SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

SHS Royal Guard Brings Home Silver



This is the 10th anniversary season for the Shepherd HS Royal Guard to compete in the Texas Color Guard Circuit's, Indoor Winter Guard competition. For the past two years, the team has brought home a 2nd place silver medal, from the TCGC East-State Championships, competing in the

The Royal Guard as earned seven T.C.G.C. State medals over those ten years; making them one of the most successful units in the circuit. While Shepherd comes from a small 4A district; this year, all of there competitors came from larger 5A and 6A districts.

The Guard is under the direction of district band director Mike Wilson and his wife Cathie Wilson, a 4th grade teacher at Shepherd Intermediate.

The 2016 team members are: Jasmine Bourque, Captain

Amanda Kyle, 1st Lieutenant Kayla Williams, 2nd Lieutenant Breanna Jeane'

Alicia Pope Samuel Moore Lauren Alston

Scholastic Regional A division.

Kaylee Taylor Rhiannon Bieler Dixie Reid Ezra Stanley

104th Birthday Celebration Honoring Cassie Hutchinson



Saturday, April 9th

1:00 p.m. Until 5:00 p.m. 2275 State Highway 150 Coldspring, Texas 77331 For Family And Friends To Come By No Gifts But Gift Cards And Money "Honor Thy Father And Thy Mother That Thy Days May Belong Upon The Land Which The Lord Thy God Giveth Thee." Exodus 20:12

Creating Shapes with Miss Ringland



Students in Miss Ringland's class enjoyed creating shapes using pretzels, spice drops, marshmallows and straws.

Pictured left to right top row: Miah Guereque, Serenity Randall, Lea Baines, Madison Lugo, Trace Green, Darien Mandujano, Johnnie Mosley, and Devon Delome. Middle row: Hailie Schroyer, Logan Sanders, Colton Fuller, Levi Seagroves, Layton Billingsley, Preston Smith Jr, and Journey-Lynn Tyler. Bottom row: Amber Burns, Summer Knowlton, and Brooklynn Smith

Shepherd Intermediate Students Presented with UIL Medals



Shepherd Intermediate students were presented with UIL medals during the Shepherd ISD board meeting Monday, March 21, 2016.

3rd grade: Blaine Frerichs 3rd Math Jacob Davis 5th Math, Arnulfo Lopez 2nd Ready Writing, Trenton McDaniel 5th Spelling, Rayen Alley 2nd Spelling 4th grade: Ronnie Charles 5th Spelling, Keirstyn Page-Little 1st Spelling 5th grade: Kaylee Barlow 3rd Ready Writing & 2nd Spelling

Pictured: Arnulfo Lopez, Blaine Frerichs, Ronnie Charles, Kayleee Barlow and Mrs. Williams, Intermediate School Principal

Student of the Week



Each week a teacher picks two students from their class who shows Pirate Pride. Students show Pirate Pride by being helpful and respectful to teachers and peers. The following students received Shepherd Intermediate Pirate Pride this week; Kylie Scifres and Carlen Boyd in 5th grade. Jordan Von Camp and Caden Gregg in 4th grade. In 3rd grade, Harry Torres and Trinity Johnson.

Fish Fry Fundraiser for Nevaeh Hall 4-Year-Old Girl Who Suffers from Brain Damage After Dentist Visit





Your support is appreciated, please look for us at

Brookshire Brothers, 14761 State Hwy. 150 W. Coldspring, TX 77331

Nevaeh was given multiple sedatives. "Sedated in the office for over seven hours, given five sedatives for a routine dental procedure that should have been done and over by mid-morning." The dentist is Bethaniel Jefferson of Diamond Dental in Houston. Records show she's been reprimanded and fined by the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners at least twice before. Now, after the incident with Nevaeh, her license has been temporarily suspended and a license revocation hearing is pending.

Please help support the family with Navaeh's expenses

Fish Plate: \$10.00 When: April 2, 2016

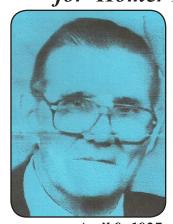
Where: Brookshire Brothers parking lot in Coldspring, TX. Time: 10 a.m.—until?

"McClain's Food Market"





Benefit April 9, 2016 for Homer Lee Franklin





April 9, 1927—January 9, 2016
We are having a bene t on April 9, 2016 to help cover funeral expenses for Mr. Franklin. He was a World War II veteran and a lifelong resident of Cleveland/Shepherd area in Texas. There will be barbecue, raf es for door prizes, 50/50 drawing, an auction and live music as well as karaoke for those that want to sing. Bene t to be held at Bubba's on Hwy 105 West. Will be an outside event, start time is at 1:00 p.m. until ? For more info or if you would like to donate please call Lou Ann (936) 933-8881 or Gwen (936) 933-1621.

Second Annual SJC 4-H Rag Ball Tournament



When: April 2nd starting at 9:00 a.m. Registrations beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Where: Shepherd Youth League Park - Shepherd, TX Cost: \$200.00 per team (all teams must consist of a minimum of 3 girls on the field at all times but no more than 12 players per team)

Every player must be 18 years of age. Info: Homerun bracelets will be sold at the park for \$10 a bracelet. These bracelets cannot be shared. Any homerun hit without a bracelet will be an automatic out. Prizes will be handed out for 1st and 2nd place winners.

We will also be having a Homerun Derby.

Prize is 50/50 pot. Cost is \$10 for 10 swings. For more info call Janice Chamblee or Amy Reeves at the AG extension office at (936) 628-6407 or Stephen Chamblee at (936) 933-2703 or Chris Chamblee at (832) 579-7132

All proceeds will go to the boys and girls of the SJC 4H Club.

Lady Pirate Powerlifters Finishes Second



Congratulations to the following Lady Pirates who competed in the Division 2 State Powerlifitng Meet in Corpus Christi, Texas March 19th. Alexis Bradford finished 3rd with a total of 800 lbs.

Alyssa Patterson 5th with a total of 795 lbs.

Olivia Ansley 12th with a total of 670 lbs

After competing in the Region 4 Division 2 Regional meet the Lady Pirates finished in 2nd place as a team.

The following Lady Pirate Powerlifters placed in their weight class: 114's: 1st Place Regional Champion-Olivia Ansley, 4th Abigail Courvelle,

6th Roberta Sanchez 545lbs 123's: 1st Place Regional Champion-Alexis Bradford

132's: 2nd Place Alyssa Patterson

148's: 5th Meagon Overstreet, 9th Maighan Beck

220+: 2nd Keyandra Adams

Other Regional qualifiers were Pasche Malone, Cami Pennington,



We are also proud to announce that Keyandra Adams (right) was named to the All-State Academic Elite Team and Alyssa Patterson (left) to the All- State Academic First Team.

by Yvonne Ryba

Have you eaten at the Texas Grill recently? They were voted best restaurant in San Jacinto County, at the Award Ceremony last month, for the third year in a row. I had lunch there this week and enjoyed 'fish and chips'. Since I was born in England I have some experience with this dish which traditionally should be cod or haddock. Usually local fish are used like catfish. Guess what? Texas Grill served me cod! Due to the high volume of customers they are now hiring experienced cooks and servers. If you are interested in applying, call (936) 628-3870 or drop by to talk to William, the owner.

Coldspring -San Jacinto Chamber of Commerce hosted lunch at Paradise Grill this month. President Connie Straus introduced the guest speaker to the crowd which included Sheriff Capers and Chief Schultea, Ernest Bailes who is running as Republican State Representative for our district, Coldspring ISD Superintendent Jerry Gibson and many more. The speaker was Brandon Roberts, co-founder of Distinguished Gentlemen Leadership Group, Inc. The founders of this organization work tirelessly without compensation to mentor youth. They want to help these young men, usually from disadvantaged areas, and motivate them through workshops and individual sessions so that they can make better choices and do well in the future. They also operate a clothing service when the young men go for interviews, so that they feel confident. They have fund raisers throughout the year to help pay for this. You can find out more from Brandon's web site http://www.dgentslead.com or call him at (832) 506-7136.

'Friends of Shepherd Public Library' is working on the mural for the outside wall facing the park. More on this as we get into it but it will be a depiction of the history of Shepherd and surrounding areas.

Do you ever need the services of a Title Company? When you do, you want to know the company knows what it is doing and gives you excellent service. We have such a company in our county. Eastex Title Company is located in Coldspring at 241 State Hwy 150. This business started in 1969 and the staff there have over 70 years experience between them. They know every facet of real estate transaction, both residential and commercial. Call them at (936) 653-4301 and look at their web site and Facebook page.

The Women's League of San jacinto County held its annual Style Show and Lunch last week. It was a lot of fun and very successful. If you would like to be a member of this fine group of women who meet every month for lunch with a guest speaker, door prizes and great food, call President Sue Jackson at (936) 767-4705.

Director Bob Barragan offers business owners, and those who hope to start a business, a free consultation at the chamber nearest you.

Bob directs the Small Business Development Center at Sam Houston state University.

Call the Chamber nearest you to set up your appointment.

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

 $\underline{www.greatershepherdchamber of commerce.org}$



COUPONING Want to SAVE money? Come learn to COUPON!! You will learn couponing 101 and even DIGITAL couponing APRIL 2TH 2016 11:00AM -2:00PM LOCATION: NEW DESTINY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH 13291 US W150 COLDSPRING, TX 77331 (936)653-4525 FEE \$35.00 BUNDLE INCLUDED REGISTATION STARTS AT 10:30 AM



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BY MARCH 30, 2016

Hosted by: NDFC In Reach and Out Reach

New Releases Coming to McClain's DVD Kiosk This Week



The Hateful Eight (R) crime/drama: In the dead of a Wyoming winter, a bounty hunter and his prisoner find shelter in a cabin currently inhabited by a collection of nefarious characters. Starring: Samuel L. Jackson, Kurt Russell, Jennifer Jason Leigh



Concussion (PG-13) biography/drama: In Pittsburgh, accomplished pathologist Dr. Bennet Omalu uncovers the truth about brain damage in football players who suffer repeated concussions in the course of normal play.

Starring: Will Smith, Alec Baldwin, Albert Brooks

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Point Break (PG-13) action/crime: A young FBI agent infiltrates an extraordinary team of extreme sports athletes he suspects of masterminding a string of unprecedented, sophisticated corporate heists.

Starring: Edgar Ramirez, Luke Bracey, Ray Winstone

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

Senior Menu

MON 3/28: Sausage & Sauerkraut & Grilled Onions, Lima Beans, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

TUE 3/29: Chicken Tenders, Cream Gravy, Sweet Potato Tots, Navy Beans, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

WED 3/30: Meatloaf, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn Casserole, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit

THUR 3/31: Chicken Pot Pie, Beets, Tossed Salad & Dressing, Fruit **FRI 4/1:** Grilled Pork Chops & Gravy, Rice & Broccoli Casserole, Navy Beans, 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



Senior Citizen's Newsletter

Thank you to all our friends that came and enjoyed soups and sandwiches at our fundraiser in March. It is nice to know that our caring community supports our efforts to provide a hot meal 5 days a week and our appreciation is beyond words. The donations we receive encourages us and lifts our spirits to know you care as much as we do.

We also thank crown health services for providing a blood pressure clinic. The next clinic they have planned is on April 4 at 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. You can have your blood pressure checked for free.

Woodland park care & rehabilitation will be sponsoring bingo on April 7. They bring a few of their residents to join us for the game and lunch. It is always fun and we enjoy seeing our friends on their outing to visit us.

Thank you to the students of Shepherd and Coldspring FFA classes and the farm bureau. Your efforts were a success and our admiration is unending. The food donation will be put to good use! You are all outstanding citizens of our community and we appreciate your caring ways.

We open the center at 8:00 a.m. Monday through Friday and close at 1:30 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. Don't forget to call by 9:30 a.m. at (936) 628-3733 and let us know you are coming to join us. We provide our menu in the paper or you can pick up a one at the center you can hang on the 'frig!

Our resale shop is open from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We have bag day on the first and third Friday of each month. Fill a grocery bag with clothing only for \$3.00!

Come to our center, enjoy a hot meal, shop in our resale shop and meet all our wonderful volunteers that give their time to us and help us provide services to our senior citizens and our community. You guys and gals are great!

Community Classifieds

CHURCH YARD SALE: Harmony Church bi-annual yard sale 3/31 - 4/2. Hours will be Thursday & Friday 8am-5pm & Saturday til 2! FREE DOG: Female German Shepherd free to a good home. Would do good with someone that has a big yard. Call Rose: (832) 580-1565 WANTED: All non-working riding mowers, push mowers, freezers, re-frigerators, AC units, washers, dryers, 4-wheelers, motorcycles. Please call (936) 252-9043. UNEMPLOYEDMACHINISTNEEDSWORK: (ShepherdArea) Tractor work, Welding, Automotiverepair, Roofing, Carpentry, Alltypes of Tilework, reasonable rates, no job too small. Call Joseph Clements (936) 230-2383. FOR SALE: 12X50 2 bedroom mobile home, two extra tires and wheels, blocks & pads, title, (livable), located in Shepherd, TX. \$1500.00 or best offer. Please call 936-329-2130. FOR SALE: 1993 three-quarter ton Ford truck. Good tires, runs good, has a hard top bed cover, in good condition, \$5000.00. Please call 936-628-3067. If no answer please leave a message with a call back number. WANTED: Will haul off all non-working appliances, AC units, mowers, 4-wheelers, motorcycles etc. Please call 936-252-9043.

Community Calendar

3/28: Pirateers Reading Program 9-10 AM; Shepherd Primary Parent Center **3/30:** Bridge of hope community church "Community Fellowship Dinner", Shepherd Middle School, 7PM.

3/31: Coldspring Monthly Food Truck; 1-3PM; 941 Slade St. Coldspring, TX 77331

4/02: SJC Cowboy Church 1st Annual Gospel Jambo

4/09: Homer Lee Franklin Bene t, 1pm @ Bubba's on Hwy 105 West 4/16: Coldspring Garden Club 2nd Annual Flower Show and Luncheon, 11am at Jones Hall, Coldspring

4/16: Drew's Landing Baptist Church Area Wide Youth Ralley, 12pm

Church News

DREW'S LANDING BAPTIST CHURCH: We are hosting an Area Wide Youth Rally April 16, 2016 at noon! All church's invited to participate. Lots of free food, fun, faith & music. Church's interested call Pastor R. Withers at (936) 239-5367. 161 Thomas Castleberry off 1127 in Shepherd. Looking forward to seeing everyone! Come as you are!

BIG CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: We would like to extend a special invitation to come and worship with us at Big Creek Missionary Baptist Church. Please come and be an important part of caring, spirit-filled church of God! You will be truly Blessed. Pastor: Skip Clift—Sunday Morning Services at 11:00 a.m. and Bible Classes are on Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m. Located on FM 2666.

HARMONY CHURCH: An independent spirit filled church with life message services—Sunday Bible class 10:00 a.m.—morning worship 11:00 a.m.—Sunday evening 6:00 p.m.—Wednesday evening 6:30 p.m. Third Sunday pot luck, men and women's groups. Come worship with us! Rev. Ben Cartwright, Pastor

Obituary

James Marshall Pursley



January 14, 1935 - March 23, 2016

James Marshall Pursley, 81, of Coldspring, passed away Wednesday, March 23, 2016, at his residence.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, March 26, 2016, at the First Baptist Church of Coldspring with burial following at Pine Valley Cemetery. Visitation was held from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Saturday, at the church. Services are under the direction of Pace-Stancil Funeral Home in Coldspring.

James was born January 14, 1935 in New Waverly, to parents; Lonzie Frank and Reba Mae White Pursley, and a lifelong resident of Coldspring. He was a graduate of Milby High School and a retired correctional officer. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, camping, and horses.

Mr. Pursley is preceded in death by his parents and sons: Lonnie W. Pursley and James A. Pursley. He is survived by his wife of 25 years: Donna Kay West Pursley of Coldspring, daughters: Pamela L. Pursley of Deer Park, Amanda Pursley Martin and husband Todd of Round Rock, stepson: Michael Holder of Oklahoma, stepdaughter: Michelle Nwajagu and husband Nonso and their son Obinna Nwajagu of Baltimore, Maryland, daughter-in-law: Ellen Pursley of Livingston, brother: Ray E. Pursley of Baytown, mother-in-law: Beth West of Coldspring, grandchildren: James W. Pursley, Justin W. Pursley, Ashlee M. Pursley, Cory Pursley, Brent W. "Goobie" Pursley, step grandchildren: Crystal Reneau, Michael Holder, Jr., and Michelle Brown, nine great-grandchildren with one on the way, special friends: Bula Jones and Crystal Terry, other relatives and friends.

Joe Eagle Cochran



January 15, 1930 - March17, 2016

Joe Eagle Cochran, 86, of Coldspring, passed away Thursday, March17, 2016. Memorial services wereheld at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at the First Baptist Church of Coldspring with services concluding thereafter. Services are under the direction of Pace-Stancil Funeral Home in Cleveland.

Joe was born January 15, 1930 in Coldspring, to parents Eagle Woods and Madura Glover Cochran. He grew up in Coldspring. After attending Sam Houston State, serving in the Marine Corp, and residing in Angleton, Texas for a number of years, he returned to Coldspring and made it his home again for the past 30 years. He was a graduate of the Coldspring High School, veteran of the US Marine Corps during Korea, a retired marine controller for barge transport with DuPont, and a member of the First Baptist Church of Coldspring. He also enjoyed sports, woodworking, hunting, gardening, carpentry, and especially spending time watching his daughter and grandsons play sports and working on projects with his grandsons.

Mr. Cochran is preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 63 years, Fannie Kate Walters Cochran; and brother, Kirk Cochran. He is survived by his daughter JoAnn Scarborough and husband Buck of Coldspring; brother E. Neil Cochran and wife Pat of Tyler; grandchildren Luke Eagle Love and wife Amanda of Atlanta, Georgia, and Marc Allen Love and wife Candace of Houston; great-granddaughter Stella Raye Love, and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Leave your thoughts and memories for the family in the guestbook at http://www.pacestancil.com/

Rita T. Franks



December 15, 1932 - March 22, 2016Rita T. Franks, 83, of Coldspring, Texas passed away on Tuesday, March

22, 2016 at her home in Coldspring, Texas. She was born on Thursday, December 15, 1932 in Bryan, Texas to Robert Ed Tullis and Leola Maddox Tullis, both of whom have preceded her in death. Rita was also preceded in death by her husband, James Clay Franks, brother, Charlie Tullis, sisters, Bonnie Marriott, Nita Haveron. Left to cherish her memory is her sons, Jason Mark Franks and wife Rebecca Janell, Jimmy Clayton Franks and wife Pamela Gail; daughter, Terrye June Lee; grandchildren, Roland Clay Franks, J.C. Lee, Jami Renee Lee; 7 Great Grandchildren; 2 Great-great Grandchildren; along with numerous other loving family and treasured friends. Visitation for Rita was held at Shepherd United Pentecostal Church AT 11140 State Hwy 150 Shepherd, Texas 77371, on Friday, March 25, 2016 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. Funeral Services were held at 1:00 pm at the Shepherd United Pentecostal Church. Interment will immediately follow at Evergreen Cemetery. Pastor Phil Runge, Pastor Aaron Haveron officiated.

All services were handled under the trusted care of Neal Funeral Home.

James Clay "JC" Franks



May 10, 1930 - March 19, 2016

James Clay "JC" Franks, 85, of Coldspring, Texas passed away on Saturday, March 19, 2016 in Shepherd, Texas. He was born on Saturday, May 10, 1930 in Bloomingrove, Texas to Will Tom Franks and Blanch Boyd Franks, both of whom have preceded him in death. James was also preceded in death by his brothers, Aaron Franks, and Melford Franks. Left to cherish his memory is his loving wife Rita Franks; sons, Jason Mark Franks and wife Rebecca Janell, Jimmy Clayton Franks and wife Pamela Gail; daughter, Terrye June Lee; sisters, Joyce Davis, Jo Akin Carol Eubank; grandchildren, Roland Clay Franks, J.C. Lee, Jamie Renee Lee; 7 Great grandchildren; 2 Great-great grandchildren; along with numerous other loving family and treasured friends. Visitation for James was held at Shepherd United Pentecostal Church at 11140 State Hwy 150 Shepherd, Texas 77371, on Friday, March 25, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Funeral Services were held at 1:00 p.m. at the Shepherd United Pentecostal Church. Interment immediately followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Pastor Phil Runge, Pastor Aaron Haveron officiated.

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