

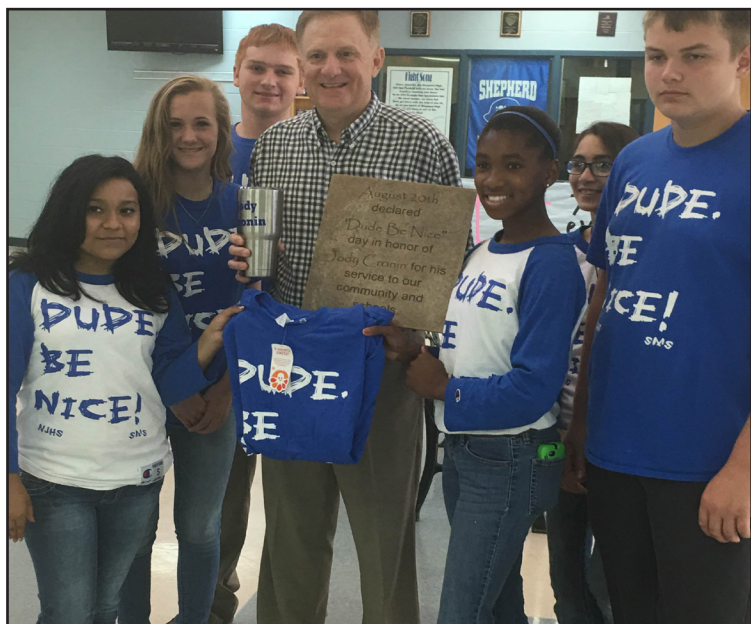
# SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

## Kindergarten Graduation



Wednesday, June 1, 2016, Shepherd Primary students celebrated Kindergarten Graduation. The 2016 graduating Seniors escorted the Kindergarten students to the stage for the ceremony. Superintendent Steve Pierce presented each student their award.

### Dude. Be Nice!



Naomi Montoya, Angelica Ochoa, Ty Wilson, Erin Nix, Justin Capps, Ashley Patterson. Ty presenting to commissioner's court. The presentation to Mr. Cronin for his commitment to our community and students. In honor of Mr. Cronin, "Dude! Be Nice day" will be on August 20th every year to promote Kindnes.



### Area Convention Talent Contest

On Friday, May 20th, Shepherd FFA attended the Area IX Convention at Stephen F. Austin University. At convention, Hannah Howard (pictured below) competed gainst with 8 other FFA teams for the Area Talent Contest.



Pictured: Grace Watson, Peyton Price, Drishti Dawwadi, Carley Smith, Olivia Jackson, Sammie Reeves, Alexus Alcantar, Crystal Palafox, Shannon Huff, Griselda Lopez, Stevie Reece. Zach Taylor, Aaron Barnes, Billy Caruthers, Cameron Carson, Trey Wallace, Chase Watson, Zachary Ansley, Hannah Howard, Colby Holloway, Zach Currie, Makayla Currie

### Floral Certification Exam



On Thursday, May 19th, students from the Shepherd High School Floral Design Department traveled to Pittsburg, Texas to take their Floral Design Certification Exam. Students consist of... Ouni Garcia, Carley Smith, Chase Watson, Tori Clack, and Drishti Dalwadi.

### Congratulations on your Graduation!

Cheyenne Alexis Bebee

*Class of 2016*

Always Remember.....  
Our love is always with you  
Even if we are not  
Try to stay positive  
Even in your thoughts  
Listen to your heart  
Be thankful and giving  
Make yours a life  
That's so worth living  
Always believe in yourself  
And follow your dreams  
If you can do this  
YOU can do ANYTHING!  
We love you and are so proud of you!



Love Mom, Pete, Blake, Anthony & Grandma

### Field Day



On Friday, May 27, Shepherd Intermediate Students participated in the annual Field Day which was coordinated by Coach Ty Stanley. Due to wet weather, the students enjoyed the field day events inside. They utilized the gym, cafeteria, library, a couple of hallways and classrooms. It worked out well and they all had a blast. One of the stations was a snow cone break where the students enjoyed free snow cones provided by the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council for the prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse. One photograph shows Jacob Seagroves and Jordan Cutaia in a 3 legged race competition with their teacher, Mrs. Shores and students looking on. The other photograph features Tristen Cullum and Ronnie Charles participating in the wheelbarrow race. Students and staff had a great time.

### 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  
de Lunes – Jueves**

**Desayuno 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.**

**Almuerzo 11:00 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.**

To file a complaint of discrimination, write or call immediately to:USDA

Director, Office of Civil Rights

1400 Independence Avenue, SW

Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

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Did you know...

by Yvonne Ryba



Has anyone else ever found a frog swimming in their bathroom commode? I have. It happened today and I must admit nearly gave me a heart attack. I managed to fish it out and put it outside and no, it wasn't the same one I once found sitting in the dog's water bowl in the kitchen. This one was much smaller! It does make me think we must have good water here if frogs are so keen to jump into it.

I noticed from our Calendar of Events for June that there will be a Social on the Square in Coldspring on June 23. Every month will have a different theme. This month the theme will be 'Ice Cream Social'. The merchants and business owners will serve cones with many different toppings on them. This event starts at 5:30 p.m. and runs until 7:30 p.m. For more info, call (936) 653-2332.

We also have Trades' Day organized by San Jacinto County Historical Commission. This month it will be on June 23. Everything and anything may be found here from artists' work to children's clothes. Local honey and costume jewelry always seem to draw the customers, so mark your diary and visit Coldspring and Trades' Day!

On a more serious note, if you live in or travel through Shepherd, you will have see that Shepherd Community Center is now a Shelter for those who have been flooded out of their homes. The Red Cross have installed cots, food and water and many residents have been there offering help. Restaurants and businesses have brought food and the Children's and Community Impact Center gave out vouchers for flood victims, to come and choose clothes from the resale shop on Loop 424. It is a sobering thought to hear and see people who have only managed to get out of their homes in the clothes they were wearing.

The Red Cross send people from all over the country. I talked to someone from Virginia and another who lived in Houston but who had been in Florida just recently. Shepherd Community Center was built for this purpose, to be a shelter when there is an emergency. When not being used for this humanitarian reason, we use it for meetings and events. Let us hope that those who are unfortunate to have to stay there for now, will soon be able to go home or be able to find one. Until then, it will be a shelter and not in use for any other events.

Brenda Myers said that the recent 'Hug a Tree, Kiss a Fish' event was a big success. This was an event her Children's and Community Center put on for children and their parents who come from impoverished families. They had 1,682 people come and 228 people entered in the Fishing Tournament. The event exceeded the expectations of the organizers and many celebrities came and enjoyed time with the families there. Roger Rivers of 'Swamp People' was there, Eddy B's. sang and so did Shane Porter. The event closed with Amber Holcomb coming to close the proceedings with her great voice. Brenda would like to give Wyatt Smith and the staff of Artesian Lakes a great big 'Thank you' for all that they did to make this event a success.

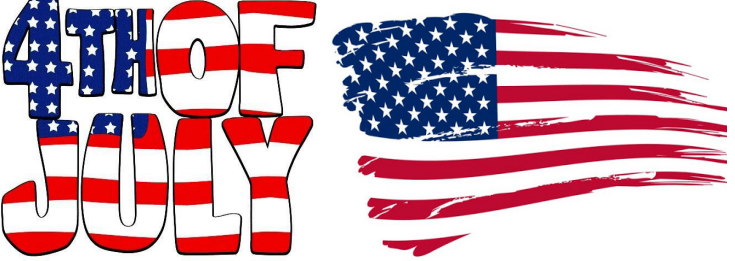
The only negative thing to mar this occasion was a series of false emails, purporting to come from the organizers, that J.J.Watt would be coming to the event. Someone was either trying to spoil the day or wanted to see a lot of children be disappointed. Whoever this unknown fake emailer is, the Harris County Police Department and the Watt Foundation are investigating. J.J. Watt was annoyed someone had used his name to mislead people. On the plus side, some Texans did come to the event.

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  
www.greatershepherdchamberofcommerce.org



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 funfilled evening for everyone!

Obituary

In Loving Memory  
Murle Parker



March 24, 1929 - May 5, 2016

Murle Parker was born on March 24, 1929 and passed away on May 5, 2016. He is preceded in death by his wife, Dollie Parker. He is survived by his companion, Lucille Sweeten; children, Johnnie Baldrige, Susan Hinson, Bruce Parker and wife Nancy, and Judy Jesttes; grandchildren, Stacy Baldrige, Brian Hinson, Stephen Hinson, Melanie Parker, Marcia Haynes, Bruce Parker Jr., Danny Jesttes and wife Alyssa, Kenneth Jesttes and wife Martha; great-grandchildren, Joshua, Jessica, Matthew, Nicole, Holly, Kailey, Brian and Jack; great great-grandchildren, Anthony, Gage and Hailee; plus numerous other relatives and friends.

Senior Menu

- 6/6: Meatloaf, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Greens, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
  - 6/7: Baked Garlic Parmesan Chicken, Green Beans, Squash Casserole, Rolls, Salad, Fruit
  - 6/8: Fried Fish, Hush Puppies, Baked Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Tossed Salad, Fruit
  - 6/9: Grilled Pork Chops & Gravy, Fried Potatoes, Okra & Tomatoes, Cornbread, Salad, Fruit
  - 6/10: Sliced Ham, Buttered Yams, Green Lima 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



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Shepherd FFA Banquet  
Chapter FFA Award



Abigail Courvelle, Hannah Kelso, Olivia Ansley, Brooke McAnally, Kirsten Schlagel, Clayton Martinez, Robert McGuffin

Graduating FFA Members



Javier Vela, Brett Sangster, Troy Stockley, Cody Crowder, Grace Holden, Andrew Byer, Matthew Adams, Dawson Roessler, Dale Creel, Carl Denmon

2016-2017 Incoming FFA Officers



Josh Cronin: President  
Carley Smith: Vice President  
Jace Shrader: Sentinel  
Crystal Palafox: Historian  
Zachary Jenkins: Treasurer  
Cameron Carson: 2nd Vice President  
Sammie Reeves: Reporter  
Makayla Currie: Secretary

2015-2016 Outgoing FFA Officer



Zachary Jenkins: Historian  
Josh Cronin: President  
Carley Smith: Treasurer  
Brett Sangster: Sentinel  
Dale Creel: Reporter  
Grace Holden: Vice President  
Cody Crowder: Secretary

Greenhand FFA Members



Caitlin Anderson: Advisor  
Sawyer Anderson: Jr. Advisor  
Ethan Ives Warren Baker, Cameron Carson, Hannah Everitt, MacKenzie Kinder, Jace Shrader, James Wilson, David Yates, Trey Wallace, Zachariah Taylor, Ezra Stanley, Jami Anderson, Abrasha Sparks, Hannah Howard, Griselda Lopez, Olivia Jackson, Shannon Huff, Stevie Reece, Elfego Santos, Alexis Alcantar, Crystal Palafox, Krista McGee

Low-Cost Spay and Neuter Clinic  
For  
San Jacinto County Residents

Do you qualify? Any resident of San Jacinto County who receives government assistance is eligible. This assistance may include the following:

- AFDC
- Disability
- Food Stamps
- Medicaid
- SSI
- WIC

Be part of the solution! Spay and neuter your pets. It will save the lives of untold numbers of puppies and kittens.

For information and to make your appointment  
Call: Beth at 281-229-2875

Community Classifieds

**WANTED:** Will haul off all non-working appliances, AC units, mowers, 4-wheelers, motorcycles etc. Please call 936-252-9043.  
**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 SALE:** 50' deck for a cub cadet, \$250.00 rm. Husker Ryder LT 4200 42" cut 420 CC OHV power more engine, \$650.00 rm. Please call 281-659-4286.  
**FREE TO GOOD HOME:** 5 year old male Corgie and a 4 year old female Shih Tzu. Both have been xed. Need to be adopted together if possible, they have been together since birth. Please call Rachel at 281- 761-9783.  
**FREE TO A GOOD HOME:** Five month old mixed breed puppies. all males left. Mom needs a home too. Mom is house trained if interested call Rose 832-580-1565. Pictured below.



Community Calendar

- 6/6: EDC Meeting, 7pm/EDC Building
- 6/10: Bob Brannagan's monthly consultations with current or prospective business owners, 10am-noon/Chamber Office
- 6/11: Impact Work Shop; Impact Thrift Shop; 1300 S. Byrd Shepherd, TX
- 6/13: City Council Meeting, 7pm/Community Center
- 6/14: 7pm First Station Auxiliary Meeting; 7PM
- 6/17: Senior Resale Shop Bag Day
- 6/18: Beekeepers' Association Summer Clinic in Conroe
- 6/20: School Board Meeting, 7pm
- 6/29: 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

New Releases Coming to McClain's  
DVD Kiosk This Week

**Zootopia (PG) family/animation:** In a city of anthropomorphic animals, a rookie bunny cop and a cynical con artist fox must work together to uncover a conspiracy.  
**Starring (voices):** Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman, Idris Elba  
**13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi (R) action/drama:** During an attack on a U.S. compound in Libya, a security team struggles to make sense out of the chaos.  
**Starring:** John Krasinski, Pablo Schreiber, James Badge Dale  
**Hail, Caesar (PG-13) comedy/mystery:** A Hollywood fixer in the 1950s works to keep the studio's stars in line.  
**Starring:** Josh Brolin, George Clooney, Alden Ehrenreich

**The Other Side of the Door (R) horror:** After her young son is killed in a tragic accident, a woman learns of a ritual which will bring him back to say goodbye, but when she disobeys a sacred warning, she upsets the balance between life and death.  
**Starring:** Sarah Wayne Callies, Jeremy Sisto, Rofia Rosinsky

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Church News

**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.  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Good Shepherd Baptist Church will be having its annual Vacation Bible School from June 6-10th, 9am - Noon, for children ages 4 up to those who have just finished 5th grade. (Please arrive 15-30 minutes early on your first day of attendance if you have not pre-registered.) The theme this year is "The Conquerors". "We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." -Romans 8:37

Business News

**PIZZA KITCHEN**  
Large 1 topping pizza  
\$10.99 + tax  
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday  
Sunday \$2.00 off any Baker!

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2 1/2 miles South of Livingston Off 59 North  
Behind Truck Stop & Lone Star Charlie's Restaurant  
Open play, Leagues, Parties Pro Shop  
Fun for the whole family!  
Bring this ad for a FREE GAME Friday or Saturday only!  
Expires June 18, 2016  
Fri-Sat Moonlight Glow Bowling 7:00 – 11:00 p.m.

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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.