

SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

SISD taking nominations for Gifted and Talented Program

Shepherd Independent School District (SISD) is currently taking nominations for students to be screened for the gifted and talented program for the 2015-2016 school year. Parents, family, friends, or community members may nominate a student for the screening process.

The nomination of students is the primary means of beginning the screening process. Screening will consist of gathering data on the students nominated by way of standardized/criterion referenced tests, mental abilities tests, teacher checklist, the Structure of Intellect Test, and personal interview. Program placement will be determined through the completion of a matrix on each student. Notification of program placement will occur before the start of the 2015-2016 school year.

Should you have a student you would like to nominate for program screening you may pick up a nomination form from any Shepherd ISD campus office. The nomination form should be completed and returned to the counselor's office by Friday, February 27th.

100th Day of School



Students and staff at Shepherd Primary and Shepherd Intermediate celebrated the 100th day of school with various activities involving the number 100.



Mrs. Owens' First Grade class, at Shepherd Primay, celebrated the 100th day of school. They skipped counted various ways to 100, wrote 100 words, and wrote about what they would do if they had \$100. They made "I'm 100 days smarter" posters and hats. Then they paraded around the school to celebrate. The students are Ruben Andrade, Debanhi Cantera, Pedro Aguillon, Crystal Flores, Jocelyn Flores, Lonel Flores, Guadalupe Gallegos, Hailey Leon, Natalie Leon, Alicia Maranon, Juan Maranon, Abril Martinez, David Najera, Alexander Osorio, Valentin Reyes, Jose Tovar, Daniela Valencia, Diana Valencia, Yamilet Villegas-Gonzalez, and Michelle Zamora.

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.

Fatal Hit-N-Run Accident on 2666



A fatal hit-and-run accident claimed the life of 19-year-old Josey Scott, a resident of Shepherd. The accident occurred around 5-6 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10. According to San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office, it appears Scott was jogging along FM 2666 when she was struck and killed by an unknown vehicle; the driver reportedly fled the scene after the accident and did not render aid to the victim. As of today's date a lead suspect has been arrested and taken into custody.

A Go Fund Me account was set up for Josey Scott on Facebook on February 11 with the goal of raising \$10,000. As of today's date, February 12, over \$15,000 has been donated. It is absolutely amazing that our community was able to come together to raise such a large amount of money in only ONE DAY in order to show their support of this terrible tragedy.

Shepherd Chamber of Commerce Invites You to Lunch!



Wednesday February 18, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. in Shepherd Community Center. Come at 11:30 a.m. to meet and mingle with other guests. Guest Speaker- Mayor Michael Coker of Shepherd.

Please come and enjoy the company of other business owners and members. Our meal will be Mexican entree with American desserts to follow! Price is \$15 please reply by Monday, February 16th. Call (936) 628-3890 or (936) 446-6011

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!

Mystery Basket Competition



Jacob Lopez, Jackie Salinas and Josue Marin will be competing in the Mystery Basket Competition during the FCCLA Regional Meet held in Galveston on February 20th. Good Luck to Shepherd High School culinary students!

The City of Shepherd Water Violation

Mandatory Language for Monitoring and Reporting Violation Failure to Submit a Disinfectant Level Quarterly Operating Report (DLQOR) MONITORING, ROUTINE (DBP), MAJOR/CHLORINE

THE CITY OF SHEPHERD water system PWS ID 2040001 has violated the monitoring and reporting requirements set by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in Title 30, Texas Administrative Code (30 TAC), Section 290, Subchapter F. Public water systems are required to properly disinfect water before distribution, maintain acceptable disinfection residuals within the distribution system, monitor the disinfectant residual at various locations throughout the distribution system, and report the results of that monitoring to the TCEQ on a quarterly basis.

Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water is safe from microbial contamination.

This violation occurred in the monitoring period(s) 3rd Quarter for months of June, July, and August, 2014.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue:

We will verify we put the correct address on the envelope.

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact City Hall at (936) 628-3305.

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, Gladys 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

National Career and Technical Education Month



The month of February is National Career and Technical Education Month. Shepherd High School recognizes their Career and Technical Education teachers and is proud of the growth in the classes offered and the number of students enrolled in the programs.

Shepherd High School offers the traditional agriculture classes, construction management, family consumer science, business and technology classes. But SHS also offers Health Science, Commercial Photography, Floral Design, Culinary, and Veterinary Medical Application. Students are also able to take Career and Technical Education courses that give them a science or math credit, such as, Advanced Animal Science, Forensic Science, Mathematical Applications in Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, and Statistics and Risk Management.

Shepherd High School Career and Technical teachers are: Technology – Lisa Courville and Holly Harrison; Audio Visual – India Peden and Robert Peden; Business – Julia Albright; Health Science – Shauna Emola; Family Consumer Science – Ginger Batey and Samantha Keith; Agriculture – Caitlin Anderson, Steve Cronin, Tony Goodman and Michelle Moss; Construction – Austin Hanna; Forensic Science – Peter Gallmeier

Top Picture: Coach Shauna Emola and Health Science students, Keithon Johnson and Angelika Martinez

Bottom Picture: Lisa Courville, India Peden, Robert Peden and Holly Harrison.

Did you know...

By Yvonne Ryba

February 28 is going to be a busy day in San Jacinto County. The biggest garage sale of the year will stretch from one end of the county to the other. Organized by Coldspring/ San Jacinto County Chamber of Commerce, the sale is open to everyone, from individuals to organizations like churches, charities, non- profit and political groups. Call the Chamber and book your site on the map shown on the web site at www.coldspringtexas.org.

This will publicize your site and allow anyone driving through the county to find you easily. A site costs \$25. You can also have a space in the Courthouse Square for \$20.

On the same day Coldspring Community Center hosts their 'Country Night Out' in Jones Auditorium in Coldspring. Starting at 6:00 p.m., the evening has a catered dinner, dancing, a Silent Auction and entertainment. You will also have a chance to 'pick a pocket'. Beautifully decorated denim pockets will be available for a donation to the cause of the evening. This is a benefit for the Coldspring Community Center, 60 years old this year and in need of some TLC. Call Lori Townsend for tickets, \$25 each, at (936)377-3981 or the Coldspring Chamber at (936) 653-2184. Don't miss this night out! It will have a true country flavor!

New business "Spirit Whispers" is offering Zumba exercise classes at its place in Shepherd at 11231 Hwy 150, across from the Agri-Tex offices. Learn to let go of your worries and join their meditation sessions, currently on Thursdays evenings. Call for more information, (281) 761-8027.

Congratulations to Community Propane and owner Maria Self on winning 'Best of San Jacinto County' for Propane business. Propane is not the only thing for sale, fishing and hunting enthusiasts, gardeners and pet owners will find plenty to interest them too, as will those who keep farm animals and horses. Community Propane- (936) 328-4532.

Congratulations too to First State Bank, celebrating its 105 th birthday this year! To be featured here, For Shepherd Chamber of Commerce, call (936) 628-3890. Public meeting every 4 th Monday at 6:00 PM.

For Coldspring/San Jacinto County Chamber of Commerce call (936) 653-2184.

For a free business consultation with Bob Brannagan, of Sam Houston State Small Business Development Agency, call the Chamber nearest you. www.greatershepherdchamberofcommerce.org



Senior Citizen Menu

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!



Happy Birthday from Senior Citizen Center!
Pictured: Lester Weber and D. Jean Sepulvado
Birthday Wishes To: Donna Cole, Nancy Ford, Charles Pilkinton, Maudine Purvis, June Rohrer, Arlis Williams

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Office: 936-628-2061 Cell: 936-203-8898
Email: pbuchanan55@gmail.com

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.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD: First Assembly of God in Shepherd is having a Bake Sale at McClain's! Cakes, pies, and much more! On April 3rd—Good Friday

Eat Well, Buy on \$ale

Pork Steaks

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup of butter (parade crock on sale! \$1.69)
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 bunch green onions
- 6 bone-in pork steaks (on sale! \$1.59/lb)
- pork rub seasoning

Directions

1. Melt butter in a skillet and mix in the soy sauce. Sauté the garlic and green onions until lightly browned.
2. Rub pork rub seasoning on both sides of pork steaks. Place steaks into skillet, cover, and cook 6-9 minutes on each side. Remove cover and continue cooking 10 minutes, or internal temperature reaches 145°F.
3. Variation: Sauté regular sliced onions and add in with pork steaks for a little something extra.

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Community Classifieds

FOR SALE: Nine 8-week-old AKC Great Dane puppies! 2 year genetic health guarantee, unlimited registration, fully vetted, merles and mantels, picking varies. Please call Holly or Steve at (936) 207-7878 for more details.

PICK UP FOR FREE: Will pick up washers, dryers, ice boxes, mowers, go carts, anything that don't work or is unwanted, to help the poor. Please call (281) 223-8006.

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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Community Calendar

2/16: School Board Meeting, 7pm
2/17: Shepherd Pirates 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



“Hey Jimbob...you hear Fedex and UPS are joining forces?... it’s going to be called FEDUP”

Business News

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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.

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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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New Releases Coming to McClain's DVD Kiosk This Week

Dumb & Dumber To (PG-13) comedy: 20 years since their first adventure, Lloyd and Harry go on a road trip to find Harry's newly discovered daughter, who was given up for adoption.

Starring: Jim Carrey, Jeff Daniels, Rob Riggle

St. Vincent (PG-13) comedy/drama: A young boy whose parents have just divorced finds an unlikely friend and mentor in the misanthropic, bawdy, hedonistic war veteran who lives next door.

Starring: Bill Murray, Melissa McCarthy, Naomi Watts

The Theory of Everything (PG-13) biography/drama: The relationship between the famous physicist Stephen Hawking and his wife.

Starring: Eddie Redmayne, Felicity Jones, Tom Prior

Foxcatcher (R) biography/drama: The greatest Olympic Wrestling Champion brother team joins Team Foxcatcher led by multimillionaire sponsor John E. du Pont as they train for the 1988 games in Seoul - a union that leads to unlikely circumstances.

Starring: Steve Carell, Channing Tatum, Mark Ruffalo

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