

# SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

## Shepherd Royal Guard Competed in the Texas Color Guard Circuit-East Texas State Championships



On Saturday, March 28th, the Shepherd Royal Guard competed in the Texas Color Guard Circuit-East Texas State Championships in Katy. In the Scholastic Regional A-White division, the Royal Guard brought home the State 2nd place Silver medal. Our guard is from the smallest school in our division competing against all 5A and 6A school guards. In the final East/West combined State standings the Royal Guard finished 5th out of 44 guards in the same division from across the state within this circuit. This is the 6th State medal in 9 years of competition for the Royal Guard, making them one of the most successful guards in the circuit. The sponsors are Mike and Cathie Wilson.

## Shepherd High School Drumline Wins Silver



The "It's-Not-About-Me" or INAM Indoor Percussion under the direction of Mike Nelson and Tai Livingston has been competing in the Texas Color Guard Circuit-Indoor Percussion for the past three years. After finishing 3rd at State their inaugural year 2013 and winning the State title in 2014, the INAM Percussion team has done it again. Saturday, March 28th the students on the team competed at the TCGC State Indoor Percussion Championships in College Station and brought home the State 2nd place Silver medal in the Scholastic AA marching category. Our percussion team is also one of the smallest teams in the circuit, competing mostly against bigger 5A and 6A schools.

## New Extended Resale Shop Hours

Shepherd Senior Citizens Resale Shop will begin opening on the second Saturday of each month beginning April 11, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Regular hours of operations will continue to be, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Bag day will also continue on the first and third Friday's of each month. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

## December Sun by Rob Marsh

December Sun is a black and white comic book that I've written, penciled and inked as a hobby for several years now, cobbling away the pages of this comic with what little free time I have (hey, its better than playing video games or watching TV all the time, right?) The basic premise of the book is that of a good-natured novice super-hero learning about his powers, standing up to evil forces and saving the day - the basic cliches of a comic book hero - but told in an old-school style with minimal violence and no language or adult content, in a manner that mainstream pulp comic books used to be produced back in the 80's when I was much younger and still collected comics, back at a time when you could buy a pulpy newsprint comic book for 65 cents (and still have money left over for some candy to go with it!) I basically wrote the comic book that I would have wanted to read at age 12. Sure, the artwork isn't the greatest, and Stan Lee won't be calling to offer me a job at Marvel any time soon, but I don't care: it was fun just writing and drawing these comic book adventurous tales, and if you've never written a book before, there's a nifty sense of accomplishment to actually finish your own book and see it on a shelf (even if your reading audience consists of roughly three people... Let's just say I won't be giving up my day job anytime soon.)

Regarding DIY comic books, these days you can find a number of print-on-demand shops online, and I've used a place called Ka-Blam printers (ka-blam.com). You pay nothing up front, and if you, as an example, want 10 copies of your book to give out, you pay only for those 10 issues (plus shipping.) Not a bad deal if you just want to write and draw comic books as a lark, like I do. The other nice thing is that this particular service hosts the book online at their own online storefront, so you don't have to fill up a garage with books to mail out: just let them do it for you! (sure, they take a percentage, but if it's just a hobby, who cares?) In any case, December Sun is a 100+ comic book that you can buy online at <http://www.indyplanet.com/front/?product=97447> for a whopping 99 cents! That's a packet of Ramen noodles for me and 114 pages of old-school super hero adventure for you! What have you got to lose? (If you're bored, I also have other comics and art projects at [dscomic.com](http://dscomic.com))



## 103<sup>rd</sup> Birthday Celebration

### Honoring

### CASSIE HUTCHISON



Date: Saturday, April 11

Time: 1:00 ~ 4:00 pm

Where: Spring Hill Baptist Church, 9130 State Hwy 150  
Coldspring, Tx 77331

Please RSVP by Saturday, April 4 to (936)653-4531

Gift cards/cash for any occasion would be appreciated

## Cohen Ethan Johnson Turns One!



Our Little Bear Is Turning one on April 8th!

A year has gone by - How time has flown – We cannot believe how our Baby Cohen has grown! Everyday is an adventure! Watching him discover and learn new things ... He is the spitting image of his father (Ethan “Bebo”) as you can see in the pictures. We always say...” he looks just like his daddy but is sweet like his mommy (Layla Marie)”. He went from crawling to running it seems in one day... is obsessed with the movie “Frozen”, loves to cut up and make people laugh, you can already tell he loves being the center of attention. Love's to take pictures! Always a smile on his face. He is the JOY of our world!

**HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAY COHEN ETHAN JOHNSON!!**

Parents: Ethan “Bebo” & Layla  
Grandparents: Patrick (PJ) and Helenmarie Johnson of Shepherd, Texas - Lisa and Ricky Baughman of Trinity, Texas – Doug and Tammy Jones of Shepherd, Texas – and Brandon and Suzette McCain of Livingston, Texas. Great Grandparents: Jerry Deborah and Whitmore live in Gary Indiana – David and Amanda Jones of Shepherd, Texas and Irene Johnson of Splendora, Texas. And many, many, many loving Aunts, Uncles and Cousins to make sure that Baby Cohen gets adequate spoiling and we will have to report that his Aunt Brandi (aka Aunt Bambi) Sievertson is working really hard on the spoiling part!

## Happy Birthday Kelly and Kim McClain!



Pictured is Jim McClain Holding Kelly and Kim McClain at his ‘Buy One Get, One Free sale’ in April 1988. Sandy and Jim managed to keep the fact that Sandy was having twins a secret from everyone until they were born and what better way to tell everyone the news than to have a ‘Buy One, Get One Free sale! “I got one free and so should you!”

## Upcoming Event in Shepherd

April 21st 2015: Shepherd Community Center- 6:00 p.m.  
Shepherd Chambers of Commerce invites you to the wonderful monthly luncheon. \$15.00 includes a homemade Roast Beef dinner. Special Guest Speaker World Famous Boxer Termite Watkins. You do not have to like Boxing to enjoy learning about a Hero in many ways. Please RSVP w/ Twinkle (936)446-6011 or Brenda at (936)499-2632. Truly a speaker you dont want to miss.



## Request for Bids

Quarterly extermination services for City Hall, Shepherd Public Library, The Shepherd Community Center and the Sewer Plant Office.

The City of Shepherd is requesting a bid for the following service. The bid needs to be returned to The City Secretary by April 10, 2015. Weekly cleaning of the Community Center Park Restrooms.

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The City retains the right to refuse any and all bids. Reputation and quality of service of the bidder will be considered.

## Shepherd Volunteer Fire Department Needs Your Help!

Shepherd Volunteer Fire Department is looking for those up for a challenge. We would like to encourage those living in Shepherd to join our department. Training is 7:00 p.m. every Tuesday. This is a great opportunity to give back to your community and learn valuable skills you will use and appreciate for the rest of your life. Parents, if you are looking for a constructive activity for your teens (ages 16-18) we offer a Juniors Department. Training is free to all who join. If there are any questions or you would like to fill out an application please feel free to call (936) 628-6566.

## Retired School Personnel to Meet

The San Jacinto County Retired School Personnel Association will meet on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 3:00 p. m. at the Senior Center in Coldspring. Steve Pierce, Superintendent of Shepherd ISD, and Jerry Gibson, Superintendent of COCISD, will present the program. All retired school personnel are invited to attend and join our group. Members are reminded to bring children's books for Care Share and Helping Hands. For further information, call President Don Leedy at (936) 377-3946.

## This Day in History

**April 6th**  
1896 Modern Olympics Games Reborn  
1917 America enters World War I  
1941 Germany invades Yugoslavia  
**April 7th**  
1933 On April 7th 1933 beer goes on sale again in 19 of the 48 states and the District of Columbia .  
1948 The World Health Organization (WHO) established  
1949 Rodgers and Hammerstein debut their hit musical "South Pacific" on Broadway  
**April 8th**  
1904 Long Acre Square in Manhattan, New York, was renamed Times Square  
1958 10,000 protesters arrive in Trafalgar Square, London as part of the CND / Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament  
1974 Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves hits his 715th career home run  
1992 The satirical British magazine Punch publishes it's final issue  
**April 9th**  
1865 Robert E. Lee surrenders  
1940 Germany invades Norway and Denmark  
1942 Philippines Surrender To Japanese  
1942 The Japanese forced 75,000 captured American and Filipino soldiers on the Bataan Death March.  
1959 America's First Astronauts Introduced  
**April 10th**  
1925 "The Great Gatsby" F. Scott Fitzgerald, is published  
1970 Beatles Break Up  
1971 US table tennis team begins a week long visit to the People's Republic of China ( Ping Pong Diplomacy )  
**April 11th**  
1957 Singapore gains self rule from the British  
1965 The Palm Sunday Tornadoes strike Indiana and the surrounding states  
1968 President Lyndon Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act of 1968  
1981 Brixton Riots London, England  
**April 12th**  
1945 Franklin D. Roosevelt Dies Vice President Harry S. Truman becomes the President of The United States  
1954 Bill Haley and the Comets, record "Rock Around the Clock"  
1961 Yuri Gagarin Becomes First Man in Space  
1981 First Space Shuttle Columbia Launched  
1992 Euro Disney opened in Marne-La-Vallée, Paris, France  
2001 Cincinnati Riots



Did you know...

By Yvonne Ryba  
Debbie Hanson, Executive Director of ‘San Jacinto County Habitat for Humanity’ has been to an International Conference in Atlanta recently. This was a leadership conference with programs on how to serve communities and how to build them. Debbie told me that with a donation of 4 acres to ‘SJC Habitat for Humanity’, our community will benefit with this opportunity to house 10 or more families. Sponsors are needed to make this work but they are kick-starting this project with a fund raising event, a dinner at Jones Auditorium in Coldspring.

‘Habitat for Humanity’ is a very worthwhile organization, helping families with little resources to buy a home of their own. The dinner will be on Saturday, May 2, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.. Tickets are \$30 each, \$50 for a couple and \$150 for a table of 6 people. Call (936) 653-1890 or (281) 659-5624 for more information.

Don’t forget Shepherd Library Public Library’s Diva Night on April 25. This was a big success last year! Ladies, come and enjoy yourself. There will be music and fun with lots of vendors selling their goods. I bought a sweet hat last year as well as some fun and this will be a very enjoyable Saturday night out. Please leave your youngest children with their dad or grandma. Girls 15 years and up are very welcome.

Coldspring Community Center is having a mixer on April 30, which is a Thursday. Starting at 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., this is a good way for businesses to spread the word about their work or products. Bring cards and brochures with you and chat with your neighbors. Look for more details on this event soon.

This week I called into B’s Resale and More on the frontage road of Hwy 59 S. This was Libby’s Resale store until recently, now Brenda has taken it over it over and it is full of collection of rooster teapots and ornaments, something my sister likes! Call Brenda at (281) 638-2337 for into and hours of opening.

I am sad to report the death of a very supportive member of the Chamber and many other organizations in our county. Margret Himes-Dorman passed away on Monday, March 23. We send our condolences to her husband David.

Shepherd Chamber of Commerce 11231 150  
Mail: PO Box 520, Shepherd 77371 (936)628-3890  
Coldspring/San Jacinto County Chamber of Commerce,  
31 N. Butler, Coldspring, 77331 (936) 653-2184  
For a free business consultation with Director Bob Brannagan  
of Sam Houston State Small Business Development Agency,  
Call your nearest Chamber.

McClain's is Now Selling Live Crawfish!



Must pre-order by Wednesday for Friday delivery. Call and ask for our meat market to order or for more information. (936) 628-3950

Joke of the Week



New Releases Coming to McClain’s DVD Kiosk This Week



**The Voices (R) comedy/crime:** A likable guy pursues his office crush with the help of his evil talking pets, but things turn sinister when she stands him up for a date.  
**Starring: Ryan Reynolds, Gemma Arterton, Anna Kendrick**

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

Senior Citizen Menu

- MON 4/6: Chicken Spaghetti, Beets, Corn Casserole, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit
  - TUE 4/7: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Creamed Spinach, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
  - WED 4/8: Fried Fish, Hush Puppies, Baked Potato With Cheese, Sour Cream, Chives, Bacon Bits, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cobbler
  - THUR 4/9: Chicken Lasagna, Green Beans, Tossed Salad With Dressing, Garlic Bread, Fruit
  - FRI 4/10: Cheese Burger On Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, Mayo, Mustard, Sweet Potato Fries, Fruit
  - MON 4/13: King Ranch Chicken, Pinto Beans, Seasoned Corn Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
  - TUE 4/14: Pork Loin With Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cabbage, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
  - WED 4/15: Fried Chicken, Cream Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Greens, Rolls, Salad, Jell-O
  - THUR 4/16: Steak Fingers With Cream Gravy, Broccoli & Cheese Quiche, Tossed Salad, Dressing, Wheat Bread, Fruit
  - FRI 4/17: Baked Teriyaki Chicken, Fried Rice, Stir Fried Cabbage, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
  - MON 4/20: Hamburger Patty With Onions, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Greens, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
  - TUE 4/21: Ham, Onion & Potato Pie, Pinto Beans, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
  - WED 4/22: Fried Pork Cutlets, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Mixed Veggies, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
  - THUR 4/23: BBQ Chicken, Macaroni Salad, Baked Beans, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
  - FRI 4/24: Chicken Egg Rolls, Fried Rice, Sautéed Veggies, Garlic Toast, Salad, Fruit
  - MON 4/27: Sloppy Joe On Bun Stuffed Baked Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Tossed Salad With Dressing, Fruit
  - TUE 4/28: Glazed Baked Ham Roll, Macaroni And Cheese, Broccoli, Wheat Bread, Salad, Fruit
  - WED 4/29: Baked Turkey, Turkey Gravy, Cornbread Stuffing, Buttery Yams, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
  - THUR 4/30: Chicken Parmesan, Vegetable Lasagna, Tossed Salad with Dressing, Garlic Bread, Fruit
- 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!

Buy \$mart, Eat Well

South Your Mouth Baby Back Ribs

- Ingredients:**
- 2 racks baby back ribs (on sale! \$2.79lb)
  - salt
  - pepper
  - garlic powder
  - paprika
  - barbeque sauce
  - 3-4 onions, peeled
  - 2 tsp. liquid smoke (optional)
  - ½ cup beer or water (approximately)



- Directions:**
1. Season both sides of ribs liberally with salt, pepper, garlic, and paprika; set aside.
  2. Slice onions into ½” rings and place them in the bottom of a large roasting pan (or two smaller ones—use whatever you need so that the ribs can cook in a single layer). *This is to create a layer that will keep the ribs elevated so that they're never sitting in liquid.*
  3. Pour just enough beer in the pan to cover the bottom. *I use a hard apple cider—use whatever you have, the beer just brings an aromatic element to this recipe. Add liquid smoke to the beer.*
  4. Arrange rib racks in a single layer on top of onion slices. Cover pan tightly with two layers of aluminum foil (if your pan has a lid, cover with a layer of aluminum foil *and* the lid). Bake at 300 degrees for 4 hours. Remove ribs from oven and uncover.
  5. Drain pan juices from pan (either with a turkey baster or by carefully tipping the pan). Baste ribs with barbeque sauce and return to oven. Continue baking ribs, uncovered, for 15 minutes. Remove ribs from oven, tent with foil, and rest for 15 minutes before serving.
- Make it a meal by whipping up some potato salad (5lb bag russet potatoes on sale \$1.49!) and putting some fresh corn on the cob (on sale 2/\$1.00!) in the microwave, fully husked, for around 4 minutes per ear. Carefully remove the ears, chop off the bottoms, and the husk and silks come right off! Delicious!

Obituary

Cynthia Ann Foxworth



November 06, 1952 - March 24, 2015

Cynthia Ann Foxworth, 62, of Shepherd, Texas passed away on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 in Conroe, Texas. She was born on Thursday, November 06, 1952 in Houston, Texas. Cynthia was a graduate of Milby High School in 1972. She loved cross stitching and to needle point.

Cynthia was preceded in death by her mother, Marilyn Ruth (Martens) Oakley; her loving husband, John L. Foxworth; and brother, Stephen Martens Oakley; Left to cherish her memory is her father, Stephen Monteith Oakley; daughter, Erica M. Foxworth of Shepherd, Texas; son, Royce Foxworth and wife Ariana of Shepherd, Texas; three sisters, Debbie Harris and husband Jim of Comanche, Oklahoma, Robin Bunch and husband Jim of Giddings, Texas, Lisa Swackhamer and husband Skip (Minor) of Bayou Vista, Texas; her six grandchildren, Alexis Foxworth, Joshua Haag, Jr., Charlize Foxworth, Emma Haag, Brianna Foxworth, Darlynn Foxworth of Shepherd, Texas; and her special friend, Gary (Mo) McGinnis of Shepherd, Texas; along with numerous nieces, nephews and other loving family and treasured friends. Memorial service was held at United Pentecostal Church Sunday March 29, 2015 at 4:00 pm. All arrangements were handled under the trusted care of Neal Funeral Home.

April 8, 2015

Community Classifieds

**FOR SALE:** 14X6 Feet Cargo Trailer, Electric Brakes, Loading Ramp Tie Downs Inside, Electric Outlet \$2000.00 Call 936-727-1794  
**CHURCH FOR SALE:** Springhill Baptist Church at 9130 Hwy 150 West Coldspring, TX is for sale. Pastor’s study, choir room, secretary room, rest rooms, lights & carpet in church. No seats are in church. For more information please call 936-767-8421, 936-653-4531, 936-767-8148, or 936-365-2868.  
**FOR SALE:** 1994 light blue 4-door Buick Roadmaster, new tires, brakes, new stickers, tags, good used car, only 2 owners, \$1200. Please call 281-592-2418.  
**LAND FOR SALE:** Lots in San Jacinto County, Lakeside Village, boat ramp access to upper end of lake. Please call 936-714-4299.  
**YARD SALE:** Yard Sale April 10 & 11 th 8am to ? location 5055 FM 222 Coldspring. Washer, dryer, glassware, clothes, household items, dog house and lots more! Several families , all proceeds will be donated to First Baptist Church Camilla building/repair fund. Call if need directions or more info 281-468-4857  
**WANTED:** Junk cars & trucks, any metal. Please call 936-714-4299.  
**WANTED:** Mowing jobs. Please call 936-714-4299.

Community Calendar

- 4/6: Monday EDC Meeting, 7pm/EDC Building
- 4/14: City Council Meeting, 7pm/Community Center
- 4/14: First station auxiliary meeting at 7PM
- 4/16: Senior Citizen Bingo
- 4/17: Senior Resale Shop Bag Day
- 4/21: Shepherd Chambers of Commerce monthly luncheon at the Shepherd Community Center 6PM.
- 4/25: Diva Night
- 4/27: Shepherd Chamber of Commerce meeting, 6pm/EDC
- 4/27: Bad Weather SISD Holiday
- 4/30: Coldspring Community Center mixer 5PM-7PM

Church News

**HARMONY CHURCH:** Annual Yard Sale FM 223 and Wright Blvd. Shepherd, TX, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, April 9th, 10th, & 11th Thursday & Friday 8am till 5pm & Saturday, 8am till noon. Bag sale 8am till noon Saturday. Hundreds of DVD’s and VHS movies-hundreds of books-lots of collectibles and Christmas décor-clothes-dishes, etc. For more information call 936-653-4742 or 936-628-3292.  
**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!  
**SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH:** 103rd Birthday Celebration honoring Cassie Hutchison on Saturday, April 11th from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at Spring Hill Baptist Church, 9130 State Hwy 150, Coldspring, TX 77331. Please RSVP by Saturday, April 4 to (936) 653-4531.  
**LAKE STATION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH:** To All Churches: Lake Station Youth Dept. will be hosting a Youth Women’s Conference on Saturday, April 11, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. We will have 5 Great Women of God’s speakers. There will also be a community praise dance team that will be performing under the direction of the Temple of Faith Dee Richardson. Practice will be held on March 18th, 25th, and April 1st at 7:30 at Temple of Faith, Pastor Darryl Richardson, for the performance at the Youth Women’s conference on April 11, 2015 at Lake Station Baptist Church. For all youth (all churches) whichever youth invite the most visitors man or woman, hopefully youth, will be given a special presentation. For more information call: (936) 365-2755 or (832) 994-1677.

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.*