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Ascension Chamber of Commerce has record attendance for 8th annual Women in Business event in Gonzales



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The Ascension Chamber of Commerce hosted the 8th annual Women in Business event May 15 at the Price LeBlanc PACE Center in Gonzales, marking its largest attendance count to date.

According to a chamber news release, Our Lady of the Lake Ascension hospital presented the event, which showcased the achievements of women throughout Ascension Parish.

Highlighting the festivities was the introduction of the EmPOWER House, which featured five influential speakers who shared their insights, experiences and expertise.

Caprice Cline, co-owner of Cypress Roofing, presented the speakers, including Jackie McCreary with CF Industries, Greta Fleming Gordon with BASF, Jackie Baumann with the City of Gonzales, Kayla Fuselier Clouatre with Minutia Organizing and Productivity Consulting and Dr. Tracee Short.

McCreary, who serves as community relations manager for CF Industries' Donaldsonville complex, was honored with the 2024 Women in Leadership Award.

She was recognized for her dedication and contributions to the community through her proactive involvement, mentorship and support of local organizations and individuals, according to the chamber.

Parc 73 in Prairieville catered the lunch, which also included a social hour, hat contest and donation drive for Life House Women.

Attendees were able to network, enjoy the bar, photo booths and shopping with local vendors.

Crowd favorites were Danielle Guadamud with Gallagher, the individual winner, and Euphoria Luxe Lifestyles Gift & Décor, the group winner.

In the release, the chamber thanked the top event sponsors: Our Lady of the Lake Ascension, presenting sponsor; Parc 73, platinum sponsor; Gallagher, social hour sponsor; Neighbors Federal Credit Union, photo booth sponsor; Cox Business, bar sponsor; Euphoria Lifestyles Luxe Sparkle and Décor, swag bag sponsor; Crumbl Cookies, dessert sponsor; and Elite Waste & Construction Services, hat contest sponsor.

Gold sponsors were Alinity Wealth Management, CF Industries, Nexstar Media and Williamson Cosmetic Center & Perenack Aesthetic Surgery.

The chamber also thanked Bayou Rose Photography, Ascension Boards & Balloons, The Looking Glass Photobooth, Diez Signs and the Price LeBlanc PACE Center.

Additionally, thanks went out to retail vendors Be You Boutique & Co., Euphoria Lifestyles Luxe Sparkle and Décor, European Wax Center, Flower General by Carlstedt's, Louisiana Gets LINXed – Permanent Bling by Mandy and Merle Norman Gonzales.

For more information on getting involved with the chamber, visit www.ascensionchamber.com.