

Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Mayor Ritchie Dennington and the Duncan Chamber of Commerce hosted our community's 5th Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, May 3rd that was designed as a time of prayer for our City, State, and Nation as well as a time of personal rededication to God and our Country and Unity under God. The event began with breakfast that was followed by prayer, worship songs and an inspirational address by Mona Sabah Earnest. Pastor Mike McCord opened with the invocation and call to prayer. Yolanda Sanders opened the worship singing "You Deserve It" acapella. Prayers for Unity in America Susan Scott and Patty Winger. Bob Bentley prayed for Unity in The Church. Jan Palovik prayed for Unity in Families, Businesses, and our Community. A beautiful instrumental version of "Amazing Grace" was offered by Russell Hulme. Tag Ensey offered up prayer for Unity in Our Schools. Pastors Melvin Sanders, Israel Lopez and Eric Nahaas lead a Pray of Community Unity & Hope Among All Ethnicities and People. Pastor Russ Stewart sang "God Bless the USA" in closing.

Mayor Ritchie Dennington was presented a "City of Distinction" Award with this inscription: "Because the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast is patterned after the National Prayer Breakfast held annually in Washington, D.C., and is designed as a time to lift up the spiritual heritage of our City, State, and Nation and presents God and country; Therefore this "City of Distinction" award is a symbol of recognition for Mayor Dennington's leadership and acknowledgement of our Spiritual Heritage, and thus appreciating and reaffirming our continued dependence upon God, and sharing the importance of prayer in our City's life."

We would like to thank the many individuals and businesses in our community that supported this important program through their sponsorships and attendance.

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Full Table Sponsors

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Our Annual Golf Scramble held May 11th at the Duncan Golf & Tennis Club was a great success. We would like to thank the teams that played and our sponsors for their support. A full field of 28 teams or 112 players joined us for an afternoon of fun. We would like to thank Chairman Chuck Siess. We would also like to thank our committee members for their hard work on making this year's golf scramble a great success: Geoff Johnson (BancFirst); Mike Hansen (Duncan Golf & Tennis Club); Rex Outhier (Simmons Center); Sandy Stewart, and Aaron Askins (Stephens County Abstract).

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June 2018 Chamber Calendar of Events

- 7 Chamber Breakfast, 6:45 AM, Simmons Center
- 8 Legislative Session Wrap Up Coffee , 7:30AM, Cameron Univ.—Duncan
- 6 OK Blood Institute Lunch & Learn, 12 noon, Chamber Auditorium
- 11 Chamber Blood Drive, 2:30-5:30PM, Chamber Auditorium
- 21 Chamber Board Meeting, 3:30PM, Chamber of Commerce

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON
 DUNCAN COMMUNITY EVENTS:
 Visit www.duncancalendar.com**



June Community Breakfast



We hope that you can join us on Thursday, June 7th, at 6:45 am—8:00 am in the Redbud Courtyard at the Simmons Center for our June Community Breakfast. Buffet service begins at 6:45 a.m., the program starts precisely at 7:00 a.m. and ends at 8:00 a.m. We would like to thank Halliburton Employees' Federal Credit Union for their sponsorship. This month's cash drawing is valued at \$75! Held monthly from September through April and June through August on the first Thursday.

Please mark your calendars, the Community Breakfast Series is now an 11 month event that continues through the summer months of July (12th) and August (2nd). Community Breakfast Series is held on or near the first Thursday of each month for 11 months from September through April and June through August at the Simmons Center in the Redbud Courtyard.



The Duncan Banner



Leadership Duncan Class XXII Graduation and Alumni Event

Twenty-three outstanding leaders graduated as part of Leadership Duncan Class XXII at the Leadership Duncan Graduation and Alumni Reception on May 8th at the Duncan Golf & Tennis Club. All past alumni of Classes I through XXI were recognized as well. Amanda Knight provided reflections of the class experience. Bethany Stewart presented the class project. This ambitious group of community leaders announced that their class project would be to raise funds for the Duncan Heritage Trails. They are accepting donations from the community and will be holding fundraisers over the course of the next year. If you are interested in donating to this worthy project, please contact the Chamber or a member of Class XXII. We would like to thank Gina Flesher and Cyndi Crook for their work in making this event a memorable experience.

Congratulations Leadership Duncan Class XXII

- Aaron Askins—Stephens County Abstract Co. ~ Betty Beck—Duncan Regional Hospital
- Eryn Bull ~ Dee Carrio—Gabriel's House, Inc. ~ Ritchie Dennington—Mayor of Duncan
- Marta French—Walmart ~ Jill Fritts ~ Richard Gillespie—Duncan Regional Hospital
- Tara Harper—Duncan Chamber of Commerce ~ Dixon Harper
- Lesa Hefner—Duncan Public Schools ~ Chris Janz—Family Dollar
- Amanda Knight—Edward Jones ~ Emalee Ligon—Charis Pregnancy Center
- Sara Paape ~ Brandy Peters—Duncan Public Schools
- Casey Rains—First Bank & Trust Co. ~ Melvin Sanders—Zoe Christian Center
- Anthony Signer—McCoy's ~ Tyler Smith—The Tilley Group
- Bethany Stewart—Elk Crossing Nursing & Rehab
- Hope Sutterfield—Sutterfield Technologies ~ Dr. Sallie Waters

Save the Date:

*Annual Food 4 Kids Auction on August 24^h at 6:30 p.m.
Duncan Golf & Tennis Club*



The Food 4 Kids Program, Duncan Public Schools, and the Duncan Chamber of Commerce will be teaming up to make a difference in our community and for our future. The Duncan Chamber of Commerce will be hold its 10th Annual Food For Kids Auction at 6:30 p.m. on August 24th this year at the Duncan Golf & Tennis Club. Currently, we are seeking **items for our auction fundraiser. This fundraiser benefits the Duncan Public Schools "Food4Kids" Backpack Program** that supplies backpacks to more than 250 children each Friday at our local elementary schools ensuring kids have food for the weekend and the Middle and High School Pantry Program provides chronically hungry middle and high school students with food to sustain them after school and over the weekends and school holidays. The pantries are located on school grounds.

Last year, the "Bid Bash" raised over \$70,000 for the Food 4 Kids Program. The Chamber Food 4 Kids Auction committee may be contacting various individuals, businesses and companies asking for their support by donating an item. We are asking for your support for this worthy cause. If you would like to donate an item for auction or be an event sponsor or make a monetary donation, please give us a call at 580-255-3644. We hope that we can count on your support. Thank you for your consideration.

Economic Indicators

Stephens County Labor Force Data

| | March '18 | March '17 |
|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Employment | 17,447 | 17,070 |
| Unemployment | 851 | 1,232 |
| Labor Force | 18,298 | 18,302 |
| Unemployment Rate | 4.7% | 6.7% |

City of Duncan & Stephens County Statistics

| | May '18 | May '17 |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Sales Tax Receipts | \$1,241,382.07 | \$1,053,280.71 |
| Use Tax Receipts | \$97,301.27 | \$117,298.09 |
| Stephens County Receipts | \$333,349.62 | \$331,789.84 |

Red River Technology Bid Assistance Center

| | March '18 | March '17 |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of Clients | 84 | 78 |
| Bids Submitted | 6 | 30 |
| Contracts | 6 | 3 |
| Total Value of March 2018 Contracts | | \$1,570,244.00 |
| Total Value of contracts since July 2017 | | \$7,823,092.41 |

Welcome New Chamber Members

(April 27, 2018—May 27, 2018)

Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar

2002 North Highway 81

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We would like to extend a special "Thank You" to the members of the Breakfast Committee for all of their efforts in the planning and coordinating our Community Breakfast Series this year. The committee members are: Chairman Cindy Reynolds, Sandy Stewart, Don Howland, Blaine Smith, Kristen Arrington, Arnold Nelson, Johnny McFtridge, Haljean Gillispie, Loisdawn Jones, Larry David, Jessie Murphree, and Rick Guthrie.



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SUMMER BLOOD DRIVES SAVE LIVES!

You never know what the summer could bring... Blood donors are needed to help secure the blood supply for patients in the coming months, and your organization could make all the difference in an emergency this summer!

If you do not have a blood drive scheduled, contact your Blood Institute account representative to book now!



“ I got in a bicycle accident and cut my face open really bad on a fire hydrant. I was bleeding so much and it just wouldn't stop. I'm thankful for blood donors for giving me back the all of the blood I lost. What you do truly makes a huge difference. God bless you! ”

Donors receive a t-shirt and
a **voucher for two** to
Science Museum Oklahoma!

T-SHIRT BACK



*Voucher good for 1 adult entry and 1 child entry. While supplies last. No cash value

OKLAHOMA BLOOD INSTITUTE

Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, June 6 2018

Noon-1:00

DUNCAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

911 W. WALNUT AVENUE

RSVP by May 31st: 580-350-6151

GIVE LOCAL *and let the* ADVENTURE

begin!



Duncan Chamber of Commerce Blood Drive

Monday, June 11
2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce Auditorium

To schedule your appointment,
contact Chris Deal at 580-255-3644.

Give blood and receive a
give LOCAL t-shirt and
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