

SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Salutes SJC Night

This year the night is Friday, March 17, 2017. The star that night is Fifth Harmony. There are only a few tickets sold locally! So if you haven't gotten your tickets go by First State Bank- Shepherd and buy your tickets. Again the Show is Friday, March 17, 2017 and tickets are \$30.

The 2017 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ will run March 7-26, 2017.



SISD Representing FFA



Kirsten Schlagel, Carley Smith, and Ty Wilson representing Shepherd FFA by showing their cattle projects at the 2017 Fort Worth Stock Show.



Angels On Assignment Out Reach Yearly Calendar

Plant

- January:** Open the New Year with Giving of your first Fruits of the year
- February:** Make someone's special
- March:** Help open a new avenue for others
- April:** Reflect over the great deeds
- May:** Watch the Blooms, smell your flowers

Collection Months

* We except Donations *

- June & July:** Sheets & Pillows, Pillowcases
- August & September :** Towels
- October :** Toiletries
- November & December:** Blankets

Angels On Assignment OutReach is a Nonprofit Linen provider for Displaced Families.

We are located at
796 Wonderland Dr Shepherd Texas 77371.
Sharon McLaurin (713) 382-6974

"McClain's Food Market"



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Pirates for the Win!



The Shepherd Pirates High School Boys Basketball team defeated Hudson in a huge district showdown on Tuesday, February 1, 2017. The Pirates are currently in **FIRST** place in the district! Great win, Pirates! Keep up the good work!

Thank you JC's Pharmacy



"Shepherd High School Army JROTC recognizes JC's Truecare Pharmacy of Shepherd Texas for their support and gracious donation to the unit. Their monetary support to the Pirate Battalion assisted in fund raising events to outfit the unit and Color Guard team.

Pictured in the center is C/LTC Joshua Holt presenting Ms. Lety Vitela of JC's Truecare Pharmacy a plaque recognizing their support. Also pictured on the left is C/CPT Brian Solis and on the right C/SFC Christopher Garza."

www.impactcenter.vpweb.com

Join us at Alabama Coushatta

hug a tree Kiss a fish

Poverty or Special Needs should not be a factor! Ask how you can get your Company employees involved!

Hosted for Poverty related families & special Needs families. Call and ask you can still participate!

Outdoor Education Saves Lives & Promotes Family Unity!

8th Annual Richard & Mitzi Hanks Memorial Hug-A--Tree/Kiss-A-Fish

May 19, 20, 21, 2017

All children Need to be outdoors

3X World Champion Reggie Johnson

Mike Kilebert

Swamp People & Pitbulls & Parrots

Roger Rivers Swamp People

Reggie "Airman" Dixon

World Famous Boxer Termites Watkins

Let Your Sponsorship Mean Something to Someone Else!

Alabama Coushatta
Lake Tombigbee Campgrounds
1427 Campground Rd.
Livingston, Texas 77351

For more info call
Brenda Myers
(936)499-2632

Special Needs Sportsmen- <https://m.facebook.com/specialneedssportsmen>

We are so honored to be collaborating w/ Special Needs Sportsmen they are hosting a Special Needs Fishing tournament for youth & Adults. Adding more excitement to this great event/Program.

Sponsors Matter

Special Needs Sportsmen-willstallones04@gmail.com

More Information

*Activities: 3 day camp out, 3 day youth & adult fishing tournament, Special Needs Fishing Tournament (Youth & Adults), Harlem Globetrotter Hour, waterslide, swimming pool, Lots of educational booths, Learning skills, US Army (Rock Wall), US Air Force, Horseshoe Tournament, River Refuge Display, Aztec Dancer, Boy & Girl Scout Fundraiser, Free Meals, Volleyball, Movie in the Woods By Blanket Top Theater, Outdoors skilled exercise activities, scavenger Hunt, Kayak Races Hosted by Dirty South Kyak Anglers, Alligator presentation, Anti-Bully celebrity Panel, Reptile displays, Ducks Unlimited Booth, American Red Cross Booth, Aztec Dancers, LOTS OF ENTERTAINMENT By Shayne Porter, Kenny Cooper, Jay Berglan, Savercool Band, Crafts, Campfire Smores, Hiking, Bike adventures, Boy Scout demonstrations by Troop 55, A 2 Z Dental Booth, Puppet Show By Connie, coloring contest, photo station, Scavenger Hunt, More being added. WE are working on some surprise celebrities.

About Us

*This event was created in 2010. When I Brenda Myers was at a local grocery store and a little boy came out and seen me putting my fishing gear together and he asked his dad to take him fishing. The father replied " son you know we cant do that". I Approached the vehicle, tapped on the window and said to the father, " I Am not trying to mind your business but why cant you take him fishing?"The man said I have 5 children and by the time you buy gas, food, bait, and supplies your looking at about \$200.00 and I just cant afford it. Our board got together the very next day and the first year we took 79 children & family members on a 3 day camp-out, fishing tournament, including Special Needs Tournament, with educational groups, 2014 we had 868 participants in 2015 we had, 1682 in 2016. This event has capture the hearts of celebrities, businesses owners, corporate CEO's and hundreds of volunteers. Please consider being one of our ANNUAL SPONSORS- TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Top Catch \$5,000
Big Bass \$2,500.00
The Real Deal \$500.00
Night Crawler-\$250.00
T-Shirt-\$100.00

Visit our web-site to see details on your sponsorship levels. Help Us Make A Difference!

Making a difference for poverty related families and Special Needs Children & Adults

SHEPHERD YOUTH LEAGUE

SIGN-UPS 2017

February 4, 2017
February 11, 2017

SHEPHERD MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM
10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

February 18, 2017

AGRICULTURAL EXT. OFFICE
10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

Money must be paid in full by February 23, 2017

• 1st child: \$85 • 2nd child & after: \$75 • Tiny Tots: \$55

If you have any questions or concerns please contact
Janice Chamblee at (281) 622-5312 or Janice Rice at (832) 579-6832

Looking forward to a great season!

fall in love with reading

student/parent night

Shepherd Middle School is hosting
"Fall in Love with Reading" Parent/Student Night
Monday, February 13th,
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Stations will be set up for parents and students to play Reading games. We will also serve nachos, cookies and punch. Please, come out and enjoy a fun filled afternoon with Shepherd Middle School staff.

Chili Cook Off

Bowls:
\$5/ Adults
\$2/ Kids under 12

Come for the food, stay for the games!

Drink, Rice, and Desert included!

Bring your family and enjoy some competitive chili cooking.

February 18, 2017

@ Shepherd United Methodist Church

Cooking Starts @ 8:30am

Judging @ 12:30pm

Serving starts right after judging

For more information about the competition or event, please contact Shepherd UMC @ (936) 628-2861 or by email at shepherdumc@gmail.com

Chili Cook Off Competition and Rules

- Check in is at 8:00 A.M. and the competition starts at 8:30 A.M. Judge will start at 12:00 P.M.
- No one may enter after 10:30 A.M.
- Entrance Fee is 20 dollars.
- Everything must be cooked on site, no can goods.
- Beans are allowed in the Chili.
- There are three places 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. First prize is a \$100 and a trophy. 2nd prize is \$50 and a ribbon, and 3rd prize is a door prize.
- There will be games and fun for the family.
- All those who have made Chili will provide at least 1 gallon to be served to the public.

CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE RULES:
JAMES SMITH 713-539-2030



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(Picture does not reflect the actual item.)

Did you know...

BY YVONNE RYEA

On Wednesday February 2, 2017 Shepherd Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Christie White, an Independent Associate with LegalShield. Christie became a member of both Shepherd and Coldspring Chambers and both welcome her and her new business to our area.

What is LegalShield? It is a way to have legal services at very low cost by paying a small amount each month. What does it cover?

LegalShield is available to individuals, families and small businesses. For example, an individual would pay \$17.95 a month, a family \$19.19 and a small business starts at \$39.00 a month. What do you get for this? Services covered are providing consultations, reviewing documents, making calls, writing letters and more. You could have your will made or your mortgage documents reviewed. They will write collection letters for your business when needed and a whole lot more. If you are being sued, LegalShield will help you with your suit. For more information call Christie at (936) 777-5232. You can also look at LegalShield’s web site.

There will be some big changes in Coldspring during the next two months. Starting on February 9th, TX Dot will be doing road works, which will make the parking area outside the shops on the Courthouse Square compliant with the American Disabilities Act. There will be ramps installed and changes in parking spaces. The Mason Jar owner J. Dale says that her restaurant and store will be closed through the whole month of March. However, they will be open from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for deliveries! Call in your orders starting at 10.30 a.m. We will miss being able to enjoy dining there during March but come April 3., The Mason Jar will have a full liquor licence. The Mason Jar is located at 35 Hwy 1514 across from the Courthouse. Call (936) 653-2577 and like them on Facebook.

The Women’s League of San Jacinto County will hold their annual Style Show, Spring Luncheon and Silent Auction on March 9th. This event has grown over the years and last year was held in Jones Auditorium. They will be in the same venue this year. The Women’s League makes money to give it away in scholarships, donations to charities and small businesses, everyone in our county. I will remind you of this very popular event again but you can call (936) 767-4705 if you would like to donate items for the Silent Auction or to buy tickets.

Coldspring-San Jacinto Chamber of Commerce

31 N. Butler, Coldspring 77331

Call (936) 653-2184

www.coldspringtexas.org

Shepherd Chamber of Commerce

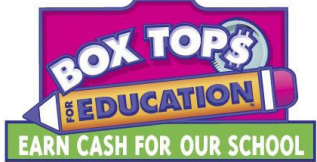
Mail to PO Box 520 Shepherd, 77371

Call (936) 628-3515

www.greatershepherdchamberofcommerce.org



Shepherd Intermediate School Needs your Box Tops



Dear Parent/Guardian, clip and collect until March 1, 2017 earns out school a chance to be one of 20 winners of 50,000 Bonus Box Tops - that’s \$5,000 for our classrooms! With your help we can make a difference for our School!

Thanks for all your hard work and support!

Buy \$mart, Eat Well



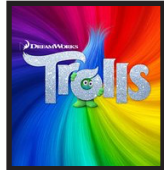
Ingredients

- 4 cups cheesecake flavored pudding (*instant works fine, also vanilla flavor is okay*) colored pink with food coloring or use strawberry flavor
- 3-4 cups whipped cream
- 2-3 cups of cake cubes (*about a 9X13 size cake*) (**Duncan Hines cake mix on sale \$/5.00!**)
- 1 cup raspberries (*fresh or frozen*)
- 2 cups strawberries, sliced (*fresh or frozen*) (**fresh strawberries carton 2\$/5.00!**)
- Optional: you can add more berries if you like—the more the better!

Directions

- Wash and pat the berries dry. Let them air dry while you prep the rest.
- Cut your cake into cubes, whip your cream (if making fresh), and make your pudding.
- Start layering in a medium size bowl or trifle dish. Start with the pudding, then add cake cubes so they can soak up the pudding. Add the fruit and whip cream. To make it look pretty, stick the outer-edge row to the glass in a nice line, alternating with strawberries, cake, raspberries, etc.
- Continue layering until all the ingredients are gone, finishing with whip cream on top. Refrigerate for at lest 2 hours. Enjoy!

Recipe found at www.makinglifeblissful.com.



Trolls (PG) animation/adventure: After the Bergens invade Troll Village, Poppy, the happiest Troll ever born, and the curmudgeonly Branch set off on a journey to rescue her friends. **Starring (voices):** Anna Kendrick, Justin Timberlake, Zoëy Deschanel

Senior Menu February 2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6	7	8	9	10
SAUSAGE LINK, CHEESY POTATOES CORN BREAD SALAD, FRUIT	HAMBURGER PATTY, GRILLED ONIONS, BROWN GRAVY MASHED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS CORN BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	BBQ PULLED PORK , PINTO BEANS STUFFED BAKED POTATO CORN BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	MEATLOAF, GREENS POTATOES AU GRATIN CORN BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	CHICKEN ENCHILADAS RICE & GREEN CHILIS MEXICAN CORN, SALAD, FRUIT
13	14	15	16	17
SHEPHERD'S PIE BLACK EYE PEAS CORN BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	GRILLED CHICKEN STRIPS BROCCOLI & RICE CASSEROLE CANDIED CARROTS, ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	SALISBURY STEAK MASHED POTATOES, CREAMED CABBAGE CORN BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	BAKED HAM SEASONED GREENS, BUTTERED YAMS CORN BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	BEEF MACARONI CASSEROLE PINTO BEANS, CORN MUFFINS SALAD, FRUIT
20	21	22	23	24
VEGETABLE BEEF STEW TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING CORN BREAD, FRUIT	MEATBALL STROGANOFF BUTTERED NOODLES, SQUASH CASSEROLE ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	FRIED CHICKEN, MASHED POTATOES CREAM GRAVY , GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	CHICKEN & SAUSAGE GUMBO, RICE TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING FRUIT	HAMBURGER & POTATO GOULASH GREENS, SQUASH & ONIONS CORN MUFFINS, SALAD, FRUIT
27	28	SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH DESSERT INCLUDES BIRTHDAY CAKE MENU'S ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO AVAILABILITY. CALL (936) 628-3733 BY 9:30AM TO RESERVE A MEAL.		
CHICKEN SPAGHETTI BEETS, BROCCOLI CORN BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	BBQ CHICKEN BAKED POTATO SALAD, BAKED BEANS, WHEAT BREAD, SALAD, FRUIT			

Mizzie's book shelves

The Lunar Chronicles (Books 1-4) By Marissa Meyer



GENRE: Young Adult/Fantasy

SUMMARY: *Once upon a time, in the future...* The Lunar Chronicles are futuristic retellings of classic fairy tales. In *Cinder* a teenage cyborg (half human, half machine) must deal with a wicked stepmother, start a rebellion against the evil Queen Levana, and decide how she feels about a handsome prince. As the series continues, Cinder forges alliances with Scarlet, a spaceship pilot who is determined to solve the mystery of a missing loved one — with the help of a magnetic street fighter named Wolf; *Cress*, a computer hacker who is imprisoned by Queen Levana; and *Winter*, a princess who's in love with a commoner, and who discovers that Cinder, *Scarlet*, and Cress may hold the key to saving her kingdom — and the world.

MY REVIEW: So on a beautiful, warm day back in June of 2013 (well, probably on a swelteringly hot and boiling humid day back in June of 2013 if I’m being realistic. This is Texas, after all) I reviewed a book called *Cinder* by Marissa Meyer. After recently finishing *Winter*, the fourth and final book in the series, I sensed that my original review of *Cinder* didn’t do the series justice as a whole and I felt the need to rectify that today.

All in all, this entire series is amazing. It’s very rare that you read a sequel to a book that you like just as much as the first book, much less to find an entire series that keeps getting better and better with each additional book. But by golly gee whiz, Mrs. Meyer pulled it off.

Each book is loosely based on a fairy tale; Cinder=Cinderella; Scarlet=Little Red Riding Hood; Cress=Rapunzel; Winter=Snow White. Sounds super lame, right? *Wrong-o*. In fact, when I first read Cinder I had no idea it was supposed to be a twist on Cinderella, and it wasn’t until I finished the book and was reading some different reviews about it that someone mentioned it and it hit me that it made perfect sense! I don’t know how the author so perfectly balanced the traditional story with these futuristic re-tellings, but she did, and she did it *well*. She gets the amount of each just right, changing it up enough to keep it surprising and exciting, but slotting in many parallels to the original stories that often caught me by surprise and made me smile.

With *Scarlet* came a little more girl power and surprisingly a little more romance. Something about a swoon-worthy wolf-man did it for me. ... That sounds weird now that I’m writing it down. Maybe I have problems.

Cress is so brilliant yet so naïve from being locked away that you can’t help but think she’s completely lovable and adorable. And can we just take a second, or a minute...(or a year!), to talk about how amazing, hilarious, and strikingly handsome (and no that’s not just in my head, all the characters think so, so HA!) Captain Carswell Thorne is? I think I am head over heels in love with him. Seriously, this is me right now, as I type:

He’s such an hilarious, unconventional love interest and I cherish every single scene he’s in. His comments in dire situations had me laughing out loud. He’s just so good-looking and completely ridiculous...but in the best way. “*A kiss from the Captain would probably melt my central processor,*” *Iko* said. Thorne winked at her. “*Oh trust me. It would.*” *Swoooooon*. You know, it just hit me that he does actually remind me a lot of Flynn Rider from Tangled. I don’t know if that’s coincidence or not but well played, Mrs. Meyer. Well played. And then there’s *Winter*. At over 820 pages I was worried this book would drag but I flew through that monster. I loved the title character so much. Now in addition to level-headed Cinder, fiery Scarlet, and sweet, intelligent Cress, we have Ms. Beautiful & Crazy. And I mean that literally. She’s legit crazy. But don’t worry, you’ll love her, too.

I love how each book is based on a different character but still keeps each past character intricately woven into the story. Every character is different but important in their own way and together they make a funny, lovable team. This series wraps up really well, delivering a dramatic and bloody climax. There are many close calls, plenty of action, and lots of crazy. It may not be considered great literature, but it sure is a rush of wild excitement.

PARENTAL GUIDANCE:13+ They’re in the middle of a war, so there are some fight scenes, including one character being shot. There are four couples throughout the series but no scenes involving more than passionate kissing. But I think the four teen girls at the center of the series are strong and positive role models.

STAND ALONE OR SERIES: The books listed are the four main books in the series, however, there are two short stories that go with the series; *Fairest* (listed as Lunar Chronicles 3.5, meaning it is meant to be read between book 3 and 4) Queen Levana’s story finally told, and *Stars Above* (listed as Lunar Chronicles 4.5, meaning it is to be read after the 4th main book) included nine different short stories, all of which are about a different character, most characters you will know from the main series, and some you will not!

PRICE: You can get all four main books *plus Fairest* in a hardcover boxed set on Amazon for less than \$60! That comes out to less than \$12 a book. For *hardcovers*! Sorry, totally nerd swooning over here. But I also found copies of each book new, used, and e-book on Amazon anywhere from \$0.74-\$13.52

- Mizzie



February 8, 2017

Community Classifieds

FOR SALE: 3 acres in 5 Acres Subdivision in Shepherd; cul-de-sac, 3 minutes from Interstate 69/Hwy 59. Please call 936-365-4418.

FOR SALE: Jack LaLanne’s Power Juicer- Express, juices fruits and vegetables as fast as you can load it. Like New! \$50.00 713-202-3800 cell .Large pet transporter, perfect for those trips to the Vet or where ever you want to travel, also a smaller unit for a smaller breed or a cat. Lg Unit \$50. , Sm unit \$25.00 30 Gal sprayer on wheels runs on 12 volt battery. Could be used on a 4-wheeler by removing tank. \$75.00 BBQ pit on trailer, ideal for home or deer lease, HD 3/8” steel with fire box and additional stainless steel prep table. \$150.00 15 hp Evinrude out board motor, needs carb kit. \$250.

FOR SALE: 1998 Mustang 3.8 V6, 135k miles, nice black paint, excellent interior, all electric, tint, new battery (10/16), automatic, runs rough when cold then runs fine. \$1700.00 or best offer. Please call 936-365-4354.

FOR SALE: Cell BBQ Pit on trailer, ideal for home use or the deer lease. Darrell Swire 713-202-3800

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

UNEMPLOYED MACHINIST NEEDS WORK: Tractor work, Welding, Automotive repair, Roofing, Carpentry, Painting, All types of Tile work, REASONABLE RATES, NO JOB TOO SMALL! Located in the Shepherd area. Please call Joseph Clements 936-588-9060 OR 936-230-2383

Community Calendar

2/7: SJC Retired School Personnel Association meeting 3PM; Coldspring Senior Center.

2/9: SJC Women’s League Meeting, 11:30am/Coldspring Community Center

2/11: Impact Work Shop; Impact Thrift Shop; 1300 S. Byrd Shepherd, TX

2/13: City Council Meeting, 7pm/Community Center

2/14: 7pm First Station Auxiliary Meeting; 7PM

2/14: Valentines Day

2/17: Senior Resale Shop Bag Day

2/20: Monday School Board Meeting, 7pm

2/22: Bridge of hope community church “Community Fellowship Dinner”, Shepherd Middle School, 7PM.

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

Church News

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.

DREW’S LANDING BAPTIST CHURCH: Our Youth Group will sponsor a Valentine’s Spaghetti Dinner Special on **February 11, 2017**. Come join us with your special friend or by yourself. Served by our Youth Group ALL proceeds will support the Youth Group. Starts at 6 p.m. \$15.00 per couple and \$8.00 per single. Located at 161 Thomas Castleberry off FM 1127 from 59 North. Church phone number is (936) 483-2717. Everyone welcome! It will be great!

SHEPHERD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: Located at 71 Spring Avenue in Shepherd, wishes to invite all youth who wish to sing, to join our youth choir, Quarter Notes, led by Gigi Jones. Quarter Notes meet every **Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.** and sing a variety of songs. or more information, please call Gigi Jones at (713) 253-8348 or email the church at shepherdumctx@gmail.com.

Business News

