

May 2006

**WELLS FARGO**

# Wells Fargo Golf Tournament & Crawfish Boil

Are you ready for THE Networking Day of the YEAR—it gets started with lunch from Outback Steakhouse. Then join Wells Fargo on the golf course, where Phil Wiese, Head Golf Pro, says “Our number one priority here at Willow Creek Golf Club is your golf experience.” In addition, Rosemary Buske, committee chair and the Golf Committee have been hard at work planning an outstanding event for golfers and non-golfers alike—concluding with a Crawfish Boil that will be fun for all! EFG Insurance Agency is again sponsoring the special treat—Caricatures by Jody. Come out and have your *portrait* sketched while you pose for Jody and your friends! This event is also supported by Platinum Sponsors ABS & Observer Newspapers and Gold Sponsors Brookside Funeral Homes & Memorial Park & Caldwell Watson Real Estate Group whose generous support will provide ditty bag goodies! Golfers—HURRY if you do not already have a team as spots are almost filled! All golfers will receive a ticket to the Crawfish Boil. Non-golfers are encouraged to join the party at the Crawfish Boil—tickets are \$25 per person. The Crawfish Boil will also serve as the May Business After Hours. For additional information call 281.442.8701 or visit [www.nhgcc.org](http://www.nhgcc.org).

### Why Golf?

“Because there is no better way to really get to know someone than by spending 4 or 5 hours with them on a golf course. Add a couple of hours on the 19th hole and you will have learned about the good, the bad and the ugly. And, it’s done in a relaxing, casual and beautiful environment. *Neal McFarland, CHME, Tournament Sales Director*  
*Celebration Golf Club, Fla.*”



NORTH HOUSTON-GREENSPOINT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# Pacesetter

Calendar of Events

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**WELLS FARGO**

## Wells Fargo Golf Tournament

Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Willow Creek Golf Club

24525 Northcrest Drive, Spring

11 am ~ Registration

12:30 pm ~ Shotgun Start

5 pm ~ Crawfish Boil / Awards Dinner

**THE Networking Event of the Year**

See Page 10 for Registration Information

or [www.nhgcc.org](http://www.nhgcc.org)



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**Ralph Wheeler**, Aldine-Greenspoint YMCA

**Bill White**, Parsons

**John Zizelmann**, MATTCO Manufacturing

**RESOLUTION—Supporting College District Bond Election**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the North Houston-Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce ("Board") recognizes the tremendous value of ensuring quality, accessible educational opportunities to fully develop the potential of individuals and businesses in the community; and **WHEREAS**, The North Harris Montgomery Community College District ("NHMCCD") is the primary provider of workforce training and career skills development in the north Harris and Montgomery county areas; and **WHEREAS**, the NHMCCD provides educational programs and career advancement opportunities to over 45,000 credit and 14,000 continuing education students per semester; and **WHEREAS**, this represents an increase of over 80% in student enrollment over the past five years; and **WHEREAS**, the Board acknowledges and supports NHMCCD's philosophy and practice of providing quality learning through quality educational facilities that included an extensive master planning process leading to this proposal; and **WHEREAS**, NHMCCD has a long history of responsible fiscal management evidenced by a AA level rating by both Standard and Poors, and Moody's, and a tax rate lower today than in 1996; and **WHEREAS**, in order to keep up with the phenomenal growth and maintain the standards of access and excellence it will be necessary to expand and renew the existing facilities at Cy-Fair College, Kingwood College, Montgomery College, North Harris College and Tomball College, and **WHEREAS**, a bond election in the amount of \$249.6 million has been called by the NHMCCD Board of Trustees for May 13, 2006 to ensure the funding for the required capital improvements and new construction; and **WHEREAS**, the bond election will not result in an increase in the NHMCCD tax rate; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Houston-Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors officially declares its support for the North Harris Montgomery Community College District and its upcoming bond election; and **FURTHER**, the Board urges all qualified voters to vote in favor of the NHMCCD bond election to ensure the future of accessible, quality education in the north Harris and Montgomery County region. **ADOPTED, THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2006**, by the Board of Directors of the North Houston-Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce.



*Jerry Lowry*  
Chair of the Board

**Ex-Officio Members**

**Representative Kevin Bailey**, District #140

**Marilyn Bayless**, North Houston-Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce

**Regina Curry**, Spring ISD

**Ray Laughter**, North Harris Montgomery Community College District

**Senator Jon Lindsay**, District #7

**Dr. James Simpson**, North Forest ISD

**Ben Wilson**, Aldine ISD

Last fall, citizens in the eight-county Gulf Coast region joined the Houston-Galveston Area Council as it introduced Envision Houston Region, an initiative designed to explore alternative "visions" for future growth and development in the region, as well as provide insight into the management of this growth. This May, H-GAC invites the public to participate in the second phase of EHR.

The first phase of the project included a series of workshops that examined how regional growth might affect our communities. At the workshops, community leaders, residents and elected officials participated in a hands-on exercise to map out alternatives for how our region might grow. Participants worked with more than 80 maps and strategically placed chips on the map to represent where they think a type of development or project should be built (a town center, a transit system, a retail center, roadways, rural community, etc.).

**H-GAC**  
Houston-Galveston Area Council

# envision + HOUSTON REGION

SHAPING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

Join H-GAC and local partners for a community and expert discussion about the unprecedented growth facing our region and to explore possible strategies to plan for our future.

**JOIN US FOR...**  
**Exploring Growth Alternatives:  
A Series of Community Forums**

As part of the Envision Houston Region initiative, you're invited to participate in one of a series of community forums this May. During the meetings, H-GAC will share common community values and feedback heard from nearly 800 citizens who participated in community workshops last fall and will present several alternative growth scenarios. A panel of experts will examine traditional growth trends and give insight into possible alternative strategies and how these strategies could transform our communities in the future.

**The forums are free and open to the public.**

For more information, contact us at:  
713-970-2130  
[www.envisionhoustonregion.org](http://www.envisionhoustonregion.org)  
[envisionhoustonregion@h-gac.com](mailto:envisionhoustonregion@h-gac.com)

The Envision Houston Region initiative is sponsored by:

**CENTER FOR HOUSTON'S FUTURE**

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, H-GAC will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending H-GAC functions. Requests from persons needing special accommodations should be received by H-GAC 24 hours prior to function. Call 713-993-2478 to make arrangements.

**save the date**

**NORTH**  
Thursday, May 4  
8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
Sofitel Hotel Houston  
425 North Sam Houston Pkwy. East  
Houston, Texas 77060  
Local Partner: Greater Greenspoint District

**CENTRAL**  
Saturday, May 6  
8 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Citizens Congress II  
George R. Brown Convention Center  
Exhibit Hall B  
1001 Avenida de las Americas  
Houston, Texas 77010  
Local Partner: Blueprint Houston

**SOUTH/EAST**  
Thursday, May 11  
8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
College of the Mainland  
1200 Amburn Road, Room LCR131  
Texas City, Texas 77591  
Local Partner: Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership and Galveston Economic Development Partnership

**WEST**  
Friday, May 12  
8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
Stafford Centre  
10505 Cash Rd.  
Stafford, Texas 77477  
Local Partner: Greater Fort Bend Economic Development Council

For the second phase, H-GAC and its partners will present a series of community forums on "Exploring Growth Alternatives," which will continue the discussion on the growth facing our region and highlight the data that was gathered from the fall workshops. Several different growth scenarios that demonstrate potential development patterns and their implications on mobility, the environment, and the quality of life of the region's residents will be presented. A panel of local experts will be on hand to discuss future planning.

"These forums will give those who helped shape these visions the opportunity to see what they, along with nearly 800 additional participants, envision for our future," said Alan Clark, H-GAC's Metropolitan Planning Organization director. "We encourage anyone with an interest in our region's future development to join us at these community forums and to take an active role in helping plan for the future."

## “Crash” Movie Producer to Work His Magic On Greenspoint Mall

Greenspoint Mall announces plans for a mall-wide renovation.

An agreement has been reached with Greenspoint Mall and the Greater Greenspoint Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) to begin a \$32 million re-development of the center, which is owned by a group whose principal is Mr. Bob Yari, producer of the Academy Award winning movie, “Crash.”

Public dollars from the TIRZ will fund converting 15 acres into public plazas interspersed with lush water features,

public art, an outdoor stage for free performances, pocket park seating areas and pedestrian walkways leading from Greenspoint Drive to the mall. The TIRZ renovation area will be named The Renaissance Plaza.

Triyar Cannon Group, the mall owner, will construct restaurant pads around the water features, add new exterior facades and interior flooring, and launch an aggressive campaign to attract new retailers, including a movie theatre.

Initial construction and groundbreaking, including the demolition of some of the current anchor spaces, is scheduled to begin in 2007. The mall was originally constructed in 1976.

Perspective View of Renaissance Plaza



*The above image is a conceptual rendering and not the final design.*

## Governor Says Disaster Response Should Stay Local

With the start of the hurricane season to begin soon, Gov. Rick Perry said recent recommendations that the federal government assume primary control of disaster response is the wrong approach to take. “If the federal government assumes control of first response to catastrophes, I believe it will add needless layers of bureaucracy, create indecisiveness, lead to rampant miscommunications and ultimately cost lives,” Perry said.

Perry said he applauds the federal government for undertaking a comprehensive review of its response during Hurricane Katrina but said the recommendation to federalize response would place too much authority into the hands of federal bureaucrats and force state and local officials to stand idly by while the lives of their citizens hang in the balance. “Our firefighters, peace officers and EMS personnel are the ones who know their communities best,” Perry said. “They have done the emergency training exercises in those communities and they can respond the quickest to emergencies in their communities. To put it simply, when Texans dial 911, they need the phone to be picked up by an operator who knows their community, not someone at a switchboard in Washington, DC.”

Perry said the federal government does have an important role in disaster response, but it is a supporting role that must center on supplying state and local leaders with the resources they need to do their job.

Perry said the most important reform the federal government can enact is to provide a single point of contact during a disaster so states do not have to navigate various bureaucratic mazes to get things done.

“What Texas needs most from the federal government now is less bureaucracy, more resources and a continued commitment to letting Texans run Texas,” he said. Perry noted that, Texas will undertake a five-day training exercise to test our response capabilities on a statewide basis. The exercise will simulate a hurricane impacting the entire 367-mile Texas coastline.

# “Why I Am A Chamber Member”

“The Chamber is all about business, community, networking, friendships, common goals and giving something back.”

**Bill Townsend,**  
*North Houston Bank*

“I am involved in the chamber because I have the opportunity to learn and network with a variety of companies and community leaders. I have always felt the chamber is a vital liaison between business and community allowing an individual person to impact and empower many. It is a perfect environment to share new ideas and grow as a person both professionally and personally.”

**Amanda Graham,**  
*Caldwell Watson Real Estate Group*

“The Chamber plays a critical role in the economic and business development of our community.”

**Ray Laughter,** *Vice Chancellor of External Affairs, NHMCCD*

“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*

“Over and over again I am amazed how our chamber members are working to make our community a better place to live, work and play. Whether or not I am directly doing business with these chamber members the bottom line is this: these are the community leaders I want and need to know and, ultimately, by knowing and associating with them my business will prosper and grow.”

**Jill Boullion,**  
*Boullion Graphics*

“The business we have derived from NHGCC networking has far exceeded our dues every year of the two decades we’ve been a member.”

**Terry Burge,**  
*Publisher, Leader Newspapers*



## Welcome New Members *As of April 26, 2006*

### Advanced Business Copier

**Karen Kelley**

14925 Stuebner Airline Road, #200  
Houston, TX 77069  
281-397-7429

### Copiers—Sales

*Advanced Business Copiers, LP is an authorized Konica dealer with a full-line of business products including digital copiers/printers, digital color copiers/printers, network printers, facsimile machines, multifunctional devices, large format, high volume, network service and computer peripherals.*



New Members learn about the Chamber and have the opportunity to meet other members at the recent New Member Orientation.

### Fast Park and Relax

**Peter Guggenheim**

3100 Greens Road  
Houston, TX 77032  
281-442-5600

### Airport Parking—Off Site

*Fast Park and Relax offers fast, professional, off-site airport parking at Bush Intercontinental Airport.*

Please welcome these new members with your patronage!

# IAH

**"LOOKING TO THE FUTURE"**



**WHERE**  
Continental Airlines Hangar  
4849 Wright Road, Bldg E

**WHEN**  
Saturday May 6, 2006  
12 Noon to 4 PM

The Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce  
The North Houston-Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce  
and  
The Humble Area Chamber of Commerce  
are pleased to announce

## The 24<sup>th</sup> Annual IAH Bush Intercontinental Airport Festival

### TICKETS

Adults \$10 in advance, \$15 at the gate  
Children 3-12 \$5

For Additional Information or to Purchase Advance Tickets:

281-440-4160 HNCC  
281-442-8701 NHCC  
281-446-2128 Humble

Live Bands

Zoo Mobile

Children's Games

Trade Show

Free Food & Drink

Aircraft Displays  
Including:

Apache Helicopters  
F-16 Jets Cargo Planes  
and Many Many More

### PLUS

Door Prizes  
Every Hour

WIN  
THOUSANDS OF  
DOLLARS  
WORTH OF  
TRIPS!

## HOUSTON AIRPORT FESTIVAL LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, MAY 5

11:30 A.M.

AT

IAH MARRIOTT  
18700 JFK BLVD  
HOUSTON, TX

### PROGRAM

*PRESENTATION OF  
SCHOLARSHIPS*

TICKETS \$50

RESERVATIONS

REQUIRED



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Thank you Renewing Members! *As of April 26, 2006*

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Aldine—Greenspoint YMCA  
Aldine Improvement District  
Evans & Kosut PC

GeoCenter, Inc.  
HDR Engineering  
Hidden Valley Civic Club  
Hotel Sofitel Houston

Northline Mall  
Willow Creek Golf Club  
World Projects International, Inc.

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## Investment Schedule

At their January meeting, the Board of Directors adopted a Chamber Investment Schedule that puts members in the driver's seat. At their renewal time, members are now able to choose the level at which will best suit their business' needs through the tiered investments levels. The previous investment schedule was determined by the number of employees, based on full-time equivalency. The current Investment Schedule is designed in way that will provide added exposure for member businesses as the investment levels increase—regardless of the size of the organization. Maintaining a membership with the Chamber as an Associate Investor is an affordable \$300 per year. Listed below is the Investment Schedule that outlines the various levels along with the benefits associated with each. In addition to making the investments simple for the current members, the Board envisioned an easy tool for members to be able to share the Chamber with non-members, inviting a business to join this organization is a way for vendors/clients/colleagues to connect for a common goal that benefits the entire area of North Houston-Greenspoint. For a prospective packet call Marilyn Bayless at 281.442.8071.

### **Developer's Circle Investor     \$ 5,000**

Executive Investor benefits plus....  
One Full Page ad in Pacesetter  
Developer's Circle Plaque on display in Conference Room  
Table for 10 at Annual Awards Luncheon  
1 additional Electronic Listings of Mailing List

### **Executive Investor     \$ 3,000**

Partner Investor benefits plus....  
Special listing in Annual Business Directory  
Additional Contacts listed in Chamber Database as  
1 Additional Contacts Listing in Business Directory  
1 Additional Industry Listing in Business Directory  
1 Additional Contact Listing on Website Directory  
1 Additional Industry Listing on Website Directory  
Link from Chamber website to yours  
1 Chamber Name Badges  
1 Chamber Lapel Pin  
Annual Feature Pacesetter Article  
One ½ page ad in Pacesetter  
Luncheon sponsor at one luncheon annually  
*(excludes January and October)\*\**  
1 Additional Networking Breakfast Coupon  
1 Additional Luncheon Coupon  
Listing in Pacesetter monthly

### **Partner Investor     \$1,500**

Business Investor benefits plus....  
Upgraded Membership Plaque for display  
Additional Contacts listed in Chamber Database  
1 Additional Contact Listing in Business Directory  
1 Additional Industry Listing in Business Directory  
1 Additional Industry Listing on Website Directory  
1 Additional Chamber Name Badges  
1 Additional Chamber Lapel Pin  
1 Luncheon Coupon  
1 Electronic Listing of Mailing List  
1 Business Card Size Ad in Pacesetter  
Use of Chamber Conference Room for 2 hours monthly  
Listing on Chamber Letterhead  
Included on PowerPoint Presentation presented monthly  
Recognition as Distinguished Investor at Awards Luncheon

### **Business Investor     \$850**

Networking Investor benefits plus....  
1 Additional Contacts in Chamber Database  
1 Additional Chamber Name Badge  
1 Additional Chamber Lapel Pin  
1 Additional Contact Listing in Business Directory  
1 Additional Contact Listing on Website Membership Directory  
1 Networking Breakfast Coupon  
Marketing Table at a Breakfast or Luncheon  
Set of Peel & Stick Mailing Labels  
2 additional hours use of Chamber Conference Room annually

### **Networking Investor     \$500**

Associate Investor benefits plus....  
2 Additional contacts in Chamber Database  
1 Chamber Name Badge  
1 Chamber Lapel Pin  
2 additional hours use of Chamber Conference Room annually

### **Associate Investor     \$300**

New Member Packet that includes discounts on services  
1 contact listed in Chamber Database  
Recognition as New Member in Pacesetter  
Membership Plaque for display with Annual Stickers  
Membership Window Decal  
Listing in Business Directory  
Listing on Website Membership Directory  
Ribbon Cutting/Grand Opening Events  
Publicity of Ribbon Cutting/Grand Opening Events in Pacesetter  
Brochure Display in Chamber Reception Area  
Exclusive Referrals for members  
Use of Chamber Conference Room for 2 hours annually  
Notary Service  
Certificate of Origin Processing  
Annual Recognition in Pacesetter upon renewing

### **Individual Investor     \$200**

*Available only to individuals with no Business Affiliation*  
Same Benefits as Associate Investor

### **Non –Profit Investor     20% discount off any level**

With proof of 501(c)3 Status

# NHMCCD Referendum

The North Harris Montgomery Community College District (NHMCCD), the fastest growing of the large community college districts in Texas is seeking voter approval for a \$249.6 million bond issue to carry forward the district's facilities master plan. The Board of Directors encourage all members who live in the North Harris Montgomery Community College District to vote in support of the Bond Referendum as evidenced by the Resolution passed on April 18th at the Board meeting. This Bond Referendum will support needed future growth of local

*"About half the students in Texas public colleges and universities attend a community college. Community colleges are responsible for 67 percent of this past year's growth in higher education. Twenty-nine percent of that growth occurred at NHMCCD's colleges."*

**Election Day - May 13, 2006**  
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Early Voting - May 1 - May 9**  
Monday through Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

## PRECINCT LOCATIONS

**Pct. 1 - Carver Center**  
2330 S. Victory  
Houston, TX 77088-7630

**Pct. 2 - Career and Technology Education Center**  
9155 Will Clayton Parkway  
Humble, TX 77347

**Pct. 3 - Center for Business and Technology Training**  
102 Longview St.  
Conroe, TX 77301

**Pct. 4 - Cy-Fair College**  
9191 Barker Cypress Road  
Cypress, TX 77433-1383

**Pct. 5 - East Montgomery County Improvement District Center**  
21575 Highway 59 N  
New Caney, TX 77357

**Pct. 6 - Fairbanks Center**  
14955 Northwest Freeway  
Houston, TX 77040

**Pct. 7 - Kingwood College**  
20000 Kingwood Drive  
Kingwood, TX 77339-3801

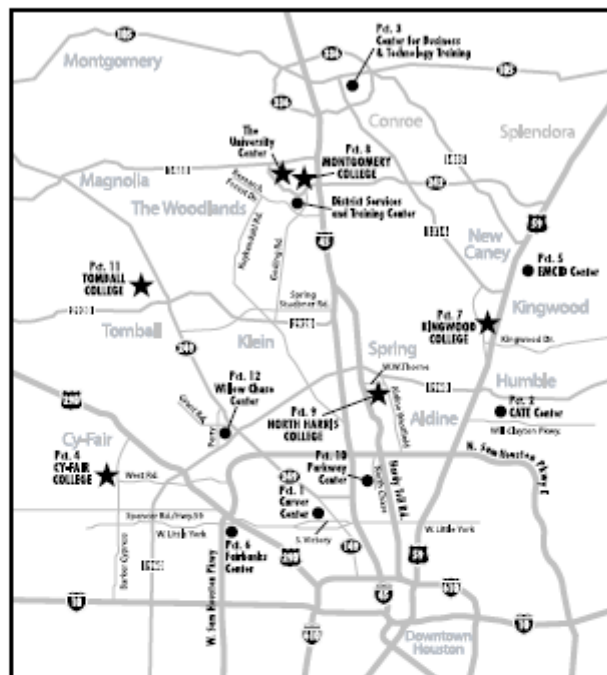
**Pct. 8 - Montgomery College (Main Early Voting Office)**  
3200 College Park Drive  
Conroe, TX 77384-4500

**Pct. 9 - North Harris College**  
2700 W.W. Thorne Drive  
Houston, TX 77073

**Pct. 10 - Parkway Center**  
250 N. Sam Houston Parkway East  
Houston, TX 77060-2000

**Pct. 11 - Tomball College**  
30555 Tomball Parkway  
Tomball, TX 77375-4036

**Pct. 12 - Willow Chase Center**  
9449 Grant Road  
Houston, TX 77070



Requests for early voting by mail shall be addressed to:  
Marilyn Fisher, Early Voting Clerk  
c/o North Harris Montgomery Community College District  
District Services and Training Center  
5000 Research Forest Drive  
The Woodlands, TX 77381

For information on locating your precinct call 832.813.6514  
<http://www.nhmccd.edu/goto/electionfacts>

North Harris Montgomery Community College District  
[www.nhmccd.edu](http://www.nhmccd.edu)

The North Harris Montgomery Community College District is committed to the principle of equal opportunity in education and employment. NHMCCD does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, disability, age, marital status, citizenship or ancestry in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, employment policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other district or college sponsored programs and activities.

Inquiries concerning NHMCCD's policies, compliance with applicable laws, statutes, and regulations (such as Title VI, Title IX, and Section 504), and complaints may be directed to the affirmative action officer for human resources and general counsel. The associate vice chancellor for human resources is designated as the NHMCCD's equal opportunity officer and Title IX coordinator. Inquiries about the laws and about compliance may also be directed to the assistant secretary for civil rights, US Department of Education.

**May 4th**  
**Groundbreaking—**  
**Greens Crossing Four**  
Hosted by  
**Caldwell Watson**  
**Real Estate Group**  
**3pm**  
1045 Greens Parkway

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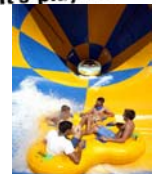
**May 4th**  
**Ribbon Cutting**  
**O'Donnell, Ferebee,**  
**Medley & Keiser**  
**4pm**  
450 Gears Rd, Suite 800

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FEREBEE  
MEDLEY &  
KEISER, P.C.  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

**May 11th**  
**Open House**  
**Parkway Center,**  
**North Harris College**  
**5 pm to 7 pm**  
250 N Sam Houston  
Pkwy E

**NORTH HARRIS COLLEGE**  
A NORTH HARRIS MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

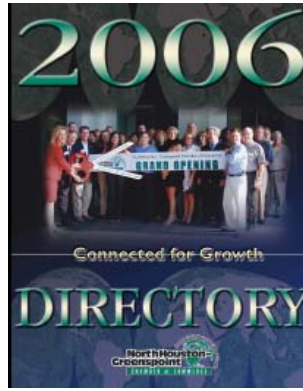
**May 19**  
**Open House**  
**Six Flags**  
**SplashTown Waterpark**  
**6pm to 9pm**  
21300 I-45 N  
Spring 77373



The Greenspoint Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is currently accepting scholarship applications for a \$1,200 Chapter Grant to be awarded to a qualified female candidate based upon the review of completed applications.

All those interested should contact Caroline Smith, Scholarship Committee Chairman. Applications are being accepted through **May 10th—for questions please contact:**

Caroline Smith  
californiasmith@earthlink.net  
713-553-1918



Coming May 2006—Stay Tuned for Details

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 1, 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, May 3rd—11:30 am**  
**Mamacita's Mexican Restaurant**  
15335 North Freeway  
\$10 per person

Questions? Call Kim 281.446.1071

*Calling ALL members...  
Join us for the **Networking Breakfast**  
where you can give a  
30-second commercial promoting  
your business ~ come meet your fellow  
Chamber members!  
Bring a Guest ~ you'll be entered in a  
drawing for a free Breakfast at the June  
Networking Breakfast!  
Consider more exposure for your company  
by donating a door prize.*

**Thursday, May 11th—7:30 am**  
**Hotel Sofitel Houston**  
425 N Sam Houston Pkwy E

RSVP by May 9th by 5pm to  
rachael@nhgcc.org  
\$15 for members  
\$20 non-member or w/out RSVP

**Monthly Luncheon**  
*Hosted by the  
Workforce/Education Committee*

**Thursday, May 18th —11:30 am**  
**Houston Marriott North at Greenspoint**  
255 N Sam Houston Pkwy E

*State of the Districts  
Nadine Kujawa, Aldine ISD  
Dr. James Simpson, North Forest ISD  
Ralph Draper, Spring ISD*

RSVP by May 16th by 5pm to  
rachael@nhgcc.org  
\$25 for members  
\$35 non-member or w/out RSVP

Consider more exposure for your company  
by donating a door prize.

**Texas Business Goes to Washington**

The Texas Association of Business along with local chambers will head to Washington DC next month to meet face-to-face with national decision makers.

Who should attend: Texas business leaders who want to be informed on federal legislation that impacts Texas business.

Investment: The complete package is priced at \$395 (spouses at \$350) and includes Wednesday breakfast, lunch, and a special evening with dinner and entertainment, along with a special Thursday visit at the Executive Office Building with White House staff.

**National Affairs Conference**  
JUNE 6 - 8, 2006  
Hotel Washington • Washington, D.C.

**Take Your Voice All the Way to the Top**

**Register Early To Secure Limited Seating To Tony Award Winning Broadway Show**

**CONFERENCE HOTEL:**  
Hotel Washington, 1315 15th Street N.W., Washington, DC 20004. A block of rooms at \$170.00 per night (single/occupancy) is available until filled or until May 6, 2006. Call 1-800-424-9540 and refer to the room block of the Texas Association of Business and/or group booking 11920065.

You can also reserve your room online at the website by entering to group booking ID #20067. The hotel features the Best Top Terrace Restaurant known for its beautiful views and good food. You can visit their website at www.hotelwashington.com.

The board meeting, breakfast, and lunch will be held at the Press Club behind our hotel.

**Highlights of the trip will include:**

- Private White House Briefing from the Bush Administration
- Visits from Texas senators John Cornyn and Kay Bailey Hutchison and
- Presentation from U.S. Chamber specialists

**Dress:** Attire during the conference is business.

**Schedule:** Log onto www.tbiz.org and click on events. You will be able to view the specific events at this location.

For information contact Rachael Small at 1-800-859-6721 ext. 113, or email rasmall@tbiz.org or visit our website at www.tbiz.org.

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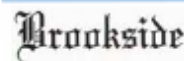
Wednesday, June 7—

- \* Breakfast with Texas Senators
- \* US Chamber Briefings
- \* Lunch at National Press Club
- \* Visits to Congressional Offices

Thursday, June 8—

- \* Issues Briefing, Eisenhower Office Building on the White House Grounds

For more information visit  
www.tbiz.org or call Nicole Dukehart  
at 281.442.8701.



**Wells Fargo Golf Tournament**  
**11:30 am Registration / 12:30 pm Tee Time**  
**Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> Willow Creek Golf Club**

**SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE**

**PLATINUM SPONSOR** **\$3000**

2 Golf Teams	\$1,200	Recognition in <i>Pacesetter</i>	\$100
8 Lunch Tickets	\$200	Company recognized in media promotions	
8 Dinner Tickets	\$200	Recognition at Awards Dinner	
Company Logo on tee box at every hole	\$3,600	Recognition at Annual Awards Banquet	
8 Raffle Tickets	\$80	One of the following with company's logo:	\$600
Recognition in Event Program	\$100	cooler; tees; balls; divot tools; koozies; hat clips	
		<b>Value</b>	<b>\$6,800</b>

**GOLD SPONSOR** **\$1500**

1 Golf Teams	\$600	Company recognized in media promotions	
4 Lunch Tickets	\$100	Recognition at Awards Dinner	
4 Dinner Tickets	\$100	Recognition at Annual Awards Banquet	
4 Raffle Tickets	\$40	One of the following with company's logo:	\$600
Company Listed in Event Program	\$50	cooler; tees; balls; divot tools; koozies; hat clips	
Recognition in <i>Pacesetter</i>	\$100	<b>Value</b>	<b>\$1,590</b>

**BAG DROP SPONSOR** **\$500**

Company displayed on Sign at Bag Drop  
 Available for set up with promotional materials  
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**BEVERAGE CART SPONSOR** **\$500**

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 Company Employees may drive Cart

**HOLE SPONSOR** **\$200**

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**TEAMS OF 4** **\$600**      **INDIVIDUAL** **\$150**

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Raffle Item Donation</b> \$ _____ (value)	Description of item: _____
Company recognized in media promotions	Company listed on Raffle Tickets
Company listed in Event Program	Company may give promotional items

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Player #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Player #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Player #3: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Player #4: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

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## May 2006 Calendar of Events

### Week of May 1st

- 02 **Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting, 11:30 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 03 **Job Fair Committee Meeting, 9 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 03 **Networking Luncheon, 11:30 am** Mamacita's Mexican Restaurant, 15335 North Freeway  
Hosted by Spring Observer Newspapers & NHGCC—\$10 per person
- 04 **Golf Committee Meeting, 9 am** Willow Creek Golf Club, 24525 Northcrest Dr
- 04 **Ambassador Committee Meeting, 11:30 am,** Chamber Conference Room
- 04 **Groundbreaking—Greens Crossing Four, Caldwell Watson Real Estate Group, 3pm**  
1045 Greens Parkway
- 04 **Ribbon Cutting, 4 pm—O'Donnell, Ferebee, Medley & Keiser—450 Gears Rd, Suite 800**
- 05 **Airport Festival Scholarship Luncheon, 11:30 am**  
Houston Airport Marriott, 18700 JFK Blvd—\$50 w/RSVP
- 06 **Airport Festival, 12noon – 4 pm** Continental Airlines Building E – 4849 Wright Rd  
Tickets - \$10/adults, in advance, \$15 at the gate; children 3-12 years, \$5

### Week of May 8th

- 08 **Executive Committee Meeting, 11:30 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 09 **Membership Division Meeting, 8:30 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 09 **Business Development Division Meeting, 11 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 10 **Community & Governmental Relations Division Meeting, 8:30 am** Chamber Conference Rm
- 11 **Networking Breakfast, 7:30 am** Hotel Sofitel, 425 N Sam Houston Pkwy E  
RSVP by May 9<sup>th</sup> at 5pm to [rachael@nhgcc.org](mailto:rachael@nhgcc.org) \$15 for members/\$20 for non-members or w/out RSVP
- 11 **Open House—Parkway Center, North Harris College, 5 pm to 7 pm-** 250 N Sam Houston Pkwy E

### Week of May 15th

- 16 **Board of Directors Meeting, 11:30 am** The Greenspoint Club, 16925 Northchase Dr
- 16 **Marketing Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm,** Chamber Conference Room
- 17 **Gala Committee Meeting, 8:30 am,** Chamber Conference Room
- 18 **Golf Committee Meeting, 9 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 18 **Monthly Luncheon, 11:30 am—State of the Districts of Aldine ISD, North Forest ISD & Spring ISD**  
*Hosted by the Workforce/Education Committee*  
Houston Marriott North at Greenspoint, RSVP by May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm to [rachael@nhgcc.org](mailto:rachael@nhgcc.org)  
255 N Sam Houston Pkwy E, \$25 for members/\$35 for non-members or w/out RSVP
- 19 **Open House—Six Flags SplashTown Waterpark, 6pm to 9pm** 21300 I-45 N, Spring 77373

### Week of May 22nd

- 22 **Wells Fargo Golf Tournament, 11:30 am Registration—12:30 Tee Time**  
Willow Creek Golf Club, 24525 Northcrest Dr
- 22 **Crawfish Boil, 5pm** Willow Creek Golf Club— Tickets for non-golfers \$25 each
- 23 **Marketing & Fundraising Division Meeting, 9 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 23 **Economic Development Committee Meeting, 12 noon** Chamber Conference Room
- 23 **Air, Land, Sea & Rail Product/Services Expo,** George R. Brown Convention Center
- 24 **NHGCC Foundation Board of Directors Meeting, 10 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 24 **Lunch & Learn, 11:30 am “How to Recognize & Reward Your Staff”**  
RSVP by May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5 pm to [rachael@nhgcc.org](mailto:rachael@nhgcc.org) **Lunch Provided by InvesTex Credit Union**  
FREE for members/\$15 for non-members or w/out RSVP
- 25 **Beautification Committee Meeting, 9 am** Chamber Conference Room
- 25 **Workforce/Education Committee Meeting, 11:30 am** Chamber Conference Room

### Week of May 29th

- 29 **Chamber Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day**
- June 1 **Golf Committee Wrap Up Meeting, 9am** Chamber Conference Room

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