



ENNIS

Chamber of Commerce

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION PACKET

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ENNIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Membership Form

Company/Business Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Position: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

Billing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Website: _____

Type of Business: _____ Number of Employees: _____

Categories for Annual Chamber Dues Investments

-Individuals/Couples	\$75 per year	-Banks-		-Industries -	
-Non-Profits/Churches	\$75 per year	0-50 Deposits	\$775 per year	200+ Employees	\$2,000 per year
-Businesses		50+ Deposits	\$1000 per year	300+ Employees	Negotiable
1-10 Employees	\$175 per year	-Public Utilities	\$1000 per year		
11-25 Employees	\$225 per year	-Major Retail Chains	\$1000 per year		
26- 50 Employees	\$275 per year	-Hotel/Motel/Apartments			
51-100 Employees	\$575 per year	and Nursing Homes	\$275 per year		
101+ Employees	\$1000 per year	-New Car Dealer	\$525 per year		
Associate Membership	\$125 per year				

The undersigned hereby applies for membership in the **Ennis Chamber of Commerce**. I have enclosed a check for \$_____ for the payment of the first 12 month's dues. I understand my membership will be renewed annually in the month in which I joined unless I cancel my membership, in advance, in writing. Non-payment of dues past 90 days will result in membership termination and reactivation fees may apply.

Signed Date

Please list the company employees with their titles who will be listed as company representatives.

1. Name: _____ Title _____

2. Name: _____ Title _____

Dues are non-deductible as a charitable donation but may be deducted as a business expense according to the IRS.

Would like to receive Chamber information by: (Circle one) Mail E-mail Both

___H.O ___Dir. ___Excel ___QB ___E-mail ___Intro Lett ___Paid ___W.S ___Roble

CATEGORY – QUICK LINKS – Please circle up to 4 locations

Advertising & Media – Marketing & Related Services: 1) Awards & Recognition; 2) Embroidery; Printing, Copy, Design & Graphics; 3) Publishers-Directories & Guides; 4) Signs, Banners & Related Services; 5) Video Production

Automotive & Marine – 1)automotive sales & service; 2) Wrecker Services; 3) Rental; 4) Car Washes; 5) Tire Sales; 6) Boat Marinas 7) Fueling Services; 8) Motorcycle Sales & Service

Computers & Telecommunications – Telecommunications & Related Services; 1) Computer Education Services; 2) Computer Sales, Service, Programming & consulting; 3) E-Commerce; 4) Internet Consultants & Web Site Design; 5) Software Design & Consulting; 6) Telecommunication & Wireless Sales

Family, Community & Civic Organizations – 1) Non-Profit Organizations; 2) Better Business Bureau; 3) Chamber of Commerce

Health Care – 1) Ambulance/Ground & Air; 2) Assisted Living Facility/Alzheimers & Dementia; 3) Chiropractors; 4) Dentists; 5) Diagnostic & Developmental Services for Children; 6) Health, Wellness & Nutrition; 7) Healthcare Services; 8) Home Health Services; 9) Hospitals & Emergency Care Facilities; 10) Massage Therapists; 11) Medical Equipment & Supplies; 12) Medical Facilities; 13) Medical Spas; 14) Nursing & Rehab Facilities; 15) Physicians & Surgeons; 16) Retirement Communities & Assisted Living; 17) Skilled Nursing & Rehab; 18) Weight Loss & Wellness Services

Industrial Supplies & Services - 1) Rental Services; 2) Security & Fire; 3) Alarm System

Lodging & Travel – 1) Hotels & Motels; 2) Travel Agencies; 3) Banquet Facilities; 4) Entertainment; 5) Special Events & Conference Centers

Personal Services & Care – 1) Salons; 2) Barber Shops; 3) Child Care, Preschool; 4) Counseling Services; 5) Dry Cleaners; 6) Funeral Homes; 7) Skin Care & Cosmetics

Public Utilities & Environment – 1) Utility Companies; 2) Energy Services; 3) Recycling Service; 4) Trash Recycling; 5) Removal Service

Religious Organizations – Churches

Shopping & Specialty Retail – 1) Consignment Apparel Shops; 2) Consignment Furniture & Home Accessories; 3) Furniture & Home Furnishings; 4) Gift Shops; 5) Jewelry; 6) Office Furniture; 7) Office Supplies, Furniture & Equipment; 8) On-Line Shopping Malls; 9) Retail; 10) Shopping Centers & Malls; 11) Warehouse Clubs & Supercenters

Transportation Services – 1) Airport/International; 2) Convenience Stores

Arts, Culture & Entertainment – 1) Art Galleries; 2) Dealers & Consultants; 3) Art Schools; 4) Music; 5) Theatre Arts

Business & Professional Services – 1) Accounting, Bookkeeping, Payroll & Tax Preparation Services; 2) Architects; 3) Beverage Distributors; 4) Caterers; 5) Christmas Lights & Decorations; 6) Consulting Services; 7) Document Archive, Retrieval & Destruction; 8) Driver Education; 9) Employment Services; 10) Engineers, Architects & Environmental Consultants; 11) Event & Entertainment Productions; 12) Fire Protection; 13) Florists; 14) Freight Forwarders & Delivery Services; 15) Handyman Services; 16) Information Technology; 17) Investigators; 18) Janitorial Services; 19) Locksmiths; 20) Maid Services; 21) Mailing & Shipping Services; 22) Newspapers; 23) Packaging, Shopping Supplies & Equipment; 24) Painting Instruction; 25) Pest Control Services; 26) Photobooth Rentals; 27) Photography; 28) Restaurant Services; 29) Retail/Office Suites; 30) Trade Shows, Conventions & Special Event Services; 31) Training & Client Development; 32) Valet Services; 33) Window Cleaning & Related Services; 34) Word Processing Services

Construction Equipment & Contractors – 1) Construction, Remodeling & Specialty Services; 2) Contractors; 3) Electrical Contractors; 4) Painting Contractors; 5) Plumbing Services; 6) Roofing; 7) Swimming Pool Contractors & Services

Finance & Insurance – 1) Banks; 2) Check Printing; 3) Commercial Finance; 4) Credit Unions; 5) Financial Planning; 6) Merchant Services & Credit Card Processing

Government, Education & Individuals – 1) City of Ennis; 2) Government Offices; 3) Schools – Public

Home & Garden – 1) Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration; 2) Appliance Sales & Service; 3) Batteries & Accessories; 4) Carpet Cleaning; 5) Chimney Cleaning; 6) Flooring; 7) Granite & Tile Remodelers; 8) Home Entertainment & Theater Systems; 9) Home Repair & Maintenance Services; 10) Inspection Services; 11) Interior Design; 12) Landscaping Services, Garden Centers & Nurseries; 13) Lawn Equipment – Sales, Service & Parts; 14) Window Coverings

Legal - Attorneys & Legal Services

Manufacturing, Production & Wholesale – 1) Aircraft Parts & Supplies; 2) Lubricant Refining; 3) Manufacturers; 4) Oil & Gas Exploration & Development; 5) Wholesale Distributors

Pets & Veterinary – Pet Services – 1) Veterinarian; 2) Grooming; 3) Pet Supply Sales; 3)

Real Estate, Moving & Storage - 1) Apartments; 2) Executive Suites & Office Leasing; 3) Mortgages Companies; 4) Moving & Storage; 5) Real Estate Agents & Brokers; 6) Real Estate Appraisers; 7) Real Estate Developers & Investors; 8) Senior Housing Referral Service; 9) Senior Move Managers; 10) Storage-Household & Commercial; 11) Surveyors – Land; 12) Title Companies; 13) Townhomes

Restaurants, Food & Beverage - 1) Bakeries; 2) Frozen Dessert Shops; 3) Ice Manufacturers; 4) Liquor Stores; 5) Restaurants; 6) Super Markets; 7) Tea Rooms; 8) Wholesalers/Live Seafood

Sports & Recreation - 1) Bicycle Sales & Repair; 2) Dinner Theaters; 3) Entertainment, Recreation & Related Services; 4) Golf; 5) Golf Cars & Carts; 6) Martial Arts Instruction; 7) Tai Chi Studios; 8) Yoga Studios; 9) Youth Sports

Wine & Wineries – Wineries/Wine Tasting;

Other: _____



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ENNIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Information on Membership Categories

Membership investment rates in the Ennis Chamber of Commerce are determined based on number of employees, unless a business falls under another category definition. The following exceptions apply:

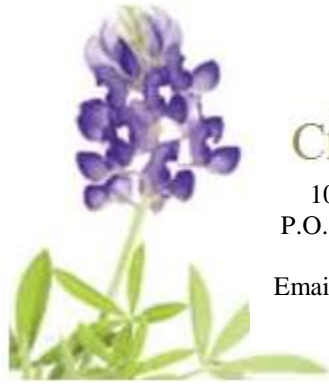
CHURCHES - Churches may join the Chamber for an annual investment of \$75. A church with a membership has the same benefits and opportunities as all other businesses.

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS - Nonprofit and volunteer based organizations may join at the nonprofit rate of \$75 per year. To qualify for this listing the Chamber must be provided with a copy of the organizations 501-3c form. A nonprofit organization will receive the same benefits and opportunities as all other businesses.

INDIVIDUALS/COUPLES - Individuals and couples may become members of the Chamber for non-business purposes for the annual rate of \$75. It is not the intent of the individual or couple to promote or advance the individual's business in which he/she owns. No brochures, business cards or promotion of this business will be allowed. However, the individual or couple will be invited to all of the same events as business members.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP - Each business member is allowed up to 4 representatives with its membership. In addition employees of this business would like to become members, there is an annual fee of \$125. This entitles them to their own listing in the directory, newsletter and any other Chamber publication under the parent company. Associate Members only exist when the parent company's membership is current.

Services and benefits provided by the Chamber of Commerce are paid for through membership dues and investments to maintain quality services and benefits, the Chamber must be sure to cover its costs. Volunteers provide valuable additional time and materials. The membership investments are set to cover the annual costs to maintain a professional office and 12 month action program.



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***WHY* Should I Join the ENNIS CHAMBER of COMMERCE?**

BECAUSE... According to an ACCE* national study, consumers are 63% more likely to buy from chamber members! Membership can significantly boost a business' image among consumers!

**American Chamber of Commerce Executives*

BECAUSE... you are a citizen doing business in the city and sharing in its prosperity. The obligations of business citizenship challenge every person and institution to subscribe actively to the advancement of the community of which you are a part.

BECAUSE... you prosper as our area prospers. By helping to build a thriving community, your investment is strengthened and your opportunities are broadened. You have a personal interest in these objectives.

BECAUSE... progress and prosperity depend upon the development of a sound economic and social structure. These result from a vigilant aggressiveness and continuing program of activities designed to cultivate opportunities and capitalize on advantages.

BECAUSE... the support of all business and professional people is necessary to bring about the economic improvement of our area and the civic and business development demanded by our modern standards of living.

BECAUSE... the goals can be reached only by united efforts through an organization equipped to study and conduct a sound program of community progress.

BECAUSE... the Chamber of Commerce is the only organization consistently and exclusively engaged in promoting the civic and economic development of ***YOUR*** area!



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WHAT Do I Get for my Membership?

The Ennis Chamber of Commerce is the best way to get **YOUR** name out there! Because the Chamber is run on membership revenue, we only give out the information we have on our members! If you're not a member, we can't recommend you. Its *that* simple!

The Ennis Chamber of Commerce also offers a brochure rack in the office dedicated to member brochures, business cards and other information! This information is available to the 100+ visitors that walk into the Chamber and the 20+ relocation packets sent out **MONTHLY**.

As a Chamber member, you will also be given the opportunity to host various gatherings. The first is a **Ribbon Cutting** for new members. We will provide the ribbon, scissors and a beautiful wooden plaque. All you provide is the food and information. We will also take pictures to be published in our Quarterly Newsletter, the Ennis Daily News and Ennis NOW! magazine. The Chamber will also put the information on its monthly event card and in an e-mail blast to all members. The second networking opportunity is hosting a **Business After Hours**. This is a gathering held after business hours where you can network and visit with other Chamber members. Again, the Chamber will take pictures for the above listed publication.

FREE usage of the Board Room every Quarter. You are able to use the Chamber's Board Room during business hours (9 a.m. – 4 p.m.). Our boardroom has been used for various things from company luncheon meetings to job fairs to company hosted seminars. The board room will be available for you every quarter, after the four quarters are used, there will be a charge of \$50 per event.

You will also have the opportunity to be featured in the Chamber's quarterly newsletter, **Ennis Chamber of Commerce Business News**. New and renewed members are listed with pictures of ribbon cuttings, Business After Hours and other Chamber events. Members are also chosen, based on community involvement, to be written about in spotlight articles.

FREE access to our membership list whether it's e-mailed to you or printed out on mailing labels. Other Chambers charge for this service, we offer it free of charge as just another way to get **YOUR** name out!

As a member, you are eligible to participate in the *Leadership Ennis Program*. This program is designed to help build leaders for our community. The group also provides a college scholarship for a graduating Ennis High School senior. For more information please contact our office.

Tell *US* how we can help *YOU*! This is your Chamber of Commerce! If you have a need please let us know! We will do whatever we can to make you happy!



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Ribbon Cuttings

Ribbon cuttings are held between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. They can be held in the at your place of business or the Chamber's board room. The Chamber provides the ribbon, a membership plaque made by the Ennis Junior High woodworking class and takes pictures to put in the newspapers and other publications. We do ask that you provide refreshments.

The Chamber sends out monthly Calendar of Events cards to our membership of over 400 on or around the 3rd Monday of each month announcing the upcoming month's activities. To make sure your ribbon cutting is on the card it will need to be scheduled, the Ribbon Cutting Agreement filled out and returned to the Chamber final arrangements made by that time. In the event of a scheduling change once the cards have been mailed, the chamber will notify via e-mail board members, ambassadors, City officials and members who have provided us with their e-mail addresses. If personal invitations were extended, it will be your responsibility to notify them of any changes.

If you need to use our boardroom for your ribbon cutting please note that it is not available the month of August. You may re-arrange the room, however it must be returned to the original setting upon completion of your ribbon cutting.

Ribbon cuttings can also be held in conjunction with a Business After Hours.

Business After Hours

Business After Hours are held from 5:15 pm to 6:15 pm Tuesday through Thursday. Each event is held only once a month. They can be held at your place of business or in the Chamber's board room. We ask that you provide refreshments and a minimum of 3 door prizes. The same rules for set up (if the Chamber's board room is used) and notification that apply to the ribbon cuttings also apply here.

If you are interested in hosting any of these events please contact the Chamber to set up a date. Please fill out and return the attached agreement to the Chamber so we can have an accurate record of the event details and contact information. If we can assist you in anyway, please don't hesitate to call us.



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Ribbon Cutting Agreement

I would like to hold a ribbon cutting at (time) _____ on (date) _____,
_____, 20_____.

Business After Hours Agreement

I would like to host a Business _____ Hours at (time) _____ on
(date) _____, 20_____.

() I would like to hold a ribbon cutting in conjunction with my Business _____ Hours.

Company Name

Name

Date

Event Location: _____

**Company address or in the Chamber board room*

Phone Number: _____

Please return completed form to the Chamber to reserve date.



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SPONSORSHIP Opportunities

Through out the year, the Ennis Chamber of Commerce hosts many events that have various sponsorship packages available. Below is a list of the events and sponsorship packages offered by the Ennis Chamber of Commerce.

ANNUAL AUCTION

The Chamber's main fundraiser for the year is its Annual Auction held in August. The night consists of dinner, live and silent auctions and features an award winning auctioneer. This event is widely publicized with over 600 attendees.

Available Sponsorships:

Platinum Sponsor: \$5000 *Exclusive* - This sponsor will receive 2 tables of 10, 40 drink tickets, company logo on the front of the program book, full page 4-color ad on the back cover plus a black and white center spread, corporate logo by main item donated in the program book, a 4x10 banner placed above the stage, acknowledgement through out the night by the auctioneer, entry table cover with name/logo, logo on all tickets and event advertising, promotional items on all tables and newspaper advertising as sponsor.

Silent Auction Sponsor: \$2500 *Exclusive* - This sponsor will receive 1 table of 10, 16 drink tickets, full page black and white ad in the program book, corporate logo by main item donated, newspaper advertising as sponsor and sponsor provided banner hung over silent auction area.

Gold Sponsor: \$2500 - This sponsor will receive 1 table of 10, 16 drink tickets, full page black and white ad in the program book, corporate logo by main item donated, newspaper advertisement as sponsor and sponsor provided banner hung in the hall.

Silver Sponsor: \$1000 - This sponsor will receive 1 table of 8, logo on silver sponsor banner hung in hall, and a ½ page black and white ad in the program book.

Bronze Sponsor: \$750 - This sponsor will 1 table of 8 and name on recognition page of sponsors in the program book.

MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

The Chamber hosts 3 luncheons during the year that have available sponsorships. These luncheons provide Chamber and member updates, new member announcements, lunch, a raffle and feature a guest speaker. During the fall luncheon, there is a presentation of various awards including the recognition of new a retiring directors, Industry of the Year, Community Service Award, Ambassador Award and Small Business award.

Available Sponsorships:

Luncheon Sponsor: \$250 - You will receive 4 seats at the luncheon, name on table and programs and will be able to place promotional items on the tables.

POLKA FESTIVAL

The National Polka Festival is an annual event that celebrates Ennis' Czech heritage. It is held Memorial Day weekend and draws in an average of 20,000 people The Chamber coordinates the parade and 2 day downtown Arts and Crafts festival. All sponsors will receive acknowledgement at the Chamber's Information Booth, in all ads and will also be allowed to display information at the Chamber's Information Booth the weekend of the festival.

Available Sponsorships:

Tent Sponsor: \$1500 *Exclusive* - The tent sponsor will have a sign/banner on the tent used for the downtown street dance.

Golf Cart Sponsor: \$600 *Exclusive* - The golf cart sponsor will have a sign on all golf carts rented by the Chamber of Commerce.

Miscellaneous Sponsor: \$250 *Multiple*- This sponsorship is to help with various expenses related to the downtown activities.



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ENNIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AMBASSADORS

Since the Chamber is membership funded, we rely heavily on our group of volunteers. This group is called the *Chamber Ambassadors*. They assist us with Ribbon Cuttings, Business after Hours, luncheons, Polka Festival, our annual auction and anything else we need. The Chamber really values everything our Ambassadors do for us.

While some Chambers charge to be members of their Ambassador group, there is no fee to be an Ennis Chamber Ambassador! The only requirement is being a member of the Ennis Chamber of Commerce. If you would like to become an Ambassador, please fill out the form below and return it to the Chamber so we have all of your contact information on hand!

Name: _____

Company: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

** The Ambassadors are notified of events via monthly even postcards and e-mail blasts**

The Ambassadors are also given the opportunity to purchase Ambassador shirts at half price and Ambassador name tags.

_____ Name Tag(s) at \$15 a piece for \$_____ total.

Name to Appear on Name Tag: _____

**Please print clearly*

_____ Long Sleeve Shirt(s) at \$14 a piece for \$_____ total. Size _____

_____ Short Sleeve Shirt(s) at \$13 a piece for \$_____ total. Size _____

_____ Please bill me _____ I have enclosed \$_____ for my items.

The Chamber picks up the additional costs of the shirts. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call us.