



WEEKLY WRAP UP for Friday, May 3, 2019



A message from your Chamber

For the third year, the Taylor Chamber of Commerce is teaming up with Serving Social to offer a day of free marketing workshops for Taylor area businesses during Small Business Week.

"I am delighted that Kristie and Elijah Whites are coming back to Taylor," Chamber President and CEO Tia Rae Stone said. "Their workshops are always so much fun and they really give you good information that you can go back to your computer and put to work for you immediately."

This year's workshops will be from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on May 9 at Texas Beer Company, 201 N. Main St. in Taylor.

Business owners, managers and entrepreneurs are welcome to come to one of all of the workshops. Topics and times are

- 8-9 a.m. Influencer Marketing
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Social Media 101
- 11 a.m.- noon Google Local - Maps & Search Marketing
- 1:30-2:30 p.m. Personal vs. Business Branding
- 3-4 p.m. Facebook Live - The how, when and where!
- 4:30-5:30 p.m. 18 Minute A Day Social Media Plan

Pre-registration is not necessary and the workshops will break for lunch from noon to 1:30 p.m.

The Greater Taylor Chamber of Commerce is a membership organization that provides business recognition, education and advocacy through dynamic programs and services. To learn more about the Chamber, these workshops or any Chamber programs, call 512-352-6364 or email info@taylorchamber.org.



May 4 municipal election

It's time for residents of District 1 to vote for our next Taylor City Council member. Polls are open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, May 4. Since this election is only for one District of the City of Taylor, voting should be quick and easy.

If you'd like to know more about the candidates, Herbert Brinkmeyer and Gerald Anderson, click [here](#) for a copy of the Election Guide published on April 21 by the Taylor Press.

Cookoff adds ribeye to the menu

Taylor will host its first steak cook-off in Murphy Park on Friday night, June 7, at the opening of the annual Taylor International BBQ Cook-off.

This is a Steak Cookoff Association-sanctioned contest. It is separate from TIBC and requires a separate registration and fees process. Cooks must register and pay online through the [SCA website](#) or through the link on the [TIBC Facebook page](#).

The winner of the steak contest will take home \$750 and an invitation to the World Steak Championship in Fort Worth. Money is also given second place, \$400; third place, \$200; fourth place, \$100 and fifth place, \$50.

Entry fee for the steak cook-off is \$100 and ribeye steaks are provided. They will be judged by SCA trained and approved judges.

The event has an add-on category for margaritas and a stand-alone (or add-on) category for child cooks.

Margaritas can include alcohol or not. Entering this category is only for those who are also entering the steak contest. The cost is an extra \$25.

Winners in this category will take home \$100 for first place, \$75 for second and \$50 for third.

Youngsters and youth who participate in the grilled cheese category stand to win \$100 for the top prize and ribbons for places first through fifth. IT carries a \$25 entry fee.

The event will begin with a cooks meeting at 5 p.m. with the awards ceremony at 9:30 p.m.





Cooks need to register by May 31

We are gearing up for the 41st Taylor International BBQ Cookoff in Murphy Park on June 7-8!

IF you want to cook and complete please have your team registered by FRIDAY, MAY 31, to ensure we have time to do all the prep work.

SIGN UP TODAY using the forms [here](#).

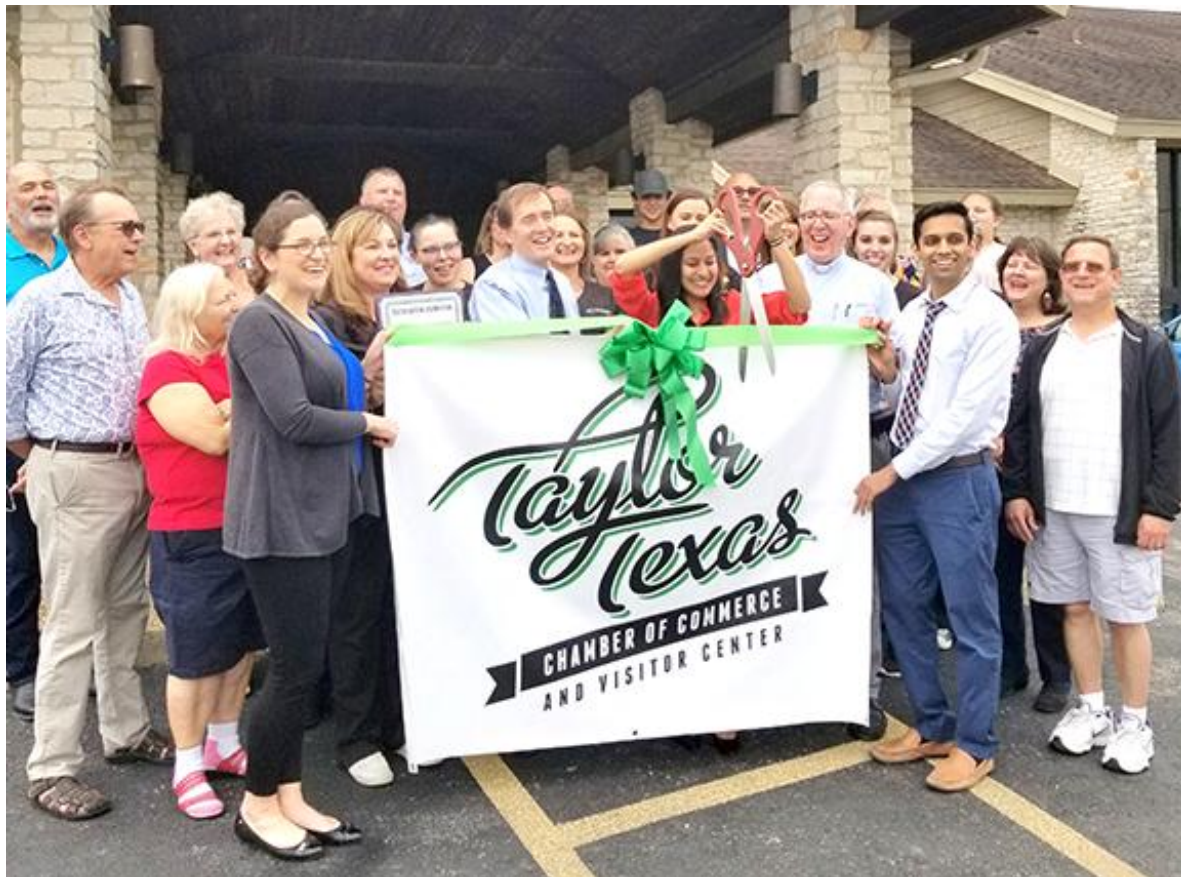
And, of course, we need judges. We will be judging about 100 samples each of brisket, pork, chicken and "cook's choice" entries and about that many samples of beans and barbecue sauce. If you are over 21 and can help out by judging, one, two or even three categories, we will thank you with adult beverages, snacks to clear your pallet and lots and lots of fun. You can register to be a judge by clicking [this link](#).

It's going to be a GREAT time!

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Chamber News & Calendar

Ribbon cutting



The Chamber and its Ambassadors joined the doctors and staff at Eye Associates of Central Texas on April 30 to celebrate the grand re-opening of their offices after a substantial remodel. Eye Associates is at 603 Mallard Ln in Taylor. They are open 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. on Friday. To learn more about this business call 512-352-7664 or go online to <http://eyeassociatetexas.com/>

Chamber Calendar

- Thursday, May 9, 8 a.m. -- **Finance committee:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Thursday, May 9, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. -- **FREE SMALL BUSINESS WEEK WORKSHOPS**, Texas Beer Company, 201 N. Main St.
- Tuesday, May 14, 4 p.m. -- **Tourism committee:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Monday, May 20, noon -- **Monthly luncheon:** Visit with representatives from Valero, Sirloin Stockade, 3607 N. Main St.
- Monday, May 20, 5:15 p.m. -- **Chamber board:** Sirloin Stockade, 3607 N. Main St.
- Wednesday, May 22, noon -- **Programs & Services:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Wednesday, May 29, noon -- **Ambassadors:** Gatti's Pizza, 2704 N. Main St.
- Thursday, May 30, 7:30 a.m. -- **Funding committee:** Mariachis de Jalisco, 3100 N. Main St.

Member News and Events

Pre-kindergarten registration

St. Paul Lutheran Child Development Center is registering students for its Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 programs through May 13. Register at 301 W 7th St. For information, email stpaulcdc@austin.rr.com or call 512-352-2773.

Job openings

St Paul Child Development Center is accepting application for full-time, part-time and summer teaching staff.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age with a high school diploma, clear background check and capable of lifting 40 pounds frequently. Of course a high energy level and a love of working with children are also required.

Salary based on education, experience and work ethic. Will train qualified applicants. Applying in person is recommended at 301 W 7th St., Taylor. Resumes may be sent to stpaulcdc@austin.rr.com. For information call 512-352-2773.

Barbecue Chicken dinner

Tenth Street United Methodist Church will host its annual to-go barbecue chicken dinner 5-7 p.m. Saturday, May 11. Tickets are \$10 and include half of a chicken, trimmings and dessert. To get tickets, call 512-352-2244. The church is at 410 W. 10th St. at the corner of Hackberry.

Free shredding

Dispose of no longer needed documents safely at the Citizen's National Bank free shredding event 9 a.m.-3 p.m. May 8-10 and 13-15. They will shred up to three boxes with a suggested donation of a children's book to benefit [BookSpring](#). Binder clips and binders are not permitted. Stapled papers and catalogs must be under 1-inch thick. Citizens National Bank is at 316 N. Main St.

Williamson County Expo Center

Click [here](#) to look at what's going on out at the Expo Center.

American Legion activities

[Click here](#) or [here](#) for upcoming events.

SPJST #29 Activities

Click for the April schedule [here](#) and for the May schedule [here](#).

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