SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

MUTICULTURAL Festival





The 17th Annual Multicultural Festival honoring Dr. Martin Luther King will begin at 5 p.m. Monday, January 16th, at the Livingston Junior High School. Officials gathered Tuesday on the steps of the Polk County Courthouse to help kick-off the free event that features food, entertainment and education all of which highlights the various cultures found in Polk County.

EADING PROGRAM

Scheduled at Shepherd Primary School Parents, grandparents, babysitters, and caregivers are invited to bring

You do not need to have a student enrolled in Shepherd ISD to attend

This program is free to any child 2-5 years of age. It is designed to provide

positive learning environment for children. You are asked to stay with

our child during this time. Each session of Pirateers Reading Program

vill include: books read aloud, hands-on activities, snacks, and lots of fun The reading program will be held at Shepherd Primary School from

8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on the following Tuesdays: **January 10, 17, 24, 31.**

February 7, 14, 21 and 28.

March 7, 21 and 28. If you have any questions, please contact

Sarah Fulcher, Shepherd ISD Parent Liaison

(936) 628-2904 or sfulcher@shepherdisd.net.

our little ones, ages 2-5, to the Pirateers Reading Program.



Nana and PopPop Vicki and Johnny Davis
and Ninniw Theresa Gorney!
We love you, sweet angel!

Proud Mommy and Daddy are Taylor Davis and Louis Gorney!



Each week a teacher picks two students from their class who shows Pirate Pride.Students show Pirate Pride by being helpful and respectful to teachers and peers. The following students received Shepherd Intermediate Pirate Pride this week:



Fifth Grade: Marissa Isbell and Ronnie Charles
Fourth Grade: Cheyenne Harris and Dylan Chamness
Third Grade: Kaci Roberts and Charlie Hoffart

"McClain's Food Market"





January is School Board Recognition Month and Shepherd ISD will join other districts across the state to thank these local leaders for their dedication and willingness to serve as advocates for our children and public schools. As elected officials, they are the voice of their communities, serving first and foremost in the best interest of Texas schoolchildren.

"Even though we are making a special effort in January to show appreciation to our board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. They generously give of themselves to ensure that decisions directly affecting our local schools are made by representatives of this community, people who are close to our schools and know our teachers, parents, and students," said Steve Pierce, Shepherd ISD, superintendent.

"Board members shoulder critical responsibilities and often make difficult choices. Their ultimate goal is always focused on the future success of the children in our district," Pierce said. "It's more important than ever before that the public supports our schools so that today's students are prepared to be productive citizens and the leaders of tomorrow. Our board members provide vision and leadership in their roles as advocates, and they will continue to stand up for public education and guard against anything that takes away from our children," he said.

Board members serving Shepherd ISD are:

Susan Bailes, President
David Smith, Vice President
Darryl Richardson, Secretary
Michael Courvelle, Member
Jerry Cutaia, Member
Alfredo Ramos, Member
Dwayne Wright, Member

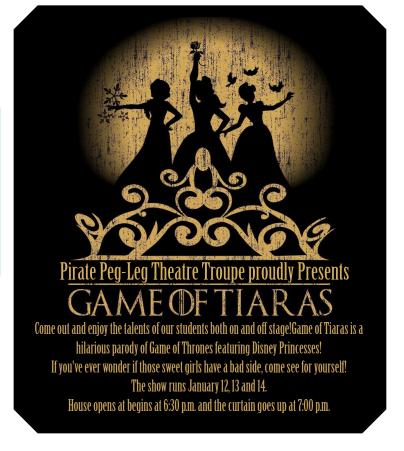
"Our district benefits from the tireless work and countless hours contributed by these local citizens who work without pay. Serving as a crucial link between the community and classroom, this board is responsible for an annual budget of \$ 16.5 million, 2,001 students, 280 employees, and four campuses. Please help us thank these dedicated volunteers for their efforts to make a difference and their unfailing commitment to the continued success of our students now and in the future," he said.





Do you have a child who is constantly making you laugh? We would love to hear some of those hilarious stories! You can submit them through our website to be

featured in our paper! www.mcclainsfoodmarket.com mcclains.shepherdnews@gmail.com



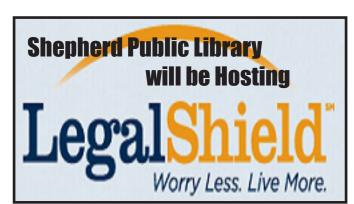
SJC is Seeking Dedicated Volunteers

If you want to make a difference in your community and preserve our local history and heritage, San Jacinto County is seeking dedicated volunteers who are able and willing to serve on the San Jacinto County Historical Commission.

In January of odd-numbered years, the County Commissioners Court appoints members to the local County Historical Commission for two year terms. This time frame is quickly approaching and the Commissioners are asking anyone interested in being on the Historical Commission to immediately notify the Court of their interest and willingness.

The local commission is responsible for the identification and preservation of locally significant historical landmarks and treasurers, as outlined in the Texas Local Government Code, chapter 318

Anyone interested in serving their community through membership in the San Jacinto County Historical Commission should pick up an application at any of the four Commissioner's Precinct offices or at the Courthouse in the Office of County Judge or by phone at (936) 653-2199.



Cost is FREE!

Representatives will be at the library to answer legal questions, help with miscellaneous things such as, taxes, divorces, writing a will, etc.

Please contact the library for more information.

Obituary

Judy Ann Reynolds



November 5, 1946 - December 28, 2016

Judy Ann Reynolds, age 70 of Shepherd, Texas, passed away Wednesday, December 28, 2016. She was born November 5, 1946 in Denison, Texas to parents Wilford and Katherine Book whom preceded her in death along with her grandparents, Charles and Ethel Mae Book, Frank and Bonnie Goode; daughter, Tina Rhodes; sisters, Bonnie Mae Pheifer and Debbie Book; brothers, Frank, Marty, Freddie, Terry and Jimmy Book; and aunt, Frankie Goode Walker.

Survivors include her husband, Pat Reynolds; daughters, Leah Breland and husband John, Jody Aranda and husband Steve, Jessica Imhoff and husband Tommy; son, Patrick Reynolds, Jr. and wife Janet; sisters, Linda Whitley, Nancy Sandford and Mary Embry; brother, Jeff Book; grandchildren, Mathew Swader and wife Amanda, Judi Hunt, Zachary Minarik, Brittny Breland, Krstyn Breland, Jake Huy, Johnnie Breland, Olivia Imhoff, Nathan Imhoff, Addison Imhoff, Christopher Reynolds and Brooke Reynolds; great-grandchildren, Tyler, Nolan Swader, Lexi Fair and Leland Huy; numerous other relatives and friends.

Visitation was held from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Saturday, December 31, 2016 at Pace Stancil Chapel, Cleveland, Texas. Services followed starting at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, December 31, 2016 at Pace Stancil Chapel, Cleveland, Texas.

Did you know...

by Yvonne Ryba

Coldspring Chamber of Commerce will host their January lunch in Coldspring Community Center on January 17th. The guest speaker will be Director of the Small Business Development Center which is attached to Sam Houston State University. The meal begins at

noon, but please plan to arrive around 11.30 a.m. so

that you can mix and mingle with the other guests. The cost is \$15 and the meal is being catered by 'Extra Mile Catering'. 'Extra Mile' provided the food for the Green Room at Christmas on The Square. This is where the entertainers, police and first responders ate breakfast and lunch. Their food is really good! Call Nikki at (281) 622-3611 for your own event catering or if you would like a family meal prepared, you can see more on the Facebook page for Extra Mile Catering.

Bob Barragan is a mine of information for business owners. He is always available for a free consultation, to answer questions and to give advice. Make an appointment at the Chamber nearest you and he will come there to meet with you. This lunch will be a great opportunity for local business people to meet and talk with him.

Congratulations to Jimmy Enloe who closed out 2016 by being DJ at a wedding! Jimmy is available for any kind of event and you can find out more about him on his Facebook page or call him at (281) 432-9136.

Coldspring Chamber has a new President, Patrick Clark. Please read his letter to members on the web site. This web site is really full of interesting details and news about all the members. The calendar will keep you up to date on what is going to happen and there are many other interesting facts on it!

Here is some exciting news! We have a published author living in Shepherd, in fact this latest book is her second. Connie Munde, a partner at Shepherd Sanctuary on Schraderville Road, has her book "What Love Would Say" available on Amazon.com for \$12-99. Connie won the award for Best New Age book in 2013, given to independent writers. Connie says she was guided to write this book, and the words were divinely inspired. Translated into 9 different languages, including French, Spanish, German, Russian, Japanese and Chinese, the book is lavishly decorated and altogether 50 people worked on it! They translated, illustrated, and worked to have it ready. Connie says the motivation and inspirational book is meant to help "create a better world for one person at a time."

Here is a quote from her book. "You are light slowed down enough to matter, so the hand of the Creator may touch you, and you may touch back." For more information, call her at (281) 705-2581.

Need answers to you business questions? Not sure about the rules and regulations of your business? Call your local chamber to make an appointment with Director Bob Barragan. Bob travels to 10 counties in our area helping people with their problems. He is Director of the Sam Houston State S.B.D.C.

> Coldspring-San Jacinto Chamber of Commerce 31 N. Butler, Coldspring 77331 Call (936) 653-2184

> > www.coldspringtexas.org **Shepherd Chamber of Commerce** Mail to PO Box 520 Shepherd, 77371

Call (936) 628-3515 www.greatershepherdchamberofcommerce.org



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NOW GO BACK AND READ THE THIRD WORD ONLY IN EACH LINE FROM THE START.

Buy \$mart, Eat Well

SIOW COOKER CHICKEN FAJITAS

9ngredients

- 2 cans (10.5 oz.) condensed french onion soup • 1 can (10.5 oz.) beef consommé
- 3-4 pounds beef chuck roast (on sale \$2.99lb!)
- 8 sandwich rolls • 8 slices provolone cheese

Directions

- Place the roast in a slow cooker. Pour the soup and consomme over the top.
- Remove 3 cups of the juice from the slow cooker with a measuring cup or ladle and
- add to a small sauce pan. Turn heat to medium and bring to a boil. Reduce to a hard simmer and let cook until reduced by half, about 10 minutes.
- Transfer the beef to a pie plate and shred with a fork.
- Place the sandwich rolls in a 9x13 pan and spoon meat into each roll. Top with provolone cheese. Cover with foil and bake at 350 degrees for 5 minutes or until the cheese is melted.
- Serve immediately with the sauce on the side for dipping.
- PLEASE NOTE: All slow cookers are different and some take longer/ shorter than others. If your meat is not easily shredding after cooking, keep cooking it! It will get tender and easy to shred if it cooks long enough. If you double this recipe or use a larger roast, you will need to add cooking time as well.

Make it a Meal! Toss some sweet potato fries (Yams on sale \$0.591b!) and sliced white onions (on sale \$0.59lb!) in olive oil with your favorite seasonings and bake for a delicious side, or if you're short on time just grab a bowl of already made potato salad! (Reser's 3lb potato salad on sale \$3.99!) So simple and so delicious! Recipe found at www.bunsinmyoven.com

Senior Menu

MON 1/9: Beef Sausage & Onions Sauted, Cheesy Potatoes, Lima Beans, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

TUE 1/10: Salmon Patties, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Veggies, Garlic Bread, Salad, Fruit

WED 1/11: Breaded Pork Cutlets & Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn

Casserole, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit THUR 1/12: Beef Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Rice & Green Chilies, Salad, Fruit FRI 1/13: Baked Lemon Chicken, Buttered Yams, Squash Casserole,

Rolls, Salad, Fruit MON 1/16: Holiday MLK Day

TUE 1/17: Beef Tips, Brown Gravy, Rice, Candied Carrots, Rolls, Salad, Fruit WED 1/18: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Cream Gravy, Creamed Cabbage, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

THUR 1/19: Beefy Cornbread Casserole, Pinto Beans, Salad, Fruit, FRI 1/20: Grilled Pork Cutlets & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Okra & Tomatoes, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

MON 1/23: Chicken Spaghetti, Beets, Buttered Broccoli, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit TUE 1/24: Pork Loin & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Breaded Okra, Rolls, Salad, Fruit WED 1/25: Baked Chicken, Cornbread Dressing, Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad, Fruit

THUR 1/26: Chicken & Sausage Gumbo, Rice, Tossed Salad & Dressing, Crackers, Fruit

FRI 1/27: Hamburger Patty, Onions & Gravy, Seasoned Rice, Squash Casserole, Rolls, Salad, Fruit

MON 1/30: Ham Slice, Buttered Yams, Cabbage, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit TUE 1/31: BBQ Chicken, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Wheat Bread, Salad, Fruit

Second Tuesday of each month includes Birthday cake! Call (936) 628-3733 by 9:30 a.m. to reserve a meal! Menu's are Subject To Change Due To Availability.

> H.o.m.e.w.o.r.k.= Half Of My Energy Wasted On Random Knowledge.

Business News



Standard Bed \$35 per Month Stand Up Bed \$55 per Month





MONDAY - SUNDAY 10:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M.

(936) 628-1014 1480 SOUTH BYRD AVE. SHEPHERD, TX 77371



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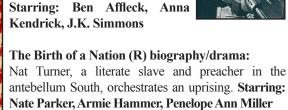
Nation

Deepwater Horizon (PG-13) drama/thriller: A dramatization of the April 2010 disaster when the offshore drilling rig, Deepwater Horizon, exploded and created the worst oil spill in U.S. history.

Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Kurt Russell, Douglas M. Griffin

The Accountant (R) action/crime:

As a math savant uncooks the books for a new client, the Treasury Department closes in on his activities and the body count starts to rise.



Community Classifieds

HAUL FOR FREE: Will haul off any non-working washers, dryers, freezers, refrigerators, treadmills, scooters, riding mowers, motorcycles, boat motors, batteries, AC units, etc. for free! Please call 936-252-9043.

FOR SALE: 3 acres 3 miles off Interstate 60/Hwy 59 in 5 Acres Subdivision in Shepherd, TX. Please call 936-365-4418.

FOR SALE: Oval Amish made dressing mirror. Solid oak, tilting frame with beveled edge. Stands 6' tall x 21" wide. \$50.00. Call 713-824-8441

FOR SALE: Dark brown fabric sofa and love seat with dark wood trim. All for \$300.00. Call 713-824-8441.

UNEMPLOYED MACHINIST NEEDS WORK: Tractor work, Welding, Automotive repair, Roofing, Carpentry, Painting, All types of Tile work, REASONIBLE RATES, NO JOB TOO SMALL! Located in the Shepherd area. Please call Joseph Clements 936-588-9060 OR 936-230-2383 FOR SALE: 2007 Kubota L2800 4WD, It has 186 hours on it, garage kept, manual transmission, front end loader, 5 ft. Howse shedder, and a 5 ft. Armstrong box blade. It has a broken headlight lens but otherwise it is in excellent condition. Need to sell ASAP; \$10,000.00 cash. Please call 936-588-9060 or 936-230-2383

FOR SALE: Call Darrell Swire 713-202-3800

- 3 ceiling fans \$25.00/ea.
- 10" Craftsman Laser Radial Arm Saw; \$150
- 17.5 ft. Bass Boat 115 hp Mercury, SS prop, New \$425 trolling motor (never used); \$850.
- Small BBQ pit on trailer, ideal for deer lease or home cooking. 17/8 ball, tow behind 4-wheeler or put on 16' trailer and take it anywhere; \$150.

FOR SALE: 3 acres for sale in 5 Acres Subdivision in Shepherd, located 3 miles off Interstate 69/Hwy 59. Please call (936) 365-4418.

FOR SALE: Power chair lift, \$200. Walker, \$50.00. Wheel chair, \$100.00. Or \$300 for everything. Please call (936) 365-3474.

FOR RENT: 21/2BR/11/2BA house for rent. Please call (281) 592-0601 or (281) 659-7780. FOR RENT: Very large doublewide for rent. 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, large

kitchen and living space. Large yard for dog. Asking \$900 per month and a \$900 deposit. Must have references. If interested, call or text 936-232-9012. FOR SALE: DJ equipment, please contact Jimmy at 281-432-9136

- DBX DriveRack PX, A compressor, limiter, equalizer, etc. all in one! Will come with RTA mic - \$200 for all
- GTD Audio 4 pack wireless handheld microphones-\$200 OBO
- 6/10U rack \$80
- Pionner DDJ-S1. DJ Controller. Serato compatible. I think no license code needed! - \$225 Obo
- Two Martin MAC 500 E. Moving headlights. Pretty good shape. Just need
- a clean up! Everything seems to work. -\$350 each OBO or \$600 for the pair • TWO Carvin 1584. 15" speakers. Good shape. Leave on the floor - \$125
- Gator RACK with cover with inside of it: PVDJ Club Mix 4 channel mixer. • Denon DN-D4000 CD player Peavey PV 900 amp -\$500 unless you combo it with speaker purchase then \$400
- Numark MixDeck controller. It has the iPod controller on it! The channel faders are glitchy. Might just need new faders! - OFFER UP

Community Calendar

1/9: City Council Meeting, 7pm/Community Center 1/10: 7pm First Station Auxiliary Meeting; 7PM

1/10: Tai Chi Class; Spirit Whispers; 7PM (Cost: \$5/session)

1/12: Free Guided Mediotation Class; 7PM; Spirit Whispers 1/12: SJC Women's League Meeting, 11:30am/Coldspring Community Center

1/14: Impact Work Shop; Impact Thrift Shop; 1300 S. Byrd Shepherd, TX

1/16: Friday Senior Resale Shop Bag Day 1/16: School Board Meeting, 7pm

1/16: Shepherd Chamber of Commerce Meeting; EDC Building 1/17: Evening of Conversations w/ Nancy Skelton; 7PM; Spirit Whispers

1/19: Free Guided Mediotation Class; 7PM; Spirit Whispers

1/24: Tai Chi Class; Spirit Whispers; 7PM (Cost: \$5/session) 1/25: Bridge of hope community church "Community Fellowship Dinner", Shepherd Middle School, 7PM.

1/26: Free Guided Mediotation Class; 7PM; Spirit Whispers 1/27: Food Truck Distribution; Shepherd Community Center 9AM-11AM

*Every Monday & Tuesday: SISD Bilingual Parent Involvement, 6-8pm at middle school library.

GUESS WHAT?!

You Can Now Enter Submissions Online! www.mcclainsfoodmarket.com

Church News

DREW'S LANDING BAPTIST CHURCH: Having trouble finding a good Bible based Church that preaches the Word of God straight from the Bible without sugarcoating it? Come join us at Drew's Landing Baptist Church located about 2 ½ miles east of Hwy 59 North down FM 1127 at 161 Thomas Castleberry Rd. We are the Big Blue Church you can see from the road. We will welcome you with open arms. Our pastor is R. Withers and he preaches straight from the Bible. Sunday School at 10 a.m. and Sunday Worship at 11 a.m. Wednesday night Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. Adults, youths and children welcome! Come as you are! Be prepared to be filled with the Holy Spirit and feel the love of God! That's who we are! Church phone number: 936-483-2717. Looking forward to seeing you!

SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Come join us as we celebrate Black History Musical on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Guests Soloists, Group Choirs, Male Choirs are invited to participate. Moderator will be Lee Roy Bryant from The Original Wonderful Harmonizers. Theme: We Owe Our Praise. Reverend Frank Mason, Pastor; First Lady Evelyn Mason; Associate Minister Douglas Jackson; Prophetess Sheila Jackson; Program Specialist, contact Sister Rosie Reed at (936) 653-4531 or call the Church at (936) 767-8421.

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH: Celebrating the 31st Anniversary for Pastor Eric C. Burch & First Lady Burch on January 15, 2017 at 3:00 p.m., February 12, 2017 at 3:00 p.m., February 16 & 17 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, February 19, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, 945 South, Evergreen, TX 77328. We look forward to seeing all of you on these dates. For more information, please call: Gladys Terry at (936) 767-3444, Siser Burch (936) 767-8350, Sister Rosie Reed (936) 653-4531 or Church Phone (936) 767-4907.