## SHEPHERD COMMUNITY NEWS

# SMS Teachers Adopt Classrooms Donating Supplies to students who were Impacted by Harvey



Pictured: Students from the two classrooms that adopted Mrs. Keasling's classroom.

Shepherd Middle School would like to thank the following for their generosity and care for our students. After Hurricane Harvey hit our community, one of our teachers had found a group on Facebook asking for classroom teachers who had been affected to fill out a form for their class to be adopted. Mrs. Keasling, 8th grade ELAR at Shepherd Middle School, knew that her students would be in need and filed the form. Two days later, she had two emails from two different teachers stating they would adopt her classroom. Between the two teachers, Mrs. Keasling obtained enough supplies to take care of her 8th grade students. Way to go Mrs. Keasling!

Mars. Isbell, 7th grade ELAR at SMS, was also contacted by a few teachers from across the states offering to adopt her classroom. Those teachers will send supplies for her students and one is having a fundraiser to send an Amazon gift card to purchase student needs.

## Health and Hand Washing with Mrs. Swiech's Class

Mrs. Swiech's kindergarten class learned about leukemia and the importance of hand washing. Christina Shrader, RN and mother of Kensley Shrader explained what white blood cells, red blood cells, platelets and leukemia cells are and how it affects our body. She also demonstrated proper hand washing and allowed the learners to participate in fun activities to enhance their understanding.



Pictured Left to Right: Cyleigh Hues, Christina Shrader R.N., Kensley Shrader, Raelyn Semar, Kase Hodge, Abigail Migl, Braedyn Lacombe, and Caleigh Batey.



#### HELP the San Jacinto County Appraisal District Give You Some Relief on your 2018 Property Taxes from Hurricane Harvey Damages

The Texas Property Tax Code allows local governmental entities to authorize Appraisal Districts to reappraise property inside a declared disaster area.

A reappraisal of property affected by the recent flooding will be conducted if requested by the local taxing entities.

A major portion of this process involves assistance by the property owners. Please submit evidence to expedite the potential future reappraisal.

Evidence must be brought in to San Jacinto County Appraisal District and can include any of the following: Photos of Damage, Insurance Estimates, Contractor Estimates, Receipts for Repairs, FEMA Documents or any related repair costs due to disaster damage.

Please complete a Hurricane Harvey Damage Survey and attach it to the evidence being provided to San Jacinto County Appraisal District. A copy of the Survey can be obtained through our website, *www.sjcad.org* or in our office at 99 Slade Street, Coldspring, Texas 77331.

# Palace of Praise Surprises SMS with School Supplies



Pictured: Mr. Seagroves, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. McAdams, Jonathan Macias and Nathan Bunch receiving the donations.

Palace of Praise of Cleveland, Texas, stopped by our school shortly after returning from Hurricane Harvey and gave Shepherd Middle School a donation of school supplies! Several backpacks full of a student's everyday classroom needs and a box composition books were included in the donation Just another example of how Harvey has brought our community together. Thank you to all for supporting our students here at Shepherd Middle School.



Fund Raiser For Shepherd Senior Citizen's Center

Sunday October 22, 2017



12:00 P.M. Until We Run Out!

\$5.00 includes Bowl of Soup, Crackers or Cornbread, Dessert and Tea or Lemonade. Come and Enjoy!

102 North Liberty Loop 424/Byrd Ave. and Bell St. (Behind The Fire Station)

## Shepherd Primary School Pirateers Reading Program Scheduled

Parents, grandparents, babysitters, and caregivers are invited to bring your little ones, ages 2-4, to the Pirateers Reading Program.

You do not need to have a student enrolled in Shepherd ISD to attend. This program is free to any child 2-4 years of age. It is designed to provide a positive learning environment for children. You are asked to stay with your child during this time. Each session of Pirateers Reading Program will include: books read aloud, hands-on activities, snacks, and lots of fun.

The reading program will be held at Shepherd Primary School from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. on the following Fridays: October 6, October 13, October 20, November 3, November 10, November 17, December 1, December 8, and December 15. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Fulcher, Shepherd ISD Parent Liaison at (936) 628-2904 or email *sfulcher@shepherdisd.net*.

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#### Announcing 21st Annual St. Judg Bar - R - O Cookoff



#### Browder's Marina on Lake Livingston

Please come out and enjoy all the entertainment benefitting The St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. We will have a DJ with karaoke playing for the dance on Friday nite, along with a Margarita contest and dessert contest. Bright and early Saturday we will start things off with a Bloody Mary contest and all the other food groups, including beans, chicken, ribs, open and brisket. There will be a silent auction and a live auction during the day. We always have wonderful auction items and you can do some early Christmas shopping! We will also have a Kid's Kolor Fun Run, starting at 12:00 p.m. On Saturday night, we will have music by the David Allen Band. This is a very fun weekend and 100% of the proceeds go to this wonderful hospital for children. The research that they do for catastrophic childhood disease is freely shared with other hospitals across the nation and the world. Won't you please come out and help us raise funds and have a little fun for yourself! Admission is \$10.00 at the gate and the wristbands are good for Friday and Saturday.

For more information contact Glenda Dean at (936) 365-3401.

### You Can't Hide FFA Pride



Shepherd High School offers many programs and opportunities for its 595 students. Nevertheless, its Agricultural Science Department and FFA chapter is one of its crowning jewels. Since its start in 1936, this program has grown from a one teacher department with a handful of members to five teachers with an overwhelming 413 members. This did not happen overnight.

The teachers/advisors leading this program are Caitlin Anderson, Christin Baccigalopi, Kenny Barnes, Steve Cronin, and Tony Goodman. Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Baccigalopi both are Texas A&M graduates. Mrs. Anderson has been in the department for four years now and brings balance to our program. Mr. Baccigalopi is new to the department this year and has done an outstanding job thus far since his arrival. Kenneth Barnes is a 2010 Shepherd High School graduate and a Sam Houston State graduate as well. Kenneth decided to return to Shepherd to teach and this will be his second year in the department. Steve Cronin is a Sam Houston graduate and is no stranger to the community or to education with twenty-eight years of experience. Lastly, Tony Goodman is a Sam Houston State graduate and is also a long time Shepherd community member who sports an impressive achievement with seventeen years of experience which has all been in the Shepherd ISD.

Our Agricultural Science teachers spend countless hours working with our student's year around. Soon as school begins they hit the ground running working towards the county fair and training Leadership Development teams for contest that students can compete in all the way up to the state level. In the spring it gets even more hectic for these teachers as they prepare for major livestock shows, such as Ft. Worth, San Antonio, and Houston, all the while training Career Development teams. The teachers start to wrap up their year by assisting students with record books, degree check, and student scholarships, Speaking Development Events, the annual FFA Banquet and Conventions, all the while preparing to start all over again the next year.

Not only do they contend with all of this throughout the year and more, they also teach various subjects with hands on learning through their classes which will prepare students to receive certifications in the program that can help them once they graduate from high school to start their careers or continue their education. These individuals work tirelessly for their students and the ongoing success of their program, but they all agree it's all part of the passion.

Coldspring Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Lucky Star Cleaners recently. Owners Josh and his wife Cori are carrying on the business started by Josh's father and they have many awards to prove how good they are! Open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Lucky Star Cleaners do much more

than clean clothes. They will do alterations, including zippers, and wedding gowns, leather and suede, even area rugs and carpets. You must look at their interactive web site. You can track your orders and pay on line. If needed, you can you can have your clothes cleaned the same day, if you get them into the store by 9:00 a.m. Call them at

(936) 291-8654 or go on line to Lucky Star Cleaners. They are located next door to the United Methodist Church in Coldspring at 15110 Hwy 150.

Do not forget to book your vendor's spot for Christmas, whether it be for Christmas in Shepherd or Coldspring Christmas on the Square. Of course you can do both since Shepherd will hold theirs on December 2 and Coldspring is held the next Saturday, December 9. Both have parades and share the same theme which is "Christmas Stories." Go to the web site for each Chamber or call them for vendor forms.

Wolf Creek Car, Truck and Bike Show is almost here! This is a very popular event which is celebrating its 33rd anniversary this year. It runs through October 21-22 and has all kinds of fun for the whole family. There will be vendors with food and goods, games for children, and of course the show itself. Admire the many entries of beautifully kept vehicles of all classes.

Shepherd Library is still closed, waiting for repairs. The City is working to remedy the problem and more details will be given as I receive them. Remember, if you have some news about your business and are a member of either chamber, you can call me to have it included here. Contact your chamber for an appointment with Director Bob Barragan of the S.B.D.C.

This is a free service to business and would be business owners. Questions, advice and 'how to' create proposals etc. are all welcome.

**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

Shepher d Senior Citizen's Center Menu MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY BEEF LIVER & ONIONS IN GRAVY BREADED PORK CUTLETS, MASHED BAKED HERBED CHICKEN, MACORONI PIZZA STUFFED BAKED POTATO, ITALIAN BACON WRAPPED HAMBURGER PATTY, & CHEESE, BLACK-EYED PEAS, SAUSAGE & PEPPERONI, SUMMER CORN ORN, MASHED POTATOES, ROLLS, POTATOES, GRAVY, LIMA BEANS, ONION GRAVY, MASHED POTATOES, SALAD, FRUIT CORNBREAD, SALAD, FRUIT CORNBREAD, SALAD, FRUIT. SALAD, TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING, FRUIT CABBAGE, CORNBREAD, SALAD, FRUIT CHICKEN & SAUSAGE GUMBO, RICE, FRIED CHICKEN, MACARONI SALAD. MEATLOAF, CHEESY POTATOES, BUTTERED BAKED CHICKEN, POTATOES & BAKED HAM, BUTTERED YAMS, CABBAGE, NORTHERN BEANS, CORNBREAD, TOSSED SALAD & DRESSING, GREENS, CORNBREAD, TOSSED CREAM SAUCE, GREEN BEANS, SWEET CORNBREAD, SALAD, FRUIT CRACKERS, FRUIT SALAD & DRESSING, FRUIT 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!

# Buy Smart

#### CHICKEN, BACON, AND BLUE MACARONI & CHEESE

#### Ingredients:

- 1 lb. boneless skinless chicken breasts (Family pack on sale \$1.99lb!)
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 5 slices of bacon
- (Gwaltney bacon 12 oz. on sale \$3.99!) • 8 ounces of large elbow macaroni
- 2 tablespoons butter
- (Olson's butter 1lb sticks on sale \$3.99!)
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 1/2 cup nonfat milk • 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1 cup freshly shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup freshly shredded pepper jack cheese
- 4 slices of American cheese

#### (Kraft American singles 24ct on sale 2/\$7.00!)

- 3 tablespoons blue cheese, divided
- 1 tablespoon butter, melted
- 3 tablespoons Panko breadcrumbs
- 1 1/2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese

#### Directions:

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Boil macaroni according to package instructions.
- Combine melted butter with breadcrumbs and grated Parmesan cheese. Set aside.
- Meanwhile, cut bacon into 1/2 inch pieces and cook in a medium sized skillet over medium heat until crisp. Transfer to a paper towel lined plate.
- · While bacon is cooking, cut chicken into 1 inch pieces and sprinkle with salt and pepper.
- Wipe some of the bacon grease out of the skillet and cook chicken pieces in a single layer until no longer pink, turning once. Transfer to a paper towel lined plate. Cut chicken into smaller, bite-sized pieces if desired.
- In a medium-sized pot, melt 2 tables poons of butter over medium heat. Whisk in flour and cook until the mixture is fragrant and is beginning to lightly brown. Turn heat to medium-low, whisk in milk and cream and simmer until thickened; about 3-4 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in cheeses (except blue cheese) until smooth. Add cooked macaroni to the cheese sauce and stir until completely coated. Stir in bacon (reserve a tablespoon or so for topping), half of the blue cheese and the chicken pieces.
- Spray a baking dish (I use 11X7) with cooking spray. Pour macaroni and cheese mixture into the dish. Top with reserved bacon pieces, blue cheese, and breadcrumb mixture.



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#### **Barbara McDowell**



#### November 9, 1940 - September 16, 2017

Barbara McDowell, age 76 of Coldspring, Texas, passed away Saturday, September 16, 2017. She was born November 9, 1940 in Snyder, Texas to parents Sam and Ruth Martin who preceded her in death along with her brother, Robert Martin; and sister, Margaret Hester. Barbara loved to cook and travel the world. She worked as a landman in the oil and gas industry. She did a great deal of service work and loved to read. She was the chair of the Book Club at the Methodist Church in Coldspring, a volunteer at Care Share in Coldspring, and original and former member of the Women's Business Support Network of Houston. She formerly owned BJ's Texas Café in Coldspring for a brief period.

Survivors include her husband of 34 years, Joel McDowell; sons, Robert Ball and wife Sherri, Mark Ball and wife Susan, and Lance Ball; step-sons, David McDowell and wife Gina, and Dale McDowell; step-daughter, Deanna Cervenka and husband Tommy; grandchildren, Chad, Misty, Sloan and Martin; stepgrandchildren, Michelle, Kevin and Kianna; numerous greatgrandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Visitation was held from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Sunday, September 24, 2017 at Pace Stancil Funeral Home, Coldspring, Texas. A memorial service was held at 12:00 p.m. Saturday, September 30, 2017 at Coldspring United Methodist Church, Coldspring, Texas. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Renal Research Inc

## New Releases Coming to



Transformers: The Last Knight (PG-13) action/adventure: Autobots and Deceptions are at war, with humans on the sidelines. Optimus Prime is gone. The key to saving our future lies buried in the secrets of the past, in the hidden history of Transformers on Earth Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Anthony Hopkins, Josh Duhamel

47 Meters Down (PG-13) adventure/horror: Two sisters vacationing in Mexico are trapped in a shark cage at the bottom of the ocean. With less than an hour of oxygen left and great white sharks circling nearby, they must fight to survive. Starring: Mandy Moore, Claire Holt, Matthew Modine.

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



FOR RENT: Two story home with barn, 3 living rooms, 2 bath for \$800/month. 2840 FM 1127 Shepherd, TX. ONLY interested people please call Art at 713-269-6533. FOR SALE: 3BR/2BA double wide on 5 acres, 3 miles off Hwy 59/Interstate 69 located in 5 Acres Subdivision, Shepherd, TX; metal roof, front & patio porch covered, with orange, pear & grapefruit tree. Asking \$76,000.00 cash or \$56,000.00 down, owner will finance balance. Please call 936-365-4418. FOR RENT: 3BR/2BA mobile home for rent. \$850.00 monthly plus \$400.00 deposit. Please call Mary at 832-250-6154 or Monica at 832-997-7350. FOR RENT: 2BR/1BA mobile home for rent. \$650.00 monthly plus \$250.00 deposit. Lights and water included. Please call Mary at 832-250-6154 or Monica at 832-997-7350. FOR SALE: 2 lots in the Flowing Wells Subdivision; they are 150'X 100' each. Call Glynda 936-933-3424. RUMMAGE SALE /BAKE SALE: Friday & Saturday, October 6,7 at 8:00 AM at the Family Life Church (off HWY 59 in Goodrich, TX) Sale will be indoors and proceeds go towards helping our Youth Program. If you have any donations to benefit youth program we will pick them up. Please call Angie or Bob 936-870-7509.



9/27: Bridge of hope community church "Community Fellowship Dinner", Shepherd Middle School, 7PM.

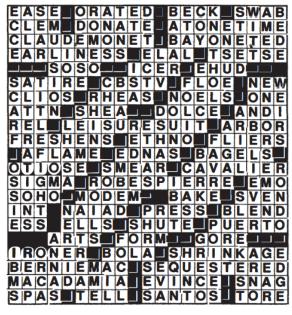
9/29: Food Truck Distribution 9AM-11AM; Shepherd Community Center.

10/21: Annual meeting for Farley Chapel Cemetery Annual Meeting; 10AM; Cemetery



BIG CREEK COWBOY CHURCH: Country Gospel Singing on Saturday, **October 7, 2017** from 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. located at 1391 N. Butch Arthur Rd. Coldspring, TX 77331. Featuring: Baggy Bottom Boys, Beverly Kay, Barbara Shelly Rushing & Steve Shirey! SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH: Shiloh Homecoming October 8, 2017 3:00 p.m. at 30 Shiloh Rd. Shepherd, TX 77371 off Hwy. 59 N. Pastor: Joe Scott (936) 327-1719; First Lady: Karen Scott (936) 329-0641. SPRING HILL BAPTIST CHURCH: Pasotr Aids: Sunday, October 8, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Theme: John 10:11 "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." KJV. Message brought by: Rev. Roy Milburn, Jr. North Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Cleveland, TX. Sister Rosie Reed, Program Specialist: (936) 653-4531. To contact the church call (936) 767-8421

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