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The Chamber has approximately 2,000 business members and approximately 2,400 representatives. Be a part of the 2nd largest Chamber in the Houston region serving South Montgomery County.

“When I started Woodlands Custom Vision three years ago, I knew the best way to get the word out was by joining The Chamber.

Networking and advertising alone has enabled us to grow expeditiously; and that’s just a portion of The Chamber’s services!”

Dr. Manrique
Woodlands Custom Vision

Market Street - The Woodlands
August, 2007

Welcome - Thank you for considering membership with the South Montgomery County Woodlands Chamber of Commerce. We are here to provide helpful solutions, networking and alternative resources which coincide with your business needs.

Businesses of all sizes benefit from our Chamber’s many services. There are many different organizations at varying stages of development and growth. Perhaps your business falls into one of the areas below:

- I am a **small business** and as the sole proprietor I could use assistance with marketing exposure and business contacts.
- I am a **mid-size business** making great strides in business development but could benefit from business services which would catapult me to the next level.
- I am a **global conglomerate** wishing to support our business community’s efforts for my employees’ benefit.

We are here to help YOU succeed in your business venture. So, utilize our facilities, our members and our connections to help move your business forward. This packet contains information specific to our Chamber, allowing you to make one of the best decisions for your business.

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The Chamber publications are designed to target a wide array of businesses as well as area residents. Our publication, directories and website generate awareness and create tremendous readership while providing maximum exposure to our members on a continuing basis.

Business Today Publication



Five Thousand (5,000) Business Today publications are printed and distributed monthly to our business members and to the residential and business community at large. We provide members with high-impact **advertising** opportunities that are cost effective.

As a new member, your business description and contact information is published in *Business Today* under the **new chamber investors** category, beneath your chosen level of investment.

A **ribbon cutting** is a great way to showcase your new or relocating business. The photos are published in the next available issue of *Business Today*.

Directories

Providing members and area residents with a comprehensive list of all Chamber members; cross-referenced both alphabetically and by business classification. Our annual **Membership Directory** lists all members and progressive monthly addendum is available between publishing.

Our annual **Relocation Guide** mirrors the Membership Directory listings but also includes distribution to the area's newest residents and is inserted in relocation packets which are requested by relocating businesses or residents.

Easily locate and view Chamber member logos, contact information, driving directions, business descriptions and direct web links through our **On-Line Directory**. This online directory is updated twice monthly and assessable to all.



website



www.woodlandschamber.biz is The Chamber's BUSINESS website offering a complete listing of the Chamber's business information and activities. This website will provide you with the most up-to-date information and events planned for The Chamber.

The Chamber's ORGANIZATIONAL website links you to community information for growth and business development. Providing you with resources and links in our county and a Community Events Calendar at www.woodlandschamber.org.

www.majec.org (Montgomery Area Job Employment Center) is the Chamber's very own EMPLOYMENT website. This website allows job seekers to post their resumes & employers to post their positions in search of local applicants.



connections | networking

Chamber networking events are designed to target multiple business audiences. The diversity of our event locations and attendees provides maximum exposure and tremendous opportunities to cultivate new business relationships, while accommodating your busy schedule.

Discovery Day invites you to come learn or become re-acquainted with the valuable opportunities Chamber membership provides for you and your staff. This in-depth, Chamber orientation focuses on creative ways to utilize your membership to the fullest; through volunteer teams, projects, sponsorship opportunities or community partners. Discovery Day is held in the Chamber's Boardroom and alternates between monthly breakfast and lunch meetings.

Cost: Complimentary (RSVP)

Length: 1 hour

Business After Hours is a business casual networking social which provides you with an opportunity to meet, mingle and exchange business cards with a wide variety of business professionals from South Montgomery County. Business After Hours is hosted by a different Chamber member company each month and typically includes beverages and hors d'oeuvres.

Cost: Complimentary

Avg. Attendance: 150 +

Networking Breakfast provides members and guests with a unique way to highlight and share information about your business. As a breakfast attendee you are allowed 1 minute to introduce and highlight your company with the assistance of a wireless microphone. You may also pass out literature to all the attendees prior to the breakfast getting underway at 7:01 AM. A delicious breakfast buffet is provided.

Cost: \$8 Members & \$10 Guests

Avg. Attendance: 80 +

Young Professionals Network is a business casual networking social which is reserved for individuals age 40 and under. YPN provides you or your employees with an opportunity to meet peers from the business community. YPN is hosted by a different member company each month and typically includes beverages and hors d'oeuvres.

Cost: Complimentary

Avg. Attendance: 60 +

Meet the New Members Reception invites you to come meet and support the newest Chamber members each month. Learn about other businesses and share your business opportunities. All new members are allowed 1 minute to highlight business services, introduce key staff members and share important information about your company. A photo is taken of the attending new members which is published in the next available issue of *Business Today*.

Cost: Complimentary

Avg. Attendance: 70 +

Business Luncheon joins business leaders and fellow Chamber members together for a 3-course lunch as a keynote speaker addresses topics of interest relevant to the business community. Thirty (30) minutes of networking is available before the business luncheon and at your table of eight prior to the presentation. All new member businesses are recognized verbally at their first attended business luncheon. **Advance reservation is required.**

Cost: \$25 Members & \$30 Guests (RSVP)

Avg. Attendance: 100 +



meetings | conferences

If additional space is what you need...know that our Chamber **MEMBERS** are encouraged to take advantage of the **COMPLIMENTARY** business accommodations for their conferences, meetings and appointments!

Scheduling

All room reservations **MUST** be made and approved through the receptionist at The Chamber by calling our main no. **281-367-5777**.

Availability

Reservations may be scheduled 3 months in advance of your event.

Visual Aids

An LCD Projector and/or a Laptop Computer are available upon reservation.

Network

The Chamber offers its guests a wireless, secured password network.

Availability

Monday - Friday **ONLY**
8:30am - 5:00pm

Food & Beverages

Kitchen accommodations are available to companies who wish to provide a meal or snack during the use of the conference rooms.

Beverages such as Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Coffee & Water are complimentary to your guests!



MAIN BOARD ROOM (50)



PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM (12)

CONFERENCE ROOMS A & B (4)



BRADY CONFERENCE ROOM (20)



schedule of investment

The Chamber offers nine investment opportunities from which you can choose. All investment incentives are offered as a sign-on bonus and are additionally provided with a suggested increased level of membership upon your annual renewal.

Chairman's Circle Investors

Chairman's Circle Investors receive the items listed below, in addition to the incentives beneath each investor amount.

- **Verbal recognition and announcement at all attended monthly events** as a Chairman's Circle Investor.
- **50 Word Business Description** printed in *Business Today* announcing your company as a Chairman's Circle Investor.
- Printed in the progressive monthly **Membership Directory Addendum** until next annual printing.
- **Highlighted Website Listing, Description, Logo, Map and Link** to your business.
- **Listed Monthly** in *Business Today* on the exclusive Chairman's Circle Investor page.
- **Chairman's Circle Investors list on display** in Chamber Lobby, Business Luncheons and Conferences.
- Exclusive invitation, for Chairman's Circle Investors only, to annual **Men Who Cook** epicurean event.
- **Priority seating** at Business Luncheons and Conferences.
- Listed in **Annual Awards Lunch** program as Chairman's Circle Investor.
- **Listed in *Business Today* as a renewing Chairman's Circle Investor.**
- Engraved **Name Badges** and **Portfolio Gift**.

Executive - \$ 4,500.⁰⁰

- **Sixteen (16) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- **Eight directory & website listings** or business classification listings and wooden membership plaques.
- **Honorary seat on the Chamber's Board of Directors.**
- **Private Luncheon** with Chamber President & CEO and/or Chamber Chairman of the Board.
- **Full Page Advertisement** or **Profile of Success** published in *Business Today*.
- **Business Expo** booth or **Golf Classic Green & Tee Sponsorship**.
- Four tickets to **Economic Outlook Conference** or **Employment Law Update**.
- **Taste of the Town Copper Sponsorship** & 8 tickets.

Emerald - \$ 2,100.⁰⁰

- **Ten (10) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- **Five directory & website listings** or business classification listings and wooden membership plaques.
- **Half Page Advertisement** or **Profile of Success** published in *Business Today*.
- Four tickets to **Employment Law Update**.
- Four tickets to **Taste of the Town**.
- Four tickets to **Business Luncheon**.

Diamond - \$ 3,100.⁰⁰

- **Twelve (12) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- **Six directory & website listings** or business classification listings and wooden membership plaques.
- Introduction at Chamber **Board of Directors** meeting.
- **Half Page Advertisement** or **Profile of Success** published in *Business Today*.
- **Business Expo** booth or **Golf Classic Green Sponsorship**.
- Four tickets to **Economic Outlook Conference** or **Employment Law Update**.
- Two tickets to **Chairman's Ball**.
- Four tickets to **Taste of the Town**.

Platinum- \$ 1,600.⁰⁰

- **Eight (8) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- **Four directory & website listings** or business classification listings and wooden membership plaques.
- **50% Off any size Advertisement** in *Business Today*.
- Two sets of **Membership Mailing Labels**.
- Four tickets to **Taste of the Town**.
- Four tickets to **Business Luncheon**.
- Four tickets to **Networking Breakfast**.

Distinguished Investors

In addition to the incentives beneath each investor amount, Distinguished Investors receive the items listed below.

- **25 Word Description** in *Business Today* announcing your company as a new Chamber Investor.
- Listed in **Membership Directory Addendum**.
- **Website Listing, Description, Logo, Map and Link** to your business.
- Listed in **Annual Awards Lunch** program as Distinguished Investor.
- **Listed** in *Business Today's* publication as a **renewing Distinguished Investor**.

Gold - \$ 1,050.00

- **Five (5) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- Two sets of **Membership Mailing Labels**.
- **50% Off Profile of Success** in *Business Today*.
- One ticket to **Employment Law Update**.
- Two tickets to **Taste of the Town**.
- Two tickets to **Business Luncheon**.
- Four tickets to **Networking Breakfast**.
- Chamber **Portfolio Gift**.
- Wooden **Membership Plaque**.

Ruby - \$ 775.00

- **Four (4) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- One set of **Membership Mailing Labels**.
- **\$100 Off an Advertisement** in *Business Today*.
- One ticket to **Employment Law Update**.
- Two tickets to **Taste of the Town**.
- Two tickets to **Business Luncheon**.
- Two tickets to **Networking Breakfast**.
- Chamber **Portfolio Gift**.
- Wooden **Membership Plaque**.

Silver - \$ 550.00

- **Three (3) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- One set of **Membership Mailing Labels**.
- **\$50 Off an Advertisement** in *Business Today*.
- Two tickets to **Business Luncheon**.
- Two tickets to **Networking Breakfast**.
- Wooden **Membership Plaque**.

Bronze - \$ 400.00

- **Two (2) representatives** on Chamber mailing list.
- One ticket to **Business Luncheon**.
- One ticket to **Networking Breakfast**.
- Acrylic **Membership Plaque**.

Business Investor - \$325.00

Non-Profit Investor - \$200.00

- **One (1) representative** on Chamber mailing list.
- **25 Word Description** in *Business Today* announcing your company as a new Chamber Investor.
- Listed in **Membership Directory Addendum**.
- **Website listing, description and link** to your business.
- **Listed** in *Business Today* as a **renewing Business Investor**.
- Acrylic **Membership Plaque**.

PLEASE NOTE: A one-time \$50.00 Application Fee AND your initial Annual Membership Fee is due at signing for ALL Membership levels. Thank You!

Tax Deductibility -Due to the U.S. Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1992, effective January 1, 1994, dues to the South Montgomery County Woodlands Chamber of Commerce are not deductible as a charitable contribution for income tax purposes, but may be deductible as an ordinary and necessary business expense. A portion of dues, however, is not deductible as an ordinary and necessary business expense to the extent that the Chamber engages in state or federal lobbying. The non-deductible portion of the dues is 5%. Effective 9/1/2004.

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member | application

Thank you for filling out the Application for Membership completely and legibly. Upon approval by the Board of Directors, your membership is continuous until written resignation is submitted. Annual renewal investments will be billed automatically on anniversary date of membership.

Date: _____

* Business Name: _____
(Please print legibly the business name EXACTLY as you wish it to be published)

* Primary Contact: Mr. _____ Ms. _____ Title: _____

Contact Cell: _____ Contact E-Mail: _____
(For office use only)

* Business Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____
(For PRINTED MATERIALS to be mailed, if different than Business Address)

Billing Address: _____ Billing Phone: _____
(For BILLING INVOICES to be mailed, if different than Business and Mailing Address)

Billing Contact: Mr. _____ Ms. _____ Billing E-Mail: _____

* Business Phone: _____ * Business Fax: _____

* Business Website: _____

* Business CATEGORY Listing: _____
(Reference the CHAMBER'S CATEGORY LIST for a listing within the Annual Membership Directory & On-Line Directory)

* Business Description: See Attached 25 or 50 Word Description. Forthcoming via e-mail by: _____

* Chamber Sponsor: _____ Chamber Representative: Sheila Zea
(Optional - Current Chamber member who assisted you with membership) Lisa Robinson
 Ronda Trow

- Non-Profit (\$200) Bronze (\$400) Ruby (\$775) Platinum (\$1,600) Diamond (\$3,100)
- Business (\$325) Silver (\$550) Gold (\$1,050) Emerald (\$2,100) Executive (\$4,500)

Annual Investment Amount \$ _____, plus \$50.00 Application Fee = \$ _____ **Total Amount Due.**

Credit Card: AmEx Visa M.C. Cardholder Name: _____

Check # _____ Card # : _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

NOTE: Fields identified with an “ * Mark ” will appear both in print and on-line.

Please mail or fax application and payment to:
The Chamber; 1400 Woodloch Forest Drive,
Suite 300; The Woodlands, TX 77380
Fax: (281) 292-1655 Phone: (281) 367-5777

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