

Kimble County Chamber of Commerce

Newsletter

Tuesday, April 17, 2007

From putters to Pomeranians, crawfish to cappuccinos, motorcycle rides to Mammology...Junction and Kimble County HAVE IT!! Now that we celebrated our "White Easter", we can finally move onto some truly springtime activities. Like, golf or getting a tasty latte and climbing aboard our Harleys and heading for parts unknown! Junction and this part of the Texas Hill Country have always been an attraction to "city folk", because you can relax, leave your laptop and stilettos in your motel room and just enjoy life a little! Because of this, Richard Gibbens of Austin, TX, along with his two friends, did a 3-day adventure ride from Austin to Langtry, and back, and after reading his ride report, they decided this was too much fun not to share! Organizing a 3-day dual sport rally, headquartered in Junction at the Lazy T Motel. Junction was ideal, as it "provides easy access to lots of great dual sporting riding, is large enough to provide motels and restaurants, yet isn't too large or full of other vehicles. It is not so far away from east and north Texas that riders can't make the drive in one day, and it's not overrun with tourists driving up prices or clogging the motels, restaurants, and roads." And don't forget the motorcycling roads in the Texas Hill Country and West Texas, famous for their "twisties". And so...the 2007 Texas Adventure Ride, April 26-29, 2007 Junction, TX, was born!

2007 TEXAS ADVENTURE RIDE, APRIL 26-29, JUNCTION, TX – Watch and welcome these motorcyclists, housed at the Legends Inn, Lazy T, and La Vista Motels, just to name a few. Dedicated to Richard's "Uncle Buck" who introduced him to the dual sport riding, they are a new ride, just organized, and have taken the time to offer to share our beauty with others. If you are interested in riding with them, they are still taking late registrations at www.texasadventure.net.

ANTI-RABIES CLINIC - This Saturday, April 21st, from 9 AM till Noon, there will be a Rabies Clinic held at the Sam B. Coffey Animal Shelter. 50% off is being offered on City Registration Fees and reduced prices for rabies and parvo/distemper shots. Anyone who has ever lost a loved pet to parvo/distemper knows the suffering the animal goes through when infected with this disease. Rabies is a virus that can be carried by cats, dogs, bats, raccoons, or other animals. Rabies is a virus that attacks the brain and nervous system, transmitted from animal to animal or animal to human. Left untreated, in both animals and humans, it is fatal. Don't run the risk of letting your animal become infected. Get those pets vaccinated! Call 446-2622 or 9066 for more information.

LONDON DANCE HALL – Johnny Dickenson is playing at Billie Ivy's London Dance Hall on Saturday, April 21st. The Saloon hours are Friday 5 PM-Midnight and Saturday 5 PM till 1 AM. For more information call 325/475-2921 or 2296 or go to www.londondancehall.com.

KEEP JUNCTION BEAUTIFUL – Volunteers for this cleanup day will meet at 8 AM in the area of the "Christmas in April" building and South Llano River bridge. Groups formed will clean up Main Street and entranceways to Junction. The Junction Business & Professional Women's Club will serve lunch for the volunteers. Bring your work gloves, and I bet James Murr has a trash bag with your name on it! You don't have to be a member to help us take pride in our appearance!

ATTENTION ALL FIGHTIN' TEXAS AGGIES – Any self respecting Aggie doesn't need reminding that this Saturday, April 21st, is the day for the Aggie Muster! Junction Aggies and their guests will Muster again this year at the First Presbyterian Church. Call Aaron Bierschwale at 325/446-3052 for reservations. Our own K.K. Allen is the speaker this year! Gig'Em, Aggies!

BLUEBONNET CASA CRAWFISH BOIL – Tickets are now on sale at the Chamber for the Annual Blue Bonnet Casa Crawfish Boil, held each year at the home of Nol and Cleve Dear on Hwy 377 S, here in Kimble County. CASA is a national non-profit organization with court-appointed advocates

trained to work with abused and neglected children. These volunteers truly impact the lives of these children, as 95% of the children assigned to a CASA volunteer do not come back into the system. IT WORKS!!! The Crawfish Boil is scheduled for April 28th from 5:30 till 7:30 PM, and the \$25 donation gets you an unlimited supply of those yummy little critters, with wonderful fellowship to boot! Come on out and enjoy the fun, Saturday, the 28th!

2nd ANNUAL WOMEN IN THE OUTDOORS– We were kind of like “Winnie the Pooh and the Blustery Day” ...but boy, oh boy, did we have fun! Over 50 ladies learned to ride a horse, drive a team of draft mules, fly-fish, shoot skeet, turkey calling, kayaking, archery, river ecology, play golf, make sausage, the many uses of lavender, and much more! Folks came from all over Texas! Ladies brought sacks of dry dog or cat food, for entry into a door prize drawing. The Junction WITO will proudly donate over 135 lbs. of food to the Sam B. Coffey Animal Shelter. I want to personally thank the following folks for all their help and hard work: My main man, Bryan, Teresa & Phillip Leach, Judy & Lynn Nickelson, Aurora Villanueva, Clara Kemp, Leon West, Mike Bland, Junction Boy Scout Troop 420, Nancy Jacoby, Sherrie & Jim Lewis, Mag Spaeth, Pam Bednarz, Jenny Donovan, Richard Nagel, Tom Arsuffi, Charles Loeffler, Michea Davis, Radell Whitehead & Derrick Hoggett, Marc Cole, Charles McGuire, Todd Bannowsky, and Bruce Ward. A special thanks to Jan King, who brought this wonderful program to Junction, and all our great donors!

TEXAS TECH AT JUNCTION – Intersession and Summer Session Courses are set for Texas Tech at Junction. Intersession Classes (May 9-24th) are Art, Biography, Geography, Photography, Zoology (Mammalogy and Ornithology), and Spanish. Go to www.junction.ttu.edu for details!

CINCO DE MAYO GOLF TOURNAMENT – Calling all putters, calling all putters...Get ready for the 2 Man Select Shot Golf Tournament May 5th & 6th at Junction Golf Course. Call 446-2968 or 446-2555 for more information.

FEATURED BUSINESS – LET’ER BUCK COFFEEHOUSE – Who would’ve ever thought that Junction would have our own gourmet coffeehouse???? Shocker, I know, but we sure do! Natalie Kothmann, along with her husband, Kelly, realized a dream a couple of months ago. Yes, I know the other “little dream” Bronc, their son, who’s a real cutie! But this dream was to take the building adjoining their Conchos & Crosses, a ladies boutique, and turn it into something fun, yet sophisticated. Come to think of it...that phrase, “fun, yet sophisticated” can very easily be used to describe Natalie! If you have ever shopped at her store, Conchos & Crosses, you realize that she can keep you “looking good” with the latest fashions. She not only sells these clothes...she can give you great tips on how to wear them to show off your own personal style to perfection! So, since Kelly loves his coffee, and Natalie loves her Chai Tea, they decided to turn their tastes into an upscale coffeehouse right here in Junction! While traveling in Hood River, Oregon, visiting Natalie’s Mom, Kelly and Natalie came up with the idea and name for their “Let’er Buck Coffeehouse. They wanted to open a place cozy and fun, where folks could grab a great cup of coffee, a pastrie, or one of Irma’s giant cinnamon rolls, and kick back for a little while. They offer espresso, cappuccinos, lattes, and their own “Let’er Freeze” frappes. Also on their menu are Ceasar salads, homemade chicken salads, bagels with cream cheese, fountain drinks, hot chocolate and a daily lunch special. They are open for coffee from 7:30 AM till 5:30 PM, and serve lunch 11till 2PM, Monday through Friday. Saturday’s are a little more laid back with hours 9 AM till 2 PM. After all, a cowboy’s gotta sleep in once in a while! Let’er Buck Coffeehouse have even been a host location for the “Bling Bunco”girls! Natalie and Kelly invite Junction to “come and have your luncheon at their house, and...Let’er Buck!”

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