

# 2016

Lufkin/Angelina County Chamber of Commerce

## IN REVIEW

### FIRST FRIDAY LUNCHEON

12 First Friday Luncheons with over 1,500 in attendance

### SPECIAL LUNCHEONS



STATE OF THE CITY



STATE OF THE COUNTY



STATE OF THE SCHOOLS



SILVER SPIKE - **DANA SMITHHART**



NEW MEMBER SHOWCASE



SMALL BUSINESSES OF THE YEAR

1-10 EMPLOYEES..... **AIR COOLED ENGINE CO.**

11-50 EMPLOYEES..... **CENTER FOR SIGHT**

51-100 EMPLOYEES..... **PID GROUP**



TEACHER OF THE YEAR

## GREAT HAPPENINGS IN 2016

- **78** new members-More than **785** total
- Charlene Black retired as the Information Specialist of the Lufkin/Angelina County Chamber of Commerce after almost 20 years of service.
- Hosted more than **60** networking events for members
- Young Professionals Network held **12** networking events including socials, happy hours, and a Lunch & Learn series
- Hosted Lufkin/Angelina County Day in Austin with over **200** attendees
- Held the 19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SCIENCE & TECH FAIR with more than **1,000** students participating from all six school districts in Angelina County
- Held the 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FOREST COUNTRY JOB FAIR with more than **1,600** job seekers attending
- Held the 9<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TEE IT UP FOR TEACHERS GOLF TOURNAMENT. The proceeds from this tournament and previous tournaments helped bring Liz Murray, *Homeless to Harvard*, to speak to local teachers
- Held the 8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ELECTED OFFICIALS RECEPTION
- Inducted **2** individuals into the Business Hall of Fame:
  - **Simon Wood Henderson (1859-1923)**
  - **Joseph Hubert Kurth (1857-1930)**
- Recognized Healthcare Professionals at the 9<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SALUTE TO HEALTHCARE BANQUET
  - **Nurse of the Year: Tina Ford, RN**
  - **Healthcare Professional of the Year: Cheryl Suiter, MD**
  - **Individual of Merit: Tina Alexander-Sellers**
  - **Lifetime Achievement Award: Gary Looper**
- Held the 96<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHAMBER BANQUET & MEETING
  - **Diplomat of the Year: Ray Ann Baker**
  - **Angelina Award: Ellen & Buddy Temple**
  - **Golden Anvil Award: Rufus Duncan, Jr.**
- Held the Leadership Lufkin Alumni Association's first Dueling Piano event and sold out the event
- Successful Chamber resolution regarding the Department of Labor's Overtime Rule
- Economic Development Partnership moved under the Chamber's management with Chamber Staff executing the daily operations.

The Chamber launched the new, redesigned **LufkinTexas.org** in February. This includes the addition of **HireLufkin.com**, a job board for Angelina County.

30,539 total visits

22,074 unique visitors

52,941 page views

