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## FOOD 4 KIDS AUCTION A SUCCESS

Our Annual Food 4 Kids Auction, that supports both the Food 4 Kids Backpack and School Pantry Programs in Duncan Public Schools and schools throughout Stephens County, was held on Friday, August 23rd at the Duncan Golf & Tennis Club.

As you know, the Duncan Chamber of Commerce partners with Duncan Public Schools and the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma to raise money for the Food 4 Kids Backpack and School Pantry Programs. On Friday night, August 23rd, we raised \$37,500.00 for these worthy programs! On Tuesday, August 27th, we received \$37,500.00 in matching funds increasing the total to \$75,000.00. Over the last 8 years, \$453,994 has been raised when including funding matches for the Food 4 Kids Backpack Program Elementary sites at Emerson, Horace Mann, Mark Twain, Plato, Will Rogers, Woodrow Wilson and other Elementary sites in Stephens County; and the School Pantry Sites at Duncan High School, Duncan Middle School, after school programs and other School Pantry sites in Stephens County. We will be asking for donations from the community until the end of the year to see if we can get to \$100,000 or more total for our area schools this year.

We would like to thank the many individuals and businesses in our community that supported this important program through their sponsorships, monetary donations, and donations of auction items. We also would like to thank Duncan Public Schools, Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, and the many teachers and administrators for their efforts in making our Food 4 Kids Auction such a great success.

We would like to extend a special "Thank You" to the members of the Food 4 Kids Auction Committee Members: Chairman Nicole Punneo, Adrienne Arrington, Chrisie Young, Judy Dittner, Gabby Smith, Sandy Stewart, Tara Harper, Lisha Elroy, Cassie Berthold, Betty Beck, Kimberly Tilley, Micah Harper, Reggie Stockton, and Julie Stockton. And a special thanks to our Masters of Ceremony, Dr. Demetra Cox & Jay Johnson; and our wonderful auctioneer, Todd Robertson of LandPros!

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## Duncan Chamber of Commerce



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## 2020 New Board Member & Officer Nominations

The following nominations have been made for Duncan Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors by a special Nominating Committee appointed by Janice Schornick, Chairman of the Board.

### New Member Nominees

Teri Billings	Duncan Machine Products
Dr. Tom Deighan	Duncan Public Schools
Allen Gates	Liberty National Bank
Jay Johnson	Duncan Regional Hospital

### New Officers Nominees

Chairman	Rex Outhier, The Simmons Center
Incoming Vice Chairman	Teri Billings, Duncan Machine Products
Immediate Past Chairman	Janice Schornick, First Bank & Trust Co.
Treasurer	Vance Taff, The Tilley Group
VP-Investor Services	Chuck Siess, Farm Bureau Insurance
VP-Organizational Dev.	Lisa Byford, BancFirst
VP-Business Development	Leigh McEntire, Distinctive Décor

### ADDITIONAL NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Additional nominations can be made by submitting a Petition identifying the nominated persons with signatures of 20 Duncan Chamber of Commerce members in good standing. The Petition must be submitted to the chamber President by September 13th.



## *Why Invest in the Chamber?*

The Duncan Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit voluntary member-based organization, which unites the efforts of business and professional people to improve the economy and to build a better community. Members invest their time and money to accomplish what no one person can do alone. We currently are privileged to serve 410 members. When you invest in the Chamber, you are investing in the future of the area. Quality communities are developed by people with high hopes, high aspirations and willingness to work and invest in the future, and we are interdependent on each other. Bold new steps must be taken to assure our movement into the future that will enhance the quality of life and economy in the Duncan area. **The Chamber's role is to advance the economic, industrial, professional, cultural and civic welfare of Duncan.** We also encourage the growth of existing industries and businesses, support activities and issues that we believe will be beneficial to the area, and promote the welfare of area citizens by following policies intended to accomplish the greatest good for the greatest number. The Chamber receives hundreds of requests each year **for our recommendation on where to "do business"**. We refer them to our Chamber members. Since the beginning of the year, your Chamber has responded to 4,000 requests for information and did over 500 direct member referrals. We would like to thank our members for their investment in the Duncan Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Your investment creates big dividends for everybody's business!

## August Chamber Breakfast



We would like to thank our sponsor DeHart Air Conditioning & Heating! Seth DeHart spoke about the success of their Duncan location and thanked the community for welcoming them into the area. Sheri Rice presented the **"Feel The Love" program which brings much needed heating and cooling equipment to deserving families across the U.S.** DeHart's represents Lennox who sponsor the program. Lennox donates the HVAC equipment and DeHart donates the installation, materials and time to a deserving local family nominated by the community.

**August's breakfast highlighted the many opportunities available in our community through organizations, activities and events.** With over 80 attendees, over dozen speakers provided information and announcements on subjects including updates on the City of Duncan by City Manager Kimberly Meek, City of Marlow by City Manager Jason McPherson, and City of Comanche by City Manager Chuck Ralls. Lyle Roggow gave an economic development update on the new brewery, Cindy Parks talked about the Duncan Area Arts Hall of Fame, Councilwoman Patty Winger presented an overview of the City of Duncan Dog Park, Haylee Root talked about the Duncan Public Schools Foundations back to school events, Cora Thomas and Laura Goldring presented an update on the Safe Center, and Jeannie Bowden talked about Fiesta in Fuqua and its importance in assisting children in preparation for going back to school.

Please join us Thursday, September 5th at the Simmons Center in Redbud Courtyard for our next 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.** **This month's cash drawing is valued at \$75!** We would like to thank the Duncan Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) for being our September Sponsors.





*Save The Date!*

DUNCAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL WOMEN'S FORUM

Duncan Regional Hospital

**SEP. 17, 2019**

8:00AM TO 2:00PM

Registration Fees:  
(Includes: Materials, Breakfast, Lunch & Gift)

\$65.00 Per Person

\$55.00 Students, Seniors and Groups of three or more



**SPECIAL GUEST**

Jill Donovan

Founder of Rustic Cuff and author of  
The Kindness Effect

For more information, please contact Sandy Stewart, Director of Investor Services at the Duncan Chamber of Commerce (580) 255-3644

September 2019 Chamber Calendar of Events

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| 2 Chamber Office Closed for Labor Day                       | 21 Touch-A-Truck, 9AM to 3 PM, True North, 2845 W. Elk Ave. |
| 5 Chamber Breakfast, 6:45-8:00AM, Simmons Center            | 23 Leadership Duncan Steering Committee, 12:00 PM, Chamber  |
| 10 St. Co. Fair & Expo Center Election Day, 7AM – 7PM       | 23 Duncan Family Eye Care Ribbon Cutting, 2 PM              |
| 10 Leadership Duncan Culture & Quality of Life, 8-5PM, CTHC |   |
| <b>17 Women's Forum, 8AM to 2 PM, DRH Pavilion</b>          |   |
| 19 Chamber Board Meeting, 3:30 PM, Chamber of Commerce      |   |

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON DUNCAN EVENTS:  
Visit [www.duncancalendar.com](http://www.duncancalendar.com)

**Leadership  
Duncan**

*Leadership Duncan Class XXIV Retreat*



Class XXIV of Leadership Duncan had its Retreat on August 16th & 17th at The Simmons Center and is off to a great start. Brainstorming, personality profiling, an overview of the history of Leadership Duncan, and a strategy session were highlights of the introductory session for this year's class. Improvisational team-building the very next day gave the group excellent training in teamwork and group processing skills. Tera Mathis (City of Duncan) and Jerri Lynn Freeman (Shiloh Farm & Cattle) took charge of planning and executing the two-day retreat for new class members that motivated, energized and inspired.

Many thanks to the expert assistance provided by Dr. Martha Burger, Loisdown Jones (Bank of Commerce) and to Chairman Bill Gossett (William A. Gossett At-Law) and Vice-Chairman Terrin Liles (Edward Jones ~Kelsey Avants) for their leadership in specific study areas. Fun Photo of Class XXIV from left to right: Front Row; Carrie Heldenbrand, Sheila Crissman, LeAnn McCord, Kindra McSpadden, Todd Jones, Destiny Ahlfenger, Cora Thomas, Gabby Smith, Chris Stone Joannie Hodges, Natalie Gomez, Brandi Rhodes: Back Row; Matt Byerly, Jackson Stone, Tyler Garret, Scott Locke, Derrick Miller, Clay Howell, Chrisie Young, Garrett Nelson, Mike Percy, Lyndse Sager, Dallas Gibbs, Lori Belcher, Sandra Jackson, and Lori Phillips.



# Economic Indicators

## Stephens County Labor Force Data

	<b>June '19</b>	<b>June '18</b>
Employment	18,290	18,079
Unemployment	804	775
Labor Force	19,094	18,854
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.1%

## City of Duncan Statistics

	<b>August '19</b>	<b>August '18</b>
Sales Tax Receipts	\$1,072,773.23	\$1,126,721.08
Use Tax Receipts	\$135,441.43	\$79,483.94
Stephens County Receipts	\$333,157.88	\$369,424.34

## Red River Technology Bid Assistance Center

	<b>June '19</b>	<b>June '18</b>
Number of Clients	95	85
Bids Submitted	5	1
Contracts	0	0
Total Value of June 2019 Contracts		\$88,647.00
Total Value of contracts since July 2018		\$3,472,696.45

# Welcome New Chamber Members

( July 27, 2019—August 27, 2019)

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*We would like to express our sincere thanks to The Territory for hosting our Leadership Duncan Class XXIV Mixer on August the 13th.*



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