

SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

Top Ten Students Attended Honors Luncheon

Shepherd High School Top 10 students attended the Lake Area Honors Luncheon May 19, 2016.



Top left to right: Cody Crowder, Dale Creel, Zachary Truelove, Kerri Patterson.

Bottom left to right: Kaly Lacombe, Emily Brawner, Alyssa Patterson, Shelby Brawner, Leslie Orozco

Not pictured: Jason Hernandez

SIS Multicultural Celebration

The Shepherd Intermediate School hosted a multicultural celebration on Thursday, May 5. The SIS choir performed songs related to various cultures around the world and the SIS dancers performed a Spanish dance.



Top row left to right: Danielle Shelly, Anthony Gregory, Amber Mullin, Natalia Cherry

Middle row left to right: Baylee Windt, Clark Addison, Audumn Swancutt, Nancy Palafox, Lance Dickens Sheldon Ferguson

Bottom row left to right: Rayen Alley, Saigan Harris, Cheyenne Harris, Kami Foxworth, Charlize Foxworth, Destiny Harris.

Back row left to right: Monika Lopez, Bisleici Molina, Josie Gallardo, Janice Ramirez, Johana Resendiz, Ashley Gonzalez, Yuridia Rios



Front row left to right: Jose Beiza, Erick Najera, Hector Gonzalez, Benito Garcia, Brayan Gonzalez. A.J. Patterson portrayed Martin Luther King in presenting a portion of his speech.

There were also displays throughout the cafeteria created by the GT/Enrichment class on various cultures around the world which included food tasting, clothing and other customs along with novel projects presented by the 5th grade language arts classes. It was a fun, educational and exciting evening for all who participated.

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Area Retired School Personnel Meet in Huntsville

The Region 6 Education Service Center in Huntsville, Texas was the site of the District 6 Texas Retired Teachers Association’s Spring Training Conference recently. Eighteen local units from throughout TRTA’s Sixth District sent their new officers to receive training for their respective offices and chairmen. The retirees also learned more about the interim hearings being held by the TRS-Care Joint Legislative Committee. The retiree’s state health care will be running out of funds sometime during the next legislative session. Members also heard about the progress being made in Washington D.C. on the Windfall Elimination Provision Bill (HR 711) sponsored by Texas Congressman Kevin Brady.

Training sessions helped new officers understand their duties, find resources and how to carry out the many important TRTA programs. District officers who had been trained at the state level provided the district level training. Special guest at the District meeting was TRTA State Treasurer, Leroy DeHaven.

The terms of current District officers, President-Jamie Larson-Milam County, First Vice President-Caroline Somerville-Montgomery County, Second Vice President-Rosa Josey-North Montgomery, Secretary-Grace Holtkamp-Austin County and Treasurer-Bonnie Hendrix-Madison County will come to an end on June 30th. To fill those positions, newly elected District officers were installed by members of the Prairie View Retired Teachers and School Personnel Association. New District officers are: President-Frank Middleton-Milam County, First Vice President-Rosa Josey-North Montgomery County, Second Vice President-Dana Jordy-North Montgomery, Secretary-Johnnie Walker-Prairie View, and Treasurer-Bonnie Hendrix-Madison County.

District Awards were presented to Units and individuals that provided exceptional service during the past year. Participants also learned that there have been three active teachers in District 6 that have received \$500 “Classroom Activation Grants” from the Texas Retired Teachers Foundation this year. The SJC local unit received the Grand Prix Award for the second year. The award is for exemplary Service, Projects, and Contributions to TRTA.

TRTA is the nations’ largest organization of retired public school employees. It advocates improved benefits for current and retired public education employees and seeks to advance the well being of its members through community involvement and legislative advocacy efforts. The association is always accepting new members: for more information on TRTA, its membership opportunities and projects in the community, visit www.trta.org or call (800) 880-1650 or contact Don Leedy (local unit president) at (936) 377-3946.

Members attending the District 6 Fall Convention from San Jacinto County Retired School Personnel Association (SJCRSPA) were Don Leedy, Karen Leedy, Sandra Parker, Linda Bridges, Adella Havard, Margaret Williams and Shirley Rand.

No Parking or Driving on the Walking Track to Avoid Penalty

Please do not park or drive on the walking track or you may be given a citation with a penalty of up to \$500.00

The City of Shepherd has recently had the walking track resurfaced. The City is aware that citizens park and drive on this track at times. These actions damage the walking track and impair the public’s use of the walking track for its intended purpose. An ordinance was passed at the May meeting of the Shepherd City Council which allows for a penalty of up to \$500.00 if anyone violates the ordinance by parking or driving on the track.

Sam Houston EC Members to Elect Board of Directors

Sam Houston Electric Cooperative members can look for their Board of Director election ballot in the mail this month. Members will once again have the option to vote online.

All Sam Houston EC members will still receive a paper ballot as well, so they can mail in their ballot if they prefer. The election opened May 16, and members who have their email address listed on their Sam Houston EC account will receive an email giving instructions on how to vote online. Members can also follow the online voting instructions that will accompany the ballot that will be mailed. Both electronic (online) and mail-in votes will be eligible for the prize drawings at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Members next month.

Ballots must be received, either online or by mail, no later than 10 a.m., Monday, June 13, 2016.

Members who complete their ballot by the early bird deadline of June 7, 2016, will be eligible for a grand prize drawing that will take place at the Co-op’s Annual Meeting of Members on June 14, 2016. Prizes include an electric golf cart, a \$2,000 bill credit, a HD television and an Apple iWatch. Members do not need to be present at the Annual Meeting to win the early voting prizes.

To elect the Board of Directors, a quorum of at least 10 percent of the membership is required. To ensure equal representation of more than 54,000 Sam Houston EC members living in 10 counties, the Cooperative’s service territory is divided into five districts. Collectively, there are 11 Board members, each living in the district that they serve.

The Cooperative Elections Committee met on March 8, 2016, and reviewed all candidates for election. Two incumbents running for re-election were placed on the ballot. The committee received no petitions for election from the membership.

District 5, serving Montgomery and Walker Counties, has two Directors up for re-election. The candidates recommended by the Elections Committee are W.E. “Ernie” Miles and Thomas Lucher, both from District 5.

“As a member-owner, you are an important part of the decision-making and policy setting at the Co-op,” Sam Houston EC general manager and CEO Kyle J. Kuntz wrote in a letter published in the ballot booklet sent to members. “That means you have the right to vote annually for your Board of Directors.”

Sam Houston EC members are encouraged to mark their calendars for the Annual Meeting of Members taking place on Tuesday, June 14, 2016. The meeting will once again be held at the Polk County Commerce Center in Livingston. There is plenty of parking close to the Commerce Center, which is located at 1017 North 59 Loop in Livingston (entrance at Pedigo Park). Shuttles will be available from the parking area to the facility.

Registration will begin at 12 p.m. and the meeting will commence at 1:30 p.m. Snacks and entertainment will be provided. Door prizes including home electronics, power tools, electric bill credits, and gift cards from area retailers will be given away. Cooperative managers will also report on Co-op business, including the announcement of the Board of Director election results.

Sam Houston EC received its charter May 16, 1939, and has been providing electricity to East Texas ever since. The Cooperative was founded by a handful of farmers and rural residents who dreamed of bringing “power to the people.”

In the early 1940s, there were just over 600 Co-op members. Today, Sam Houston EC serves 54,000 members and more than 71,000 meters across parts of 10 counties.

What it’s Like to be a Paramedic



Amy Sewell, a paramedic of 20 years with Montgomery County EMS, came to talk to all Health Science classes today about what it takes to be a paramedic, what she has done in the field, and taught them how to “web” and patient to a backboard, apply a neck collar, basic first aid, and how to properly use a backboard.

Sarah Dean, SHS Health Science Teacher has provided our students with many outstanding learning opportunities. Thank you for the great job! The program will have the first Certified Nurse Assistants graduating next year! That is what career ready is all about!

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Seamless Summer Feeding Program

The Shepherd ISD is participating in the Seamless Summer Feeding Program. Meals will be provided to all children 18 and under without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the sites and times as follows: Shepherd Intermediate School Camps and Shepherd High School Camps.

June 6th – June 23th

Monday-Thursday

Breakfast: 7:00 am-8:00am

Lunch: 11:00 am-12:30pm

Shepherd ISD está participando en el Programa de Alimentación Seamless Summer. Las comidas serán proporcionadas a todos los niños menores de 18 años sin costo alguno y es lo mismo para todos los niños sin distinción de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad o discapacidad. No habrá ninguna discriminación durante el servicio de comidas. Las comidas serán proporcionadas en los sitios y horarios de la siguiente manera: Campamento de la escuela Intermedia de Shepherd and Shepherd High School Camps.

6 de junio al 23 de junio

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Did you know...

by Yvonne Ryba
On Wednesday, May 18, Coldspring- San Jacinto County Chamber of Commerce Board members, went to Coldspring-Oakhurst High School. There, members of the R.O.T.C. were awarded a plaque commending those students for their community service at the events the Chamber hosted over the last few years. Vice President Patrick Clark gave a short speech in which he remembered events when he was a young man in the R.O.T.C. In February, many of the students helped at the 'Best of San Jacinto County Awards Banquet'. The young men and women served the meal, gave out awards and cleared away afterward and impressed everyone with their helpful and courteous manner.

Coldspring Chamber judged the contest for the best theme for the 'Christmas on the Square 2016'. The winner was Danielle Mathew- Niero who gave us "Christmas Round The world". Thank you Danielle! If you are an arty type, you may want to submit an entry for the contest which asks for art work to be used for the event. You may pick up an application from shops around Coldspring and Shepherd. Look in at Shepherd Library or First State Bank, or go to the web site or call Tammy at the Chamber Office in Coldspring. The phone numbers and web sites are listed below. The art work will be featured on the programs and posters, keep it simple so that it will print clearly.

Here is a cautionary tale. This happened to me today. The phone rang and a robo-call told me to call a number to talk to the IRS about 'legal issues facing me'. I know the IRS do not phone people about these issues and I am not expecting problems with them, but I thought I would see what 'they' said. A very foreign voice on a poor phone line told me I owed \$11,000 dating back over 12 years and would have my driver's licence confiscated, be taken to court and other unpleasant things would happen if I didn't make a payment at once. It sounded like he could be in a different country. I told the man I knew it was a scam and hung up but I want others to know that some people may be taken in by this intimidating behavior. I believe they target older people who are often more vulnerable. If you have parents or grandparents who may become a target, please make sure they know about this. The IRS say they never call on the phone in this way, and instead send notices by mail. I called our Sheriff's department and let them know this was happening in our area.

On a more pleasant note, preparations for Shepherd July 4th Celebration is moving ahead smoothly. Our Board Secretary, Helenmarie Johnson, says we have more vendors and the Firework-Laser display will be spectacular. Call the chamber number if you want to be a vendor. Our event will be on Saturday July 2, starting at 4:00 p.m. with Dale Everitt and the American Legion opening the proceedings with a Patriotic Ceremony.

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
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Obituary

Georgia Lee Clark Brown



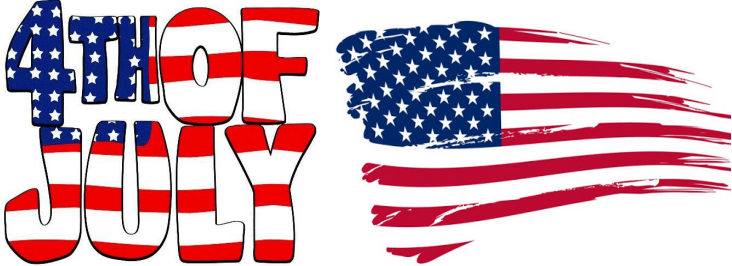
September 9, 1932 - May 14, 2016

Georgia Lee Clark Brown, 83, of Coldspring, passed away on Saturday, May 14, 2016, at The Bradford at Brookside, in Livingston.
Visitation was held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., May 17, 2016, at the Pace-Stancil Funeral Home Chapel in Coldspring. Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m., May 19, 2016, at the Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio. Services are under the direction of Pace-Stancil Funeral Home in Coldspring.
Georgia was born September 9, 1932 in Daphne, Alabama, to Alvin W. and Minnie Davison Clark. She was a military wife who lived all over the world settling with her husband in Coldspring in 1987. She was a graduate of Daphne High School and a homemaker. She enjoyed fishing and spending time with her family.
Mrs. Brown is preceded in death by her parents and her husband: James L. Brown, Jr. and their grandson Roger Hendrix Brown. She is survived by her children Ronnie Lee Brown, Connie Brown Leman and husband Kevin of San Antonio, James Ricky Brown and his wife Vera of Coldspring, Robert Alan Brown and his wife Terry of Friendswood, Roger Dean Brown, Christy Brown Smith and husband David of Texas City, and Cheryl Leslie Brown Wegner and Chuck Bailey of Tennessee, her sister Mazie Clark-Hanson of Alabama, and sister in law, Joyce Clark of Spanish Fort, Alabama, and brother in law Dickie Brown and his wife Margret of Jeanerette, Louisiana, and numerous nieces and nephews. She leaves the loves of her life, her grandchildren: James Ricky Brown Jr, Jeremy Alan Brown, Todd Robert Brown, Amber Brown, Jennifer Kara Messina Leman, Cory Scott Leman, Jayme Ann Smith, Chelsea Lynn Brown, Ryan Matthew Smith, Leslie Taylor Wegner, Carly Ann Brown, Jeffrey James Wegner, Emily Dawn Brown and Elizabeth Grace Brown. Great grandchildren include Avleigh Mann, Ethan Scott Leman, Maelie Parker Brown, Olivia Leman Leaverton, Annabelle Leman Leaverton, Eli James Leman, Raelynn Jane Reser, Bethany Diane Leman and a sweet baby on the way.

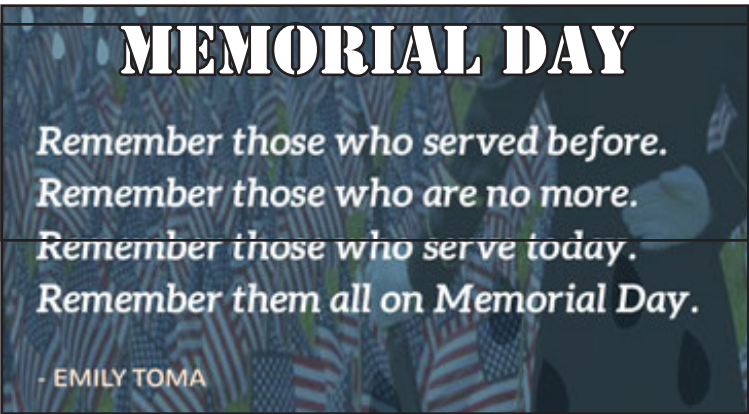
Senior Menu

MON 5/23: Meatloaf, Cheesy Potatoes, Okra & Tomatoes, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
TUE 5/24: Chicken & Broccoli Quiche, Potatoes In Cream Sauce, Tossed Salad With Dressing, Fruit
WED 5/25: Chicken Fried Steak, Cream Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn Casserole, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
THUR 5/26: Chicken & Sausage Gumbo, Rice, Tossed Salad & Dressing, Crackers Or Oyster Crackers, Fruit
FRI 5/27: Breaded Pork Cutlets, Gravy, Green Beans & Potatoes, Buttered Corn, Salad, Fruit
TUE 5/31: Meatballs & Gravy, Buttered Pasta, Northern Beans & Okra, Rolls, 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

Independence Day Extravaganza



The City of Shepherd and Shepherd Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an Independence Day Extravaganza on Saturday, July 2, 2016 at the Shepherd Community Center from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Fireworks with an integrated lazer show choreographed to music will be presented by 3H haunts & DJ Joe and Sheri Karaoke at 9 that evening. Opening ceremonies will begin at 5:00 p.m. There will be vendors, karaoke, entertainment, dancing, games! A fulfilled evening for everyone!



Did you know...
Each year on Memorial Day a
national moment of remembrance
takes place at 3:00 p.m. local time.

Joke of the Week

Where do boats go
when they get sick?



The dock

Buy \$mart, Eat Well

Ribeye Steaks with Onion
Blue Cheese Sauce

- Ingredients
- 2 whole Ribeye steaks (Family Pack on sale \$5.99lb!)
 - 2 tbsp. butter (Challenge butter quarters 16oz on sale \$3.49!)
 - Salt
 - Pepper
 - 4 tbsp. butter
 - 1 whole very large onion, sliced (fresh mild yellow onions on sale 2lbs/\$1.00!)
 - 1 cup heavy cream
 - ½ cup crumbled blue cheese



Directions

- Salt and pepper both sides of steak. Grill in 2 tbsp. of butter until medium rare
- Saute onions in 4 tablespoons butter over high heat. Cook for 5 to 7 minutes, or until dark and caramelized. Reduce heat to simmer and pour in cream.
- Cook for 3 to 5 minutes, or until reduced by half. Stir in blue cheese until melted. Serve steaks on generous portion of sauce.
- Faint.

Make it a Meal! Make this a delicious All-American Memorial Day meal by serving with fresh corn on the cob (on sale 3/\$1.00!) and loaded baked potatoes (5lb bag russet potatoes \$1.59 each, Daisy sour cream 24oz on sale 2/\$5.00, Kraft shredded/chunk cheese on sale 2/\$4.00!)

Cook's Notes: D Did you know that you can cook fresh corn on the cob with the husk on in the microwave? Just put it in for 4-5 minutes per ear and when they're done the husks and silks will come right off! But be careful because it will be HOT! Recipe found at www.pioneerwomancooks.com

Community Classifieds

FREE: Adult male Chihuahua stud free to good home. 6 month old male Chihuahua, very tiny, for sale \$25.00. 6 week old Chihuahua puppies, males and females, \$100.00. Call or text 281-844-8309 for pictures or info.
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PITBULL PUPPY: No questions asked, 10 week old Pitbull pup 7, white with brindle. Call 936-628-3058.
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FOR RENT: 2BR/1BA mobile home, all bills paid; \$650.00 monthly plus \$250.00 deposit. Please call Mary at 832-250-6154 or Monica at 979-316-0299.
FOR RENT: 2BR/1BA mobile home for rent, all bills paid, \$650 per month plus \$250 deposit.

Community Calendar

5/23: SISD Bilingual Parent Involvement, 6-8pm at middle school library
5/23: PIRATEERS READING PROGRAM 9-10AM; Shepherd Primary Parent Center
5/23: Allergy information by Kristin Casey; Senior Citizen Center
5/24: SISD Bilingual Parent Involvement, 6-8pm at middle school library
5/25: Bridge of hope community church "Community Fellowship Dinner", Shepherd Middle School, 7PM.
5/27: Monthly Food Truck; 10AM-12PM Shepherd Community Center
5/30: SISD Bilingual Parent Involvement, 6-8pm at middle school library
5/30: Memorial Day
5/31: SISD Bilingual Parent Involvement, 6-8pm at middle school library
6/18: Beekeepers' Association Summer Clinic in Conroe

Church News

LAKE POOL BAPTIST CHURCH: We invite family and friends to our Memorial Service Sunday, May 29th, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. Guest speaker: Rev. Stan Lewis, Houston, TX. Rev. Murry Williams—Pastor. Contact person: Azzie Williams (936) 628-3205.
DREW'S LANDING BAPTIST CHURCH: We're having a bake sale/ car wash on May 21st at 9:00 a.m. in the McClain's parking lot! This money will be used for the youth to go to church camp. We will also be selling sausage on a stick for \$2.00. Please come out and support the kiddos! Thanks and God Bless!
SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Old Time Religion Day on Sunday, May 22, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at 9130 State Hwy 160 West, Coldspring, TX 77331. Pastor Rev. Frank Mason, First Lady Evelyn Mason, Associate Ministers Douglas Jackson Prophetess Sheila Jackson Ministers Raymond Lee. For more information please call (936) 653-4531.
SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Choir Annual Sunday, June 12, 2016 at 3 p.m. located at 9130 State Hwy 150 West, Coldspring, TX 77331. Pastor Rev. Frank Mason, First Lady Evelyn Mason, Associate Ministers Douglas Jackson Prophetess Sheila Jackson Ministers Raymond Lee. For more information please call (936) 653-4531.

New Releases Coming to
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How to be Single (R) comedy/romance: There's a right way to be single, a wrong way to be single, and then...there's Alice. And Robin. Lucy. Meg. Tom. David. New York City is full of lonely hearts seeking the right match, be it a love connection, a hook-up, or something in the middle. And somewhere between the teasing texts and one-night stands, what these unmarrieds all have in common is the need to learn how to be single in a world filled with ever-evolving definitions of love.
Starring: Dakota Johnson, Rebel Wilson, Leslie Mann
Risen (PG-13) action/adventure: In 33 AD, a Roman Tribune in Judea is tasked to find the missing body of an executed Jew rumored to have risen from the dead.
Starring: Joseph Fiennes, Tom Felton, Peter Firth
The Finest Hours (PG-13) action/drama: The Coast Guard makes a daring rescue attempt off the coast of Cape Cod after a pair of oil tankers are destroyed during a blizzard in 1952.
Starring: Chris Pine, Casey Affleck, Ben Foster
Zoolander 2 (PG-13) comedy: Derek and Hansel are lured into modeling again, in Rome, where they find themselves the target of a sinister conspiracy.
Starring: Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson, Penélope Cruz
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Include contact information on your request to have something published.
Our deadline is 6 p.m. Tuesday for the following week.