

THE WOODLANDS AREA CHAMBER *of* COMMERCE



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Congratulate Our New Vice Presidents. Details on Page 2.

system, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic with proven results," said Dan Wolterman, president and CEO of Memorial Hermann.

Melanie Bush, entrepreneur and President of **Better Bookkeepers** announced the addition of Jodi Ward and Melanie Davis. Both will serve firm as bookkeepers.



Montgomery County Youth Services announced Jacquie Everson has been named to the agency's Board of Directors.



Jacquie Everson

Art Outlet hired Julie Moskowitz, an artist in her own right. She brings a wealth of talent with her artistic experience.



Byron W. Ellis, CFP®, CLU, ChFC, CRPC, of Ellis & Ellis, an Ameriprise Financial Services firm in The Woodlands, was recently appointed to the 2014 Chairman's Advisory Council of Ameriprise Financial Services.

The Lone Star College System Board of Trustees voted unanimously to appoint **Dr. Steve Head** as the next chancellor of LSCS. Dr. Head becomes the fourth chancellor for LSCS.



Dr. Steve Head

Cameron Clay has been named Event Specialist for The Woodlands Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Newton Design and Marketing announces the addition of three interns specializing in the fields of communications, journalism, and design. Katie Frost, Morgan Kinney, and Maddie Clark.

PARTNERSHIPS & EXPANSIONS

The **Woodlands Financial Group (TWFG)** continues its dynamic growth with the addition of 16 more branch agencies. TWFG now provides insurance services through 309 branches in 21 states.

ANNIVERSARIES

FOX Travel celebrated its 30th Anniversary recently by hosting the Chamber's New Member Reception. Thirty years in business has garnered almost 175 years of travel experience among the agents at FOX. Nearly 200 guests enjoyed the evening filled with good food, good wine and wonderful people.



Kirby's Prime Steakhouse opened its doors in June 2004. Ten years later Kirby's has flourished into a dynamic focal point of the area and has created strong relationships within the community and with its guests.



In 2005, Paul Carroll founded, **Efficient Wealth Management**, a boutique wealth management firm in the Woodlands. After 10 years, Efficient Wealth Management enjoys a niche that is growing rapidly with the incredible expansion of the local oil industry. www.efficientwealthmanagement.com



Paul Carroll

TWO MEN AND A TRUCK® reached an impressive milestone

by completing their five millionth move June 12, 2014. They celebrated with a free move and neighborhood breakfast send-off for the family. Multi-unit franchisees Steve and Claudia Ziara and staff joined in to make the move memorable for Hung and Ly Tonthat.



NEW SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT

Houston Methodist has purchased a 57-acre tract in The Woodlands for construction of a 193-bed hospital. It will be the fourth major medical campus in The Woodlands. Located south of the intersection of I-45 and State Highway 242, ground breaking is expected in early 2015. www.houstonmethodist.hm-expansion.org.

Memorial Hermann recently opened the first of four Mental Health Crisis Clinics in an effort to respond to the significant gap in mental and behavioral health services in Harris and surrounding counties.

The first on-site school in Woodforest is now open, **Jean E. Stewart Elementary**. The \$17.7 million campus welcomes students in kindergarten through sixth grade. Stewart Elementary is one of three schools in the district that serve students in kindergarten through sixth grade. www.stewart.conroecisd.net.

Chick-fil-A® opened a new stand-alone restaurant, The Woodlands at College Park, at 3425 College Park Drive.

Owner/Operator Casey Hughes awarded a one-year supply of Chick-fil-A® meals to the first 100 adults in line at the new restaurant.



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EVENTS/SERIES

New York Times bestselling author **Kelly Corrigan** is returning to The Woodlands to headline the Memorial Hermann In the Pink of Health Luncheon. The 14th Annual Luncheon is scheduled for Friday, October 10, at The Woodlands Waterway Marriott. For more information: inthepink@memorialhermann.org.

Speaker, **Judge John Delaney**, spoke on Drug Policy Forum of Texas at a recent Rotary event. Judge Delaney was a Junior District Judge, State of Texas. He spoke in depth about government policy for failure on war on drugs, as well as history of drug and alcohol policies with results.

Monette Smith, CEO of PR Marketing LLC, a Woodlands-based creative strategic marketing and advertising agency, and publisher of reviewit, Flair and Vida Social Magazine, was recently the guest speaker for The Conroe Noon Lions Club's meeting at the Lone Star Convention Center.



Monette Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Montgomery County United Way held its 5th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

During the program the 2013 Campaign Chair, Karen Hoylman announced the campaign goal had been reached at \$5,327,993 which was a 6% increase over last year.



Julie Martineau and Karen Hoylman

Market Street Photo Booth announced its newest Preferred Vendor Partnership with **Dosey Doe**. Dosey Doe has three locations featuring nationally recognized recording artists and will now recommend the services of Market Street Photo Booth for their Corporate, Charity and Private Client events.

Business After Hours

Sam Houston State University

Sam Houston State University – The Woodlands Center was the venue for the July Business After Hours. The event was co-hosted by the SHSU Alumni Association and Athletic Department.

Enrollment has steadily increased over the past several years with a record-setting 19,214 students in the Fall 2013 semester. SHSU is the 12th largest university in the state.

SHSU ranks 4th of 38 public Texas universities for graduates obtaining employment within 12 months of receiving their bachelor's degrees, according to The Texas Higher Education 2013 Almanac.

The nursing program will begin offering the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree, leading to licensure at SHSU-The Woodlands Center in 2015.

Bearkat teams have made 25 NCAA Division 1 post-season appearances, including back-to-back appearances in the NCAA Division I Football National Championship Game. The athletic program has received the Southland Commissioner's Cup All-Sports Trophy in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2013 and 2014—the most for any university in the conference.

For more information on Sam Houston State University, visit their website at www.shsu.edu.



Business After Hours Team Leader, Royce Brooks, Woodlands Online presents Dr. Dana G. Hoyt, President and Bobby Williams, Director of Athletics with a Certificate of Appreciation for hosting The Woodlands Area Chamber of Commerce members.

Networking Breakfast/Spotlight Table

Market Street Photo Booth Rentals, LLC

Market Street Photo Booth Rentals, LLC provides an authentic Photo Booth that can be used indoors or outdoors. The set-up includes their custom branded magnetic signs which many of their clients use to further brand their logos on the outside of the Photo Booth. In this way, they not only add the "fun photo booth factor" along with custom branded photo strips, but provide a billboard of sorts for all to see during the event for further brand promotion to their target markets.

Market Street Photo Booth Rental, LLC specializes in Corporate and Charity events almost exclusively. They are also the preferred vendor for many prestigious venues in our community. They are fully insured and have prices and packages to fit every budget and event size from small private events of 50 to large community festivals of over 50,000 attendees.

We would like to congratulate Market Street Photo Booth Rentals, LLC on their two year anniversary and wish them continued success. To learn more about bringing them to your next event, contact them toll-free at 855-45-PHOTO or visit them online at www.MarketStreetPhotoBooth.com.



Adveena Betti with Market Street Photo Booth Rentals, LLC



Leadership Retreat 2014

The Chamber's Annual Leadership Retreat was held August 8th & 9th at the Hyatt Regency Hill Country Resort in San Antonio. 61 community members attended the sessions covering state updates on Healthcare, the Texas Pipeline, Housing, Mobility & Economic Development. Thank you to all that attended the retreat and a special thank you to our sponsors.

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