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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR...

Over the last five years, the Katy area has seen some of the most challenging times in its history. The area has flooded twice during the Tax Day Floods of 2016 and as a result of Hurricane Harvey in 2017. Incredible growth has continued to change the face of the community as a whole, creating an ever-evolving landscape for residents and business owners. This last year, the COVID-19 pandemic hit close to home and cost us the lives of community members and saw many businesses in the community close.

Still, in the face of the challenges of the last five years, the Katy area has a great deal to be grateful for. Each challenge has seen us come together in different ways to lift one another up. We've stood side-by-side mucking and gutting homes and businesses. We've reached out a helping hand when we heard about the loss of a beloved community member. We've mourned the loss of some of our favorite businesses.

Throughout these issues, it isn't just the individual residents that have stood by one another. Businesses throughout the community have stepped in to help their neighbors – sometimes even their competitors – to recover from the challenges the community has faced. An antique store owner had the staff at his construction company help clean out neighboring stores that had flooded. A downtown distillery brewed hand sanitizer and gave it away free to the community to help check the spread of a deadly disease. Those are just two examples of many.

This publication is dedicated to those businesses and business owners that have stepped forward and lifted the community up throughout the last five years of challenges. It is also dedicated to those businesses who fought their hardest to face these challenges but have shut their doors either temporarily or for good. We thank them for their contributions to the community, for their dedication to the place we all call home and for the ways they enrich our lives each and every day.

Thank you for your readership and your support of these businesses that help make Katy, Brookshire, Pattison and Cinco Ranch the amazing places to live that they are.

With appreciation,

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The Katy Times team congratulates the winners in the 2021 Best of Katy competition and we thank all of our community partners who sponsored this special publication.

AUTOMOTIVE



BEST CAR WASH

- Speedy Car Cleaning — Winner
- Buc-ee's — Second Place
- Quick Quack Car Wash — Third Place

BEST NEW CAR SALESMAN

- Vinny Gopinath/Katy Nissan — Winner

BEST NEW VEHICLE DEALER

- Jeff Haas Mazda — Winner
- Don McGill Toyota Service — Second Place
- Katy Nissan — Third Place

BEST OIL CHANGE

- Christian Brothers Automotive Fulshear — Winner
- Katy Quick Lube — Second Place
- Auto Care USA — Third Place

BEST PAINT AND BODY SHOP

- S & T Auto Body Services Inc — Winner
- Katy Custom Finishes — Second Place
- Fry Road Collision Center — Third Place

BEST RV DEALERSHIP

- Camping World of Houston — Winner
- Ron Hoover RV & Marine of West Houston — Second Place
- RV Station Katy — Third Place

BEST SERVICE AND REPAIR

- Christian Brothers Automotive Katy Firethorne — Winner
- Carsport Automotive — Second Place
- Christian Brothers Automotive Fulshear — Third Place





★ EXPLORING KATY HISTORY

Katy's first car dealership opened in 1916 and was run by O.L. Miller, a blacksmith. Miller opened the store at the corner of First Street and Avenue A and sold Maxwell, Chalmers and Chandler Cars with the business name Katy Auto Company. He eventually sold the Maxwell dealership to the Stockdick family in 1917. (Photo courtesy of Katy Heritage Society.)

BEST LEARNING CENTER

- Memorial Lutheran Preschool Katy — Winner
- Crosspoint Christian School — Second Place
- Aristoi Classical Academy — Third Place

BEST PRIVATE SCHOOL

- Crosspoint Christian School — Winner
- Memorial Lutheran Preschool Katy — Second Place
- Epiphany of the Lord Catholic School — Third Place

ENTERTAINMENT & SOCIAL

BEST BINGO

- No Label Brewing Co. — Winner
- Epiphany of the Lord — Second Place
- Katy Elks Lodge #2628 — Third Place

BEST TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT

- Brookside Equipment Sales — Winner
- Virnau Sealy Tractor — Second Place
- Cliff Jones — Third Place

BEST USED CAR DEALER

- CarMax — Winner
- Westside Chevrolet — Second Place
- Katy Nissan — Third Place

BEST USED CAR SALESMAN

- Vinny Gopinath/Katy Nissan — Winner



CHILDREN & EDUCATION



BEST COLLEGE

- Houston Community College - Katy Campus — Winner
- University of Houston-Victoria at Katy — Second Place
- Blinn College Sealy Campus — Third Place

BEST DAY CARE

- Katy's Early Childhood Enrichment Center — Winner
- Faith West Academy — Second Place
- Little Hands Learning Center — Third Place

BEST BOWLING

- Main Event Katy — Winner
- Times Square Entertainment — Second Place
- Star Cinema Grill — Third Place



BEST NIGHT CLUB

- Mo's Place — Winner
- Wildcatter Saloon — Second Place
- Katy Vibes: Great Food, Bar & Live Music — Third Place

BEST DATE SPOT

- Anthonie's Market Grill — Winner
- Pearl and Vine — Second Place
- Central Green Park — Third Place

BEST FAMILY FUN

- Andretti Indoor Karting & Games Katy — Winner (*Tie*)
- Battlehops Brewing — Winner (*Tie*)
- Main Event Katy — Winner (*Tie*)
- Central Green – Willow Fork Drainage District — Second Place
- Katy Gymnastics and Sports Performance — Third Place

BEST KARAOKE

- Southland Bar & Grill — Winner
- Katy Vibes — Second Place
- Soju 101 — Third Place

BEST LIVE MUSIC VENUE

- The Wildcatter Saloon — Winner
- No Label Brewing Co. — Second Place
- Central Green – Willow Fork Drainage District — Third Place

BEST PLACE FOR A BIRTHDAY PARTY

- Katy Gymnastics and Sports Performance — Winner
- The Local Bar Katy — Second Place
- Altitude Trampoline Park — Third Place

FOOD & DRINKS



BEST ASIAN CUISINE

- Tiger Noodle House — Winner
- Atami Steak and Sushi — Second Place (*Tie*)
- T Jin China Diner — Second Place (*Tie*)
- Phat Eatery — Third Place

BEST BAKERY

- Ooh La La Dessert Boutique — Winner
- Nothing Bundt Cakes — Second Place
- Great Harvest Bread Company — Third Place

BEST BARBECUE

- Midway Barbeque — Winner
- Brett's Barbecue Shop — Second Place
- Daddy Duncan's BBQ — Third Place

BEST BLOODY MARY

- MKT Distillery — Winner
- Scholars and Scoundrels — Second Place
- Local Table - Katy — Third Place

BEST BREAKFAST

- Snappys Cafe & Grill — Winner
- Katy Black Bear Diner — Second Place
- Snooze, an A.M. Eatery — Third Place

BEST BREAKFAST TACO

- Buc-ee's — Winner
- Taqueria Tex-Taco — Second Place
- Rudy's "Country Store" and Bar-B-Q — Third Place



BEST BURGERS

- Willy Burger — Winner
- Texas Borders Bar & Grill — Second Place
- Joy Love Burgers — Third Place

BEST CATERING

- That's My Dog — Winner
- El Jarrito Mexican Restaurant — Second Place
- Hasta La Pasta — Third Place

BEST CHICKEN FRIED STEAK

- Texas Borders Bar & Grill — Winner
- Mia's Table - Katy — Second Place
- Texas Tradition — Third Place

BEST CRAWFISH

- Texas Borders Bar & Grill — Winner
- Boudin Cafe' — Second Place
- Big N's BBQ and Crawfish — Third Place

BEST DESSERT

- Proud Pie — Winner
- Ooh La La Dessert Boutique — Second Place
- Crumbl Cookies - Cinco Ranch — Third Place

BEST FAMILY-DINING

- Texas Borders Bar & Grill 1093 — Winner
- Mia's Table - Katy — Second Place
- Boudin Cafe' — Third Place



Photo courtesy of Katy Heritage Society

I appreciate the confidence you have shown in Edward Jones and me.

I would like to thank you for your business, referrals, confidence, and most importantly, your friendship. We have accomplished a lot together and I look forward to serving you, your family and the Katy area for many years to come.



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BEST GUMBO

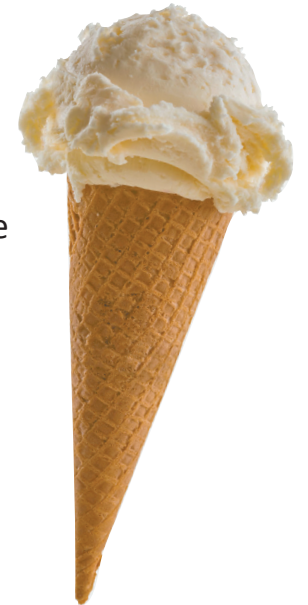
- Boudin Cafe' — Winner
- The Rouxpour - Katy — Second Place
- Orleans Seafood Kitchen — Third Place

BEST HEALTHY MENU

- Local Table - Katy — Winner
- DISH SOCIETY — Second Place
- Harvest Kitchen & Bakery — Third Place

BEST ICE CREAM/YOGURT

- Ritter's Frozen Custard — Winner
- Baskin-Robbins — Second Place
- Menchie's Frozen Yogurt — Third Place



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- Hasta La Pasta — Third Place

BEST MARGARITA

- Ray's Mexican Restaurant — Winner
- Lupe Tortilla Mexican Restaurant — Second Place
- El Jarrito Mexican Restaurant — Third Place

BEST MARTINI

- Antonie's Market Grill — Winner
- The Local Bar Katy — Second Place
- Perry's Steakhouse & Grille — Third Place

BEST MEAL UNDER \$6

- Torchy's Tacos — Winner
- The Original Marini's Empanada House — Second Place
- Hat Creek Burger Company — Third Place

BEST MEXICAN CUISINE

- Los Cucos — Winner
- El Jarrito Mexican Restaurant — Second Place
- Gringo's Mexican Kitchen – Katy — Third Place (*Tie*)
- Ray's Mexican Restaurant — Third Place (*Tie*)

Tex-Mex is what Texas is known for and each community has local favorites such as Los Cucos on Highway Boulevard in downtown Katy. (Photo by R. Hans Miller)

BEST OVERALL SERVICE

- That's My Dog — Winner
- Pearl & Vine — Second Place
- Perry's Steakhouse & Grille — Third Place

BEST PIZZA

- El Canton Firewood Pizzeria — Winner
- Big Z's Pizza House & Brew — Second Place
- Grimaldi's Pizzeria — Third Place



BEST RESTAURANT

- Palinuro Italian Cuisine — Winner
- Boudin Cafe' — Second Place
- Pearl & Vine — Third Place

BEST SALSA/QUESO

- Texas Borders Bar & Grill — Winner
- Torchy's Tacos — Second Place
- Chuy's — Third Place

BEST SANDWICHES/SUBS

- Pappa Gyros — Winner
- Jersey Mike's Subs — Second Place
- Firehouse Subs Pin Oak — Third Place

BEST SEAFOOD

- Boudin Cafe' — Winner
- The Rouxpour - Katy — Second Place
- Babin's Seafood House — Third Place





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- Texas Roadhouse — Third Place

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- Atami steak and sushi — Second Place
- Tobiuo Sushi & Bar — Third Place



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- The Cellar Door — Third Place

BEST WINGS

- Texas Borders Bar & Grill 1093 — Winner
- Wingstop — Second Place
- Wild Wing Cafe — Third Place



Snappy's Cafe & Grill in downtown Katy recently gained a new owner, Anna Liu when owners Alex Tsounakas, Bobby Katsabas and Effie Katsabas retired. (Photo by R. Hans Miller)

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- Reese Chiropractic Spine by Design
— Third Place (*Tie*)
- Dr Mark Yoakum — Third Place (*Tie*)

Methodist West Hospital is part of the Texas Medical Center. The medical corridor is a major source of jobs for the Katy area and draws patients from around the world for care in its facilities. (Photo by R. Hans Miller)



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- Welch Dental Group — Second Place
- Dr. Katie To, DDS / Center for Integrative Wellness and Cosmetic Dentistry — Third Place

BEST EMERGENCY ROOM

- Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital — Winner
- Houston Methodist West Hospital — Second Place
- Texas Children’s Hospital West Campus — Third Place

BEST HEALTH CLINIC

- Chiro Dynamics Health & Wellness — Winner
- Christ Clinic - Katy — Second Place
- Medical Colleagues of Texas — Third Place (Tie)
- Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital — Third Place (Tie)



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- New Sound Hearing — Third Place

BEST HOME HEALTH PROVIDER

- Memorial Home Health Care-Houston & Katy — Winner
- Home Health Resources — Second Place
- FirstLight — Third Place

BEST HOSPITAL

- Houston Methodist West Hospital — Winner
- Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital — Second Place
- Texas Children's Hospital West Campus — Third Place

BEST LOCALLY OWNED PHARMACY

- Hope Compounding Pharmacy — Winner
- Striker Pharmacy — Second Place
- Frank's Specialty Pharmacy — Third Place

BEST NURSING STAFF (FACILITY)

- Houston Methodist West Hospital — Winner
- Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital — Winner
- Evergreen Cottages Jasmine Cottage — Third Place

BEST OPTOMETRIST

- Dr. Caroline Wells/Today's Vision Katy — Winner
- Dr. Paige Chumley, OD/Heritage Park Vision — Second Place
- Dr. John O'Neill/Eye Site — Third Place

★ EXPLORING KATY HISTORY

KT Antiques wasn't always an antique mall. Prior to 1947, it had been a grocery store owned by Carey Pitt. In 1947, W.J. "Bill" Dube bought Pitt's store and built a brick supermarket west of it on the northeast corner of Second Street and Avenue B, where KT Antiques sits today. Dube's store was expanded to include a variety store and the Katy Post Office in 1957. The market closed in 1974, though the variety store stayed open. An antique mall was operated out of the building by Cindy Gruener Janda from 1994 to 2010 when current owner Bill Bain purchased the building.

(Photo courtesy of Katy Heritage Society.)



BEST ORTHODONTIST

- Hanis & Stevenson Orthodontics — Winner
- Brock Orthodontics — Second Place
- Dr. Forrest - Smile Doctors
by Forrest Orthodontics — Third Place

BEST PHYSICIAN

- Dr. Craig Nemow D.C., Chiro Dynamics
Health & Wellness — Winner
- Dr. Paul Bing, MD — Second Place
- Dr. Bethany Peterson, MD, Medical Colleagues Texas
OB/GYN — Third Place (*Tie*)
- Dr. Victor Knopp, MD — Third Place (*Tie*)

DR. MARK BING – A KATY LEGACY

BY DENNIS SILVA II

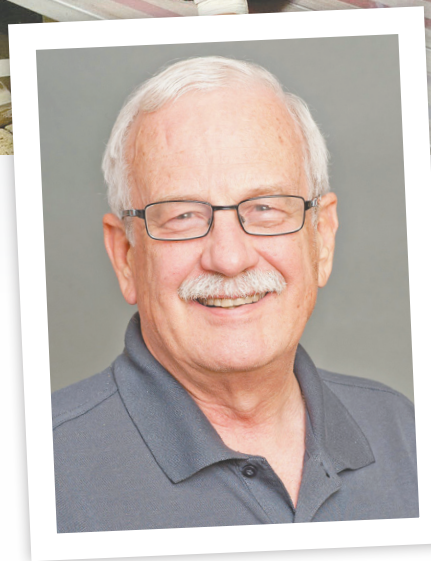
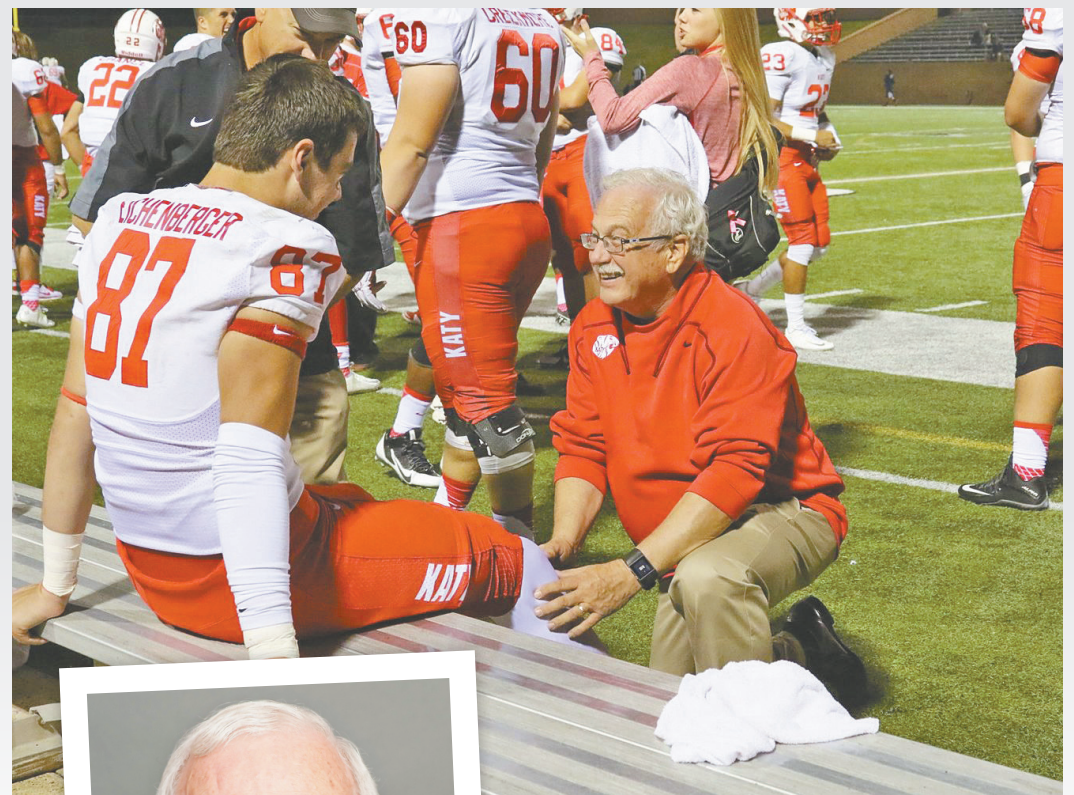
Longtime Katy Tiger football team physician, Dr. Mark Bing, passed away Jan. 9 from Fragile X Tremor and Ataxia Syndrome. However, it isn't how Bing died that sits in the hearts of those that knew him, but rather how he lived.

"He was all in about serving people," said Charlie Stevens, formerly the Katy ISD assistant athletic director over sports medicine who is now a consultant with the district. "He was a go-to. He was always doing whatever, whenever, to serve the community of Katy."

Bing's legacy of service extended throughout the community but was especially there for student athletes. He offered physicals for student athletes at discounted rates. He sponsored state championship rings, received decades later, for Katy High's 1959 football team. He served the district's wrestling program as a physician and official. His support in the Greater Houston Cycling Foundation aided the Alkek Velodrome's youth cycling program for decades.

Bing cared so deeply about Katy ISD athletics that anyone who wanted to be a partner in his practice had to agree to cover high school athletic events, unpaid and on their own personal time. Dr. William DeSimone, Dr. Rick Adams, Dr. Andy Shen, and his brother Dr. Paul Bing (second place in this year's Best Physician category) have carried on the accessible and giving culture established by him after his death.

"He was a great friend," Katy High head football coach/athletic coordinator Gary Joseph said shortly after Bing's passing. "The biggest thing we miss about him is his presence every day. Anybody that's that unselfish ... He would do anything for anybody. We knew we could call Dr. Bing."



Dr. Mark Bing is pictured treating former Katy High tight end Parker Eichenberger during a high school football game. Dr. Bing served as the team doctor for Katy High for many decades. He died Jan. 9. (Photo Courtesy Katy ISD Athletics)

BEST SKIN CARE/ DERMATOLOGIST

- Agape Skin Care — Winner
- Katy Dermatology — Second Place
- Advanced Dermatology - Katy — Third Place

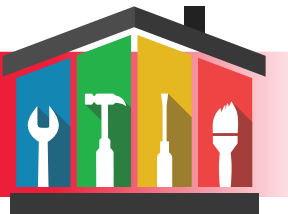
BEST URGENT CARE CENTER

- ER Katy — Winner
- NightLight Pediatric Urgent Care — Second Place
- Next Level Urgent Care Katy — Third Place

BEST WEIGHT LOSS CLINIC

- Chiro Dynamics Health & Wellness — Winner
- SO Nutrition — Second Place
- Selah Spa — Third Place

HOME SERVICES



BEST CABINETS

- Shivers Custom Woodwork — Winner
- Venus Construction — Second Place
- ThisIsLivin Homes — Third Place

BEST CARPET CLEANING

- Diversified Carpet Services — Winner
- Brightway Carpet Cleaning — Second Place
- BMF Carpet — Third Place

BEST CONTRACTOR

- Venus Construction — Winner
- ThisIsLivin Homes — Second Place
- Stanford Construction — Third Place

BEST ELECTRICAL

- Southern Voltage Electric Service — Winner
- Brandt Electrical, A/C & Heating — Second Place
- Electric City — Third Place

BEST FLOORING/CARPET

- Katy Tile — Winner
- Ashly Fine Rugs — Second Place
- EZ Floors — Third Place

BEST GARAGE DOOR SERVICE

- Ohana Garage Door Repair of Katy — Winner
- Katy Garage Door Repair — Second Place
- Garage Door Doctor — Third Place

BEST GLASS COMPANY

- Glass Doctor of Katy — Winner
- Katy Glass & Mirror Inc — Second Place
- Lancaster Glass — Third Place

BEST HEATING & AIR

- 4C A/C & Heating, LLC. — Winner
- BVS Home Experts — Second Place
- Cain Mechanical — Third Place

BEST HOMEBUILDER

- O'Malley Construction Inc — Winner
- David Weekley Homes — Second Place

BEST PEST CONTROL

- Bugs Incorporated — Winner
- McGrath Pest Control — Second Place
- Frontier Exterminating Inc — Third Place

BEST PLUMBING

- Obsta Plumbing, Inc. — Winner
- The Katy Plumbing Company — Second Place
- 24/7 Plumbing Co., LP — Third Place

BEST POOL INSTALLATION

- Fraser First Class, LLC — Winner
- Katy Prairie Pools and Construction — Second Place
- Brosi Brothers Pool Service — Third Place



BEST PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

- Katy Property Management — Winner
- Crest Management Company, AAMC — Second Place
- Continuity Group — Third Place

BEST REAL ESTATE FIRM

- C.R. Realty — Winner
- Scott Property Group — Second Place
- Ambrosi Realty — Third Place



BEST REALTOR (INDIVIDUAL)

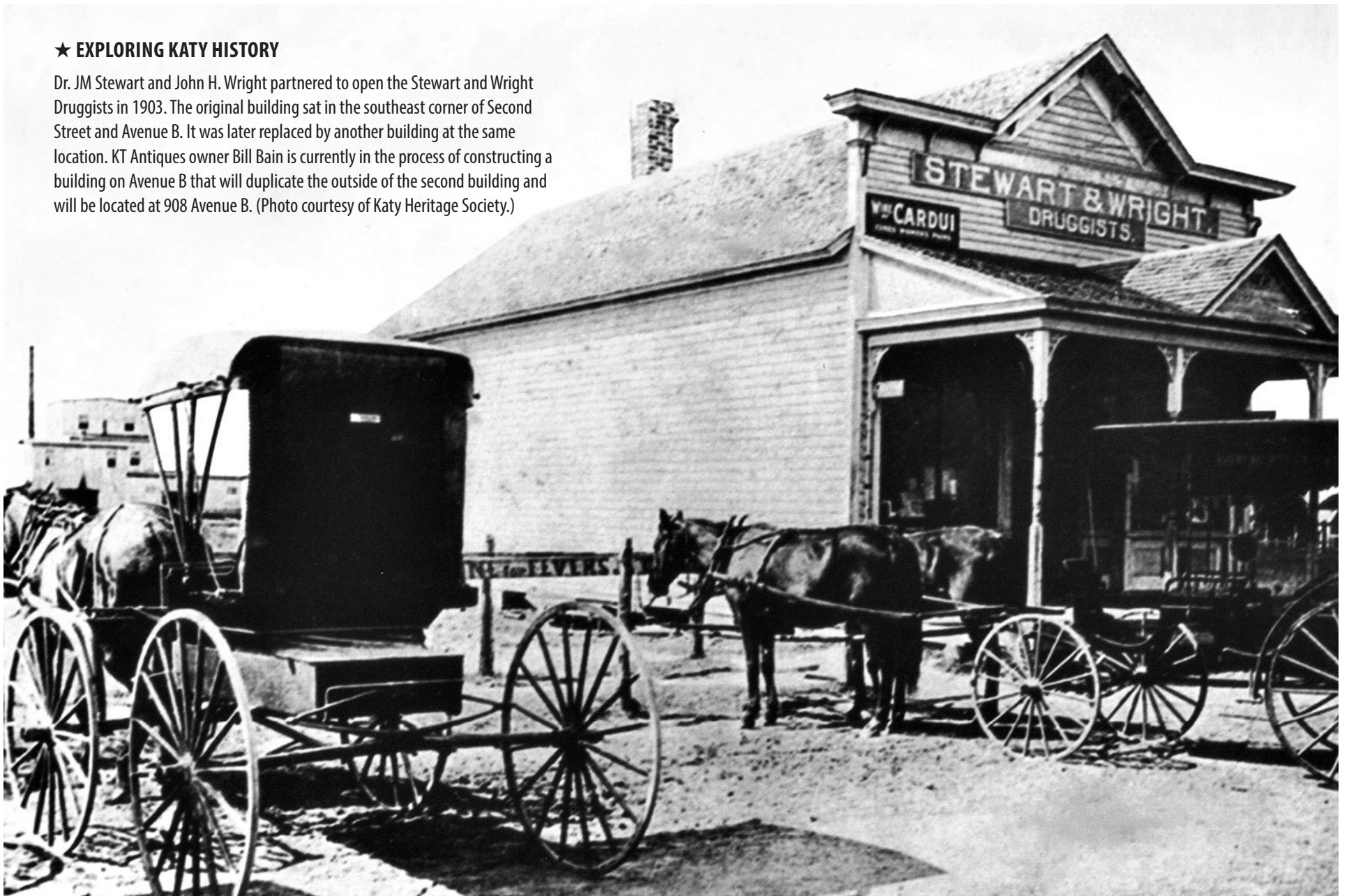
- Tena Wood/REMAX Grand — Winner
- Sheila Ochsner/Keller Williams Premier Realty — Second Place
- Christopher Sambursky — Third Place

BEST REMODELING

- ThisIsLivin Homes — Winner
- Stanford Construction — Second Place
- Katy Kitchen & Bath — Third Place

★ EXPLORING KATY HISTORY

Dr. JM Stewart and John H. Wright partnered to open the Stewart and Wright Druggists in 1903. The original building sat in the southeast corner of Second Street and Avenue B. It was later replaced by another building at the same location. KT Antiques owner Bill Bain is currently in the process of constructing a building on Avenue B that will duplicate the outside of the second building and will be located at 908 Avenue B. (Photo courtesy of Katy Heritage Society.)





The Katy area continues to grow rapidly, especially in the northwestern portion of the region which includes the western portion of Katy, several commercial properties along Highway 90, and the cities of Brookshire and Pattison which are both experiencing rapid growth which will bring business opportunities and jobs to the area. (Photo by R. Hans Miller)

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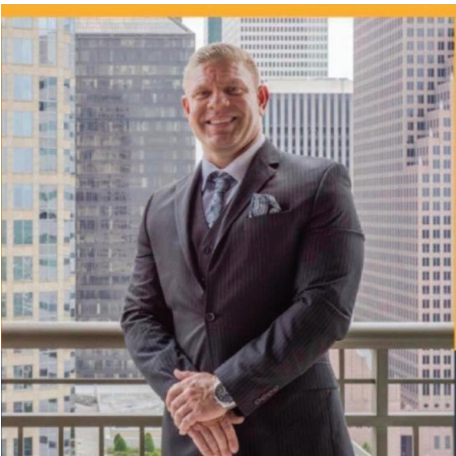


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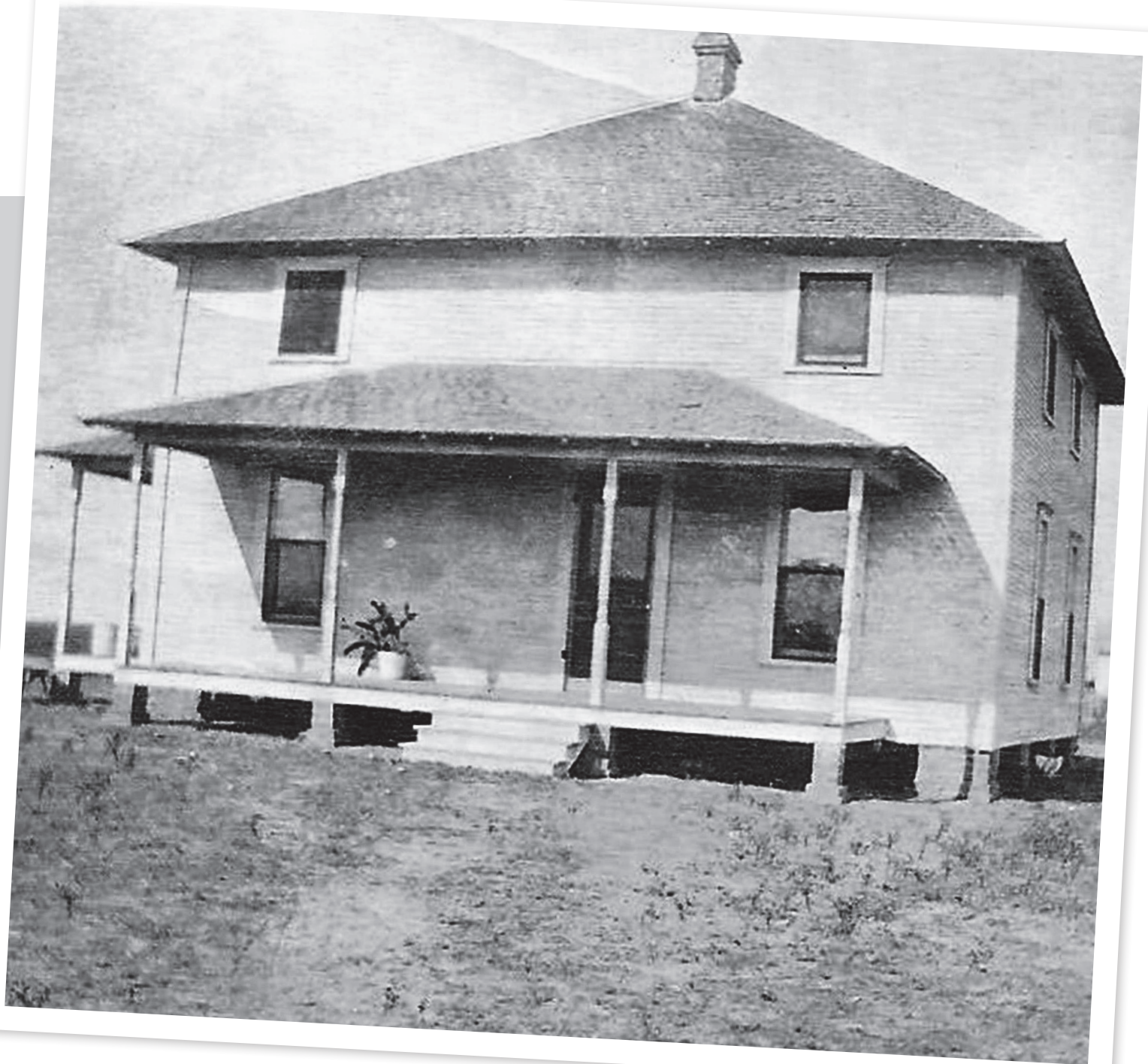
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While it is now known to Katy area residents as Cottage Charm, the Romack House was built in 1905 by Giles Elam Romack. This photo is estimated to have been taken around 1910. This country cottage and events venue is located in the true heart of Old Katy and sits on half an acre of land and receives shade from century-old trees. The historic house now serves as an events venue for celebrations such as weddings, baby and bridal showers and quinceañeras.

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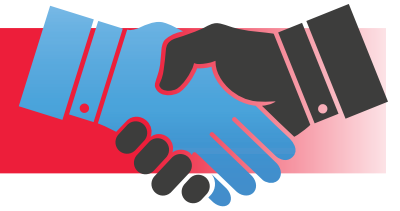
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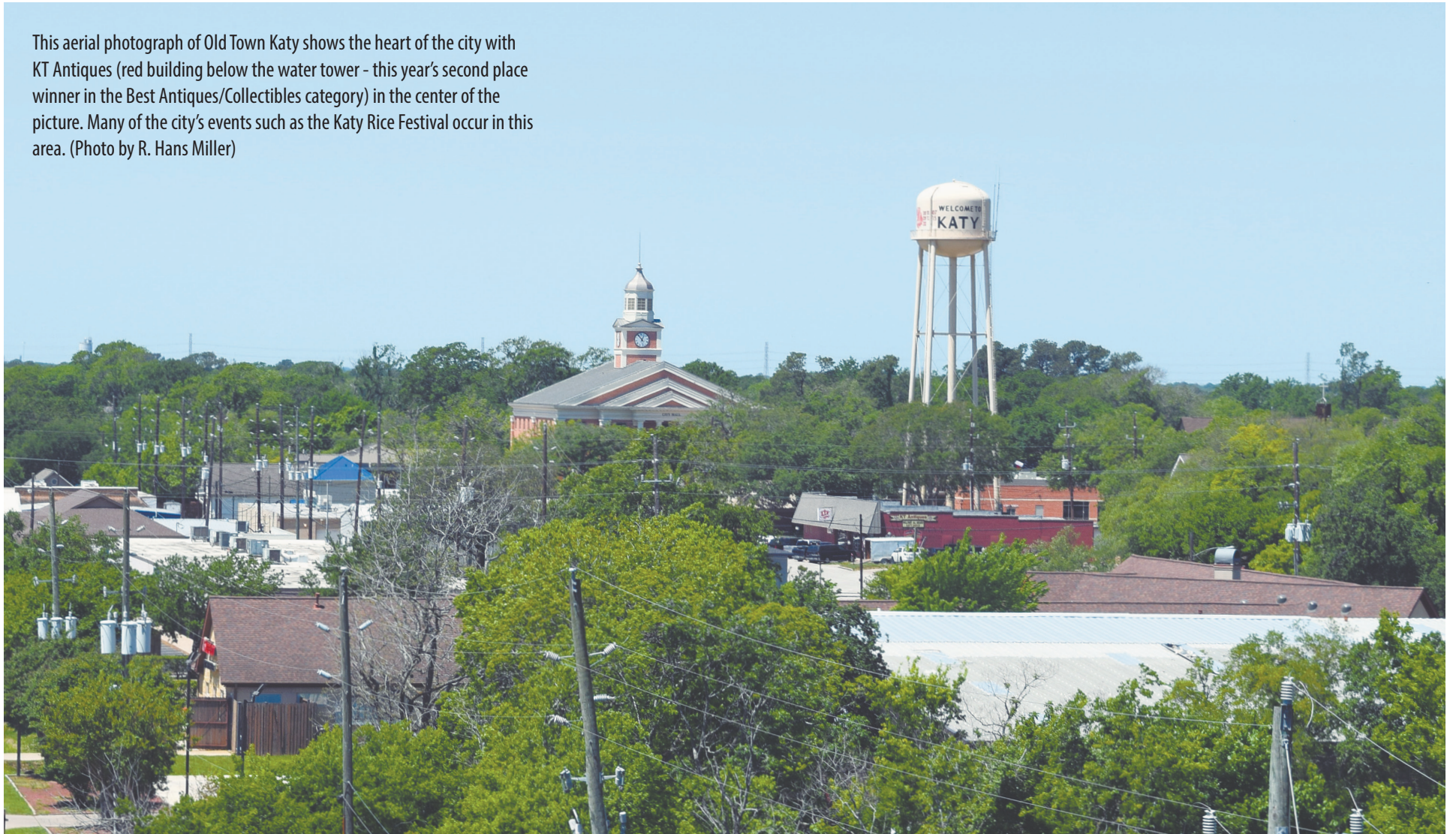
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This aerial photograph of Old Town Katy shows the heart of the city with KT Antiques (red building below the water tower - this year's second place winner in the Best Antiques/Collectibles category) in the center of the picture. Many of the city's events such as the Katy Rice Festival occur in this area. (Photo by R. Hans Miller)



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We are overwhelmed by the love that the Katy community has shown us, especially in this challenging year.

We want to thank everyone for their votes, friendship and community.

We love seeing you at Central Green. Please come see us again soon.

All of us at Willow Fork Drainage District

