

## **Chamber chooses Joe Cook 'Citizen of the Year'**

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### *Others Honored*

Joe Cook, pastor of Hope Christian Ministries, board member of the Broken Arrow Area Chamber of Commerce and community leader, was honored as the BAACC's 2009 Citizen of the Year at the organization's annual awards banquet Friday at NSU-BA

Firefighter of the Year was Broken Arrow Fire Department's Lt. Loren Palmer; Police Officer of the Year was Broken Arrow Police Department's Sgt. Ed Ferguson.

Linda Larson was given the TRC Award-Top Producers.

Others honored included Ambassador Club Chairman Steve Moeller and Committee Chairman of the Year Philip Bryce.

Scott Eudey was presented the 2009 Chairman's Award and Dawn Seing was awarded the 2009 Volunteer of the Year.

The evening's entertainment was provided by The Chamber Band and a special presentation, "Dancing With the Chamber Stars" in which four chamber members danced with professionals from Ballroom Revolution and were judged on their performances.

Winning the competition was Broken Arrow Public Schools' Cindy Williamson; first runner-up was the BAACC's Kathy Reynolds; second runner-up was Alvin Bailey of Blue Bell Creameries; and third runner-up was Broken Arrow Mayor Mike Lester.

The chamber's 2009 chairman, Steve Schooley, passed the gavel to 2010's chairman of the board, Greg Graham, as part of the ceremonies emceed by Court Newkirk, assisted by Ashley Gharibvand, Miss Broken Arrow.

The banquet committee included LaTonya Cundiff, Jo McCord, Linda Larson, Russell Parker and Steve Moeller; on the silent auction committee were Jules Resnik and Dawn Seing.

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