

June 2006



Wells Fargo Golf Tournament a success!

The Wells Fargo Golf Tournament hosted by the North Houston-Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce was held Monday, May 22nd and was considered a huge success by all!

Thanks to the corporate sponsors, with their support, this year's tournament was *THE Networking Event* of the year!

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Thanks to Bret Wieman for Crawfish Boil!

Thank You Golf Committee!!

Rosemary Buske, Chair—Contact Promotions
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NORTH HOUSTON-GREENSPPOINT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Greater Greenspoint District

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Brookside Funeral Homes & Memorial Park

Chair Elect, Bill Ginder, CCIM, SIOR

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It is hard to believe the year is one-half over. Not only does that mean we are well into the Baseball Season – GO ASTROS! It means it is Hurricane Season. Are you prepared? Have you taken the lessons learned from last year to get ready? Predictions are that we'll have a more active season than last year. We can hope the predictors are wrong, or we can get ready. I vote on getting ready. You and your business are important elements of the Houston economy. The better you prepare, the better the community can respond and the more quickly we can recover.

The Honorable Judge Robert Eckels, Harris County Judge, will speak on "Disaster Preparedness" in recognition of National Safety Month at the luncheon on June 15th at 11:30 am at the Hotel Sofitel. Please join us and learn what is being done to prepare Houston/Harris County for the worse and to pick up ways you can supplement their efforts by developing your own Emergency Preparedness Plan.

It has been a busy year:

The Airport Festival, combining our efforts with the Humble and Houston Northwest Chambers, was a success and fun was had by all.

The "State of the School Districts" was presented by Superintendents Nadine Kujawa, Aldine ISD; Dr. James Simpson, North Forest ISD; and, Ralph Draper, Spring ISD. Each School District is exceeding despite many hardships and funding issues.

President Marilyn Bayless, who guided the North Houston Greenspoint Chamber over the last four years, has resigned to pursue other opportunities. Most notable of her accomplishments were the Freeport Tax Exemption, which saves hundreds of thousands of dollars for local businesses, and the reorganization/relocation of the Chamber office to the heart of North Houston, near Bush Intercontinental Airport – our *gateway to global connectivity*. We wish Marilyn the very best.

You can rest assured that your Chamber continues to work for you. You may reach the Chamber staff, Nicole Dukehart and Rachael Weaver, at 281-442-8701; they are eager to assist you. Additionally, you have a great corps of volunteers on your board and in a variety of sub-committees that are working to improve the business climate and help you remain *connected for growth*. Your participation in the chamber improves business for all.

As we look forward and prepare to search for Marilyn's successor, let me know if I can assist you.




Jerry Lowry
Chair of the Board

Ex-Officio Members

Representative Kevin Bailey, District #140

Regina Curry, Spring ISD

Ray Laughter, North Harris Montgomery Community College District

Senator Jon Lindsay, District #7

Dr. James Simpson, North Forest ISD

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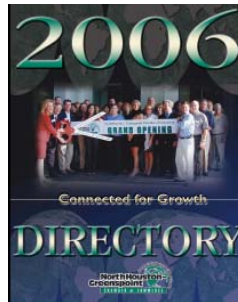
June 2006 Calendar of Events

- 06 Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting, 11:30 am** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 06 ANHOC Meeting 4 pm**, Two Greenspoint Plaza, Suite 120
- 07 Job Fair Committee Meeting, 9 am** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 07 Business Development Division Meeting, 10 am** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 07 Networking Luncheon, 11:30 am**
Mamacita's Mexican Restaurant, 15335 North Freeway
\$10 per person—pay at door
Call Kim 281.446.1071 for more information
- 08 Networking Breakfast, 7:30 am** Hotel Sofitel, 425 N Sam Houston Pkwy E
RSVP by June 6th at 5pm to rachael@nhgcc.org or Rachael at 281.442.8701
\$15 for members/\$20 for non-members or w/out RSVP
- 12 Executive Committee Meeting, 11:30 am**, Chamber Conference Room, Suite 155
- 13 Membership Division Meeting, 8:30 am** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 13 Law Expo Committee, 10 am** Greenspoint Mall Conference Room
- 15 Monthly Luncheon, 11:30 am – Judge Robert Eckels – Harris County**
National Safety Month – Preparation for Disasters
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- 20 Board of Directors/Ambassadors Membership Meeting, 11:30 am**
The Greenspoint Club, 16925 Northchase Dr.
RSVP by June 15th at 5 pm to rachael@nhgcc.org
- 21 Gala Committee Meeting, 8:30 am** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 22 Beautification Committee Meeting, 9 am** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 22 Workforce/Education Committee Meeting, 11:30 am** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 22 Business After Hours, 4:30 pm – 7 pm**
DeMontrond Automotive Group
14101 North Freeway
- 26 Transportation Committee Meeting, 4 pm** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
- 28 Economic Development Committee Meeting, 12 noon** Chamber Conference Room, Suite 150
Lunch provided by Greater Greenspoint District

Kerr-McGee is not your ordinary chamber member. It does not sell any retail products to businesses or the general public. However it has a vested interest in its workers. The aesthetics of the area help Kerr-McGee present a good first impression to visitors. We need healthy businesses to provide products to Kerr-McGee as well. It makes sense to use neighbors for this rather than searching elsewhere. We are a committed partner to the growth and success of the area and the Chamber.

Dave Christian
Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Corporation

They have arrived!!!



Have you seen the 2006 Directory?

Leadership North Houston is a multi-community based program committed to educating and enhancing the involvement of existing and emerging leaders of north Houston.

Community Leaders will

- Learn more about the key issues facing the community
- Develop relationships with other influential leaders in the Houston area
- Make a difference in the further of your community
- Be a leader rather than a follower

Applications for the program are available at the Chamber office and are being accepted through June 8, 2006.

NETWORKING EVENTS

*Calling ALL members...
Join us for the **Networking Lunch**
hosted by Observer Newspapers &
NHGCC
where you can give a
30-second commercial promoting
your business ~ come meet your
fellow Chamber members!*
Consider more exposure for your
company by donating a door prize.

Wednesday, June 7th—11:30 am
Mamacita's Mexican Restaurant
15335 North Freeway
\$10 per person

Questions? Call Kim 281.446.1071

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Bring a Guest ~ you'll be entered in a
drawing for a free Breakfast at the June
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Leadership North Houston 2006 Celebration



North Houston– Greenspoint member Bill Ginder, Caldwell Watson Real Estate Group, receives the 2006 Leadership North Houston Distinguished Community Leader Award from the 2005 honoree, chamber member Jill Boullion, Boullion Graphics.

Distinguished Community Leader Finalists, Bill Ginder of Caldwell Watson Real Estate Group, and Jerry Lowry of the Greater Greenspoint Management District, enjoy visiting at the Leadership North Houston 2006 Class Graduation.



Quarterly Beautification Nominations Sought

The Beautification Committee awards the Beautification Award to an area business or organization that has made significant efforts towards beautification of their property through landscaping or cleanup efforts. The award is to be presented quarterly and the recipient has the impressive Beautification Award outdoor sign posted on their property for the quarter. A formal presentation and commemorative photo is taken at the time the award is presented. The award winner's picture is printed in our monthly newsletter and is also submitted to area newspapers.

The committee is seeking your input for the next recipient. If you know of a business or organization that is deserving of this award please complete the form below and submit it to the Chamber office. **Deadline June 20th.**

Company: _____ Location Address: _____

Brief description of work that has been done: _____

Nominated by _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____



Ralph Wheeler, Beautification Committee Chairman and Ray Shotwell, Past Chairman congratulate Sally Lace and her staff at Primrose Del Sol for being awarded the chamber's Quarterly Beautification Award. Thank you to Primrose Del Sol for improving North Houston!



Advertise in the *Pacesetter*

Are you looking for an affordable way to have local business professions *see* your company?

Well –you are looking at the BEST way to accomplish that!

Consider advertising in the Chamber's monthly newsletter.

Full Page Ad	\$300
Back Cover Ad (half-page)	\$250
Half Page	\$200
Quarter Page	\$90
Business Card	\$50

This opportunity is a *MEMBER ONLY* benefit—start putting your membership to work for you!

Welcome New Members

Baker Hughes

Donna Paparazzo
2001 Rankin Road
Houston TX 77073
713.625.6202
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From the smallest repair to a complete installation, call Kingwood Air!

Please welcome these new members with your patronage!



The Award-Winning Bayside Printing Company celebrates its membership with a Ribbon Cutting and tour for the guests.

The Caldwell Watson Real Estate Group looking sharp at their Ground Breaking!

Thank you for expanding in North Houston!



Members celebrate the Grand Opening of Whataburger.

Thanks for the delicious breakfast!

Thank you Renewing Members

The AdNov Group
Allseas USA, Inc
DeMontrond Automotive Group
Greenspoint Mall
Northwest Pines
Paradigm Staffing
Universal Technical Institute

110% Club

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Contact Promotions
EFG Insurance Agency
Golf Plus Gifts & Events
Greater Greenspoint District
Greer & Lowdermilk Conference Center
Hester & Patel

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Magoo's PrintShop
Mir Fox & Rodriguez, P.C.
Northeast Medical Center
Parsons
PrimeWay Federal Credit Union
Ross Enterprises Insurance Company
Seth Sharr
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Chairman's Circle Membership

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Aldine Improvement District
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Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Corporation

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Greenspoint Mall
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Hydril
Kingwood Air Conditioning & Heating
Landmark Chevrolet
Mac Haik Dodge Chrysler Jeep
MATTCO Manufacturing
Montgomery & Associates
North Forest ISD
North Harris College
North Houston Bank
Northeast Medical Center
Northline Mall
Northside Lexus
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The Employment Guide



15600 JFK Blvd, Suite 150—Houston, TX 77032
Phone: 281.442.8701—Fax: 281.442.8713—www.nhgcc.org

Chamber Name Badge

Name badges are now available for all Chamber members!

Badges are \$ 15 and have a magnetic backing.

If you would like to have a North Houston-Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce Name Badge

Please complete the attached form and mail it with a check payable to NHGCC or email/fax.

Please print clearly

Name _____

Company Name _____

Method of Payment _____ Check enclosed _____ Credit Card _____

CC # _____ Exp Date _____

Signature _____