

SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

To McClain's Valued Customers:

Please note that our Thanksgiving Ad will run from Wednesday, November 18 through Thursday, November 26 (Thanksgiving Day). We will not have an ad on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, & Tuesday of the next week. Our next ad will start on Wednesday, December 2, 2015. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

I am Thankful for...

Mrs. Smith's class at Shepherd Primary wrote letters to express what they are thankful for during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Clint Batey: I am thankful for the whole class.

Amanda Dodge: I am thankful for getting a new puppy, my mom and dad, and my whole family.

Logan Blackmann: I am thankful for my family.

Harley Walton: I am thankful for Mrs. Smith.

Maci Wilson: I am thankful for school and dogs.

Shelby Smith: I am thankful for my family because they love me.

Emily Lovell: I am thankful for others.

Nicholas Stanley: I am thankful for everybody.

Kyler Syracuse: I am thankful for Legos, my sisters and my brother.

Jared Bullock: I am thankful for being nice.

Kylea Burks: I am thankful for my family.

Sadie Lowrance: I am thankful for Mrs. Smith and my family.

Taylin Page: I am thankful for cleaning.

Caleb Russell: I am thankful for others.

Kayleigh Chaney: I am thankful for my teacher.

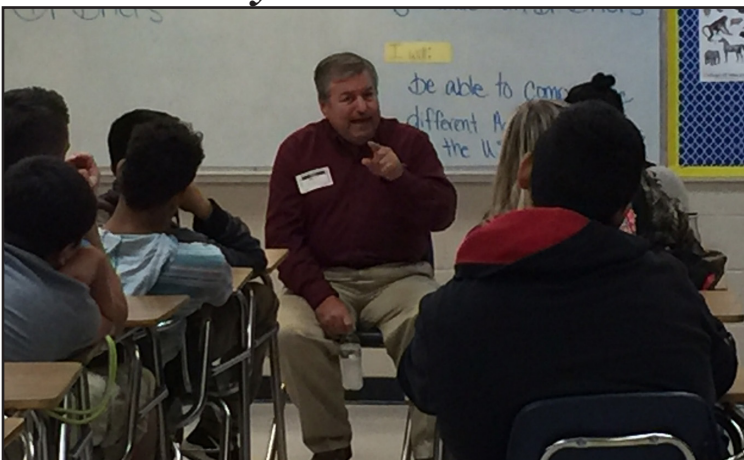
David Neal: I am thankful for my family, they are so nice to me.

Harley Brown: I am thankful for my teacher, Mrs. Smith. I love her.

Chad Murphy: I am thankful for my grandma.

Mrs. Smith: I am thankful for the best class on the planet. They are so smart, sweet and AWESOME! I am also thankful for the volunteers. We couldn't do it without you!

Dr. Gary Briers Visits SISD



On Wednesday, November 11, Dr. Gary Briers visited with my Principles of Agriculture Food and Natural Resources classes. Dr. Briers is a Professor and Senior Scientist, Norman Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture at Texas A&M University. Dr. Briers discussed his involvement and experiences in International Agriculture in over 50 different countries.

Shepherd Little Dribbler's Draft

November 17, 2015

Shepherd Intermediate Gym

Pre-K - 2nd Grade at 5:00 p.m.

3rd - 4th Grade at 6:00 p.m.

5th and 6th Grade at 7:00 p.m.

This will also be the very last chance to sign up for basketball.

Registration fee is \$85.

For questions please contact Shelia Richardson (832) 318-4079

Election Results for City of Shepherd

November 3, 2015

Kyle Somers - 74

Yvonne Ryba - 81

Charles D. Minton - 85

Rhiannon M. Ballard- Petty - 50

Texas Grill Thanks Everyone for Attending "Halloween Night"



The Texas Grill would like to personally thank each and everyone who came out Halloween night for karaoke and the Halloween Costume Contest. Thank you Joe & Sheri LeBlanc for providing the karaoke and great entertainment. Here are the winners for the costume contest and here are the winners of the costume contest and the door prizes. Best costume went to Todd Cox as the "Mad Scientist". Scariest costume went to Robert Payne as the "Killer Clown" (*his chainsaw not pictured*). Door prizes were awarded to Michelle Hoffpauv, Shey Shey, John Cyr and Craig Cooper. Thanks again to everyone that came out and participated. We all had a great time and can't wait to do it again next year. Thank you, William Lacoste

Toyz for Kidz

San Jacinto County Toyz for Kidz are in need of donations and unwrapped new or slightly used toys. San Jacinto County Toyz for Kidz provides children who are underprivileged, toys for Christmas.

Donated toys are needed for all age groups up to 12 for boys and girls. This includes infants and toddlers.

Signups will start December 1, 2015 and the deadline is December 17, 2015. Applications can be picked up at your local Precinct Commissioner's office. The following documentation is needed when applying:

- Must be a parent or legal guardian and must show a need
- Proof of residency such as a utility bill
- Driver's License
- Birth certificate for all participating children

Financial contributions can be made to Toyz for Kidz, P.O. Box 703 Point Blank, Texas 77364.

Thank you, Haley Boan, Samantha Cosme, Judy Eaton, Tracy Conroy

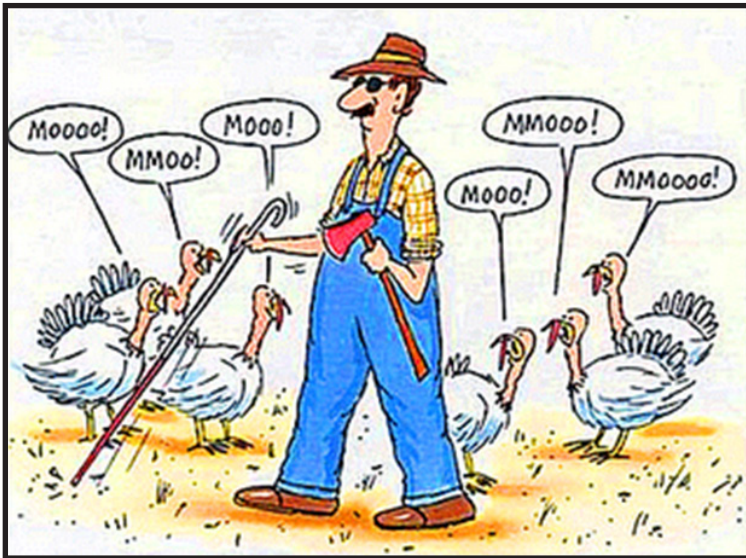
San Jacinto County Toyz for Kidz

PO BOX 703 Point Blank, TX 77364

FFA Students Attend National FFA Convention



FFA students, Carley Smith and Drishti Dalwadi attended the National FFA Convention held in Louisville, Kentucky. While at convention, the students got to meet fellow FFA members from 48 other states (*no Hawaii members were seen*) and Puerto Rico. They also attended the 8th general session, where they heard motivational speaker, Amberley Snyder speak about overcoming obstacles. The students were also present at the American Degree Ceremony, where they cheered on Shepherd FFA's very own Hayden Smith, as he received his American FFA Degree. In addition to attending convention, the students had the opportunity to learn about various forms of livestock production and agriculture in Kentucky and Indiana.



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SHEPHERD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
FESTIVAL AND PARADE
December 5th, 2015 at 1pm
VENDOR AGREEMENT

We are looking for VENDORS and would LOVE for everyone and anyone to participate in the Parade. The Parade will begin at 6:30 that evening. THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE FOR ENTERING A FLOAT OR VEHICLE IN THE PARADE.

• Booth Space is 10' X 10'

• Vendor Fees:

- Vendors \$20 per booth space
- Food Vendors \$35 per booth space
- Non-Profit Organizations are FREE
- Returning vendors get a \$5 discount on booth space
- Deadline for submission and receipt of payment is **November 30th, 2015**

• Mail signed agreement and payment to Shepherd Chamber of Commerce, 30 N. Liberty, Shepherd, TX 77371

• For additional information contact Helenmarie Johnson (936) 628- 3515 or Yvonne Ryba (936) 628-6397

Christmas Festival and Parade

I don't want much for Christmas.
I just want the person reading this to be healthy,
happy and loved!
Wishing you snowflakes, friendship, and winter
cheer! -The Social Butterfly

* Snowflakes * Friendship *
* Winter Cheer! *



December 5, 2015

Tons of vendors & entertainment throughout the day!
Ending with a lighted parade and community gathering of groups performing from the schools and local churches! We will be giving returning vendors a discount as a way of thanking you for supporting our organization!

Please contact the phone numbers on the back of this card for more info! Looking forward to hearing from you!

Please note that the parade route will be different this year! Once everything is finalized we will let you know the exact route but we wanted everyone to know that it will NOT be crossing the railroad tracks and WILL BE going by the City Park where the vendors will be and will stop at the Middle School so that people will gather around the park area and 4 way stop to watch the parade!

Shepherd Chamber of Commerce
10251 Hwy 150 Shepherd, TX 77371
(936) 628-3890 or (936) 628-3515
shepherdpl30@gmail.com

Hayden Smith Proudly Earns American FFA Degree



The Shepherd FFA is proud to congratulate Hayden Smith on earning his American FFA Degree this year at the National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY. Less than one half of one percent of all FFA members receive this award. In order to earn this achievement, one has to participate in various FFA activities, exhibit strong leadership skills, have an active SAE program and perform many hours of community service. We are very proud of Hayden and all of his hard work and dedication to the FFA.

San Jacinto County 2015
Thanksgiving Community Feast
Sunday November 22nd At 3pm

Free Turkeys
Clothes Closet
Food Baskets

Everyone's Invited!!!

Jones Auditorium
Coldspring TX. 77331

For more info call 936-653-4525



Hunger bites.
Bite back.

houstonfoodbank

Food Trucks will be back in Shepherd at the Shepherd Community Center

November 25 and December 9

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

If you would like to volunteer please call

Betty Greenhouse at Pct. 2 (936) 628-3267 or

Helenmarie Johnson at the Shepherd Library (936) 628-3515.

We would really appreciate any extra hands we can get! Thank you!

Did you know...

By Yvonne Ryba
Did you know that *Tanning and Treasures* is now *Southern Tanz Boutique*? The new owner is Keri Vidrine and she has expanded the tanning services to include Spray Tanning. I learned a lot more about tanning when I talked with her the other day. Keri has regular lay down beds and stand up beds for people who want the normal tanning routine. Each session lasts 20 minutes and Texas law states there must be 24 hours between tans, so once a day is the most tanning you can have! Lay down beds are more relaxing and cost \$6 a session, while stand up beds are \$8 a session and give you a faster or stronger tan. If you would like to have regular tans, you can have a monthly rate of \$40 or \$60 for the stand up bed tan. Spray tanning, or air brush tanning, is just that. You are sprayed with a special solution that will last 10 days or so and will give you the perfect tan. This is a great way to go for people wanting to look their best for the special occasion. It could be a wedding, a prom night, a cheerleader session or any event where looking good is desired. The solution is organic and contains collagen, skin tighteners, vitamin E and is very safe. It takes about 10 minutes to have your spray tan completed and the price is less than half what it costs for the same treatment in Houston where it costs about \$45. Southern Tanz Boutique charges \$20.

What else? The Boutique has a fine collection of handbags, jewelry and rustic home decor. I bought a pair of sunglasses with 'bling' decorating the sides! Keri also stocks Montana West goods, boots and flip flops, beautiful crosses and perfume and cologne. It is a really good place to start your Christmas shopping! Where is it? At 12311 Hwy 150, which is in the same strip as *Nancy's Hair Salon*, *Spirit Whispers* and *Blessed Assurance Home Health* and across the street from the *Agri-Tex* Extension building. Call (832) 247-2078 for more information.

Do not forget to fill out your ballot paper for the 'Best of San Jacinto County' competition. If you go to their web site, they will have a ballot on there for you to print out and return. If you want to be part of the Christmas festivities in our county, there will be two parades, as usual. Shepherd comes first on December 5th with Coldspring the Saturday following. Shepherd will start their parade from the parking lot of the Pentecostal Church just past the traffic lights at 6:00 p.m. If you want an application to have a float in the parade, call (936) 628-3515. Entry is free but we need to know how many people will be in the parade. If you have a business on the parade route, which is the center of our town basically, please consider decorating the outside of your store or business. The theme this year is "Snowmen, Snowflakes and Past Memories." If you wish to be a vendor, call this number too.

Coldspring Chamber have chosen the theme of 'Memories, Past and Present' for their parade and this is based on the art work of Mary Nicklow, a wonderful local artist who passed away this year in April. Mary was a founder member of CAAL, Coldspring Area Art League and a wonderful artist whose work is displayed in many places, both in private and corporate locations. The Bank of San Jacinto has her work on display. Call the Chamber at the number below for more information.

San Jacinto County Historical Commission organize and host the '19th Annual Town Lighting in The Courthouse Square' in Coldspring on November 28 at 6:00 p.m. There will be vendors and entertainment for this event which kicks off the holiday season in our county. The whole day is given to the celebration, starting at 9:00 a.m. until the lighting up at 6:00 p.m. Put this date on your calendars!

Spirit Whispers had a ribbon cutting on November 5. The event was well attended with yummy food and good company. The owners, Jerribeth Williamson and Helenmarie Johnson, welcomed regular and new visitors to their business which is across from the first business I mentioned here, *Southern Tanz Boutique*. Meditation is at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings with workshops and classes available throughout the year on a variety of subjects. These include Dream Interpretation, Handwriting Analysis, Reiki sessions and more. You can also see a collection of handmade jewelry by local artists while you are there. Call (281) 761-8027 or (281) 761-1256. *Director of the Small Business Deveopment Agency at Sam Houston State, Mr Bob Barragan, will be in Shepherd on November 6. He has an appointment in the morning but if you would like to talk to him on that day, call the Chamber nearest you. Bob has been helping small businesses for many years and all consultations are free. Like us on Facebook!*

Have any good family recipes? Share them with us!
You can send them to us through
Facebook or email us!
mcclains.shepherdnews@gmail.com

A McClain Family Tradition

Sue McClain's Easy Overnight Oven Turkey Recipe

- Rub turkey with salt and oleo (shortening or butter).
- Place in a roaster.
- Add 3 cups of water.
- Cover with roaster lid and place in preheated 450 oven. (Our grandmother would also use just a aluminum roasting pan, put the turkey in the pan and then put the entire thing into a brown paper bag and wrap it up tight before putting it in the oven. This is the way I remember seeing our dad do it as well!) HOWEVER, I read that paper can catch fire at 451 degrees—so you may want to bump down the thermostat a bit if you use this method, just to be safe! And make sure the bag isn't touching the sides or top of the oven.,
- Bake for 1hr 15min.
- Turn off oven but DO NOT PEEK, leave it in the oven all night and open at noon the next day! (We didn't have a ton of people to feed at Thanksgiving, so I'm thinking this is based on a 10-12lb turkey. If you have a bigger turkey, you may want to roast it a little longer.)



Senior Menu

MON 11/16: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Purple Hull Peas, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

TUE 11/17: Meatloaf Sandwich, Homemade Potato Soup, Cornbread, Salad, Crackers, Pudding

WED 11/18: Baked Turkey & Gravy, Cornbread, Dressing, Yams, Green Bean Casserole, Cranberry Sauce, Salad, Rolls, Assorted Desserts

THUR 11/19: Chicken Nuggets, Cream Gravy, Buttered Rice, Snow Peas, Wheat Bread, Salad, Fruit

FRI 11/20: Baked Potato Stuffed With BBQ Pulled Pork & Trimmings, Fried Okra, Wheat Bread, Salad, Peanut Butter Cookies

MON 11/23: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Sweet Peas, Garlic Bread, Salad, Fruit

TUE 11/24: Pork Loin, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Greens, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

WED 11/25: Chicken Quesadillas, Sour Cream, Cheese, Salsa, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Salad, Yogurt

THUR 11/26: Closed Thanksgiving Day

FRI 11/27: Closed Leftover Day

MON 11/30: King Ranch Chicken, Pinto Beans, Corn Casserole, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

Second Tuesday Of Each Month Dessert Includes Birthday Cake/ Menu's Are Subject To Change Due To Availability Call (936) 628-3733 By 9:30 a.m. To Reserve A Meal

November Senior Birthdays

Birthday Wishes to: Donna Benson, Bobbie Blanks, Randy Crowder, Marble Lee Denson, Janice Rigily, Sherry Roberts & Deborah Stearns. *Pictured: Edwin Stephens*

Joke of the Week

What Does a Dizzy Turkey Say?

Wobble, Wobble, Wobble!

THANKSGIVING FUN FACTS

1. The Plymouth Pilgrims were the first to celebrate the Thanksgiving.
2. The Pilgrims sailed across the Atlantic Ocean to reach North America.
3. They sailed on the ship, which was known by the name of 'Mayflower'.
4. They celebrated the first Thanksgiving Day at Plymouth, Massachusetts.
5. The Wampanoag Indians were the people who taught the Pilgrims how to cultivate the land.
6. The Pilgrim leader, Governor William Bradford, had organized the first Thanksgiving feast in 1621. He invited the neighboring Wampanoag Indians to the feast.
7. The first Thanksgiving celebration lasted three days..

New Releases Coming to McClain's DVD Kiosk

The Hobbit: The Battle of Five Armies (PG-13) adventure/fantasy: Bilbo and Company are forced to engage in a war against an array of combatants and keep the Lonely Mountain from falling into the hands of a rising darkness. **Starring: Ian McKellen, Martin Freeman, Richard Armitage**

McClain's does not maintain Cajun DVD movie kiosk and therefore cannot guarantee all movie releases.

November 18, 2015

Community Classifieds

MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Saturday November 21st starting at 9 am in the First State Bank Parking Lot

FOR SALE: Invacare electric hospital bed, hospital mattress and over-bed table. Call (936) 628-3295.

FRESHLEMONS: My lemon tree is loaded with huge juicy lemons and I'm selling them 5 for \$1.00. Located on FM 1127 (Drews Landing Rd.) If you'd like to make some fresh homemade lemonade call me at (281) 728-3500.

FOR SALE: Electric stove 4-burner glass top, \$50.00. Washing machine, \$100.00 Dryer, \$50.00. Bed, \$50.00. 5 female Lionhead rabbits, young adult, \$20 each.

FOR RENT: 3BR/2BA trailer for rent. 561 Dogwood Trail, Shepherd, TX. Please call (832) 469-6301 or (832) 318-1069.

Community Calendar

11/17: Shepherd Little Dribbler's Draft ;Shepherd Intermediate

11/20: Senior Resale Shop Bag Day

11/22: Community Thanksgiving Feast; Jones Auditorium; 3PM

11/23: Shepherd Chamber of Commerce meeting, 6pm/EDC

11/25: Bridge of hope community church "Community Fellowship Dinner", Shepherd Middle School, 7PM.

11/25: Food trucks at Shepherd Community Center 9AM-11AM

11/28: The 19th Annual Christmas Town Lighting; Courthouse Square

Church News

SHEPHERD UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH: The church family, along with Pastor & Mrs. Gerald, cordially invite "You and Yours" to come worship with us and enjoy a wonderful Sunday evening together "Praising Him"! The Great Gospel Singing and Thanksgiving Celebration hosted Sunday, November 22, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Located (East from 4-Corners)

ASCENDING DOVE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH: Located at 4850 FM2666, in Shepherd, Texas invites the public to come and listen to Missionaries Charlie and Sharon Steffler talk about their fascinating work with the Pueche Indians in Northern Mexico . There will be Dinner on the grounds after the presentation. The public is welcome to both the presentation and the dinner. Sunday school starts at 10:00 a.m., services starting at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday November 29, 2015. We would really love to see you there! Musicians are cordially invited to come play! Any questions or concerns should be directed to Pastor David Pate at (281) 593-5316.

SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH: The Pastoral Aid Committee respectfully requests your presence as we celebrate Dr. Frank L. Mason, Jr., tenth (10) anniversary on December 13, 2015. Rev. Eric C. Burch and the Mount Moriah MB Church is the guest will be his pastor, Dr. John W. Horton and the Sun Rise Baptist Church of Houston, Texas. Dr. Mason has spent countless hours of laboring with us, therefore we count it all joy to show him how much we appreciate him and his lovely wife, Sister Evelyn Grace Mason. When at Christian is called upon to give his testimony in the church, it's very important that we remember that the goal of all speaking, in the meetings of the Church, is to edify (1 Cor. 14:12). Pastor Mason has used every opportunity to give his testimony as an opening to invite other to Christ and share the gospel. He preaches with great joy and love encouraging us to be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. 1Cor. 15:58. Dinner will be served after each service on that day. For more information please call (936) 767-8421 or (936) 653-4531.

DOLEN CHURCH: Nuevo servicio en español los sábados a las 6:30 p.m. a partir del 5 de diciembre del 2015. Venga a Dolen Baptist Church en 10078 FM 787 Rd. Pastores: William and Elizabeth Courtney.

Business News

IN-HOME DAYCRE RE-OPENING

I had to stop working in my daycare operation due to a death in my family.

I am starting to work again and I will be taking applications immediately!

Listed through Department of Family and Protective Services of TX Child Care Licensing

CPR and First Aid Certified

Age approved meals, snacks, juice and milk will be provided.

Diapers and formula will not be provided.

Open Monday - Friday:

Time: TBD

Location: 41 Beeson Ave. Shepherd, TX

Operator: Elizabeth Jeanette Burton (936) 628-6367

2001 S. Medford Dr. · Lufkin, Tx 75901 · (936) 639-1149

Office: 936.633.5611

Tiffany Mijares

HEALTHCARE NAVIGATOR

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Crisis Line: 800.392.8343

Free assistance is available if you need affordable health insurance through the market place or have questions concerning insurance. Schedule an appointment with your local navigator, Tiffany Mijares at (936) 633-5611.

For news or special events to be published in Shepherd Community News:

Drop off your information/picture at McClain's, e-mail to mcclains.shepherdnews@gmail.com, or fax to (936) 628-2866. *Information may not be taken over the telephone.*

Include contact information on your request to have something published. *Our deadline is 6 p.m. Tuesday for the following week.*