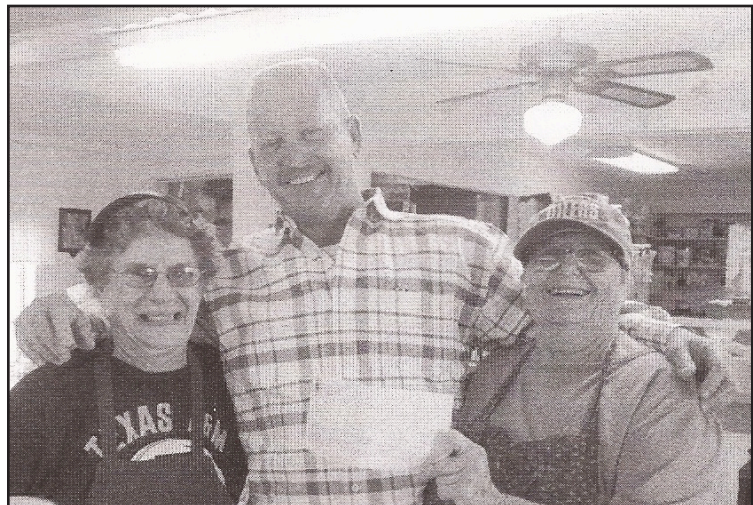


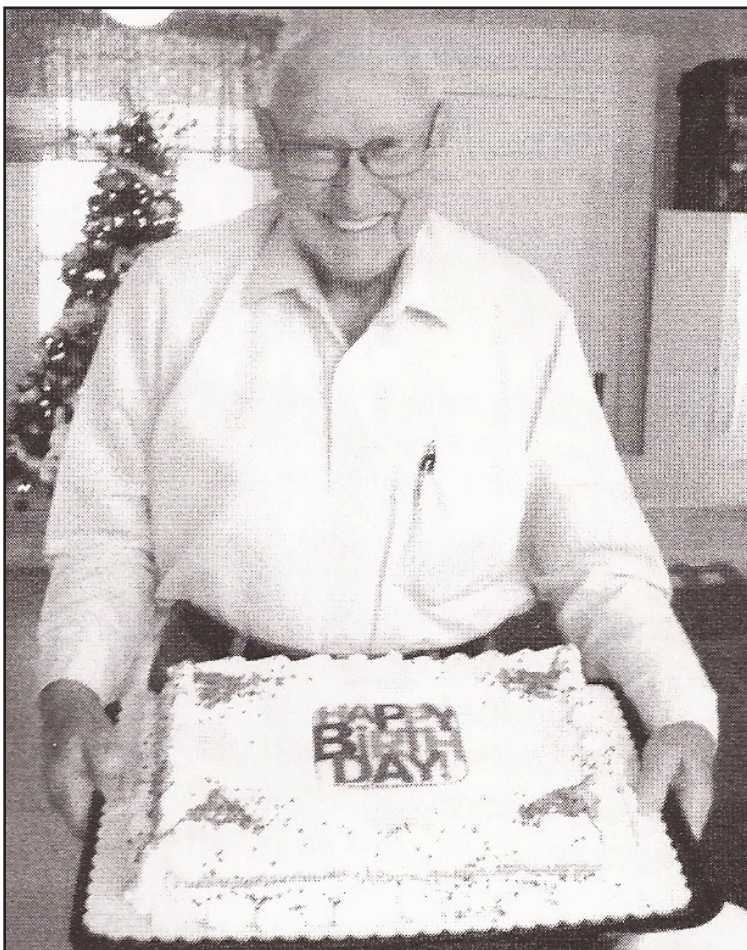
SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

Senior Citizens Get a Check



San Jacinto County Precinct 2 Commissioner, Donnie Marrs, presented the Shepherd Senior Citizens Center with a check from San Jacinto County Commissioners Court.

Happy Birthday Arlis Williams



Happy Birthday to Arlis Williams! To celebrate his 92nd birthday, family members brought a cake so that he could celebrate with his "other" family at Shepherd Senior Citizen's Center. Arlis is an avid domino player and is at the Center everyday. His wonderful smile brightens our day. We love you Arlis!

CHILI COOKOFF!

Shepherd UMC is having a Chili Cookoff
February 28th starting at 8:30 a.m.

\$25 entrance fee

1st place gets \$100 cash!

Please call Pastor Jimmy Smith at (936) 628-3861, leave message and phone number

Come join us for a bowl of chili and games like horseshoes or washers
Hope to see you there!

Wall of Memories

The Shepherd Public Library has replaced the "Wall of Memories" plaques that were vandalized on the outside wall of the library and are in the process of creating a new wall with new plaques inside the library to prevent being vandalized again. The plaques that were on the original Wall of Memories that were not broken have been taken down and are being kept inside for any family members that would like to come by and pick theirs up.

The families of the names listed below may stop by the library during operating hours and pick theirs up.

Mary Kirby Kelly, John Elmer and Myrtle (Tullos) Deggs, S. D. and Stevie Oldham, Wm S. and Ida Dunham Dixon, John C. Kelly, Lillie Fain (Mrs.) Ed Smith, Michael W. Stripling, Hill and Willie Dabney, Dora L. Harvey, Curtis Hunter Burge M.D., David Hasque and Martha Sherman Fain, Patricia Nyberg Davis, Col Frank E. Davis, William D. Choate "Bill", Mr. And Mrs. C.O. Ford, Belle Grady, R. D. "Bob" McClain, Frank and Tom Manuel, Rev. James E. Downey, Hal McClain, James Ephraim Tribe, Mary Ward Craig, Jesse and Vassie Martin, Henry and Georgia Diamond, Julius C. Adams and Mariah M. Adams, Earl A. Lilly, Tommie Edward Hoot, George and Ellen Hoot (x's 2), Hannah D. Dirden, Judge John W. Modesett, Charles W. Dowden- Candacy, William Lee Rohrer, Benjamin F. Ellis Jr. and Bertha Pond Ellis, Dolly and Bill Sumrall, Bessie Meador Tisinger, Henry Pond, Gladly Blessing, William H. Ellis, Jess and Mattie Howard, Lee and Rosa Thompson Family, William Duncan Cronin, Edward "Ed" Dabney, Edgar and Rosa Stripling, Cedric I and Annie Cronin, Justin Nelson and Hannah Faith Whitmire, Gary Wayne Corn, W. M. Nolan "Doc" Dabney, Bruce V. Thomas, Frances Wren Shank, Thomas and Mary Ellen Cutler, Mrs. Sue McClain, James Monroe Clark, James Bryant Choate, J.C. Jesse Fain, Tib and Blanche Gilbert, Marvin and Gladys "Parker" Cutler, James (Jim) McClain, Floyd "Junebug" Sims, Marvin George and Mary Jo Cutler, Bob Harris, Davis and Janis Moulder, JB Jennings, W.T. "Boyd" Coogler, Virgle and Agnes Thomas, Mildred and Wynn Booth, Bill Pilkinton

Nacho's and Numbers



Shepherd Intermediate held their "Nacho's and Numbers" Parental Involvement Event on January 29, 2015. Attendees participated in multiple activities using math. Approximately 700 students and parents enjoyed a Fiesta Theme, music and nachos while having fun doing math.



**Valentine's Day
Bake Sale!**
**Saturday, February
14th**
at McClain's

Do You Know Us?



Taken from the Sam Godsey family album in Conroe, this photo was taken in Shepherd in 1940. Do you recognize anyone here? Please call Yvonne Ryba at (936) 628-3890 if you have information.



It's Scholarship Time Again!

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship Applications are now available! San Jacinto County High School Senior students wishing to apply should go to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo website, <http://www.rodeohouston.com> and apply online. All applications must be submitted online. If needed students should see their school counselor, County Extension office, or Ag Science teachers for additional information. The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo will provide a \$18,000, four-year scholarship to an eligible, outstanding student from OUR county. So parents get your senior to working on completing this application. They just might be the lucky recipient of the \$18,000 four-year scholarship for our county. All online applications must be submitted by midnight, February 23, 2015. Required documentation must be postmarked by February 27, 2015. Final approval and notification of each scholarship recipient will be made by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Office of Educational Programs.

For more information on the Show, its scholarship program and other educational commitments, visit www.rodeohouston.com. The 2015 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo will run March 3 - March 22, 2015.

It's Reading Time!



Mrs. Morris' class, at Shepherd Primary, has started reading chapter books. We have groups reading "Cam Jansen", "Charlotte's Web", "The Stories Julian Tells", and "Robert and the Hairy Disaster". Our favorite part of the day is when we can curl up on the rug with a good book! Pictured are: Kimora Youngblood, Santiago Flores, Ana Mcanally, Zachery Howard, Morgan Graham, Gabriel Green, Alvaro Ramos, Logan Smith, Preston Stephens, Kimberly Combs, Elizabeth VanCamp, and Cheyenne Harris.

Love sharing your opinion? Share it with us!



We want to know what you think of Shepherd Community News! Please send us an e-mail telling us what you like, don't like, or think we could improve upon, because we think feedback is awesome, and we want everyone to love our paper just as much as we do!

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J of the WEEK

Q: What'd the baker say to his sweetheart on Valentine's Day?



A: I'm do-nuts about you!

Q: What'd the stamp say to the envelope on Valentine's Day?



A: I'm stuck on you!

Did you know...

By Yvonne Ryba

After our 'Best of San Jacinto' Banquet, Coldspring/San Jacinto County Chamber had several awards still left to be given to the winners of their category. One such award was for 'Best Police Officer'. So, three Board members carried the winner's certificate to the Sheriff's office in Coldspring, where we surprised and congratulated Sheriff Capers with his award.

Patrick Clark, Gerald Deeter and myself were asked if we would like a tour of the Jail and we were given a look at the way our law enforcement runs this establishment, with our guide Chief Deputy Schultea. My first impression was that the building was extremely clean and light and was told that it is mopped and cleaned several times a day. The kitchens were busy and so was the dispatch center when we peeped into it. It was obviously a well organized place and an unusual but interesting visit!

Are you interested in taking a Zumba class? A new business is starting up in Shepherd, which offers this fun way to exercise. A meditation group and upcoming classes in energy and healing work are also in the works. Situated in the same building as 'Nancy's Hair Salon' and 'Tanning and Treasures', the new business, 'Spirit Whispers' intends to offers space to others who wish to teach a class. In March there will be a Dream Interpretation workshop. Details for this will be announced in the next week or so. Owners Jerrie Beth Williamson and Helenmarie Johnson will also have crystals, a limited book selection and more for sale. For more information call (281) 761-1256 or (281) 761-8027. 'Spirit Whispers' is located at 11231 Hwy 150, Suite 5.

Shepherd Chamber of Commerce is having its first Luncheon of 2015 on Wednesday, February 18th at the Shepherd Community Center. This is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with other business owners and some of our county's officials. The guest speaker will be Shepherd Mayor, Michael Coker and the food, Mexican with dessert to follow, will be catered by our President, Twinkle Webber. Tickets are \$15 available from the Chamber. Call me at the number below. Please reserve your place by February 16th. Don't forget 'Trash and Treasure Trek' is fast approaching. You will be able to drive across our county looking at all the different garage sales and fund raisers for charities. There will be vendors around the Court House Square, and to find where all of the garage sales will be, look at the map on the Coldspring Chamber web site. Shepherd Chamber will have a booth outside of the Community Center. All proceeds will go toward funding Chamber events and scholarships. This county wide garage sale is Saturday, February 28th. Call Coldspring Chamber or visit the web site.

That same evening, Coldspring Community Center will hold its fund raiser in Jones Auditorium. This Dinner and Evening of Country Entertainment starts at 6:00 p.m., tickets are \$25. There will be a DJ, dancing and country music as well as a Silent Auction with some excellent items for sale. The dress theme is country! Call Gayle Erwin for more information and tickets at (832) 282-7128. This is going to be a really entertaining evening with great food by caterer William Baker, who is keeping the country theme for the meal.

Shepherd Chamber of Commerce
11231 Hwy 150, Suite 3. Mail to PO Box 520,
Shepherd, 77371 (936) 628-3890
Coldspring/San Jacinto County Chamber of Commerce
31, N. Butler St, Coldspring, 77331 (936) 653-2184
For a FREE business consultation with Director Bob Brannagan
of Sam Houston State Small Business Development Agency
Call one of the Chambers for an appointment.
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Eat Well, Buy on \$ale

Red Velvet Cheesecake Brownies

- Brownie Batter Ingredients:
- 1 box of red velvet cake mix (Duncan Hines on sale 4/\$5.00!)
 - 1 stick of butter, melted
 - 3 tbsp vegetable oil
 - 2 eggs

For the Cream Cheese:

- 1 (8 oz) package of cream cheese, room temperature
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 350. Grease and flour a 9×9 pan.
2. In a bowl combine the cake mix, melted butter, oil, and eggs. The batter should be very thick, but bakes up incredibly moist. Reserve 1/3 cup of batter mixed with 2 tbsp. of water for the topping, and spread the rest in to prepared baking dish.
3. For the cheesecake topping, beat cream cheese until like then add sugar until combined. Beat in egg until well blended, then add vanilla. Pour on top of brownie mixture and spread into an even layer.
4. Top cheesecake layers with dollops of the thinned out brownie batter and use a toothpick or butter knife to make pretty swirls. Bake 20 – 25 minutes until toothpick inserted comes out clean.
5. Cool completely, then serve!



Senior Citizen Menu

- Mon 2/9:** Chicken Spaghetti, Beets, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit
Tue 2/10: Meatloaf, Cheesy Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Wheat Bread, Salad, Fruit
Wed 2/12: Fried Fish, Hush Puppies, Baked Potato Salad, Carrot & Raisen Salad, Apple Crisp,
Thur 2/12: Lincoln’s Birthday - Smothered Pork Cutlets In Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
Fri 2/13: Chicken Lasagna, Mixed Veggies, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit
Mon 2/16: President’s Day - Beef & Macaroni, Casserole, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Cornbread, Fruit
Tue 2/17: Fat Tuesday - Pork Loin, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Greens, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
Wed 2/18: Ash Wednesday - Baked Turkey, Broccoli & Rice Casserole, Candied Carrots, Rolls, Salad, Apple Crisp
Thur 2/19: Chinese New Year - Chicken Pasta Salad, Vegetable Soup, Garlic Bread, Fruit Cobbler,
Fri 2/20: Salmon Patty, Oven Roasted Potatoes & Onions, Green Beans, Rolls, Fruit
Mon 2/23: Hamburger Patty With Gravy & Onions, Buttered Noodles, Black Eye Peas, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
Wed 2/24: Weiners And, Saurkraut, Lima Beans, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
Thur 2/25: Fried Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
Fri 2/26: Meatloaf Brown Gravy & Onions, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
Mon 2/27: Chicken & Sausage Gumbo, Rice, Tossed Salad, Crackers, Peaches

Shepherd Senior Citizens serve @ 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Please call before 9:30 a.m. if possible for lunches,
so we can have a count! (936)-628-3733

Menu subject to change without notice.

Second Tuesday of each month dessert includes birthday cake!

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Public Hearing Notice - Texas Community Development Block Grant Program 2015-2016 Application Cycle

San Jacinto County will hold a public hearing at 5:30 p.m. on February 9, 2015 at the San Jacinto County Courthouse, County Commissioners Court Room, regarding the submission of an application to their Texas Department of Agriculture for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens on opportunity to discuss the Citizen Participation Plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of past TxCDBG funds. The County encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known as this Public Hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to John Lovett, County Judge at 1 State Highway 150 Coldspring, Texas 77331.

Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the office of the County Judge at (936) 653-4331 at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Para obtener mas informacion en espanol por favor pongase en cantacto con la oficina del juez del condado en (936) 653-4331

Daughters of the Republic of Texas

The DRT invites any lady that can show her family came to Texas by the year 1845 to come and join us. If interested, our chapter is in Livingston. Call Glenda Shuttlesworth at (210) 260-1143

Church News

CALL TO CALVARY MINISTRIES: A church that preaches the Message of the Cross. 793 Thomas Castleberry Rd. Shepherd (off of FM 1127) Sunday 9:30 a.m. SS Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening 6:30 p.m. Thursday 7:30 p.m. All Welcome!

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD: Cake Sale at the First Assembly of God Church on Good Friday, April 3, 2015.

SPRINGHILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Damaged but Delivered Conference 2015, Friday, February 27th at 7 p.m. and Saturday, February 28th at 9 a.m. Guest speakers: Apostle Helen Bedford: Word of Power Apostolic Church; Pastor Keith Johnson & Co-Pastor 1st Lady Clara Johnson: St. Lukes Church; 1st Lady Evelyn Mason: Spring Hill Church; SI’s Monica Harrell: Family Faith Church; Minister Sheila Burns: Pleasant Grove Church. Key Note Speaker, Saturday: Pastor L. Kinder, By Gods Grace Church. For more information contact Minister Douglas and Sheila Jackson at (936) 203-3209.

New Releases Coming to McClain’s DVD Kiosk This Week



Nightcrawler (R) crime/drama: When Lou Bloom, a driven man desperate for work, muscles into the world of L.A. crime journalism, he blurs the line between observer and participant to become the star of his own story. Aiding him in his effort is Nina, a TV-news veteran.
Starring: Jake Gyllenhaal, Rene Russo, Bill Paxton



Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (PG) comedy/family: Alexander's day begins with gum stuck in his hair, followed by more calamities. Though he finds little sympathy from his family and begins to wonder if bad things only happen to him, his mom, dad, brother, and sister all find themselves living through their own terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day.
Starring: Steve Carell, Jennifer Garner, Ed Oxenbould

Please note: Because we are no longer responsible for receiving movies, we cannot guarantee all movies will be available for rent on this date.

February 11, 2015

Community Classifieds

FOR SALE: Tiny Chiweenie puppies! Chihuahua/Dachshund mix. 6 weeks old, 2 females and 1 male, have had first shots and wormed; \$200. Call or text 281-844-8309 for more information or pictures. **FOR SALE:** Wood-burning stove, burns 2ft wood, \$80. John Deere L130 automatic, no deck, \$300. Call Larry at 281-659-4286.

FOR RENT: 3BR/2BA mobile home, \$525 per month plus deposits. Please call 281-467-7533.

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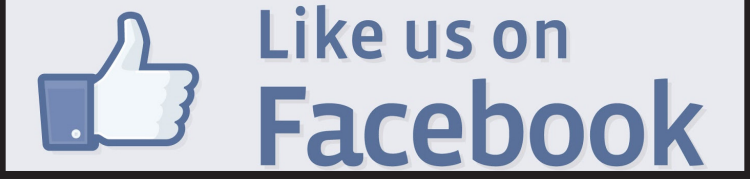
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Community Calendar

- 2/9:** Public hearing at 530 PM at the San Jacinto County Courthouse, County Commissioners Court Room
2/10: City Council Meeting, 7pm/Community Center
2/10: First Station Auxiliary Meeting
2/14: Shepherd youth League Sign-Ups 10AM-2PM; Shepherd Ball Park
2/16: School Board Meeting, 7pm
2/17: Shepherd Pirateers Program
2/18: Chamber of Commerce Luncheon 1130 AM
2/19: Bingo at the Senior Center 930 AM - 1130 AM
2/20: Senior Resale Shop Bag Day
2/23: Shepherd Chamber of Commerce meeting, 6pm/EDC Building
2/28: UMC Chili Cook off 830 AM
2/28: Trash and Treasure Trekgarage sale

Business News

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Our deadline is 6 p.m. Tuesday for the following week.

Obituary

James Michael “00” Ault



April 14, 1949 - January 28, 2015

James Michael “00” Ault, 65, of Shepherd, Texas passed away on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 in Shepherd, Texas. He was born on Thursday, April 14, 1949 in Jasper, Texas to William M Ault and Doris (Bell) Cox, both of whom have preceded him in death. “00” was also preceded in death by his step father, Charles L. Cox; grandparents William and Ellie Mae Bell; Left to cherish his memory is his loving daughter, Andrea Dannette Pope and husband William of Shepherd, Texas; granddaughters, Cheyenne E. Pope, Alicia Leigh Pope, and Bonnie Gayle Pope; special friend and companion, Margie Fleming of Cleveland, Texas; along with numerous other loving family and treasured friends. He served as post commander, two terms for VFW post 1839, in Cleveland, Texas. He was a faithful member of Pin Oak Baptist Church, he was known to fix and build anything, and he had a heart for helping people. Visitation for “00” was held at Neal Funeral Home on Friday, January 30, 2015 from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. Funeral Services for “00” will be held at Neal Funeral Home on Saturday, January 31, 2015, at 10:00 am, George Hayden officiating. All services were handled under the trusted care of Neal Funeral Home.