



Van Alstyne, Texas Chamber of Commerce

"Working Together for Business Success and Personal Growth"

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July 14th, 8 am – Networking Breakfast at Key Insurance Agency

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August 20th, 7 pm – Summer Downtown Jam @ Downtown Van Alstyne

Chamber Chatter

The lazy days of summer have not been lazy at all for The Van Alstyne Chamber of Commerce! We have been hard at work, but the results of our efforts should be really fun! June began with a Networking Breakfast hosted by Terry Jallo of Got Signs.

Scavenger Hunt

Read the Chamber's Scavenger Hunt Question in the Van Alstyne Leader the 3rd week of each month. Then log on to www.VanAlstyneChamber.org to find the answer. Send the answer to vachamber@gcecisp.com for a chance to win a prize from our Business of the Month!

On June 18th, the Chamber hosted its first ever Downtown Jam. A local band, Springtown, donated their time to play some outstanding music in Dorothy Fielder Park. Other local musicians donated their time that evening as well—a big thank you to Larry Martin, Larry Shoney (Elvis), and Springtown for making our first Jam a huge success! The Buckwalters brought their stagecoach, so everyone could enjoy a ride around downtown. Brookshire's donated free ice cream to keep everyone cool, and The Rib Joint offered free samples of their delicious ribs and sausage. Romano's, The Rib Joint, Jack's Shack, and Pizza Plus offered their customers a 20% discount off of their meal that evening. The next Jam is scheduled for July 16th, so mark your calendars and dust off your lawn chairs and get ready for a great time!

The Fourth of July was celebrated in grand style with events scheduled throughout the day. The Chamber was happy to be a contributing partner in this event with Keep Van Alstyne Beautiful and the City of Van Alstyne. The most notable contributions for this event were in the form of time...kudos to Sandy Hill, Paul Kirley, and Kim DeMasters for all of their hard work toward this event.

The day began with the Friends of the Library Breakfast! Downtown was alive with activity from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There was live music, an antique car show, a bike parade, and lots of vendors with interesting products. The final event of the evening was the firework display at Grayson County College's South Campus. The evening began with live music from Springtown and delicious food prepared by the Fire Department's Volunteers and Women's Auxiliary. The Chamber sold red, white, and blue glow necklaces that were a big hit with all of the kids, both young and old. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Van Alstyne Fourth of July Celebration!

Our next Networking Breakfast is July 14th and will be hosted by Kim DeMasters at Key Insurance Agency located at 1286 W Van Alstyne Parkway. Make plans to attend...for our Chamber to be the best, we need participation from all of our members! If you have questions or comments about the Chamber, please feel free to email the President at: teelki@grayson.edu.

Business of the Month

Hometown Storage in Van Alstyne is featured as July's Business of the Month. They are located west of US-75 on FM-121. Go to www.VanAlstyneChamber.org to find out more about them!

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