

January 2014



Chamber Chatter Newsletter

ANNUAL CHAMBER BANQUET TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 1, 2014

The Annual Chamber Banquet to honor all the outstanding businesses and individuals who have worked many long hours this past year will be held on February 1, 2014 at the Fannin County Multi-Purpose Complex.

The theme this year is "Denim & Diamonds" so come dressed out in your best attire and be ready to have your photo taken.

The evening starts at 6 p.m. with appetizers for all the well-dressed patrons. At 6:30 we will start the great meal that will be provided by Cappy's Café for this special event.

In keeping with tradition we will hold a silent auction as has been done in the past but this year we will only have 10-15 silent auction items. With Valentine's day just around the corner from the Banquet, we are going to create very special baskets. Your bids will be to take home the entire basket of goodies centered around a particular theme. Some of this year's

themes include a chocolate basket, a wine and cheese basket, a spa package basket, a golfing basket, a cooking related basket, and many other varied and exciting baskets that you or that special someone will be thrilled to get.

At 8 p.m. we are going to have a live auction of no more than 5-6 items that will appeal to almost anyone's interest. Some of the items in the live auction include an acrobatic plane ride with Kate Kyer, a concealed handgun class for up to 10 individual's, plus other exciting and fun things for you to bid on.

While the auctions and dinner from 6 to 8:30 p.m. would normally be a full day for most, we are also including a dance from 8:30 to 10:30 featuring "Rocky and the Bullwinkles". Everyone is invited to stay and just listen to the music or dance the night away.

If you don't want to attend the banquet this year but would like to still have a place to go dance after 8:30—for a

minimal charge of \$10 you can come just to listen to the band.

Cost to attend this years Chamber Banquet will be as follows:

\$1,000—reserves 2 tables for 10 near the stage

\$600— reserves 1 table for 10 near the stage

\$500—reserves 1 table for eight people

Individual tickets for existing Chamber members are \$35 each.

Costs for non Chamber members is \$40 each.

To attend just for the band—\$10 per person with no admittance till 8:30 p.m.

For more information call the Bonham Area Chamber of Commerce at 903-583-4811 or visit our website at: <http://www.bonhamchamber.com/index.html>



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The Bonham Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors would like to welcome you into 2014 with best wishes for a blessed and prosperous new year.

January is the time of the year that we hold our annual membership drive to help in promoting Bonham and your business throughout the year. It is our goal to promote your company by referring people to your business, having events that allow for your company name or service to be seen by all, and working to make Bonham a place that stands out from other communities.

The chamber holds events throughout the year including: Chamber Banquet, Annual Golf Tournament, Autumn in Bonham, The Festival of Flight, Halloween on the Square, and the Christmas parade that all help promote our town and community.

As with any business, the chamber has to have an income source to maintain and grow our community involvement and the annual membership drive is a large source of these funds. The chamber will be sending out renewal forms for our current members in the next few weeks and we encourage you to help us in attracting new members to the chamber.

2014 will be an exciting year as the Chamber is now located in the same building as the Bonham Visitor Center at 327 N. Main. This will allow a one-stop location for visitors to Bonham to find all the resources they need in one place to make their time here memorable. It also allows for a single place for individual's or businesses that are currently in Fannin County to make one phone call or visit to find a business that can supply what they are looking for.

We look forward to helping your business grow in 2014.

More information on renewals/new memberships can be found at: <http://www.bonhamchamber.com/join.htm>

Bonham Area Chamber of Commerce

DECEMBER EVENT CALENDAR

January 9-12– Bonham Trade Days

January 10 – Bonham Chamber Breakfast at Cappy's at 8:00 am

January 11 – Bonham Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting

February 1–**Bonham Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet**

**December 2013 – STATISTICS FOR
BONHAM AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Chamber Office

Calls: 328
Walk-In's: 152
Relocation Packets: 0

New Members for November

Hickory Bar-B-Que

208 E Sam Rayburn Dr.

Bonham, TX 75418

903-583-3081

Four Seasons Preferred Realty LLC

2628 S. Hwy 121

Bonham, TX 75418

903-583-7614

2013 STAR MEMBERS

Gold Members: American Bank, Brookshire's, Legend Bank, Morning Star Academy, Oncor

Silver Members: McCraw Materials, Red River Regional Hospital

Bronze Members: America's Best Value Inn, Bob Self/Steven Eskue, CableOne, Cole Title, Fannin County Leader, Fannin Federal Credit Union, McClanahan & Holmes



2014 Member Investment Schedule



Individual or Couple

\$125

Business

\$150

GENERAL MEMBER BENEFITS:

Member only referrals ~ Lobby display materials ~ Monthly Breakfasts
Directory listing on website ~ Ribbon Cuttings ~ Monthly Online Newsletter



\$300



\$600



\$1,000

BRONZE MEMBER BENEFITS:

All benefits afforded to General Memberships, **PLUS:**

10% off Chamber Banquet Sponsorship

Flyers in all relocation packets

Newsletter Advertising

SILVER MEMBER BENEFITS:

All benefits afforded to General & Bronze Memberships, **PLUS:**

25% off Chamber Banquet Sponsorship

Upgraded Member Plaque

Newsletter Advertising

GOLD MEMBER BENEFITS:

All benefits afforded to General, Bronze & Silver Memberships, **PLUS:**

50% off Chamber Banquet Sponsorship

3x8 banner displayed at Chamber events (*except ribbon cuttings*)

Chamber Golf Tournament Hole Sponsorship

The Chamber works for YOU & your Business to bring Pride and Prestige to the Bonham Area

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