



# CHAMBER NEWS

JULY/AUGUST 2021



## It's Car Show Time!

When you think of September events in Hooker, the first thing that comes to mind is the Hooker Car Show. Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> downtown Hooker will once again be lined with classic cars, motorcycles, vendors, rides, and food. As always, the event is expected to draw people from near and far. This year marks the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the car show, which is put on by the car club. It's a great event for the town, and our chamber members. We hope to see everyone there. Enjoy!

### BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES

**Hooker Fights Hunger Food Pantry**  
Established July 1, 2020

**Hooker Insurance Agency**  
Established July 1, 2020

**TCEC**  
Established August 14, 1945

**Thurman-Wilson Insurance Agency**  
Established August 3, 1992

**Smittys Bar & Grill**  
Established August 1, 2020

**Aaron Witt Photography**  
Established August 1, 2020

### Upcoming Chamber Events

Fall is coming, and that means its time to plan for autumn and holiday chamber events. We have had a little difficulty scheduling our annual golf tournament, which is now tentatively planned for Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Golfers have commented that holding the tournament in the cooler weather of October sounds good. It is also time to begin planning for the Halloween Parade and our Christmas events. Everyone is encouraged to get involved to help promote our local businesses and our wonderful community.

### August Chamber Meeting

The August Chamber Membership Meeting was a bit unusual. Members were invited to an awesome ribeye dinner with all the trimmings prepared by Wendell Mills. About 22 members attended. We conducted our monthly business then opened the meeting to an informal discussion of what members would like to see for the chamber going forward. Having the meeting in the evening gave everyone a chance to relax and not have to rush back to work. We appreciate all who attended and hope to see you all at our next meeting on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon.



# Welcome New Member

We are happy to welcome new chamber member Hooked Up Nutrition. Thank you, Teresa Holland, for becoming a member of the Hooker Chamber of Commerce.

# Chamber 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration

Many thanks to everyone who helped with this year's 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. Approximately 300 hotdogs were served, along with watermelon and drinks. The crowd participated in the National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance, and were entertained with great music from MoTown's Music and Sound throughout the event. Free swimming and an awesome fireworks display finished the day. Special thanks to the Hooker Firefighters, MoTown's Music and Sound, Angela and Maddie Flanagan, Loyal Doers 4H Color Guard, Hooker Swimming Pool workers, Dewaine Osborn and crew, and everyone else who lent a hand to help.



# 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Thank you to everyone who worked to make our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration a success. Good weather, plenty of Junk Fest vendors, great food and wonderful entertainment made the day special. Thank you to Smiitys Bar & Grill, Ashley Jimenez, Katelyn Thomas, the Alma Folklorica Dancers, HALO, the City of Hooker and all those who worked throughout the event.

# September Meeting

Mark your calendar to attend the monthly chamber membership meeting. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon, at the Hooker Community Center. Our September meeting will be busy as we begin planning our fall events. Hope to see you there!

### 2021 Chamber Officers:

Mary Beth Puyear, President  
Brenda Romero, Vice President  
Craig Adams, Treasurer  
Sheila Blankenship, Secretary

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### 2021 Chamber Events

Events are subject to change and updates will be made as needed.

March 27	Easter Egg Hunt
June 26	Chamber 100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration
July 4	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Celebration
October 2	Chamber Golf Tournament
October 31	Halloween Parade
December 4	Christmas Parade
December 9	Christmas Cookie Crawl

CHAMBER COMMERCE CASH IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR FOR GIFTS, PRIZES AND AWARDS. GIVE A GIFT THAT PROMOTES SHOPPING LOCALLY! SEE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HOOKER TO PURCHASE. NO PURCHASE FEES. ALL CHAMBER MEMBERS CAN ACCEPT COMMERCE CASH.

# Member Business Promotion

Gold and Silver Chamber members are eligible for 2 promotions per year on our website and member communications. To request a promotion, contact

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