

Kimble County Chamber of Commerce

Newsletter

Tuesday, June 19, 2007

EVEN THOUGH THE OFFICIAL FIRST DAY OF SUMMER IS NOT UNTIL THURSDAY, JUNE 21ST, PLANNED EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES ARE "FULL STEAM AHEAD" HERE AT THE CHAMBER –Our 2007 Miss Kimble County and her Court participated in their first parade Saturday morning. Y'all remember Saturday morning...huge thunder storms, lightning streaking non-stop across the sky...Yes, that was the morning our young ladies, accompanied by Moms, set out for Stonewall at 5:45 AM to represent the Kimble County Chamber of Commerce and Junction Tourism on our Chamber Float in the Annual Stonewall Peach Jamboree Parade. All day on Friday, Ashley Gardner, Kristin Kothmann, and Dezaray Johnson worked to "pretty up" their float, adding their own personal touches, including digging up cactus and dagger plants to decorate the edges, borrowing a small windmill to serve as a backdrop by our "Lover's Leap", and refreshing the artificial Texas wildflowers. Dave Newton and Junction True Value are working hard to find us the proper inverter to get our waterfall working again! In true "girlfriend tradition", our ladies haven't made up their minds yet on their official outfits for their float appearances, needing to "shop just a little more" before deciding. You go, girls!!!! I am all for that shopping! Clad in their jean Capri pants, their personalized "Junction Girls" pink camo tees, flip-flops, sashes, and tiaras, our Ladies proudly brought home a "Second Place Ribbon" from this parade! They may have been a little damp around the edges, but their enthusiasm for their new positions in our community shone through! They already helped at the Relay for Life and the Tour de Forts. Enthusiasm, like negativity, is a contagious thing. I am fairly certain that anyone hanging around our 2007 Miss Kimble County and her Court will soon find themselves with a fresh case of "I Love Junction-itis"! A special thanks needs to go out to Junction National Bank for generously lending us their bank truck to use to pull our float. Bryan had it hooked up, gassed up, and all clean and shiny for the occasion! This is not the first year that the bank has loaned us their truck...and, boy, oh boy, do we appreciate their generosity and their support! Another Chamber "champion" was Quinten Bratcher at Tatsch Auto Supply in Harper, Texas. Our float had tire troubles on the way home, and they pulled into Tatsch Auto Supply in search of help. Even though it was after business hours and they were officially closed, recognizing that they, too, had a daughter on a float somewhere that day, they took the time to remove our tire and replace it securely, insuring a safe trip home! Many, many thanks, neighbor! We must extend a huge THANK YOU to Hoyt and Linda Moss for housing our float for the past two years! The next parade that our Miss Kimble County and her Court attend will be on Saturday, July 7th, in Brady, Texas. Speaking of Parades...

71ST ANNUAL HILL COUNTRY FAIR ASSOCIATION SUMMER

CLASSIC RODEO PARADE – This year, Junction High School celebrated 100 years of graduates! Isn't that amazing??? So, when the Chamber learned of this last year, we made a mental note to have that as our theme for 2007. So, on Saturday, August 11th at 10 o'clock AM, we invite you to come and join in "A Century of Education" Rodeo Parade! We have already begun receiving calls from class reunions and families whose kids want to decorate bicycles and go-carts to join in the fun. Area clubs and businesses are urged to put their thinking caps on and create a float for the parade. Remember, it can be a truck, a car, a horse, a bicycle, a tractor, or just anything that is fun! Entry forms are available on the bulletin board at the Chamber, by mail if requested, and on-line at www.junctiontexas.net. This year promises to be exciting, so if you are in charge (or only a participant) of a club, organization, event, or a bunch of your buddies...get together and get busy!

FREE TRASH DAY AT THE CITY LANDFILL – In response to community requests, your City Council has authorized free trash days for city residents at the City Landfill, located on US Hwy 377 N, on the 1st Saturdays of odd numbered months. Saturday, July 7th, is the first one. The landfill is open from 9 AM to Noon and 1 PM to 6 PM those days and certain restrictions apply to the trash. This is a privilege authorized by the City, when additional costs generated are taken into consideration, and so let's take advantage of this offer. The Council recognizes the effort we, as a community, are putting forth to clean up and not just let limbs and broken items of trash accumulate in our yards, and the return to additional free days is a demonstration of their support and dedication to this community. If we all do our part in picking up, we will be a more litter free community, and have a better "self image" as a result! Don't be a litter bug...be a "Clean Community Commando", instead!

U.S. FLAGS – We have received several good suggestions as to how to better place our flags around the Courthouse, keeping them secure and not touching the ground. Keep them coming and we will find a solution to this problem, together! We are on the right track!

LONDON DANCE HALL – "Blend" will be performing at London Dance Hall in London TX this Saturday, June 23rd from 9PM till 1 AM. Saloon opens Friday at 5 PM to 12 AM and Saturday from 5PM to 1AM. For info call Billie at 325/475-2921 or 2296. www.londondancehall.com

CROCKETT KIMBLE CONNECTION CLUB LAMB SALE – Mark Tillman and his fellow show lamb raisers had a great turn-out this past Saturday. Buyers and their families came from Pecos, Ozona, Harper, Lometa, Austin, Blanco, Bracketville, Del Rio, Comstock, Ft. Davis, Buda, and Bryan, as well as our surrounding area. Mark reported that 59 club lambs were sold for an average of \$750 each. These folks bought gas and snacks in Junction, ate in our restaurants, and stayed in our motels. Congrats, Mark and helpers, for a job well done!

JULY 3RD FREEDOM CELEBRATION & FIREWORKS DISPLAY – Vendors are returning their forms to get a spot to sell food and crafts, or host a ride, at our 2nd

Freedom Celebration scheduled for Tuesday, July 3rd – at City Park. Set-up will begin at 3 PM. Registration forms are available on the Chamber website www.junctiontexas.net, by email junctiontx@cebridge.net, or can be mailed. Rumor has it that the 8th Grade Class will be selling funnel cakes!! Bring family and friends to the City Park, spend the late afternoon, evening, and watch the Fireworks at Dark-Thirty! It's the place to be on July 3rd!!!! We are asking for donations to help fund this annual event, so please loosen those purse strings and help us make this year's fireworks the best ever!

THANK YOU PEC – The Chamber wants to thank Doug Haines and all his guys at PEC for their help in hanging and taking down our strings of lights in the trees at the Courthouse!

FEATURED BUSINESS – ROY'S CHEVRON – Roy and Melba Silva work side by side, each and every day, making Roy's Chevron, 314 Main St., the great service station that it is. Roy has operated a service station in this location for 19 years, this coming July 20th. He and Melba bought the station from his former partner in 1993, and remains Junction's only full service station today. Both of their sons, Nathan and Roy Jr., work with them, Nathan at the station and Roy Jr. on the wrecker. Not only can you get your car washed and vacuumed, you can have the oil changed, purchase tires or have them rotated, get those old windshield wipers replaced, or have them find that tricky problem in your engine causing you car to not run just as it should. They will even drop you back at home or work, and then bring your car to you when the job's done. Now that's service! Roy says their main goal is to "greet their customers with a smile and offer great service". Roy and his crew work on foreign cars, too. Roy's Chevron offers full road service, including towing and tire repairs. He told me that they just recently towed a broken down vehicle all the way back to Houston. Roy encourages Junction to give him a call if you have car trouble out of town and he will come and tow you back home to work on your car. He also invites customers to call him at home, if they run into trouble after working hours. Roy's Chevron is a "fixture" in Junction. Customers that started coming to the station with their parents, now return from college and ask about Cleo, Roy's parrot. Open from 8 AM to 7 PM Mondays through Fridays, and 8 AM to 5 PM on Saturdays, Roy's Chevron is truly a full service station! Put your vehicle in Roy's care...You won't be disappointed!

ROY'S CHEVRON
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Send us your feedback at junctiontx@cebridge.net to include something next week or just to say "Hi". Your Chamber is promoting commerce and tourism and keeping you informed of events and happenings of Junction and Kimble County!

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