



**HYE CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE**

PO Box 231, Hye, TX 78635

HYE HAPPENINGS

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The latest happenings, news, and announcements.



Hye Happenings at Republic Wine Castle

On August 20, Hye Chamber held its monthly Hye Happenings at the newly reimagined Republic Wine Castle in Johnson City, hosted by General Manager Adam Bateman. The evening gave Chamber members and guests an opportunity to gather, connect and enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at one of the Hill Country's most unique destinations.

The event also included a school supply drive, giving attendees an opportunity to support local students while enjoying an evening of conversation, wine and live music. Guests had the chance to explore the castle and learn more about its new chapter following the acquisition by Republic Boot Co. Drew Moreland provided live music for the event.

Located on a vineyard estate in Johnson City, the Republic Wine Castle blends old-world, medieval-inspired architecture with Texas craftsmanship and hospitality. Republic Boot Co. acquired the property in 2025 and has transformed it into a destination that brings together Texas wine, handcrafted boots, live music and Hill Country experiences.

Hye Chamber is grateful to Adam and the Republic Wine Castle team for hosting a memorable evening and opening their doors to our Chamber family.



PIZZA BEER TRIVIA NIGHT

Sip. Play. Repeat.

Pizza, Salad, & Pitcher - \$50

SEPT. 23 FROM 5-8 PM

BLACK CHAPEL BREWERY
6212 US 290
JOHNSON CITY, TX



TRIVIA GAME
\$5.00

10% OF ALL PROCEEDS FUEL THE
HISTORIC PLEASANT HILL ROCKY
SCHOOLHOUSE."



History of Hye

Hye Dance Hall Earns State Historical Landmark Designation



The Texas Historical Commission has officially designated the Hye Dance Hall as a State Historical Landmark, recognizing its important role in preserving the history and culture of the Texas Hill Country. The hall now joins the Hye Post Office & General Store as one of the community's most significant historic landmarks.

Built between 1906 and 1916 under the leadership of Hiram "Hye" Brown, the town's namesake, the dance hall served as the social heart of the community for generations. Like many rural Texas dance halls rooted in German and Czech traditions, it hosted Saturday night dances, weddings, holiday celebrations, political meetings, and countless community gatherings.

Constructed with locally sourced cedar piers, oak beams, an oak dance floor, and a corrugated tin roof, the building remains a remarkable example of early Hill Country craftsmanship. Although the hall fell into disrepair as rural life changed during the mid-20th century, its original structure largely survived.

Beginning in 2017, owner Oliver Deike led an extensive restoration effort with support from preservation organizations and state funding programs. The project carefully preserved the hall's historic character while returning it to active use.

Today, the Hye Dance Hall once again welcomes live music, community events, private celebrations, and visitors from across Texas. This landmark designation honors more than a century of history while ensuring that this cherished gathering place remains part of Hye's story for generations to come.



SAVE THE DATE

OPENING WEEKEND TRADITION

HYE

Smorgasbord

2026

GOOD FOOD. GREAT COMPANY.

Hye at Its Best.

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 7, 2026

STARTING AT
NOON

WE'LL BE SERVING UNTIL THE LAST BITE IS GONE.

PLEASANT HILL COMMUNITY CLUB

185 ROCKY CREEK ROAD, HYE, TX

Come hungry and enjoy a smorgasbord of homemade favorites, sweet treats and good old-fashioned community spirit.



The *Hye Chamber* is proud to partner with the Community Center to help bring this event to life—helping with promoting and advertising as well as rolling up our sleeves and providing dishes.

Got a signature dish or a treasured family recipe?

WE'D LOVE YOU TO BE PART OF THE FEAST.

REACH OUT TO THE CHAMBER

TO JOIN THE COOKING CREW.

Together, we're preserving the heart of Hye,
ONE ICE CREAM CONE AND CASSEROLE AT A TIME.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We love celebrating with our community! Share your birthdays, anniversaries, milestones, or other fun news with us, and we'll include it in the next newsletter. Send your submissions to hychamberofcommerce@gmail.com.

Let's spread the joy together!

CLASSIFIED ADS: Are you having a Garage Sale? Domino Tournament? Special Event and want to invite the community? Need a helping hand or a new employee? Email us and we will include it in the next newsletter!

TELLS US! What do you want to see more of? Send us your news and updates, your suggestions and questions! We want to make this a resource for all things Hye!

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 23 – Black Chapel Brewing - Trivia Night Hye Happenings

September 26 - Back to the Ranch: The LBJ BBQ Returns: 6 pm- 10 pm at Showbarn At Lyndon B. Johnson National Historical Park, 1048 Park Road #49, Stonewall, TX 78671 Live Entertainment, Delicious Food, Silent Auction. Visit their website for all of the information: www.friendsoflbjnationalpark.org/backtotheranch

October - Culinary Quest

November 7 – supporting Pleasant Hill Rocky Community Club with annual Smorgasbord

December – Membership Meeting and Christmas Party

Get Ready, Hye — Trivia, Pizza & Beer Night Is Coming!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 • 5–8 PM • BLACK CHAPEL BREWERY

Mark your calendars and rally your friends — our next Hye Happening is going to be an absolute blast! We're taking over Black Chapel Brewery for an evening packed with great food, cold beer, friendly competition, and community pride, all while raising funds for the Pleasant Hill Rocky Community Club and the restoration of our beloved Historic Schoolhouse.

Pizza, Salad & Beer Special-Only \$50!

Black Chapel Brewery is serving up a delicious event night special: Pizza + Salad + a Pitcher of Beer for \$50. Perfect for sharing, snacking, and fueling your trivia brainpower.

Trivia Night: 6 Rounds • 10 Questions Each • Prizes Every Round!



Think you've got what it takes to be Hye's trivia champion? We're running six full rounds of trivia — each with 10 questions — and a prize for the winner of every round.

At the end of the night, the player with the most correct answers overall will take home the Grand Prize!

Entry to the trivia game is just \$5 per person, and every dollar goes directly to supporting the Pleasant Hill Rocky Community Club's work, including restoration of the Historic Schoolhouse and future community events.

A Night of Fun That Gives Back
This Hye Happening isn't just about good food and good times, it's about strengthening our community. Your participation helps preserve one of Hye's most meaningful historic landmarks and supports ongoing programs that bring our neighbors together. Bring Your Friends, Bring Your Smarts, Bring Your Hye Spirit
Whether you're a trivia pro, a casual guesser, or just here for the pizza and beer, this is a night you won't want to miss!

Your Chamber Needs You: Step Up, Get Involved, and Help Shape Hye's Future

The Hye Chamber of Commerce exists for one reason: to strengthen our community through active participation, shared leadership, and a commitment to working together. Every event we host, every initiative we launch, and every improvement we make happens because members step forward and lend their time, energy, and ideas.

As we approach our annual election cycle, we need members who are ready to have a voice in how the Chamber operates and where it's headed. This is your opportunity to help guide the future of Hye.

Four Director Positions Are Open — And We Need You to Run

This year, four Director seats on the Chamber Board will

become available. These positions are essential to keeping the Chamber functioning, growing, and serving the community. Without a Board, the Chamber cannot operate — it's that simple.

If you've ever wished the Chamber would do more, try something new, improve communication, expand events, or strengthen business support, this is your moment to step in and help make it happen. Serving as a Director means:

- Having a real voice in Chamber decisions
 - Helping shape programs, events, and community outreach
 - Supporting local businesses and strengthening Hye's identity
 - Ensuring the Chamber continues to thrive and serve our members
- You don't need prior board experience — just commitment, curiosity, and a willingness to work with others.

Volunteer and Make a Difference

Even if running for a Director position isn't the right fit for you, volunteering is another powerful way to support the Chamber. From event setup to communications, hospitality, outreach, and planning, volunteers make everything possible.

If you want the Chamber to succeed, we need your hands, your ideas, and your involvement.

Interested? Have Questions? Want to Nominate Yourself?

Reach out to:

Advisory@hyetxchamber.com

Whether you want to run for a Director position or simply help with Chamber activities, we'd love to hear from you.

Your participation matters — and your community is counting on you.

Business Member Directory

4B Ranch & RV Park
9726 Hwy 290 W
Hye, TX 78635
830-998-0030

Armadillo Screen Printing
Company
PO Box 31
Blanco Texas 78606
512-217-6963

Bingman Family Winery
11157 US-290
Hye, TX 78635
(830) 644-2081

Blanco Chamber of Commerce
300 Main St.
Blanco, TX 78606
830-833-5101

Black Chapel Brewing
6212 W US Hwy 290,
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-307-1095

Blanco County Conservation
Initiative (BCCI)
PO Box 1355
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-992-9030

Blue Lotus Winery
TX Mead Works
8500 Hwy 290 W
Hye, TX 78635
830-379-9463

Carter Creek Winery
Old 290 Brewery
4064 Hwy 290 W
Johnson City, TX 78636
210-485-9680

Charleston Taylor Wines
6212 W US Hwy 290
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-307-1095

Coordinates Vineyards
417 E Main St
Fredericksburg,
TX 78624
830-307-7740

Corridor Title
171 Benney Lane, Bldg 1
Dripping Springs, TX 78620
512-894-0187

Covington Cellars
8261 US 290
Hye, TX 78635
830-347-9313

D&D Mini Storage
215 Morning Glory Dr.
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
830-997-4876

Deike's Garage
10222 Hwy 290 W
Hye, TX 78635
830-644-5513

Fat Boy Burgers
104 US Hwy 281
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-868-0264

Featherstone Ranch Vineyard
870 Klein Rd
Stonewall, TX 78671
830-992-8058

Friends of Lyndon B Johnson
National Historical Park
PO Box 1831
Johnson City, TX 78636
512-644-2624

Half Calf
560 N. Nugent
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-221-6111

Hill Country Beef
PO Box 191
Hye, TX 78635
830-307-4305

Hill Country Wine Tours
267 Hacienda Amor Way
Johnson City, TX 78636
512-815-1900

Hilmy Cellars
12346 US Hwy 290
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
830-644-2482

Hye Meadow Winery
10257 Hwy 290 W
Hye TX 78935
830-308-8551

Hye Pipe & Feed
10243 US 290
Hye, TX 78635
210-995-1066

Hye RV & Boat Storage + Mini
Storage
8679 US-290,
Hye, TX 78635
830-330-2031

Hye Springs Ranch
9362 US Hwy 290
Hye, TX 78635
817-964-5112

Hye Time LLC
Tim Watson
PO Box 201
Hye, TX 78635
830-456-5698

Johnson City Bank
PO Box 426
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-868-7131

Johnson City Chamber of
Commerce
PO Box 485.
Johnson City, TX
830-556-4518

Johnson City Sign Shop
PO Box 955
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-868-5277

Leon Rentals & RV Park
793 Lange RD #244
Hye, TX 78635
830-385-9271

Luckenbach Texas
412 Luckenbach Town Loop
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
830-997-3224

Moses Metal
389 Lange Rd Hye, TX
Hye, TX 78635
512-771-0679

Obsidian Innovation
356 Ranch Road 1623
Stonewall, TX 78761
830-285-0989

Outdoorsy Hill Country
300 Wilke Trail
Stonewall, TX 78671
512-525-4742

Pronto Andiamo
121 S Hwy 16, Ste 550
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
830-429-4114

Ranch Road Burgers
52 RR 1623
Stonewall, TX 78671
830-383-0900

Reddy Wines
14746 US 290
Stonewall, TX 78671
830-213-2355

Republic Wine Castle
101 Durango Rd
Johnson City, TX 78636
832-767-6586

Silver Dollar Winery
Hye Cider
8264 Hwy 290n W
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-308-7750

SSB&T Wealth
Eddie Kramer
202 W San Antonio Street,
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
830-990-7750

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830-644-2735

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TX Hill Financial Group
PO Box 235
Dripping Springs, TX 78620
737-777-0323

Texas Limo Company
2305 Village Way
Austin, TX 78745
512-569-2502

Texas Regional Bank –
Johnson City
2206 E. Main
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-307-9561

Topper Real Estate
Ashley Schumann
1692 Lower Albert Rd
Stonewall, TX
512-632-6407 78671

Untamed Wine Estates, Inc
202 Ranch Road 1320
Johnson City, TX 78636
830-208-8692

Watson Farm Tree Nursery
141097 E US Hwy 90
Stonewall, TX 78671
830-644-2616

William Chris Vineyards
10352 US 290
Hye, TX 78635
830-998-7654

HONORARY MEMBERS

Pleasant Hill Rocky
Community Club
Blanco County Historical
Commission
Bamberger Ranch Preserve

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