association
Palo Pinto County Historical Association
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Robert Upham
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Jake Varnell
VF Factory Outlet
Wade's Mineral Wells Propane
Western Auto
Wes-Tex Vending Company
Yoga & Wellness Center at Run'n Dawg Ridge

Dancing with the Stars



Purchase your tickets now for the 2nd Annual **Dancing with the Stars of Palo Pinto County** benefiting United Way. This event kicks off the 2009 fund-raising campaign in after-five style on Saturday evening, Sept. 12. Tickets are \$75 per person or \$125 per couple and may be purchased at the United Way office or the Chamber. Call Marilyn Rhodes for information at 940-325-4848.

Fashion Show

The Palo Pinto General Hospital Auxiliary invites you to enjoy food and fellowship while getting a look at the latest fall fashions. Tickets for the annual auxiliary fashion show are \$20, and the stage will be set Monday evening, Sept. 21, at Mineral Wells High School. For more information, contact Diane Brown at 940-328-6419, or to reserve a table for 8 call Nelda at 940-325-0698.



Spotlight on Business

Anytime Fitness came to Mineral Wells in January 2008 with a brand new state-of-the-art 24-hour facility that offers memberships that can be used at any **Anytime Fitness** around the world. Owners James and Rebekah DaVault have built the business to a clientele of over 500 patrons. **Anytime Fitness** is equipped with a Cardio section that has Treadmills, Interactive Expresso Bikes, Elliptical Machines and Recumberant Bikes, all of which are equipped with television monitors. There is a strength section that includes everything from an Ab Solo Machine to the Gravitron, and let's not forget the Free Weight Section that is sure to satisfy every bodybuilder. **Anytime Fitness** has classes, 2 personal trainers, 2 tanning beds, 3 restrooms (2 fully equipped with showers), 3 big screen televisions, a healthy snack vending machine and a variety of supplements. **Anytime Fitness** is a great asset to Mineral Wells and James and Rebekah will be delighted to have you stop by and allow them to give you the grand tour so you can see how much fun it can be getting fit. Anytime Fitness is located at 105 N FM 1821. Call (940) 328-0400 for more information.



Choate Electric marks 50 years as Chamber member

Choate Electric, located at 204 S.E. 4th Avenue, has been a member of the Mineral Wells Area Chamber of Commerce since 1959. The business was established in 1955 and specialized in Electrical Wiring. With the times changing, it quickly branched out to include air conditioning and heating, helping make Choate the successful business that it is today. This family owned business has survived the test of time because their motto is "Put customers first." With their superior customer service, Choate Electric is ready, willing and able to handle all of your heating and cooling needs. Call Choate today at (940) 325-3244.

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