



Falls Forward - Monday Edition: Things You Don't Want to Miss

Welcome to the third week of our exciting Falls Forward - Monday Edition, where we showcase a diverse array of events taking place both at the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce and within our vibrant community. If you have events that have a broad audience appeal, please send the event information and image to candice@wichitafallschamber.com and we will include it if possible. If you know someone who would appreciate the information we are sharing, please have them sign up for our newsletter by scrolling to the bottom of our [website](#) and signing up!

18 Chances to Be Generous

Ron Kitchens, ceo of the Chamber, has a saying "People like us, do things like that." The people of Wichita Falls deliver on this saying. At our past 18 events – Wake Up Wichita Falls and Business After Hours, people have donated money to a jackpot. The Host Business chooses a charity and the person who wins the jackpot can either take the money or choose to donate to the charity chosen. Out of 18 opportunities, all 18 winners have chosen to donate the money to a local charity. People in Wichita Falls, do things like that.

Featured Board Member



Ripley Tate of [Web Fire Communications](#) serves as a Board Member for the Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce because he wants to help our community and local businesses. He loves this community because he is a native Wichitan. Though he has lived in other places and has traveled to many more, he appreciates the friendly atmosphere that is a product of our citizens. When he's not working, you might find him enjoying lunch at Casa Manana or McBride's Steakhouse. Ripley tries to attend as many activities as possible throughout the community and is often seen at many of the Chamber events as well. His favorite part of being part of the Chamber is the ability to network with members and their respective businesses. Whenever possible, he wants to help by contributing needed resources to attract outside investments for local economic development. He isn't just focused on his own business but also loves to assist companies achieve their goals, grow and improve their profitability. Ripley believes in making strong, concerted efforts focused on economic development and expansion to build Wichita Falls. He knows his strengths and just wants to do what he can to help. If someone is interested in joining the Chamber, he would tell them to ask themselves what their goals are and to learn how the Chamber can assist them. When interviewed, he had many wise pieces of advice reminding people that "they will get out of it, what they put into it". If you want to expand your business, he shares that you need to participate in as many events and activities as possible for the incredible networking opportunities. If you want to expand our community, he suggests that you "write the biggest checks your budget will allow to help support the Chamber's mission" because "cheap economic development isn't good and good economic development isn't cheap". Ripley Tate, we appreciate all you do for our community and how you model what you expect of others. In addition to his thoughtful advice, he has written a free book called [The Heist](#) giving businesspeople information about the danger of cyber-attacks and how to prevent them.


Chamber Happenings


Leaderfest – December 2023

Tickets are now available for [Leaderfest](#) on December 7th! You may have heard about this exciting event, but let's dive into what it's all about. Leaderfest is proudly presented by your local Wichita Falls Chamber and promises to be an extraordinary experience featuring nationally renowned speakers.

The Wichita Falls Chamber understands that you are a vital part of shaping the future of our beloved city. With Leaderfest, we're committed to shaking up the status quo and enhancing the leadership capabilities within Wichita Falls. If this piques your interest, we invite you to explore our [website](#) for comprehensive event details and to discover our remarkable lineup of speakers.

Don't wait until it's too late to join the conversation; seize the opportunity to [buy tickets](#) now to be part of Leaderfest on December 7th! Your presence and participation are crucial as we embark on this inspiring journey together.




 **Leaderfest**

**If leadership is your thing,
you need to be at
Leaderfest.**

December 7, 2023 | Wichita Falls, TX

Learn more and get tickets
at www.leaderfest.us.

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Breaking Out Our Giant Scissors

Come join the Chamber Team and Gold Coat Ambassadors as we break out our oversized scissors to snip the red ribbon in celebration as members grow their presence in our community. On September 29, we will be celebrating the [Grand Opening](#) of [Pretty Please Master Hair Studio](#), located at 4020 Kemp Blvd, Suite E from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mark your calendars and head out to meet us!

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Coffee and Connections at Wake-Up Wichita Falls

What better way to start your day off than with a good cup of coffee and some great business connections? This [Wake-Up Wichita Falls](#) will be hosted by [DJ Dickey of Farmers Insurance](#) at the

new [Delta Hotel by Marriott Wichita Falls Convention Center](#) on October 5, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. They are located at 306 Travis Street. Begin the day supporting a local business and talking with business owners.

Join the Chamber for **Wake Up Wichita Falls**



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Community Events

Featured Weekday Event - **Memento Juried Art Exhibition**

We are all familiar with Art Exhibits, but have you ever heard of a “Juried” Art Exhibit? [9th Street Studios](#) is hosting an event called the [Memento Juried Art Exhibition](#). To participate, artists were required to present their pieces to a jury to be part of the collection. Over 30 artists will be on display until October 30th. The collection is simply titled “Art that Reminds Us” featuring various types of art from Texas, Oklahoma and Canada. As their website claims, it features “Humble, ordinary items” that “become sacred artifacts when they are imbued with personal sentiment”. Their pieces represent specific moments from the chapters of their lives.



Featured Weekend Event - **Kid's Night Out**

When the kids are away, the parents can play... or take a nap, go to dinner or run errands. [CrashWorks STEAM Studio and MakerSpace](#) is offering a [Kid's Night Out](#) on Friday, October 6 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. In case you are not familiar, CrashWorks is a fun and educational

space for kids. This event will include pizza, a drink, and most importantly adult supervision with lots of hands-on activities! If you are interested, make sure you [order tickets](#) in advance.



What's Happening This Week?

9.25 ~ [Foster Care Information Night](#), at Park Place Christian Church, located at 4400 Call Field Road #2246, at 7:00 p.m.

9.25 ~ [Commissioner's Court](#), at 900 7th Street or on [Zoom](#), at 10:00 a.m.

9.26 ~ [Wine Bingo for the Miracle League of Wichita Falls](#), sponsored by OG Cellars at The Holt, located at 600 8th Street, Suite 100, at 7:00 p.m.

9.27 ~ [Adult Ballet Class](#), at the Wichita Falls Parks & Recreation Room 213, located at 600 11th Street, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

9.27 ~ [September's Falls Town Social](#), about the Bike Laws in Texas, hosted by Bicycle ER, located at 502 Wichita Street, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

9.28 ~ [Storytime](#), hosted by the Wichita Falls Public Library, located at 600 11th Street, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

9.28 ~ [Late Night Thursdays at The Kemp](#), located at 1300 Lamar Street, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

9.29 ~ [Critical Mass WF - Bike Ride](#), located at Park Central, on 815 Scott Street, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

9.30 ~ [Wichita Falls Buddy Walk](#) at Garnett Field, located at 4712 Barnett Road, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

9.30 ~ [MSU Cycling Mountain Bike Race](#) at the WeeChiTah Trail, starting at 10:00 a.m.

9.30 ~ [Prohibition Party at the Kell House](#), located at 900 Bluff Street, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 pm.

What's Happening Next Week?

10.1 ~ [Cheerleading Clinic & Contest](#) at Memorial Stadium, located at 5401 Southwest Parkway, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

10.2 ~ [Pickleball](#) at Jefferson Elementary, located at 4628 Mistletoe Road, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

10.3 ~ [Taco Tuesday Street Tacos and Ice Cream on Your Lunch Break](#), located at 1315 Kemp Blvd, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

10.3 ~ [Wichita Falls Career Fair with Holt Truck Centers](#), at the Ray Clymer Exhibit Hall, located at 1000 5th Street, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

10.4 ~ [Acrylic Painting Classes](#), brought to you by the Wichita Falls Parks and Recreation Department, located at 600 11th Street, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

10.5 ~ [October After Hours Art Walk](#), at the Big Blue Building, located at 719 Scott Avenue, from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

10.5 ~ [The Race - A Unique Bike Challenge for our Future Leaders](#) at the Hamilton Building, located at 900 8th Street, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

10.6 ~ [Into the Woods](#), opening October 6 through October 21, at the Wichita Theater, located at 919 Indiana Avenue, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

10.6 ~ [Kid's Night Out, hosted by CrashWorks STEAM Studio](#), located at 900 I

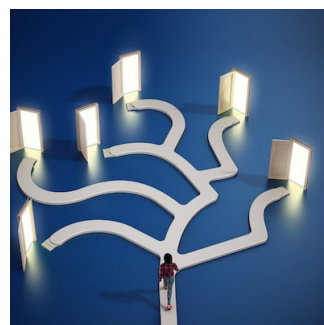
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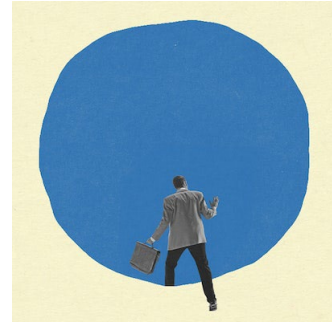


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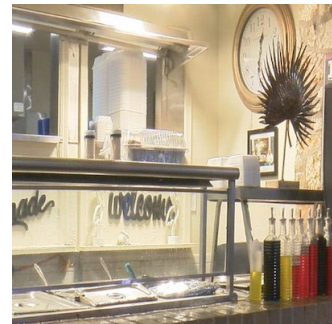


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East Side Wichita Falls continues to see growth

The East Side of Wichita Falls is seeing a boost in businesses. One business owner on the East Side saw the community he loved go through ups and downs. He wants to see the East Side turn into the city he once knew it as.

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**Isn't it time you joined the
Wichita Falls Chamber?**

Start making the right connections today to take your business to the next level.



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**Grow your business in
Wichita Falls.**



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