

LWF Alumni Connection

Alumni Connection: "Sweet" Confection

~Zig Zigar~

"You will get all you want in life, if you help enough other people get what they want."

"You don't have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great."

"Lack of direction, not lack of time, is the problem. We all have twenty-four hour days."

"Confidence is going after Moby Dick in a rowboat and taking the tartar sauce with you."

The launch of LWF's Alumni Connection newsletter has been a success—by all indications. Those alums who have provided feedback have done so with comments indicating they approve—and appreciate—this medium.

Some of the feedback sent to lwf.alumni@gmail.com includes the following statements:

"What a great publication, thank YOU!!!!"

"Just wanted to let you know that I LOVE the new "Alumni Connection." It's well written and has some fantastic information included. Job well done."

"I love this! Great job —very professional!"

The accolades are great and appreciated, thank you.

But, now that the presses are rolling, help us, won't you. Send us information to include in the newsletter so that all LWF alum may be "in the know" regarding opportunities to get involved and stay involved in our community.

Some ideas (not inclusive) of what we're asking include:

- Board/Commission openings
- Volunteer opportunities
- Fundraisers
- Community needs and activities

And PLEASE, help us keep our alum contacts lists updated. Send updates to the email address shown below:

lwf.alumni@gmail.com

*Get Connected,
Stay Connected*

*...with Wichita Falls
and surrounding communities!*

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LEADERSHIP WICHITA FALLS

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Get "On Board, Wichita Falls!"

Nonprofit organizations within the Wichita Falls area are facing a serious challenge recruiting and retaining volunteers equipped to serve at the board level. **On Board Wichita Falls** is an 8-session program designed to train and equip candidates to serve on a board of directors **OR** are currently serving on a board for a nonprofit organization. Upon completion of the program, you

will be ready to serve a local nonprofit organization that fits your personal passion and preference.

Program goals:

- Recruit & educate existing and future nonprofit board members
- Create a broader base of qualified board member candidates
- Build camaraderie & network among talented participants

Psst, tuition waived!

• Strive to match graduates' nonprofit passions with qualified nonprofits

For more information, call Kalee Poirot (Class of 2014) at 940.322.4961 or check online at www.NonprofitCenterWF.org

The Nonprofit Center proudly presents





Food Bank. Hunger is a tough foe. Without the support from the community, the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank couldn't begin to accomplish its mission. If you'd like to get involved, WFAFB has a place for you to express your compassion, your creativity, and your generosity. Can WFAFB use your cash donations? Of course they can, but the Food Bank also has a huge need for

individuals and groups to volunteer their time, talent, and other resources. WFAFB's feeding more than bodies in our community—they're also feeding hope.

Volunteers give in a variety of ways: some choose to work on-site at the Food Bank while others opt to work as a team member in a community-based location.

Volunteer opportunities include, but are not limited to:

On-Site: Food Recovery, Warehouse Support, Office Support,

PowerPak Preparation, Produce Express packing

Off-Site: Food Drives, Fundraiser, PowerPak Preparation

Training is provided as needed. On-site volunteer hours are Mon - Fri, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Individuals are welcome any time during the hours stated. Groups are asked to schedule with Wendell Griffin by calling 940.766.2322.

Volunteer qualifications:

A willingness to work.

The ability to abide by the safety rules of a working ware-

house, including wearing warehouse-appropriate clothing: closed-toed shoes, long pants/jeans or walking shorts, no tank tops.

Volunteers under age 13 must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult. Families are welcome and encouraged to work together.

Won't you give:

Time: be the muscle in the fight against hunger

Food: Food Bank mainstay

Money: investment in the well-being of our community



www.cancer.org



www.backdoortheatre.org

Backdoor Theatre. Volunteers needed for program assembly for "Kiss Me, Kate," Monday, February 10, at 6 p.m. on the Dinner Stage. Dr. Sernoe will shamelessly bribe all volunteers with pizza. Backdoor is looking for volunteer(s) who could answer the phone and help with box office duties in the front office afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m. If this sounds like something you would like to give a shot, or would just like more information, contact Da-

vid Cerreta, Interim Managing Director of Backdoor Theatre, 940.322.5000 or executivedirector@backdoortheatre.org.

American Cancer Society.

Each year, 612 Wichita County residents are diagnosed with cancer. Groundbreaking research by the American Cancer Society has led to cancer cures, better treatments, and declining cancer death rates. Today, 14 counties are served by the Wichita Falls ACS branch. Approximately 55% of the money contributed by the generous donors

in our area is used for research, prevention, and detection. Another 25% is used strictly for services that support patients and their loved ones from the time of diagnosis throughout their life journey. The money raised goes to cancer fighting programs, which ultimately pave the way to a cure for cancer. If you would like to join ACS in their efforts to stop this horrible disease, please contact Jacque Thweatt, ACS Representative, 325.656.1674 or jacque.thweatt@cancer.org. There is a place for everyone!

Community Service:

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

- Winston Churchill

"Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile."

- Albert Einstein

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

- Margaret Mead



<http://weechita.org/>



Streams & Valleys (S&V)

is a non-profit organization seeking to build a sense of adventure. Additionally, it seeks to build a river corridor link between current-day Wichita Falls and its original town site. S&V is headquartered at Berend's Landing, an historic site that includes a vintage grain elevator, the original Falls, the Midwestern State University Bicycle Racing Team dorm, The Wee-Chi-Tah Sculpture, Texoma Cycling Center, PETS, and the head of the Wee-

Chi-Tah Trail. S&V welcomes nature enthusiasts, off-road runners, and riders to use the Wee-Chi-Tah trail, which was named the "Best Urban Off Road Trail in Texas" by the Subaru Trail Doctors (Texas Parks & Wildlife).

Do you love Wee-Chi-Tah as much as S&V? Want to help? S&V has trail workdays throughout the year. Chores could be anything from picking up trash to armoring a section of trail! Trail work is not the

only option for volunteering; S&V hosts several events each year and can always use more course marshals, data input, or timing help! To be put on the work party/event worker mailing list, send Sandy an email at info@weechita.org.

The Save Our Bridge Committee is a subcommittee of S&V formed in 2008 to rehabilitate the Bridge Street Bridge. This bridge is the oldest standing bridge in the Wichita Falls area and an important part of

Texoma's Hellacious Obstacle Run: THOR

Interested—or know someone who might—in volunteering for the Texoma's Hellacious Obstacle Run (THOR) to be held on Saturday, April 12, 2014? Please, go to www.wfthor.com and complete the Volunteer Registration form with all of your information. Each volunteer will receive a THOR t-shirt the day of volunteering and memories that will last a lifetime!

The following is a list of activities with which THOR needs your help:

- Physical site set-up (obstacle set-up, registration set-up, tables, chairs, tents)
- Physical site clean-up
- Course Attendant (ensuring runners stay on the course)
- Obstacle Attendant (ensuring safety and traffic at each obstacle)
- Registration Assistant (assisting with packet pick-up and registration)
- General Support

Got something you'd like to sell or know someone who does? The THOR Village is a great place to showcase your merchandise or product. The THOR organizers are currently accepting applications for vendors to reserve a space. Like most functions, space is limited, so go to www.wfthor.com and fill out the form and submit at your earliest convenience.

THOR is a Leadership Wichita Falls event and project started by the Class of 2011.



Autism Awareness Fun Run / Walk

The mission is to promote awareness about autism and its diverse group of individuals and raise money to help families with children on the spectrum.

Join the effort in raising money for families in our community by being a part of the 5K run or 1-mile walk events. Hosted in the month of April, during Autism Awareness month, in Lucy Park, Wichita Falls, TX. April 5, 2014 at 9:00. Register at Active.com. Any questions, email wfawareness@aol.com.

RAIN or SHINE!!! Join in raising awareness and money to assist local children on the autism spectrum. Kids 12 and under are FREE with a participating adult and do not require registration. However, if you'd like

your child to receive a shirt, you must register him/her. Register by March 24th to receive a FREE event t-shirt. Shirts are guaranteed only if registered by March 31st while supplies last. Fee for 13 and older is \$25.



April is
Autism Awareness
Month

www.autism-society.org/about-us/national-autism-awareness-month/



Color Me Running 5K

March 8, 2014 is the 2nd Annual "Color Me Running" for Christ Academy! 5k Fun Run with 5 color throw stations and LOTS of color!

A FREE 1K race for children 10 and under that has an obstacle course this year!

Go on to Active.com under "Christ Academy Color Me Running" to register!

Early registration ends February 10th, and registration closes March 7th.



MORE COLOR, MORE FUN!

[Register at Active.com.](http://Active.com)

Organizers are looking for some volunteers to help with the event to throw color or help with passing out water. Please message them via their Facebook site if you can be part of the FUN! <https://www.facebook.com/ChristAcademyColorMeRunning>



Couples' Night Out

KMOC is excited to announce
COUPLES' NIGHT OUT!

February 21st at Heritage Church, 2216 Southwest Parkway at 7:30–10 p.m! Join Christian Comedian and Pastor Steve Geyer—a Banana's Comedy Comic—for an evening of inspiration & laughter meant to recharge your relationship and refuel your faith!

Tickets are \$20 per couple and available at the studios of KMOC, Heritage Church, or online at itickets.com. Free childcare available, birth

through 12 years old. Call KMOC with any questions or to purchase tickets. For more information, visit www.kmocfm.com.

Tell them Liz (Class of 2010) sent you. liz@kmocfm.com 940.767.3303





Keep In Touch

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Alumni/Sponsors night with the Class of 2014. Mark your calendars: join us on March 11th to meet the members of the current LWF class and meet (& thank) program sponsors. Location: The Wellington. Time: 5:30–9:30 p.m.

And, it's not too early to mark your calendars: May 6th, LWF Class of 2014 Graduation. Plan to join us in welcoming the most recent program grads as they cross over to alum status. As we get closer to the date, we'll inform you of time and place.

Keep us updated. We've created a questionnaire with which you can provide us your current contact information as well as tell us what you've been to since completing the program. Finally, provide other alums and current program members words of wisdom—we'll publish your comments in an addition of the Alumni Connection. The questionnaire can be downloaded from the LWF Facebook page, look under "Files" tab (www.facebook.com/groups/123983764313053/files/) and from Google Docs (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/OB4COTEZwqXz1SGFiaHFENW84RDA/edit?usp=sharing>). Send completed forms to lwf.alumni@gmail.com.

Want/need to contact LWF's board of directors? Use the email address to the left to reach the board; but if it's alumni related, please use the second email address. And, if our relationship has run its course, and you wish no further contact, we wish you well; but please, inform us (second email address) to remove you from our contact list.

We're on the Web!

www.leadershipwff.org

www.facebook.com/groups/123983764313053/

2014 Adult & Youth Leadership Program Schedules

Adult Programs

January 11* Orientation & Road Rally
January 14..... Health
January 21..... Leadership I
January 28* Education
February 4..... Leadership II
February 11..... What's Happening in WF
February 22* Community Awareness
February 25* Government
March 4..... Public Safety I
March 11..... Alumni/Sponsors
March 25* SAFB/Nonprofits
March 29..... Ropes
April 1..... Common Ground
April 8* Special Needs
April 22..... Public Safety II
May 2-3* Retreat
May 6..... Graduation

*Denotes day program. Schedule subject to change.

Youth Programs

January 27* Focus Meeting
February 1..... Orientation
February 5..... Special Needs
February 11..... Education
February 18..... City Gov't & Public Safety
February 22..... Service Project #1
February 25..... Sheppard Air Force Base
March 4..... In the News
March 11* Teen Court
March 25* Etiquette Dinner
March 29..... Ropes
April 12..... Service Project #2
April 16..... Common Ground
April 24* Health
April 26..... Service Project #3
May 5* Graduation

*Denotes evening program.

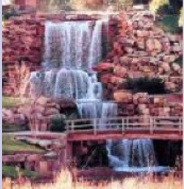
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Board of Directors (Class of)

Marla Malone (2010) Chair
Matthew Park (2004) Chair Elect
Michelle Wood (2008) Immediate Past
Chair/ Alumni
LeAnn Scharbrough (2010) Secretary
Tina Taylor (2009) Treasurer
Stewart Harvey (2012) Governance
Michael Mills (2005) M&FD*
Ricardo Sandoval (2013) M&FD*
Clayton Hein (2011) M&FD*
Chris Aday (2013) M&FD*
Shelly Agee (2012) M&FD*
Julie Ayres (2013) Adult Programs
Cynthia Laney (2009) Adult Programs
Donna Vaughn (2001) Adult Programs
Missy Seay (2008) Adult Programs
Vicki Donahue (2013) Youth Programs
Carla Rogers (2012) Youth Programs
Jan Vela (2012) Youth Programs
Jessica Bennett (2013) Youth Programs
Gene Strouth (2003) Alumni
Stephanie Gorham (2012) Alumni
*Marketing and Fund Development



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Wichita Falls Municipal General Election

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Election Candidate Information

The Municipal General Election for the City of Wichita Falls, Texas, will be held on May 10, 2014 for the purpose of electing a Mayor, Councilor District 3, Councilor District 4, and Councilor District 5.

Candidates for the positions must:

- xBe at least 21 years of age
- xBe a citizen of the United States
- xHave lived in Wichita Falls and the district (for council positions) for twelve months immediately preceding the deadline for filing for a place on the ballot.
- xNot have been determined by a final judgment of a court to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote.
- xNot have been finally convicted of a felony from which the person has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities

Filing an Application

Candidates must file an application for a place on the ballot, along with a filing fee of \$100 or a petition signed by at least 50 qualified voters in the city.

Applications are available at www.wichitafallstx.gov and downloaded from the link at the bottom of the page. Filing begins January 29, 2014 and

runs through 5 p.m. on February 28, 2014. Applications are and the Texas Election Code Chapter 277.

to be filed with the City Clerk.

More Information

For more information about the filing requirements, see Sections 10, 11, and 12 of the City Charter, Sections 28 and 29 of the Code of Ordinances,

Current Candidates

2014 Mayoral Candidates

xGlenn Barham
(Class of 2008)

2014 District 3 Candidates

xBrian Hooker
(Class of 2004)

2014 District 4 Candidates

xTim Ingle

2014 District 5 Candidates

xnone at time of publication

For Questions Please Contact the City Clerk

Tracy Norr, City Clerk
1300 7th Street Room 104
Wichita Falls, Texas 76301

Phone: 940.761.7409


Email:

tracy.norr@wichitafallstx.gov



Election Information & Application:

www.wichitafallstx.gov/index.aspx?NID=1605



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
Tracy Norr, MMC

TO: Municipal Election Candidates for May 10, 2014
FROM: Tracy B. Norr, City Clerk
RE: City of Wichita Falls Candidate Filing Packet
DATE: December 31, 2013

Enclosed are the following forms and information for the May 10, 2014 City of Wichita Falls General Election:

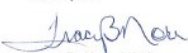
- > Application to place name on Election ballot (bilingual). The loyalty oath is included in this form.
- > Appointment of Campaign Treasurer by a Candidate and Guide. If you have not already filed this form, it is to be filed in my office at the same time or prior to filing your application for a place on the ballot.
- > Code of Fair Campaign Practices
- > 2014 Important Election Dates
- > City of Wichita Falls information regarding signs
- > Political Advertising Information from Texas Ethics Commission. This is not a complete list; for a complete list go to www.ethics.state.tx.us (political advertising).

It is the candidate's responsibility to become familiar with the laws applicable to campaigns and candidacy. The City Clerk should not be expected to judge or comment upon the sufficiency of reports filed.

Candidate documents filed in this Office become a public record when filed, therefore are open for inspection by the public.

If you should have questions regarding this letter, please contact me.

Thank you,



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