

State Representative Lynn Stucky

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STUCKY'S RETURN BACK TO DENTON

After the 85th Texas Legislature ended, Representative Stucky and his wife, Lori, returned to Denton County to settle back in to their normal lifestyle after his first term in office.

He immediately got back into the routine of making house calls at 6:00 A.M. to take care of large animals before returning to his veterinary clinic after lunch to doctor small animals, while Lori returned to managing the office. Between his return home and departure back to Austin for the special session, he attended multiple events and meetings such as Rotary Clubs, Boys & Girls Club of North Central Texas, CoServ Electric Cooperation, Denton Chamber of Commerce, Denton County elected officials reception, and United Way meeting to give a post-session briefings.

Representative Stucky updated these groups on the accomplishments of the 85th legislature. As the fall approaches and the special session ends, he looks forward to having more discussions with local organizations and constituents to discuss the policy changes made during the special session.



Pictured with the CoServ Board of Directors

DISTRICT OFFICE HOSTS OPEN HOUSE

Two days after the legislature adjourned sine die, Representative Stucky formally opened his district office in the First State Bank at the corner of Oak and Carroll Boulevard. There were many constituents from a variety of backgrounds that came to show their support and voice their opinions on what happened during the legislative session.

According to the guest list sign in, there were upwards of a 200 people that showed up to give their two cents. Representative Stucky, his family, and his staff want to thank all those who attended to make his first open house a success. He looks forward to future open houses; invites will be sent via social media and his email group. Please contact our district staff to be added to the list.

The district staff, Lyle Dresher, Monica Glenn, and Emily Volk, work in the office. They serve as a resource to constituent requests and needs and can be reached at (940) 243-0230 or email at district64.stucky@house.texas.gov.



Pictured: unidentified constituent and Margot Leurig

LEGISLATURE CONVENED FOR SPECIAL SESSION

Governor Abbott called members of the legislature back to Austin with his issuance of a Gubernatorial Proclamation to call a special session. The House and Senate are now working diligently to vet and vote on legislation.

Some of the items on the Gubernatorial Proclamation consist of municipal annexation reform, maternal mortality rates, school finance, and property tax reform. Over the next few weeks, Representative Stucky and his staff will be taking meetings and researching legislation that will be before him in committee and on the House floor.

Sitting on the House Committee on Land & Resource Management will offer Representative Stucky a chance to commit his time to re-studying annexation, eminent domain, and city permitting.

In the House Committee on Agriculture & Livestock, there are no bills filed which are pertinent to the Proclamation, but Chairman Tracy King intends to use the time that legislators have in Austin to discuss important issues to the industry. Whether any legislation that has been referred to the committee will be voted upon is yet to be determined.

REPRESENTATIVE STUCKY'S CAPITOL FACT

A myth states that there are secret tunnels for people and horses that extend from the Capitol all the way to Lady Bird Lake. Although tunnels did exist, they were not secret or meant for escape but rather installed for utilities. The Capitol originally included a small sewer tunnel that was designed to drain to the river. However, it was later altered to drain into an existing sewer line. The plans for the building also describe a 5-foot high by 3-foot wide tunnel connecting the Capitol to the powerhouse to the northeast of the building. This tunnel was filled with steam and electrical lines, much like the modern tunnels that still serve the Capitol today.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Capitol Inside, a political blog about Texas politics, named Representative Lynn Stucky the Most Outstanding Freshman in the Texas House of Representatives. He shared this special accomplishment with his Texas Senate colleague, Dawn Buckingham (R-Lakeway). *Capitol Inside* wrote, "A pair of Republicans - State Senator Dawn Buckingham of Lakeway and State Rep. Lynn Stucky of Sanger - are sharing the award for the most outstanding performances by freshmen class members in 2017. The rookie co-MVPs earned pieces of the title in ways that were similar in some respects and unique in others."

Similarly, Representative Stucky earned the title "Effective Conservative" from the Conservative Roundtable of Texas organization. One of their platforms reads "Solutions-oriented conservatism—free-market principles, low taxation, reasonable and limited regulations, adequate and reliable infrastructure, an educated and healthy workforce, and efficient government."

Making sure government works for people and business, in Representative Stucky's opinion, is what makes Texas the best destination for businesses, both large and small. Low regulations and low taxes are what he will fight for as he continues his tenure in the Texas House.

