

**Four Businesses to Be Recognized at Annual Diversity Luncheon**



Four locally owned businesses will be recognized for their contributions to diversity in the workplace and to San Angelo at the 11th Annual Celebration of Diversity Awards luncheon.

We will also hear from guest speaker Sandy Mazur, Senior Vice President, Franchise & License for Spherion Corporation. Mazur is responsible for the strategic leadership and support of an extensive base of Spherion franchise offices and licensees, as well as for expanding the franchise program into the new U.S. markets. Prior to this post, Mazur was responsible for product development and end-to-end product life cycle management for Spherion's extensive portfolio of recruiting and staffing services.

This compelling and articulate speaker is a seasoned executive with broad-based experience in the staffing industry, and possesses a keen understanding of the U.S. workforce and the issues that drive performance.

If you have not made your reservation for this important awards luncheon, please do so by calling 655-4136 or online at [www.sanangelo.org](http://www.sanangelo.org).

**Date, Time, Location**

Tuesday, November 10, 2009  
11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.  
ASU's C.J. Davidson Center

**Deadline to Register**

Thursday, November 5th

**Cost**

Cost is \$15 per person, payable at the door

**To Make Your Reservation**

Call the Chamber at 655-4136 (after hours, ext. 223) or visit [www.sanangelo.org](http://www.sanangelo.org) to register online.

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Congratulations to Jay Michaels of Foster Communications, the recipient of the 2009 Leadership San Angelo Alumni Association Civic Leader of the Year Award.

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## From The Chairman Two Months Remaining in 2009

November and December are important to our members for many reasons. For some, it will determine how 2009 goes into the books. For many, it's a time of goal setting and evaluation for 2010. And for most of us, there's an effort to carve out more time for family and friends. This has been a momentous year for Chad and me since Ella arrived and grew our family by 50%. We wish you success in all of these areas, and time to celebrate life's blessings.

The Chamber's 18<sup>th</sup> annual Business Expo drew high praise from our exhibitors and attending public, capped off by another great Business After Hours and successful Silent Auction thanks to YOUR support. We're grateful to all who sponsored, exhibited, and attended, and congratulations to Rio Concho Inc. and San Angelo Federal Credit Union for receiving the "best booth" designations.

Many of you commented to me how much you enjoyed learning about and hearing from our seven mayoral candidates at our Oct. 13 luncheon. Thanks to our sponsors, Foster Communications and Goodyear Proving Grounds, for making it possible. Congratulations are also in order for Jay Michaels of Foster Communications who received the Leadership San Angelo Alumni 2009 Civic Leader of the Year award at the luncheon.

Chamber officers and board members participated in a very productive planning retreat on Oct. 22, keying in on what you told us in the 2009 Membership Survey, and focusing on the best possible return on the investment of your dollars for our members and the community.

Congratulations to all our community partners involved in the Chamber's P-16+ Education Partnership, awarded the best Education Program in the State Oct. 9 by Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives for its Kindergarten Readiness Initiative. Partnership participants moved on to its next goal Oct. 28 focusing on Middle School readiness.

Looking at opportunities for November, I want to remind city residents that if you didn't vote early, the constitutional amendments and mayor's race await your action on Nov. 3. Also consider these:

- Don't miss our annual Diversity Awards luncheon on Tuesday, Nov. 10, at the C.J. Davidson Center at ASU from 11:30 to 1. The keynote speaker is Sandy Mazur, National Vice President of Spherion Corporation. Reservations may be made by calling 655-4136 ext. 232, or emailing [akg@sanangelo.org](mailto:akg@sanangelo.org). Our sponsors at press time are BlueCross/BlueShield of Texas, San Angelo Standard-Times, and State Farm Insurance-Tony Villarreal.
- Our fall New Member Orientation "Members & Muffins" was actually the last day of Sept., and new members filled the River View Room to learn about Chamber services and secure business on the spot from networking opportunities.
- Hope to see you at our November Business After Hours on the Tuesday, Nov. 17, at Gold's Gym, 4110 Sunset Drive, from 5 to 6:30 p.m.
- Don't forget to take advantage of the SBDC business advising at the Chamber office with a "well business check" or a brainstorming session on Nov. 9 or 23. Call the Chamber at 655-4136 to schedule an appointment, or call Phil at ext. 222 for more information.

We appreciate your faithful support, and always look forward to serving you.



Stacie Elkins  
Chairman of the Board

## Business After Hours

Great networking with fellow Chamber members

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Tuesday, November 17th  
5-6:30 p.m.

Location: Golds Gym,  
4110 Sunset



*Stacie Elkins*  
Stacie Elkins  
Chairman of the Board

## 2010 Chairman & Executive Committee Named



In accordance with the by-laws of the Chamber of Commerce, the 2010 Executive Committee was named last month. Bryan Horner, Shannon Medical Center, will step into the Chairman's role while Jim Hughes of Hughes Company will assume the title of Chairman-Elect.

Stanley Mayfield, Mayfield Paper Company, will serve as Treasurer. Current Chairman of the Board, Stacie Elkins of American Classifieds, will continue to serve as an officer in her role as Immediate Past Chairman. Current Chairman-Elect Bryan Horner has also appointed two at large members of the Board, Lori Francks of UBS Financial Services, and Sam Allen of Jackson Walker, LLP. Many thanks to these Board members for accepting these leadership positions, which begin on January 1, 2010.

### P-16+ Initiative Receives State Recognition

The Chamber has been awarded first place recognition in education programs from Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives (TCCE) for its San Angelo Area P-16+ Education Partnership's Kindergarten Readiness Initiative. Named the "Best New Chamber Education Program" in Texas, the Kindergarten Readiness Initiative is a sub-committee of the San Angelo P-16+ Education Partnership. The program addresses what services are available to help parents and preschoolers prepare for kindergarten through partnerships among business, education entities and community organizations. Partners involved in the Kindergarten Readiness Initiative include: San Angelo Chamber of Commerce, San Angelo Independent School District, Howard College, Angelo State University, West Texas Training Center, Workforce Solutions of the Concho Valley, Concho Valley Partnership, San Angelo Area Foundation, and Education Service Center Region XV. Generous sponsorships making the program possible were Howard College, SAISD, the Standard-



Times, Concho Valley Family Alliance, Conexion Hispana, Company Printing, West Texas Rehab Center, 106.1 MDX, and McLaughlin Advertising Agency. For more information on this program, please contact Phil at 655-4136, ext. 222.

*While the plaque sits in the foreground for recognition for the Partnership's "Best New Chamber of Commerce Education Program in Texas" from the Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives for its Kindergarten Readiness Initiative, members of the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce P-16+ Education Partnership review preparations for the next initiative of Middle School Readiness. Pictured are (L-R) Heather Ward, Children's Advocacy Council; Mary Kay Kuss, Project Director for the P-16+ Partnership; Lorenzo Lasater, Chair of the P-16+ Partnership; Shelly Hullihen, Asst. Superintendent of Educational Support Services for SAISD; and Phil Neighbors, President of the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce.*



### Home for the Holiday

The Thanksgiving holiday is right around the corner. It is a time to give thanks for the many blessings we have. This Thanksgiving, would you consider showing your thanks to our military service members as well? One way to do this is to invite one or more service members to your Thanksgiving festivities on Thanksgiving day only. Each year Goodfellow service members look forward to this day because the San Angelo citizens open their doors and welcome our them. In order to participate, please email the following information to the 17 TRG Military Training Leaders Office at [17.trg.tsm@goodfellow.af.mil](mailto:17.trg.tsm@goodfellow.af.mil):

- \* Name, Address, and Contact Number
- \* Number of service members requested
- \* Pick up time
- \* Estimated return time
- \* If you would like to request a specific service member or any other special requests

All questions should be directed to MSgt Eric Alvarez at 654-5680.



A free service for Chamber members. Please call 655-4136.

### Texas Kayak Fisherman

West Texas Chapter - Monthly Meeting  
 Monday, November 2nd, 6:00 pm  
 Location: Spotted Dog Kayaks, 921 Caddo Street  
 For more info: 325-227-4850  
[www.texaskayakfisherman.com](http://www.texaskayakfisherman.com) or  
[Bill@spotteddogkayaks.com](mailto:Bill@spotteddogkayaks.com)

The San Angelo Chamber of Commerce welcomes a new member, San Angelo AIDS Foundation, located at 334 W. Concho. It is open for new hours for free confidential HIV testing Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and until 9 p.m. on every 1st Tuesday of the month. Call 658-3634 for more information.



# Thank You for Supporting our Local Businesses at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Expo And Silent Auction!

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Lori Franks  
UBS Financial Services

## From the Convention & Visitors Bureau

### CVB Represents San Angelo at Team Texas Events

San Angelo participated as part of Team Texas at the Teams Sports Show in Louisiana last month. San Angelo was able to meet with over seventy sports planners at this year's event. San



Angelo also participated with Team Texas at the Albuquerque Balloon Festival where CVB staff met with many folks who will soon be visiting or returning to Texas for their holiday travels.

### San Angelo hosts the 2009 Sculpture Symposium

The San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts will continue to add to San Angelo's art community by focusing on a form of art that is the most public and permanent form of visual art expression...sculpture. Join SAMFA as it hosts the 2009 Sculpture Symposium November 13-15. This year's Symposium, themed "Sculpture in the Public Realm," will also include exhibits, a downtown block party, multiple day-long workshops, and more. SAMFA is proud to welcome internationally known sculptor, Albert Paley, who will be a panelist and participant in this year's event. Albert Paley is the first metal sculptor to receive the coveted Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Institute of Architects. For participation or general information, please call 653-3333.

#### San Angelo Welcomes the Following Conventions, Meetings, & Major Events in November

Date	Event	Expected Attendance
13-15	Fall Soccer Cup	1,500
20-21	Czech Heritage Society Chapter Meeting	200
20-22	International Sorantin Competition	100
27-29	Old Chicken Farm Art Center Open House	1,000

### Museum Program Wins 10-State Award

The San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts was recently awarded the Regional Ed Com Award for Excellence from the American Association of Museums for its highly successful Family Days program. Family Days are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month and focus on a different cultural theme. The purpose of these events is to engage the community in experiencing the visual arts and at the same time, gaining an appreciation of other cultures. By winning this award, SAMFA's Family Days will automatically be nominated for the National Ed Com Award. For more information about the Family Days program, please call 653-3333.



#### October 2009 Community Calendar visit [www.sanangelo.org](http://www.sanangelo.org) for a more detailed listing

- 1 ..... "Learn How To Camp" San Angelo State Park
- 5 ..... Art Thursdays at SAMFA
- 5 ..... ASU Planetarium – The Planets
- 5 ..... Mellow Moments with the Maestro
- 6-21 ..... Seven Year Itch – Angelo Civic Theatre
- 7 ..... Saturday at the Old Chicken Farm Art Center
- 7 ..... Cavalry Practice
- 7 ..... A Four Carat Concert
- 7 ..... 2009 Sailor Cruise – 5K Race & 1 Mile Fun Run
- 7 ..... Cedar Manor Fall Festival
- 8 ..... Angelo State University Brass Choir
- 10 ..... Elegant Evening
- 10-11 ..... Sesame Street Live "When Elmo Grows Up"
- 12 ..... Art Thursdays at SAMFA
- 12 ..... Chicken Farm Art Center – Live Music in the  
..... Courtyard
- 12 ..... ASU Planetarium – The Planets
- 12-21 ..... "A Christmas Carol" ASU Modular Theatre
- 13 ..... Ladies Night Out
- 14 ..... Family Day at SAMFA
- 14 ..... Frank Caraway Sporting Clays Classic
- 14-15 ..... Silver Spur Gun & Blade Show
- 19 ..... Art Walk
- 21 ..... Goodfellow's Annual Christmas Craft Show
- 21-22 ..... Silver Spur Gun & Blade Show
- 21 ..... Sorantin Competition
- 22 ..... Art Thursdays at SAMFA
- 22 ..... Play It Again Concert
- 26 ..... Art Thursdays at SAMFA
- 27-29 ..... Chicken Farm Art Center Open House

# Leadership San Angelo Kicks Off 27th Year

Congratulations to the newest class of Leadership San Angelo. This class began in October with a Challenge Course and a Leadership Skills and Team Building session at the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp and West Texas Training Center. The class will continue meeting monthly for the duration of its nine-month program and will graduate in June 2010.



**Hope Barron**  
*Chamber of Commerce*



**Erma Brooks**  
*Galilee Community Development Corp.*



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*Armstrong, Backus & Co.*



**David Wagner**  
*West Texas Rehab.*

## Leadership San Angelo Sessions by Topic

Oct.	Challenge Course/ Leadership Skills	Feb.	Education in San Angelo
Nov.	Health Care in San Angelo	Mar.	Chamber of Commerce
Dec.	Industry, Agriculture & the Economy	April	City/County Government
Jan.	History, Recreation & the Arts	May	Transportation, Communication & Community Services
		June	The Legal System



The first two-day session of Leadership is all about team building, trust, cooperation, and encouragement. The weather started out chilly for the challenge course, but at the end of the day, everyone was warmed up and invigorated. During the 2nd day leadership skills training, the class becomes very well acquainted and equipped with the skills needed to complete the Leadership course. The class was all smiles, mixed with a little unique humor, and was ready to kick off the year!



## Welcome New Chamber Members!

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*Happy Thanksgiving*

*The Chamber office will be closed November 26th & 27th for the Thanksgiving holiday. The Visitor Center will be open November 29th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Chamber will reopen for normal business hours on Monday, November 30th.*

**Chamber of Commerce November Calendar**

November 5	Chamber Board Meeting - 8 a.m.
November 5	P-16+ Education Partnership - 3:30 p.m.
November 9	Business Advising - Chamber Office
November 9	Concho Cadre Meeting - Noon
November 10	Chamber Luncheon (see page 1)
November 12	Leadership San Angelo - Healthcare
November 17	CVB Board Mtg. - 3:30 p.m.
November 17	Business After Hours (see page 2)
November 18	Economic Dev. Council - 3:00 p.m.

**ASU Small Business Development Center**

The Small Business Development Center is located on the ASU Campus. Classes are in Rassman Bldg. Conference Room 100 and are free unless otherwise specified. To register, call 942-2098 or e-mail [sbdc@angelo.edu](mailto:sbdc@angelo.edu).

**Essentials of Starting a New Business**

November 5  
 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

**Business Plan**

November 12  
 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.