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The Blanchard Chamber of Commerce welcomed Rocky's Main Street Eats and Sweets to Blanchard during this recent ribbon-cutting.

Blanchard Chamber has a new director & many new members in 2019

By Jayson Knight
Tuttle Times

Blanchard has been hosting May Daze for 26 years now, and the tradition will continue in 2019 under the guidance of Mrs. Hendricks. Still in her first year as chamber director, Cheryl Hendricks says there is a lot to be excited about when it comes to operating Blanchard Chamber of Commerce.

"I like working with the businesses. I enjoy planning parties, festivals, especially when it comes to connecting people within this community."

Hendricks shared some of what the Blanchard chamber has planned for 2019.

"We'll have our banquet that is coming up at the end of April," Hendricks said. "We also do several shop Blanchard campaigns. For our local shops where people can come in and shop a little later in the day. Well most of the businesses close by six, on those days, they stay open until about 9 o'clock. During those times, the businesses will sometimes hold raffles to encourage people to come out and shop."

We also have our annual golf tournament."

Craft cottage, Scissortail silos,

Rocky's Main Street Eats and Sweets, and County line café are among the newest members of the Blanchard Chamber of Commerce.

Hendricks said that all the new members is a sign of the growth in the City of Blanchard.

"I think it shows that we are growing. And that we can be accommodating to businesses," Hendricks said. "Businesses are blooming here in Blanchard, and we try to do what we can to promote them and help them stay in business."

The Blanchard, Blanchard, and Tuttle Chambers have decided

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On Guard & Honor Bound



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A veterans memorial in downtown Blanchard features a statue of Congressional Medal of Honor recipient and Korean War veteran Tony K. Burris. Burris was born May 1929 in Blanchard.

Blanchard VFW & Legion link up to elevate honor guard

By Van Mitchell
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Last year Gary Hoffman attended a funeral in Dibble for a decorated Vietnam veteran as part of a military honor guard that initially only had three people before recruiting others in attendance to help with the process.

It was an experience that left the Commander of the American Legion Post in Blanchard determined that something like that didn't occur again.

"He was a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War and they asked us (VFW and American Legion) to do the honor guard," Hoffman said. "We are low on manpower for the American Legion so I put out the word to the VFW (also low on manpower) to come help us. When we got down there we had just three people show up. We had to use people from the audience to help. I said that wasn't right and

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