



Woodson Lumber has been a partner with LAT dating back to the 1920s. We value the relationship we have with LAT and the many friendships we have made along the way. LAT adds to the professionalism of our business and gives us a sense of community and camaraderie with others in the industry. We are proud of what LAT has done in the past and look forward to new and exciting times in the future.

Woodson Lumber Company *Celebrating Our 100th Anniversary in 2013*

On December 1, 1913, brothers Jim and Harrie Woodson opened the doors of Woodson Lumber Company in Caldwell, Texas. The store sold building materials and hardware to local builders, contractors and the non-commercial retail customer. Everyone was welcome in the store, and some things never change. As the Caldwell location continued to grow into the community, the Woodson brothers made the decision to broaden their reach. They worked together to expand the business and in 1924 they bought the yard in Lexington. Then in 1937, they again grew by purchasing the lumberyard in Bryan, and in 1938, they acquired the lumberyard in Brenham. Both Harrie and Jim Woodson were involved with the Lumbermen’s Association of Texas at an early stage of their opening the lumber company; Jim was acting on the Board of Directors by 1927 and was a noted speaker at the 51st annual meeting in 1937. After Jim’s death in 1940, Harrie was elected to the LAT Board of Directors and held that position until 1947.



Harrie Woodson



Tom Yager, Jr.

In January of 1946 Harrie’s sons-in-law M.G. Perkins and Tom Yager, Jr. came into the family business. M.G. and Tom served as President of the Board in that order, and later Tom was the active CEO of Woodson Lumber. In addition, Tom further served as LAT president in 1970 and was awarded Lumberman of the Year in 1972. The business continued to grow through the decades, and on January 1, 1992, the Mexia and Groesbeck yards were opened under the Woodson name. In July of 1995 the Buffalo location was opened in fulfillment of Tom’s vision for the company. The addition of the Buffalo yard brings us to our current seven locations, which service much of central Texas.



Lexington



Buffalo



Mexia

Our existing locations continue to be renovated, modernized and expanded. In 1999, the new store in Lexington was opened, in 2001 our Custom Door Shop became a reality behind our administrative offices, and in 2005 a new Buffalo store was opened. Farmers and ranchers have always been a large part of our business

family; in 2008 we added Purina Feed to our Groesbeck location, and in 2009 we added Nutrena Feed in Lexington.

Today, Woodson Lumber continues to be operated by a third generation member of the Woodson family. Ann Yager Chapman of Bryan, Texas is the granddaughter of co-founder Harrie Woodson, and she currently serves as CEO.



The President and COO for the Woodson Companies is Craig Blum of Brenham, Texas. Craig has been involved with the company since 1975, when he began to work in the yard of Woodson Lumber Company of Brenham while at Blinn College and through his studies at Texas A&M University. In January 1980, he began a full-time position in Accounting and Purchasing, and in 1992 he became Vice President of Woodson Lumber Company's Operations. In 1995, he was made President of the all the Woodson Corporations and continues today in the role. Cameron McCuller of Woodson Lumber of Caldwell and Craig Blum have continued to be active with LAT, and have served as directors and officers.

Woodson is composed of approximately 120 very different people, who are all committed to working together to create a sense of tradition and belonging in each of their respective communities. Our family-style business culture motivates those involved, encourages multi-generational friendships, and allows us to participate in meaningful work. We feel a strong connection with, and actively support, our communities and their organizations. We are proud of our history of nearly 100 years, and deeply respect and cherish the people who have worked before us, and those who are actively preparing the way for those who will be our future. We are proud of who we have been historically, who we are presently, and who we have the potential to be in the generations to come because of our employees, customers and our dedication to trust, accountability and positive values.

At Woodson we have a variety of customers and our product selection reflects that. We are a full-line lumber, hardware, and building material supply company, and we strive to meet every need of the building contractor to the DIY-er. As customer needs change, we adapt to provide a wide range of quality products at a fair price. We strive to serve our customers well, creating lasting relationships spanning the generations. We look forward to building a future together with you and the generations to come.