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Annual Banquet A Success

A surprised Tom Ferguson accepted the 2010 Outstanding Citizen Award at the Annual Chamber Banquet held March 25.

Tom has assisted numerous people through his volunteer work on several boards through his years in Sunray and Dumas. He currently serves as President of the Dumas Noon Lions Club, one of the largest Lions Club in the world.

Congratulations, Tom! Receiving the Chamber Volunteer of the Year was Tracy DeShazo for her efforts in leading the Barrels

of Flowers project. Over 70 barrels were planted and placed in front of businesses last year.

The Dumas Education Foundation was the recipient of the Community Leadership Award for its efforts in providing scholarships through its QUEST Program designed to assist high school students to further their education at Amarillo College, Moore County Campus.

Jack Oldham Oil was presented with the Small Business Award. This company has expanded during this past year and remains as a fine exam-

ple of the area's customer service-oriented businesses.

Nadine Holberg, a good volunteer, received the award for the Dumas Visitor Center Volunteer of the Year.

The Window on the Plains award, the Joyce Dillow Heritage Award went to Mike Simms for his untiring efforts in helping the Museum and the Art Center grow.

Jeff Turner, Chairman of the Board of the Chamber, emceed the evening with a friendly tone. He good naturedly poked fun at Jim Haugen when he presented Jim with the Past Chairman's plaque. Jim left last August to accept the Amarillo YMCA job. Jeff had to step in and finish 2010 and then begin the current year.

Congratulations to all the recipients!

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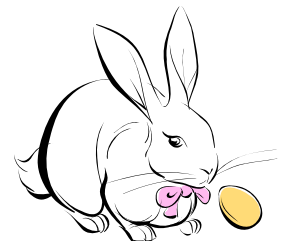
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Award winners for 2010 Annual Banquet. Left to right: Ricky Bynum-Jack Oldham Oil, Nadine Holberg-Visitor Center Volunteer of the Year, DEF (Brenda Rice, Bob Brinkmann), Tracy DeShazo-Chamber Volunteer of the Year, Peggy & Tom Ferguson-Outstanding Citizen, Shawn Frische-DEF. Photo by Jackie Wiswell, High Plains Observer



Operation Thank You

A membership retention project of the Chamber called Operation Thank You is scheduled for Wednesday, April 20.

This project involves a personal visitation from a Chamber volunteer to a chamber member. The purpose is to thank the member for its membership in the chamber.

It is a great project for businesses and individuals who want to gain more exposure to several people and at the same time doing good public relations for the chamber.

If you can give some time to this project (about one to two

hours) on April 20, please call the chamber at 935-2123.

Visitation packets will be given to the volunteers at 8:30 a.m. at the chamber office on April 20.

Upcoming Events

Operation Thank You

Wednesday, April 20
Meet at the Chamber
8:30 a.m.

Networking Breakfast

Friday, May 6, 2011
7:00 a.m.
location: Dumas Noon Lions
Club Building

Leadership Class Day

Wednesday, May 11, 2011
Topic:

Health Services

Dumas Clean Up Day

Saturday, May 14
Meet at McDade Park
9:00 a.m.

Barrels of Flowers

It's time again to think of spring and flowers. Think especially of the Barrels of Flowers project which the Chamber's Beautification Committee sponsors each year.

Tracy DeShazo is chairing the project again this spring and encourages chamber businesses

to purchase a half barrel of flowers or renew your old barrel for replanting.

All of the flower barrels are to be planted and placed by the end of May. The Beautification Committee will handle the planting and placing.

To order a barrel or renew your old one, please contact the Chamber at 935-2123. Cost is \$25 per half barrel.

Breakfast Scheduled for May 6

Friday May 6 is the date scheduled for the next Networking Breakfast. The breakfast will be held at the Dumas Noon Lions Club Building at 7 a.m.

Jeff Turner, Chairman of the Board of our chamber and CEO of Moore Count Hospital District and Dr. Roy Marokus, M.D. will be the guest speak-

ers.

Dr. Marokus is heading up a new service being provided by MCHD. The service is occupational medicine. This new unit of the growing hospital will be able to provide great benefits to our area businesses and workforce.

Once again, the chamber's Women's Division will present the Good Neighbor Award and the Chamber's Customer Service Award is to be presented.

Cost of the breakfast is \$5. Please call the Chamber at 935-2123 to RSVP.



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