

SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS



Shepherd Fire Department Auxillary Easter Basket

For Tickets Call
(281) 622-6005



PINK BASKET

2 PACKS PEEPS

1 CERAMIC EASTER BASKET

2 PAINTED MUGS

1 STUFFED BUNNY
REESES EGGS

1 STUFFED FROG

2 PUZZLES

EASTER STICKERS

2 WATER BOTTLES

PAPER PLATES, NAPKINS, CUTLERY

2 PKG. GLOW STICKS

MINI CADBURY EGGS

2 PACKS HOTWHEELS

OFF BUG SPRAY



BRADFORD AT BROOKSIDE

EASTER EGG HUNT

FRIDAY APRIL 3 AT 2:00PM AT
THE BRADFORD AT BROOKSIDE
301 W PARK DR LIVINGSTON

- PICTURES WITH THE EASTER BUNNY
- PRIZE EGGS FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES
- HULA HOOP CONTEST
- REFRESHMENTS SERVED



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THE FAMILY FUN!!!

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Join us at Alabama Coushatta

Poverty or Special Needs should not be a factor!

Ask how you can get your Company employees involved!

hug a tree Kiss a fish

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

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

3X World Champion Reggie Johnson

Mike Kilbert Swamp People & Pitbulls & Poroles

Roger Rivers Swamp People

Sign Ups begin March 1st, Must RSVP

Reggie "Airman" Dixon

World Famous Boxer Termita 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.

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 S'mores, Hiking, Bike adventures, Boy Scout demonstrations by Troop 95, 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 can't 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

April 22nd, 2017

11:00-?

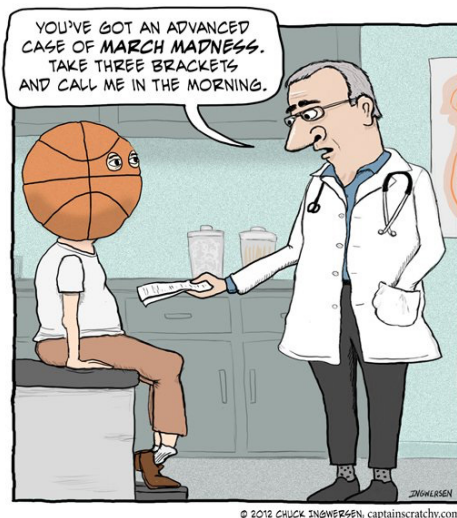
B B Q

Come out and join us at the
Shepherd Community
Center for a free lunch on us.

Chopped/Sliced Beef
Sandwich, chips and a drink

Brought to you by: Shepherd
Community Outreach
Program

If anyone would come after Me, HE MUST deny himself & take up his CROSS daily and follow Me." Luke 9: 23



The Handmaid's Tale

By Margaret Atwood

GENRE: Dystopia

SUMMARY: Commander and his wife once a day to walk to food markets whose signs are now pictures instead of words because women are no longer allowed to read. She must lie on her back once a month and pray that the Commander makes her pregnant, because in an age of declining births, Offred and the other Handmaids are valued only if their ovaries are viable. Offred can remember the years before, when she lived and made love with her husband, Luke; when she played with and protected her daughter; when she had a job, money of her own, and access to knowledge. But all of that is gone now...

MY REVIEW: I was so excited when this book popped up at an Audible sale for only \$4.95. I had been seeing glowing reviews for this book for years and couldn't wait to dive in. And though almost every review I read before or since reading this book myself are still 5 stars, I couldn't help but feel...disappointed.

There is a huge difference between an okay book and a great book. An okay book allows you to be a spectator. You are a spectator on the outside watching the story unfold. A great book makes you feel like you are a part of the story. It makes you feel like the story is happening to you.

I was a spectator throughout this entire book. It wasn't a bad story but I was completely let down. It was supposed to be the ultimate dystopian, everyone from everywhere has recommended this book but I just wanted it to be over. Once I realized nothing was ever going to happen I began listening as much and as often as I could...not because I was so completely sucked in, but because I wanted to be done with it.

A book reviewer I follow (that, of course, gave this book a shining review) said that the best dystopian books are the ones that make you feel like it is something that could really happen, and she felt that this book did that. I disagree. Not necessarily because of what happens, but because of the short amount of time it took to happen. I don't feel like such a complete and utter oppression and complete flip of our entire way of life could have happened so quickly that the main character remembers being married and having a child of her own, but yet who is still young enough to be considered attractive and whose ovaries are still viable. What does that say about us if we could be completely oppressed so quickly? Would we give no fight at all? Then again, what do I know? I may cooperate into being completely oppressed too, if I were afraid enough. But having my child ripped away from me? There's no way mother's everywhere wouldn't fight tooth and nail against being forcibly separated from their children, myself included.

I thought the world building was great. Maybe there was just too much of it. This book gave me the feeling of sitting in history class. I was reading information that I felt was important but yet I was completely detached.

PARENTAL GUIDANCE: 16-17+ (commonsensemedia.org) Parents need to know that *The Handmaid's Tale* is a powerful, potentially disturbing dystopian satire set in a future America where women have been stripped of all their civil rights. It features strong language, emotional and physical violence, and a couple of graphic sex scenes. The corpses of dissidents are hung in public as grim reminders of the cost of rebellion. There is mention of handmaids who have committed suicide by hanging. The most violent scene in the novel involves a public ceremony where women are whipped into a frenzy and then allowed to beat an accused person to death.

STAND ALONE OR SERIES: This is a stand-alone book.

PRICE: I found copies new, used, and e-book on Amazon from \$4.32-\$9.99.

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USDA United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development

Lets Talk...

Purchasing Affordable Housing And Repairing Existing Dwelling

The USDA, Rural Development is sponsoring a
Housing Fair (two sessions)
Friday, March 31, 2017
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

To discuss "Purchasing Affordable Housing and Repairing Existing Dwellings"

USDA Staff will be available to assist with the application process Persons with available Real Estate, please consider this avenue to get that information to the public
This event will coincide with the Monthly Food Truck Delivery

City of Shepherd
Shepherd Community Center
10251 Hwy 150 West
Shepherd, Texas

For more information contact:
Debra Hagler (City Secretary) 936-628-3305
Lufkin Area Rural Development Office 936-634-9900 ext. 4

A joint effort between:
City of Shepherd
Shepherd EDC
USDA, Rural Development

USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer



Angels On Assignment Out Reach Yearly Calendar

Plant

March: Help open a new avenue for others

April: Reflect over the great deeds

May: Watch the Blooms, smell your flowers

Collection Months

* We Accept 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

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BY YVONNE RYBA

Well, Spring has sprung in San Jacinto County! Flowers are blooming and some of us have planted the vegetables for future consumption. If you have time to enjoy some of the activities coming up in our community, here is a brief list from which to choose!

“March Madness” will be coming to Coldspring on Saturday, March 25 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. SJC Historical Commission hosts and Coldspring Area Businesses and Merchants Association (or C.A.B.M.A.) sponsor the hilarious ‘Un-Beauty Queen and King Contest.’ The winners are those who can make themselves as ugly as possible! This is not an easy thing to do! If you want to enter this very imaginative contest, call (936) 524-3043. C.A.B.M.A. is also sponsoring an Egg Hunt on the Courthouse Square, which is also where the vendors for Trade Days will be set up. How can you miss all this fun? If you would like more info on ‘March Madness’ call (936) 653-2332. You can also go to “San Jacinto County Online Bulletin Board” for forms and flyers on all these events. We are in the final month of the Community Challenge for small

Call your nearest Chamber for an appointment to talk with Director Bob Barragan of Sam Houston State University S.B.D.C. This is a free service. Bob will help with any business problem you may have or any questions you want answered. He is also an excellent advisor if you want to start a business.



Shepherd Chamber of Commerce
Mail to PO Box 520 Shepherd, 77371
(936) 628-3515 www.greatershepherdchamberofcommerce.org


Coldspring - San Jacinto Chamber of Commerce
31 N. Butler, Coldspring 77331
(936) 653-2184 www.coldspringtexas.org




Senior Menu March 2017




MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
20	21	22	23	24
SPAGHETTI & MEAT SAUCE TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING GARLIC BREAD FRUIT	MEATLOAF & MUSHROOMS & BROWN GRAVY RICE SQUASH & ONIONS ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	FRIED CHICKEN, CREAM GRAVY MASHED POTATOES OKRA & TOMATOES CORNBREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	CHICKEN ENCHILADAS CORN CASSEROLE PINTO BEANS SALAD, FRUIT	SALISBURY STEAK MASHED POTATOES SWEET PEAS & CARROTS ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT
27	28	29	30	31
BEEFY MACARONI CASSEROLE LIMA BEANS TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING CORNBREAD, FRUIT	SAUSAGE & FRIED CABBAGE POTATOES & ONIONS ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	BAKED TURKEY MASHED POTATOES GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	CHEESY HAM & POTATO CASSEROLE PEA SALAD ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	CHICKEN ENCHILADAS RICE & GREEN CHILI CORN CASSEROLE SALAD, FRUIT



New Releases Coming to
McClain's DVD Kiosk





Sing (PG) animation/comedy: In a city of humanoid animals, a hustling theater impresario's attempt to save his theater with a singing competition becomes grander than he anticipates even as its finalists' find that their lives will never be the same.
Starring (voices): Matthew McConaughey, Reese Witherspoon, Seth MacFarlane

Live by Night (R) crime/drama: A group of Boston-bred gangsters set up shop in balmy Florida during the Prohibition era, facing off against the competition and the Ku Klux Klan.
Starring: Ben Affleck, Elle Fanning, Brendan Gleeson





Lion (PG-13) biography/drama: A five-year-old Indian boy gets lost on the streets of Calcutta, thousands of kilometers from home. He survives many challenges before being adopted by a couple in Australia; 25 years later, he sets out to find his lost family.
Starring: Dev Patel, Nicole Kidman, Rooney Mara

Assassin's Creed (PG-13) action/adventure: When Callum Lynch explores the memories of his ancestor Aguilar and gains the skills of a Master Assassin, he discovers he is a descendant of the secret Assassins society.
Starring: Michael Fassbender, Marion Cotillard, Jeremy Irons



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CHURCH
FAMILY NEWS

THE HEBREW GOSPEL SINGERS PRESENTS
SATURDAY MARCH 18TH

FEATURING
Chuck and the Guiding Clouds
HUNTSVILLE, TX

FEATURING
Joe Lewis and the Southern Wonders
HOUSTON, TX



7th Annual
SPRING
GOSPEL JUBILEE
Hosted By: Paul Good Looking Man Ray

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2ND \$300 • 3RD \$200
\$500 DONATION
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STARTS @ 5:30 PM | FREE TO GET IN
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: (713) 366-1877




SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Join us as we remember the life legacy of Deacon Cassie Hutchinson on **Saturday, April 8, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.** Please R.S.V.P by **March 25, 2017**. All donations will go toward the “Cassie Hutchinson Fellowship Hall”. Please make check or money order payable to “Spring Hill Baptist Church” and mail to 2275 State Hwy 150, Coldspring, Texas 77331. Sister Rosie Reed, Program Specialist: 936-653-4531. To contact the Church, call 936-767-8421

DREW’S LANDING BAPTIST CHURCH: Having trouble finding a good Bible based Church that preaches the Word of God straight from the Bible without sugar-coating 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 Church 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!.

Free Fun for the entire Family celebrating
“Unite Shepherd” Annual Activities
Saturday, April 15, 2017
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Shepherd Community Center Area



Sponsored by: SMEA



Classifieds

EMPLOYMENT

Unemployed Machinist Needs 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

FOR SALE

Yard sale at Harmony Church 1002 FM 223 March 30 & 31 8AM-5PM and April 1 from 8AM - 2PM

3BR/2BA on 5 acres, well, aerobic septic, 4 years old, AC/heating unit, fireplace w/ gas, logs, in 5 Acres in Shepherd, asking \$76,000, \$56,000 down, owner will finance balance. Please call 936-365-4418.

Riding Lawnmower Part: Tires, starters, decks, etc. 280 Shoemaker Rd., Shepherd, TX. Please call 281-806-9957

55 Gallon Composter, has removable top&bottom, is mounted on a tubular frame which allows you to spin it to mix the compost. \$35.00 30 Gallon 12 volt sprayer mounted on frame with wheels and handles. \$50.00 I8 ft Ranger Bass Boat with new \$425. trolling motor, on Ranger Trail trailer, 125 hp Mercury Engine \$1050. Call 713-202-3800

Estate Sale March 24 - 26. Lots of good tools, tractor + attachments, ATV, zero turn mower, furniture, and too many things to list! Everything priced right. Located at 641 Wildwood Circle off FM 1127. For more information call Richard at 601-942-5086.

Three Acres in five Acre Subdivision in Shepherd; cul-de-sac, 3 minutes from Interstate 69/Hwy 59. Please call 936-365-4418.

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FOR RENT

2 shops for Rent located in Shepherd Texas right on highway 59 S Rent is \$800 and \$500 a Month; Contact Jacob at 281-592-8827


2 BR mobile home, \$550.00 plus deposits. Please call 281-467-7533.

2BR/1BA mobile home, lights and water included. \$650.00 per month plus \$250.00 deposit. Please call Mary at 832-205-6154 or Monica at 832-997-7350

2BR/1BA mobile home, \$150.00 per month plus \$150.00 deposit. No pets! After 3:00 p.m. please call 936-653-2583 or 936-327-0837.

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Community
Calendar



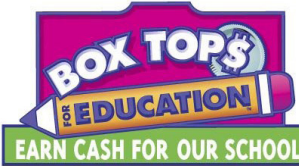
3/24: Food Truck; Shepherd Community Center; 9AM-11AM No ID, proof of income, or proof of residency needed.

3/29: Bridge of hope community church “Community Fellowship Dinner”, Shepherd Middle School, 7PM.

3/31: Food Truck; Shepherd Community Center; 9AM-11AM No ID, proof of income, or proof of residency needed.

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

Shepherd Intermediate School



EARN CASH FOR OUR 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!**



CRISPY CAJUN
SHRIMP
FETTUCCINI

Ingredients:

- 8 oz. fettuccine (*Skinner pasta on sale \$0.88!*)
- 1 lb. large shrimp peeled and deveined (*Sea Best 40/50ct. raw shrimp on sale \$6.49!*)
- 1 tbsp. cajun seasoning
- 2 tbsp. all-purpose flour
- 2 tbsp. butter (*Olson's salted butter sticks on sale \$3.99!*)
- 1 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1 cup heavy cream
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese grated
- 1 tbsp. fresh parsley chopped

Directions:

- Cook fettuccine according to package instructions.
- Sprinkle the shrimp with 1 tbsp of cajun spice and toss well. Drizzle the flour over the shrimp and toss in a bowl to make sure each shrimp is covered in flour.
- In a deep skillet add the butter and olive oil and heat over high heat. Add shrimp and cook on each side about 2 min until crisp. Remove shrimp from the skillet and set aside.
- In the same skillet add chicken broth and heavy cream. Season with additional cajun spice if preferred and/or salt and pepper. Bring to a boil then add the Parmesan cheese and whisk. Add fettuccine and shrimp back to the pot and toss.
- Garnish with parsley and additional Parmesan cheese.

Make it a Meal!

Serve with broccoli spears (*Parade frozen vegetables 16 oz. on sale \$5.00!*) and garlic bread. Recipe found at www.jocooks.com

