

Adult Leadership Project: A new walking track on the south side of Buford Park

The Hopkins County Adult Leadership Class has announced that their class project will be to put in a walking track on the south side of Buford Park.

The walking track will add an approximate 1/3 mile to the existing track at Buford Park. Not only will the track be a great, shaded place to walk, but the class is selling beautiful 12-inch by 12-inch granite tiles that will be placed every 15 feet around the entire track. The tiles can have a family's name or a business name on them, and they will be place in the concrete to live on in the park for years to come. The cost to purchase a tile is \$300, or if you want a logo on it, it will be \$340. There are a limited number of tiles available, so get yours NOW! If you would like more information, please call Cody Stewart at Eternity Creations at 903-438-1313.

Softball sign-ups end Saturday at Curry Pools and Crys and Stacy's Cornerstone Creations

If you would like to sign your daughter up to play softball, please stop by Curry Pools at 1217 South Broadway St. or Cornerstone Creations at 468 Shannon Road. You may register through Feb. 26.

Chamber welcomes Bright Star Christian School



Thanks to all who attended the Ribbon Cutting for Bright Star Christian School, located at 130

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Lee St. inside Calvary Baptist Church. The school is privately owned and offers a private Christian education. The student/teacher ratio is 12:1. Registration begins March 1. For more information, please call Faith McFadden at 903-348-2371. Pictured in the photo from left to right and across the back are Betty Caudle, Seth McDaniel, Cora Smithers, Brad and Faith McFadden, Administrators; Ann Moreland, teacher; Carol Miller, Angie Hargrove, Joe Rudzik, Susanna Price, Patty Hemby, Pat Chase, Jay Price and Annaston, Scott Brown, Penny Hemby, Elizabeth Rogers, Pastor Lee Huff, April Kennedy, and Glenda Shanks, teacher, and Tori Cotton, Fall Festival Cover Girl. Children in the front row are Garret Hargrove, Noah Hemby, Samuel Scott, Alexis Howard, Allie Price, Lauren Arnecke, Chloe Kennedy and Helen McFadden. Not pictured are substitute teachers Virginia Worsham and Patti Teddlie.

Ribbon cutting at Memorial Monuments and Apple Caskets



Thank you to everyone who attended the Ribbon Cutting for Memorial Monuments and Apple Caskets. Their new location is 232 Linda Drive in Sulphur Springs. Pictured in the photo from left to right are Dana Wilhite, Emily Wilder, James Hulen, Sheryl Paden, Jeff Wheat, Mallory Wheat, Pat Hulen, Linda Payne, Tracy Steele, owner Bobby Bankston; Charles Moore, Jean Strickland, Suzanne Bankston, Bill McLarry, Wanda Lair, Merle Snyder, Mary Jo Woods, Robin Wheat, Jackie Thornton, Matthew Wheat and Mitchell Wheat. Memorial Monuments is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon, or by appointment. For more information, please call Bobby at 903-885-7330.

Ribbon Cutting for Eagle Energy on Wednesday, March 2, at noon at the Chamber of Commerce

Please stop by the Chamber of Commerce office at 300 Connally St. as we welcome Eagle Energy to the Chamber of Commerce with a ribbon cutting at noon on Wednesday, March 2.

Are our legislators taking care of Hopkins County?

I am certain they are, but if you would like to make an impact in Austin on behalf of Hopkins County, then make plans to travel to Austin for Hopkins County Day. We will be visiting with all of the important folks in Austin that are making decisions on our behalf. We will be spending March 29 in Austin. If you are interested in attending, please call the Chamber at 903-885-6515. We are looking for business leaders who want to make an impact in Austin to assure that the bills that will help Hopkins County are being focused on. It is very important that our representatives know what we believe is important for our county.

East Texas Broadcasting hosting 'Taste of Home Cooking School' March 24

Tickets are on sale now for the "Taste of Home Cooking School" that will be held at the Civic Center on March 24. VIP seating is \$25 and general seating \$10. For more information, call Bryan Friesth at 903-885-1546 or 903-572-8726.

Pilot Club presents Spring Fever Extravaganza featuring Edwina Patterson at the Civic Center on April 2

Please join the ladies from Pilot Club of Sulphur Springs as they present Spring Fever Extravaganza featuring Edwina Patterson. Ms. Patterson is the author of 17 books, a sought-out speaker, nationally syndicated radio/TV host of Gotta Minute?, and founder of Redeeming the Time Ministry, just to name a few accomplishments.

According to information about Edwina, she "challenges, encourages and equips you to begin today to bring back balance into your life. She is thrilled about the opportunity to share God's love and encourages you to develop a growing relationship with the Lord."

The event will include lunch, a silent auction, a raffle, door prizes and the book "The Balanced

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Life.” The raffle will be a gas grill with some stunning patio furniture! One raffle ticket is included with your ticket, but you may purchase more for \$10 each. Tickets may be reserved at www.sspilotclub.org or from any Pilot Club member. For more information, call Barbara at 903-439-9859 or Jane at 903-348-5099.

Don't Miss These Opportunities

Feb. 26 — Last day to register for Girls Softball

March 2 — Ribbon Cutting for Eagle Energy at the Chamber at noon

March 4-6 — UPRA Membership Rodeo, Civic Center, 7:30 p.m.

April 2 — Pilot Club Spring Fever Extravaganza, Civic Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

April 8 — Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament

April 16 — John Chester Dutch Oven Cook-Off at Heritage Park

May 14 — Spring Folk Festival at Heritage Park

Oct. 22 — World Champion Hopkins County Stew Contest

Business of the Week

Congratulations to the Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce

Business of the Week:

Joe Bob's Convenience Stores
P.O. Box 746
Sulphur Springs, TX 75482
Joe Bob Burgin, Owner

Five Locations:

Joe Bob's #1, 1302 Church St.

Joe Bob's Too, 597 S. League St.

Joe Bob's #3, 500 N Hillcrest

Joe Bob's Birthright, SH 19 at FM 71

Joe Bob's #5, SH 11 at McBride St. (Como)

Tip of the Week: "Whether you need that last minute household item or want to take a break from your day and enjoy a hot lunch or a visit with friends, there's a Joe Bob's just around the corner. It has been our pleasure to serve our friends in Sulphur Springs and the surrounding communities for the past 24 years. Got a project around the place? Give us a call in Birthright for PVC pipe, culverts, feed and more."

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That's all for now...have a GREAT week!