## SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

## Sam Houston EC Annual Meeting to Elect Board of Directors Scheduled for June 13

Mark your calendars for Sam Houston Electric Cooperative's Annual Meeting of Members on Tuesday, June 13, 2017. The meeting will be held at the Polk County College/Commerce Center in Livingston. The facility is located at 1017 North 59 Loop, with entrance at Pedigo Park. Shuttles will be available to take attendees from the parking area to the facility. Doors will open at 12:00 p.m. for registration. The meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Members present at the meeting will be able to visit with other member-owners, as well as meet the Board of Directors and Cooperative management. Walter Plant will provide entertainment. A door prize drawing will also be held. Cooperative managers will report on Co-op business, including the announcement of Board election winners.

Ballots were distributed to the membership in May. Members have the opportunity to vote for their Board of Directors by mail-in ballot or online. A quorum of 10 percent is required to elect the Board of Directors. District 1, serving Angelina, Polk and Trinity Counties, has two Directors up for reelection. The candidates are DonBoyettand Lynn Hendrix. Information about the candidates is available in the ballot sent to Co-op members.

All Sam Houston EC members received a paper ballot and may still mail in their ballot if they prefer. The election opened on May 15. Members can also follow the online voting instructions that accompany the ballot that was mailed. Both electronic (online) and mail-in votes will be eligible for the prize drawings at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Members. To be eligible for the grand prize early bird drawing, members' votes must be received by June 6. Members do not need to be present to win the early voting prizes. To be officially counted, ballots must be received, either online or by mail, no later than 10 a.m., Monday, June 12, 2017.

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 74,000 meters across parts of 10 counties.

## Ballots must be received, either online or by mail, no later than 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 12, 2017.

Members who complete their ballot by the early bird deadline of June 6, 2017, will be eligible for a grand prize drawing that will take place at the Co-op's Annual Meeting of Members on June 13, 2017. 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 Feb. 21, 2017, 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 1, serving Angelina, Polk and Trinity Counties, has two Directors up for reelection. The candidates recommended by the Elections Committee are Don Boyett and Lynn Hendrix.

"As a member-owner, you are an important part of the decision-making and policy setting at the Coop," 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 13, 2017. 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 Directors 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 74,000 meters across parts of 10 counties.





Welcoming Children on this day that are choosing

not to camp fee \$5.00 at entry 12 noon - 5pm

Camp cookout 6pm

796 Wonderland Dr

Checkout Sunday 10am

Shepherd Texas

Teaching Never Retires from the Heart



SJC Texas Retired Teachers Associationn. donated books to Pre-Kindergarten teachers at Shepherd Elementary School on May 23, 2017.

Pictured: SJC TRTA members: Sandra Parker, Shirley Rand, SISD PreK teachers C.Andress and Yamile Pena, SJC TRTA member, Margaret Bowlin



June 19 - 29, 2017 - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Only 20 Spots Available So Register Now! Ages 6 To 12 Years!

Join us and other SPL Readers for a fun packed two week summer reading program that will not only help keep your kiddos entertained for a few hours a day but also to help avoid the dreadful summer slide! "Summer slide" is the tendency for students to lose some of the achievement gains they made during the previous school year. Your local public library offers a well-established summer reading program that encourages kids, teens, and often adults to read over the summer. Educational, fun enrichment activities throughout the summer are an important feature of the programs. This summer, libraries around the state are planning enjoyable programming around the theme of "Build A Better World!" We will enjoy reading together that will teach and encourage your child

around the state are planning enjoyable programs. This summer, libraries around the state are planning enjoyable programming around the theme of "Build A Better World!" We will enjoy reading together that will teach and encourage your child different ways that we can make our World A Better Place as well as, participate in fun activities and, make crafts that your child will enjoy taking home to show off to others! Sign up now! Spots are limited and going fast!







### **Shepherd ISD Media Release**

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 and High School Camps.

June 5 – June 22 Monday - Thursday Breakfast: 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Lunch: 10:50 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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: Escuela Intermedia de Shepherd y High School Camps.

5 de junio al 22 de junio de Lunes - Jueves

Desayuno 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Almuerzo 10:50 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Washington, D.C. 20250-9410
(800) 795-3272 or (202) 720-6382 (TTY)
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BY YVONNE RYBA

Coldspring -San Jacinto Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for a new member on Saturday May 27. Lake Livingston Information Center made its debut with food and drinks and music from its remodeled building next door to 'Bad To The Bone'. This will be a free service to everyone who calls or visits the Center. Up to date bulletin Boards, 'touch the screen' kind, are available as well as printed brochures, maps etc. Angelica Lynch and Tara Ames are the directors of this new business which promises to be a welcome addition to our community. The idea for the Information Center started when Angelica's husband Mike found his clients constantly asking him where they could find the best restaurant, store, services in the area. Mike Lynch

is Director of Operations at LakeLife Homes. He is currently building about eight homes around the Lake and he and his wife decided to create the "Lake Livingston Information Center" to fill this need. Not only will the center provide all kinds of information to visitors, there will also be representatives from TerraMil, offering residential and commercial real estate services. Jessica LaForce and Christian Milazzo, the latter is also a broker as well as

realtor, will help people looking to live in our area. So, for any information on these new businesses, call the Lake Livingston Information Center at (832) 966-0443 or call in. They are located at 111FM 1514, the web site is www.lakelivingstoninfo.com C.A.B.M.A. held their Car show at the Courthouse Square on the same day. May 27. This was very well attended with some spectacular

cars on show. Danielle Matheu- Nuro, president of the Coldspring Area Business and Merchants Association, worked tirelessly along with her team to make this event a success. Vendors surrounded the courthouse and food was supplied at the Coldspring Community Center. This was one of the two fund raisers held yearly by the Community Center and it did very well. Visitors to the Center could also admire the brand new French doors which allow entry straight onto the lovely garden planted and cared for by San Jacinto Master Gardeners. These doors were donated by Ron and Karla Fratt. They make a very beautiful addition to the Center. Thanks too to Karla Fratt and Debbi Goodale who donated most of the food and supplies for the fundraiser.

I attended the annual advisory board meeting for the Small Business Development Center in Huntsville on May 24. I mention his name every week in this column, Director Bob Barragan headed up the meeting and gave us an overview of the state of small businesses in our area and how his Center is doing. Recently the State Legislature had included the S.B.D.C. in their budget cuts. Bob said that small business owners create more jobs in this country than any other body. He Pictured: was happy to announce that the Senate had deleted this cut from the budget, so we can expect to continue to have the benefit of this very useful service! If you need advice, or have questions, call your chamber for an appointment with Director Barragan. It is a free service.

Engineer Pat Oates Mayor Earl Brown, Engineer Kevin Gee and Public Works Director Ray Rash discussing areas on the water and sewer line map that wil benefit from the possible upgrades for the City of Shepherd.

Shepherd Mayor, Earl Brown, met recently with engineers selected for the Search grant offered to Shepherd by U.S.D.A. More news on this as it develops.

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 problemyou 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

SHEPHERD SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH MENU JUNE 2017				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5	6	7	8	9
KING RANCH CHICKEN PINTO BEANS, MEXICAN CORN CORN MUFFINS SALAD, FRUIT	PORK LOIN, BROWN GRAVY MASHED POTATOES NORTHERN BEANS CORNBREAD, SALAD, FRUIT	HAMBURGER & POTATO HASH GREENS, CORNBREAD SALAD, FRUIT	CHICKEN & MUSHROOM SPAGHETTI, SQUASH PATTIES TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING GARLIC BREAD, FRUIT	BBQ HAM SLICE FRIED POTATOES & ONIONS COLESLAW, SALAD WHEAT BREAD, PEAR COBBLER
12	13	14	15	16
CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS OKRA & TOMATOES TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING CORN MUFFINS, BANANA PUDDING	MEATBALLS & BROWN GRAVY BUTTERED RICE NORTHERN BEANS CORN MUFFINS, SALAD, FRUIT	BAKED TURKEY GRAVY MASHED POTATOES BLACKEYE PEAS ROLLS, SALAD,PEACH COBBLER	BREADED PORK CUTLETS & GRAVY MASHED POTATOES PEAS & CARROTS ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	CHICKEN & GRAVY ON BISQUITS SQUASH & ONIONS TOSSED SALAD, COOKIE
19	20	21	22	23
OPEN FACED HAMBURGER & GRAVY MASHED POTATOES CARROT & RAISIN SLAW SALAD, FRUIT	BEEF SAUSAGE FRIED POTATOES & ONIONS BUTTERED YAMS ROLLS, SALAD, FRUIT	FRIED CHICKEN GREEN BEANS & POTATOES SQUASH CASSEROLE ROLLS, SALAD,FRUIT	BEEF LASAGNA CORN TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING GARLIC BREAD, PUDDING	BBQ CHICKEN COLESLAW, BAKED BEANS WHEAT BREAD SALAD, FRUIT
26	27	28	29	30
POP CORN CHICKEN, CREAM GRAVY STUFFED IN A BAKED POTATO FRIED OKRA ROLLS, SALAD, COOKIE	BEEFY CHILI BEANS BUTTERED YAMS TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING CORNBREAD, FRUIT	BEEF LIVER & ONIONS MASHED POTATOES CABBAGE, CORNBREAD SALAD, FRUIT	CHICKEN QUESADILLAS PINTO BEANS MEXICAN CORN, CORNBREAD SALAD, BANANA PUDDING	SALMON PATTIES MACARONI & CHEESE OKRA & TOMATOES CORN MUFFINS, SALAD, PEARS

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!



## BOUDIN STUFFED PEPPERS

### Ingredients:

- 4 large bell peppers
- (green bell peppers 2/\$0.88!) • 6-8 links of boudin
- (Holmes boudin 12oz. on sale \$2.29!)
- 10 oz. can Rotel tomatoes with green chiles • 3/4 cup grated parmesan cheese
- (Crystal Farms parmesan
- shakers 80z. on sale \$2.99!) • Salt, pepper, and Cajun seasoning to taste

## Directions:

• To prepare peppers, wash and cut off tops. Remove the ribs and seeds of peppers with a knife or spoon. If the peppers do not sit up on their own, cut the bottom slightly so it sits flat. Place each pepper in a greased muffin pan. Sprinkle a little Parmesan cheese into the bottom of each pepper. Set aside.

• In a skillet over medium heat, cook boudin (removed from casing) until cooked through and warm. Season with salt, pepper and cajun seasoning (I use Tony Chachere's). Fold in Rotel (serving 1/4 of the can to sprinkle on top). Fill each peppers with boudin mixture. Sprinkle remaining tomatoes over peppers and top with grated Parmesan cheese. Bake for 30-35 minutes or until peppers are tender.

Make it a Meal Serve with a warm, buttery baked potato and a fresh garden salad (Cucumbers on sale 3/\$1.00 and Roma **Tomatoes on sale \$0.88lb!)** to make this a complete and insanely simple meal. Recipe found at www.fortheloveofdessert.blogspot.com







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#### Quiet Your Mind & Renew Your Spirit June 9, 10, 11

1445 Shraderville Rd, Shepherd, TX 77371 A weekend of spiritual exploration and renewal. A weekend to quiet your mind, destress and find peace while having the opportunity to experience a variety of activities including Channeling - Dream Interpretation Hypnotherapy/Past life regression - Matchstick readings Cards and Runes - Paint Meditation - Chi Gong - Meditation Coloring Psychometry - Native American Fire Ceremony Trade Blanket and much more!

For information and registration: *lifewithmaude.com* 



Beauty and the Beast (PG) family/fantasy: An adaption of the fairy tale about a monstrous-looking prince and a young woman who fall in love.

Starring: Emma Watson, Dan Stevens, Luke Evans

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

# June 6, 2017 Classifieds

### FREE/LOST

Will Haul For Free Will haul off for free A.C. units, washers, dryers. refrigerators, deep freezers, stoves, riding mowers, 4-wheelers, batteries, boat motors, car motors, and transmissions. Please call 936-252-9043.

LOST Small puppy, pink collar, lost in Lake Tejas area. If found please call 281-593-1870.

Free medium-sized dogs, 2 females and 2 males, 1 without tail and 1 partial tail. Please call 936-628-6158.

#### FOR RENT

**2BR/1BA mobile home** for rent, lights and water included! \$650 per month plus \$250 deposit. Please call Mary at 832-250-6154 or Monica at 832-997-7350.

#### FOR SALE

Kenmore Top Freezer Refrigerator with Ice Maker \$75 Very clean and works great just no longer needed! 936-870-7509.

Three acres for sale! Three miles off Hwy 59/Interstate 69 in 5 Acres Subdivision in Shepherd, Texas. Asking \$40,000.00 cash, make your best offer. Please call 936-365-4418.



6/5: EDC Meeting, 7pm/EDC Building

6/10: Impact Work Shop; 1300 S. Byrd Shepherd, TX

6/12: City Council Meeting, 7pm/Community Center

6/13: 7pm First Station Auxiliary Meeting; 7PM 6/16: Friday Senior Resale Shop Bag Day

6/19: School Board Meeting, 7pm

6/28: 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.



SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: On June 11, **2017** at 2:00 p.m. Sis. Ann Moreland will be bringing the message at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Shepherd, Texas. Pastor: Joe Scott 936-327-1719. SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Annual Choir Celebration on Sunday, June 11, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Theme: Psalms 100:1-2 "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing." KJV. Message to be brought by: Rev. Travis Halett, Pastor of New Bethel Baptist Church in Cleveland, Texas. Pastor: Reverend Frank Mason; First Lady: Evelyn Mason; Associate Minister: Douglas Jackson; Prophetess: Sheila Jackson; Program Specialist: Sister Rosie Reed, contact at 936-653-4531 or contact the Church at 936-767-8421. **CALL TO CALVARY MINISTRIES:** A church that preaches the message of the Cross. 793 Thomas Castleberry Rd., Shepherd S.S. 9:30 a.m., Services 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Thursday, 7:30 p.m. 936-628-1059 All are welcome! **RAINBOW BAPTIST CHURCH:** We have a new pastor! All old members welcome to come and hear Tony Moye rightly divide the word of truth, he is great. Hwy 187 and 146 at Rye, Texas. LAKE STATION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: Dear friends in Christ, greetings in the name of Jesus! Come, join us on our 33rd Annual Mission Workshop on Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Our Theme is: "It's Harvest Time!...What Have You Planted?" We are looking forward to having a blessed day in the Lord, and anticipate that you, too, will be blessed as well. We ask that you also invite someone else to come along. In the meantime, please pray for us. We need you to help lift, in Jesus name! We thank you! -Pastor Richard Fontenette For more information contact: Sis. Ruby Hubbard, Mission President,



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