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Thank you to everyone who attended the Ribbon Cutting for First Surgery Suites



Congressman Ralph Hall entertained the large crowd that gathered for the grand opening and ribbon cutting Tuesday for First Surgery Suites, located at 1402 Medical Drive in Sulphur Springs. The guests were treated to, not only Congressman Hall's humor, but were introduced to many of the physicians, treated to a nice snack lunch, and also were offered allergy screenings, BMI screenings, blood sugar tests and blood pressure tests. Clinic and surgical appointments with these specialists are now available in Sulphur Spring: Dr. Scott Allen, Orthopedics; Dr. Gary Boyd, Gastroenterology; Dr. Thomas Bright, Urology; Dr. Joseph Conflitti, Orthopedics; Dr. Scott Devinney, Orthopedics; Dr. David Hester, Orthopedics; Dr. Robert Lenington, General/Bariatric Surgery; Dr. David Lundy, Gastroenterology; Dr. Carter Moore, Gynecology; Dr. Robert Phelps, Podiatry; Dr. Eric Reed, Ear, Nose & Throat; and Dr. Clinton Twaddell, General Bariatric Surgery. For more information about First Surgery Suites, please call 903-885-7474.

SS Gymnastics' Hamburger Cook-Out Fundraiser, Friday, April 29, at Guaranty Bond Bank

Help support Sulphur Springs Gymnastic Team members going to San Diego to the Western National Gymnastics Competition and enjoy a great lunch at a great price — only \$5. Meal includes hamburger (with all the trimmings), chips, dessert and a drink. Stop by Guaranty Bond Bank on Gilmer Street, or they will deliver your order to you. For deliveries, please send your name, number of lunches needed, your delivery address and preferred delivery address and preferred delivery time to info@ssgymnastics.com. E-mail orders will be accepted until 5p.m. on Thursday, April 28. Phone orders will be accepted until 10am on Friday, April 29, at (903) 438-0748. All proceeds benefit Sulphur Springs Gymnastic Team 2011!

Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting for Auto Connect this Saturday at 11 a.m.

Please join us in welcoming Auto Connect to Sulphur Springs and the Chamber of Commerce as we host their ribbon cutting, this Saturday, April 30, 11 a.m. Auto Connect is located at 468 Shannon Road, Suite 1. They are a car audio and automobile electronics business.

Charlotte Henderson to be honored for years of service to the United Way on May 3 at SS Library

The United Way of Hopkins County is hosting a reception to honor Charlotte Henderson. She is retiring May 1 after 33.5 years of dedicated service as the Executive Secretary. We are having the come-and-go reception on Tuesday, May 3, from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the meeting room of the Sulphur Springs Public Library.

**Scouting for Dinner, May 3,
from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
at the Civic Center**

For only \$10, you may stop by and try out many of our local restaurants at the “Scouting for Dinner” event. They will also be hosting a silent auction, so make sure to check out all of the neat items! All of the proceeds go to benefit our local Boy Scouts.

**Regional diabetes conference planned Thursday, May 5,
at First Baptist Church**

The “Taking the Mystery Out of Diabetes” Regional Conference is scheduled for Thursday, May 5, and is open to all individuals with diabetes, their loved ones, or anyone wanting more information on managing the disease. The conference will be held at First Baptist Church in Sulphur Springs, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. and the final session ending at 3:00 p.m. Sponsoring the event are Texas AgriLife Extension, Wound Care Clinic at Memorial, and Texas Department of State Health Services. Contact Johanna Hicks at 903-885-3443 if you have questions

**Grand opening
for State Farm-Bear Littleton, Friday, May 6, at noon**

Please join us in welcoming the new State Farm agent, Bear Littleton, to Sulphur Springs and the Chamber of Commerce on Friday, May 6, at noon for a grand opening, ribbon cutting and cookout! His office is located on Hillcrest, right next to the entrance to the Woodbridge neighborhood. So stop by on your lunch hour and meet Bear and have a bite to eat!

**Hood’s Texas Brigade Brass Band will perform Friday, May 6,
at Cedar Crest Church**

Don't miss the performance of Hill College's "Hood's Texas Brigade Brass Band" on Friday, May 6, at 7 p.m. at Cedar Crest Church, located at the corner of North Davis Street and Airport Road, across from the hospital. The Lone Star Heritage Quilt Guild is sponsoring this event in remembrance of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. They will have a "Civil War Reflections" quilt on display, and it's only \$5 per person, with dessert following!

Northeast Texas Choral Society spring concert, May 7-8

Make plans today to attend the Northeast Texas Choral Society's spring concert, "Unforgettable," which choral society members say will truly be an unforgettable experience! Tickets are only \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, and they will be available at all of the local banks, from any Choral Society member or at the First United Methodist Church office or at the Civic Center door. The event will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 7, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 8.

H.C. Health Care Foundation to Honor & Recognize Hospital Volunteer Auxiliary for 50 years of Service

Make plans to attend the Volunteer Auxiliary Recognition, Thursday, May 12, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Gardens at Memorial. Bring your lawn chairs and stop by to recognize the volunteers for 50 years of service to Hopkins County Memorial Hospital. Following the Volunteer Recognition, Hopkins County Health Care Foundation will present "Music in The Gardens" from 6-7 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the music in the gardens!

**Hampton Inn will host the next Business After Hours, Monday, May 16,
from 5-6:30 p.m.**

The Chamber Connection for April 28, 2011

Written by Meredith Caddell, Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce President and CEO
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Mark your calendars for a Business After Hours at the beautiful new Hampton Inn on Monday, May 16, from 5-6:30 p.m. It will be hosted around the swimming pool and will be a wonderful opportunity to meet new people, enjoy great food and beverages and maybe win a nice door prize!

Ribbon Cutting for Legacy Hospice, Wednesday, May 25, at Noon

Please join us in welcoming Legacy Hospice to Sulphur Springs and the Chamber of Commerce! We will host their ribbon cutting on Wednesday, May 25, at noon. Legacy Hospice is located at 301 Gilmer, Ste A.

Don't Miss These Opportunities

- April 29 — Ribbon cutting for Three Oaks Farm; noon
- April 30 — Auto Connect Ribbon Cutting-468 Shannon Rd. W. Ste 1 B-11 a.m.
- May 3 — Scouting for Dinner, Civic Center, 6-8 p.m.
- May 6 — Ribbon Cutting and cookout for Bear Littleton State Farm Agent — Noon
- May 6 — Hood's Texas Brigade Brass Band, Cedar Crest Church, 7 p.m.
- May 7-8 — NETCS Spring Concert "Unforgettable" at 7 p.m. May 7, 2 p.m. May 8, at the Civic Center
- May 12 — Music in The Gardens & Volunteer Recognition, 5:30 p.m., Memorial Gardens
- May 13/14 — Relay for Life, Middle School Track
- May 14 — Spring Folk Festival at Heritage Park
- May 16 — Business After Hours at Hampton Inn, 5-6:30 p.m.
- May 25 — Ribbon Cutting for Legacy Hospice, noon, 301 Gilmer, Ste. A
- June 11 — Texas State Champion Ice Cream Freeze Off, 4 p.m. at the Civic Center
- Oct. 22 — World Champion Hopkins County Stew Contest

Business of the Week

Congratulations to the Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce

Business of the Week

Holiday Inn Express

411 East Industrial Drive

Sulphur Springs, TX

903-885-6851

A message from Holiday Inn Express: "The Holiday Inn Express and Suites is honored to partner with the Sulphur Springs community to provide the finest in guest room and meeting room accommodations and value all of our corporate and leisure travel guests. We endeavor to not only support the community but to fulfill all of your hospitality needs on an occasional or ongoing basis. We offer the finest sleeping rooms, Free Hot Breakfast, Outdoor Pool, Free WIFI and fully equipped business and Fitness Center. We are conveniently located on the I 30 access road, at 411 E. Industrial Drive; a quick 2 minutes from downtown and just 2 miles from the airport, and provide discounted rates for corporate partnerships and all community events. Please call our General Manager, Ms. Rachandra Berry at 903-885-6851 or our Area Sales Manager, Ms. Rita Norman at 432-770-0331 to book your next meeting or sleeping room event; it will be our honor to be of service. We thank all of Sulphur Springs and surrounding communities for the continued support and look forward to a long continued relationship."

**Leadership Project: A new
walking track in Buford Park**

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The Hopkins County Adult Leadership Class 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 a approximately 1/3 of a 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 placed 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.

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