



December Business Spotlight

PAULS VALLEY TAG OFFICE

When you need them, they are there.

Every so often every driver in Pauls Valley needs to check in with the State of Oklahoma. That's where the Pauls Valley Tag Office at 113 E. Paul Ave. comes in.

This Chamber member has turned steady efficiency and good service into dependable standards. The relatively small tag office is one of the busiest storefronts in downtown. People come and go, having achieved any of a number of necessary tasks to be a legal driver in the state: license and tag renewals, owner transfer to a new owner, payment of vehicle taxes, purchase of pike passes and even register to vote.

Leading the office is Marie Yeiser, who has served as a motor license agent for 37 years. Her personal story breaks out of the mundane. Marie lived as a child on the island of Guam where her dad was stationed for two years with the Navy. That's where she learned to love hunting for seashells and joined a Polynesian dance troupe. Her journey eventually brought her to rural Oklahoma, which she decided to call home with her husband and their two kids.

Marie has assembled a crackerjack staff who help each "customer" with a smile. They include office manager is Dana Carr, Joyce Cole, Sharon Stewart, Deanya Brobest, Ruthie Muse and Brenda Anderson.

Not to go unnoticed is the office cat, Morris. The employees started feeding the yellow tabby after noticing him living the life of a stray kitten on the city streets. Morris was targeted for capture by the city animal control crew, instead they took the cat in and, today, let him roam through his own domain – the tag office.

When the tag office opens each morning, people keep the door swinging in and out all day, having taken care of "business," thanks to Marie and her staff.