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Womanless Beauty Pageant to Benefit IMPACT November 15th



Pageant contestant Kim Crisp aka "The Female Elvis".

On November 15 at 7 p.m. Banita Creek Hall will be the scene for the First Annual Womanless Beauty Pageant benefitting IMPACT, the Nacogdoches organization which helps local children in need. The event will be hosted by comedian Willie P. Richardson, who is heard on hundreds of radio stations nationally, including SiriusXM.

"To date, 8 contestants are slated to compete, but we'd like to have as many as 15 or 20 to really make this as funny as possible. A womanless beauty pageant is just like regular beauty pageants, except men are the ones wearing the sparkling dresses, heavy makeup and "big hair." The pageant will feature talent, swimsuit, formal dress, best hair, and a question-and-answer segment. This is a family-friendly event and we invite everyone to attend. We also welcome the support of sponsors who may wish to help," said IMPACT's Julia Martin Jones.

"IMPACT is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization located in Nacogdoches and formed for one purpose – to make a difference in the life of children in need. IMPACT operates a retail store at 801 E. Main between University and Lanana Street downtown. You may also drop off donations (of anything!) at this address. We use what we can for the children, and sell the rest to raise the much needed funds to supply the things that are not donated. We started out with the thought of providing luggage and duffle bags so that children coming in to foster care do not have to be moved in garbage bags; then we did Christmas gifts for all foster children from the Nacogdoches area in 2010, 2011, 2012,

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Johnson Furniture - Four Generations Serving Nacogdoches and the Surrounding Area

Bolivar Johnson was working at Cason-Monk Furniture & Funeral Home in 1959 when he decided that he would start his own store in Downtown Nacogdoches. He probably had no idea that by the year 2016 his store would be run by his grandson and great-grandson and would also be the longest continuously-operating downtown business.

He sold everything he could do without for startup funds. He then rented the small building at 106 E. Main from Jesse Millard for \$35 per month on August 1, 1959. Mr. Johnson bought inventory and opened the doors, choosing to "carry his own paper," offering financing to customers. He would work all day in the store, then make deliveries after 5pm every day. At first, business was very slow and he would often load his truck and head out to the auction barn and to other locations to "peddle" his merchandise. Mrs. Albert Thomas owned several adjacent buildings, as well as one across the street, and Bolivar leased those from her in the 1960s. After Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Millard passed away, the Johnsons purchased all of the buildings from the estates.



Jared (left) and Randy Johnson.

Haden Johnson began helping his dad at the store part-time while working at NIBCO, quitting after 20-years in 1974 to begin working full-time at the store. Bolivar worked at the store until his health declined. He passed away in 1993. Haden's son, Randy, graduated from Texas A & M and worked for an engineering firm

in Houston until he joined the company on February 1, 1979. Randy's son, Jared, also a Texas A & M Graduate, joined in 2010 after Haden died. The Johnsons opened a store in Lufkin in 2014 at 205 E. Frank St. Over the years, the Johnsons and their employees have worked hard to provide excellent customer service and the community has supported their efforts. The Johnsons have also been very supportive of local events and various downtown projects. Beginning with 3 employees, their staff now numbers 20. They sell most major brands of furniture, appliances, area rugs and accessories, including: Lazy Boy, Mayo, Flexsteel and Bassett furniture. Appliance brands featured are: Whirlpool, Kitchen Aid, Maytag, Speed Queen, Jenn Air, Sub Zero and Wolf. For more information, please phone 936.564.6471 or visit www.shopjohnson.com.

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2013 and 2014. Then we did Easter baskets... then school clothing, shoes and bedding. It has all grown from there, and we try to provide the normal things all children want and need. Our dedicated volunteers work tirelessly to make a difference...willing hands and loving hearts for these precious children and those who take care of them. All doing small things in big ways for the children of East Texas. If you have a talent, we can use it. If you have a dollar to donate, we will put 100% of all donations toward helping our kids. If you have a garage sale and want to get rid of the leftovers, call us! Come join us in making life a little better for the children of East Texas! Call Julia at (936) 205-5921 if you can help. It's all about the kids... and they need us all. Any contributions are tax deductible and a receipt can be furnished if your donation is over \$500 in value. You don't need a receipt but it is still deductible if under \$500.00. Help us help them... the children are our future, and we want to save them from harm, teach them love, respect and honesty, and mostly that someone cares about them," Ms. Jones told *Around The Town*.

Advance tickets are priced at \$20 each and are available at the IMPACT Store at 801 East Main or at Boot Barn in the Northview Plaza Shopping Center. For more information about participating as a contestant, becoming a sponsor or for credit card ticket orders, please phone 936.554.5822.

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by Brad Maule



Brad Maule is a two-time Emmy-nominated actor now living in beautiful Nacogdoches where he teaches filmmaking for the School of Art and acting for the School of Theatre at Stephen F. Austin State University.

Java Jack's Coffee House is my place. I don't literally own it. I just mean it is my social club, my Irish pub without alcohol, my country club without golf...the spot where I go to interact with people. For a couple of dollars I get to laugh, talk, listen, and read the paper, in no particular order. Sometimes, Java Jack's is even my psychiatrist, but that's confidential.

I don't think you can plan a place like this, but I also don't believe it is some random accident. Sara and Brent Patton, the real owners, had a dream of opening a coffee shop more than twenty years ago. I'm just speculating now, but I think in addition to the dream, they had a set of principles to guide them.

In line to order coffee and pastries, people of all ages instinctively leave just the right amount of personal space in front of them. Often you will see someone at the front of the line "pay it forward" for someone behind him or her. There is no frenzy, no yelling of orders from the friendly, professional, college age staff behind the counter.

They roast thirteen different blends of coffee. If you go often enough and have a favorite, a look and a nod is all it takes to order exactly what you want, made exactly how you like it.

At the table by the front window most mornings, a retired Houston lawyer and for many years White House insider, proudly drinks his coffee from a "Hillary For President" cup while taking and returning friendly fire from his Republican friends.

In Java Jacks, students study, preachers write sermons, bankers and beauties do crossword puzzles, young and old fall in and out of love, upstairs, downstairs, all the many choices that make up a life sit side by side in this gentle house of coffee and conversation.

What exactly did Brent and Sara dream about so long ago? I looked at my phone and asked, "What is the perfect place?"

Yahoo Answers replied, "A place of consideration, passion, tolerance, freedom, and challenges...in no particular order".

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Vintage Market Days of East Texas returns to Nacogdoches Nov. 4-6

The Nacogdoches CVB is pleased to welcome the return of the Vintage Market Days "Woodland Romance" to Nacogdoches the first weekend in November. The upscale vintage-inspired market features three days of vintage shopping including original art, antiques, clothing, jewelry, handmade treasures, home décor, outdoor furnishings, consumable yummys, seasonal plantings and much more! The market will also have live music and food trucks throughout the duration of the event.

"The vintage market brings 100 of the very best vendors plus more than 200 booths in vintage from across the United States," said Jill Weisz, Vintage Market Days organizer. "Vendors bring truckloads of repurposed, specialty finds that will be unique to your home," Weisz said.

Buy one, get one free tickets are available online along with an option to purchase a ticket to the early buying event. Both the BOGO and early buying event tickets are \$10 and general admission is \$5. Children ages 12 and under are free.

Vintage Market Day shoppers will be coming to Nacogdoches from the North East Texas area and Louisiana.

The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday on Nov. 4-6 at the Nacogdoches County Expo and Civic Center, located at 3805 N.W. Stallings Drive. The CVB will have a booth at the event and will be partnering with local bed and breakfasts/other unique lodging properties to offer great giveaways.

Follow Vintage Market Days on social media for an opportunity to win free tickets. You can also check out www.VintageMarketDays.com for more information or call the CVB at 564-7351.



Crockpot Annie's, Food for the Soul

We've all heard about these little out-of-the-way, hard-to-find places with amazing food. Crockpot Annie's Soul food is one of those places and it's located right here in The Oldest Town in Texas.

As a child growing up in Nacogdoches, Annie Forney Christopher learned to cook from her mother, Cora Lee, and her aunt, Olle Ree James. They cooked the "old fashioned way" with only fresh ingredients and that's the way that Annie cooks today. "I do all of the cookin' because I don't want anybody messin' up my recipes," she recently told us. Her family, friends and neighbors always raved about her food, so she had cards made up and started making take-out lunches for folks from her home many years ago. She attended beauty college in the front of the building which she operates her restaurant from today. "That just wasn't my thing, so I drove a school bus for 13-years. I would have as many as sixty 4-year-olds on the bus...Started the route at 5 a.m. and then took them all home after school. I loved it, but it was a challenge," Annie said. She also cooked at Hotel Fredonia for 5-years back in the 80s and briefly operated Annie's Soul Food on South Street in 2000. The current restaurant opened in March, 2016.

The ever-changing menu includes: Oxtails with bell peppers & onions with brown gravy, roasted chicken legs, golden fried pork chops, Dorito casserole, chicken etoufee, golden fried chicken, fried catfish every other friday, barebeque brisket, chicken, links, turkey legs and smoked tamales on every other Saturday, chicken & dressing every Sunday, meat loaf, smothered pork chops, smothered liver and onions, beef tips and rice, pork tips and rice, "chittlins" and more. Chili and gumbo will be added during winter months. A large variety of vegetables, including: Pinto beans, collard greens, turnip greens, dirty rice, white rice, mac and cheese, cabbage, fresh daily-made mashed potatoes, steamed broccoli and more. Hot water or regular baked cornbread is also included with each meal. Homemade desserts include: Lemon pie; caramel, pound, strawberry and German Chocolate cakes; homemade tea cakes; bread pudding and sweet potato cobbler. Tea, Kool Aid and soft drinks are served in huge fruit jars.



L-R: Annie's daughter, Regina Demison, and son, Justin Burleigh and Annie.

Annie's children, Regina, Roderick, Lakethia and Justin all pitch in to help run the restaurant. Annie proudly told us that she also has 21 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. "Hopefully, they'll all be helping us here some day," she said.

Crockpot Annie's Soul Food is located in the rear of the building located at 1008 East Main Street. Parking is available behind the building and the entrance is a side-door facing the back of the former "Mr. Q" Service Station at the corner of East Main and South University Drive. Open from 11 a.m. "until sold out" Wednesday through Sunday. It's best to phone ahead 936.371.1484 to check the menu for the day, as it's never the same.

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Nac County Exposition and Civic Center News from Anita Scott

Greetings to my East Texas friends,

October is a very full month for the Nacogdoches County Exposition & Civic Center. We currently have 6 separate community events scheduled, with one being our 5 day Pineywoods Fair, **October 12-16**. Entry is \$5 per person. We will have vendors, live stage entertainment, baking, photography, art, floral design, cheer-leading competition, livestock shows and lots of carnival rides. We would also like to let everyone know Al the Artist will be on fairgrounds to draw caricature faces for FREE.

October 18th from 4-8PM, Agrilife Extension Office will host their Nacogdoches County Hay Show. A meal will be served for \$10. Please contact their office at 936-560-7711 to reserve your meal and for more information. (To participate in the free hay testing, all hay samples must have been submitted by Wednesday, September 28, 2016.)

October 22nd East Texas Bomber Roller Derby will host a Nuclear Fallout. It's a clash of brain and brawn on the rink. Doors open at 4PM, Whistle at 5PM. Tickets are \$10 each. Children 10 and under enter for free.

October 27th from 6PM-8PM, Nacogdoches Medical Center will host Simply Pink benefiting the American Cancer Society. Individual Tickets are \$35. Please contact Reagan Best at raegan.best@tenethealth.com for more info.

October 29th at 6PM the Boys & Girls Club of Nacogdoches will host Fiesta Black Tie Bingo. Please join them for dinner, live & silent auctions, bingo and lots of fun. For more info call 936-560-6844.

We will end our month with an ATV Class sponsored by the Nacogdoches County Sheriff's Department on **October 29th & 30th**. Event details will be posted on the Nacogdoches County Sheriff's Department facebook page.

Don't forget horse riders, we welcome riders in our arena M-F from 8AM-4PM. The cost is \$10 per horse. Please call our office at 936-564-0849 to check for arena availability.

For more booking information or our Calendar of Events, please visit our website or "like" us on Facebook.

Thank you,
Anita Scott, Director
Nacogdoches County Exposition & Civic Center



Chamber Connection

by Kelly Daniel

Membership & Marketing
Manager at the Nacogdoches
County Chamber of Commerce

Celebrate Texas Chamber of Commerce Week from Oct. 17 through 21, with the Nacogdoches County Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber Board of Directors and staff invite you to *get to know The Chamber!*

Chamber of Commerce Week is a statewide celebration of the contributions that Chamber work makes for all that live in the community. The vision of the Nacogdoches County Chamber is "Leading Nacogdoches to be the ideal place to live, work, play and do business," and with many volunteers investing their resources through Chamber programs, Nacogdoches lives up to that statement.

Knowing more about the local Chamber brings benefits to individuals as well as groups and businesses. So take some time this month to visit the Nacogdoches County Chamber at 2516 North St. Play around on the Chamber's website, www.nacogdoches.org.

Make plans to attend upcoming events, like the ones listed below, that celebrate new things happening and give great opportunities to make new contacts and catch up with friends.

- A Ribbon Cutting ceremony for the grand opening of the **Family Crisis Center of East Texas - Women's Shelter of East Texas**, Thursday, Oct. 13 at 9 a.m. at 3909 North St.
- **Alive After Five**, the Chamber's business after hours mixer, hosted by Frogs Sports Bar & Grill, 5:30 to 7 p.m., Oct. 20 at 1507 North St.

If you are a business owner interested in learning more about the new Overtime Rules, attend the Chamber's workshop, Overtime Rules, set for Oct. 19. Call 936-560-5533 for more information.



M&S Pharmacy will host the Nacogdoches County Chamber's Alive After Five on Nov. 3. The event begins at 5:30 p.m., at the business, 917 E. Austin St. You are invited to this come-and-go-mixer for fun times, good food and chances to win great door prizes. Pictured from left are Ray Mitchum, Garth and Holly Hinze with their guests at a past M&S Pharmacy event.

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The historic Old University Building at sunset. Photo courtesy of Wendy Floyd at Simply Pictures 936.615.3350.



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How Valuable Are Your Kneecaps?

We live in a strange world. In 1995 there was a news report out of the Philippines. Police were reportedly trying to capture a gang who specialized in stealing kneecaps from graves. I didn't say hubcaps. I said kneecaps. The thieves were thought to be members of a sect who believed spiritual energy could be gained by grinding up kneecaps and scattering them around the house. Why kneecaps? According to this story, the spiritual power of the dead was believed to be concentrated in the knees because people kneel to pray. Interesting! I can't help but wonder how much those thieves would prize our kneecaps. How vital is your prayer life?

“REED ALL ABOUT IT!”
by Dr. Allen Reed

Sir George Smith and his guide were climbing a 14,783 foot high mountain in the Swiss Alps known as the Weisshorn. It was stormy as they made their climb on the sheltered side of the peak. When they reached the summit, they were filled with excitement. Sir George forgot about the fierce winds and was nearly blown over the edge. The guide grabbed him and exclaimed, “On your knees, Sir. You are safe here only on your knees!” All of life is more secure if we spend time on our knees.

James, our Lord's half brother was given the nickname of “Ole' Camel Knees” because of the amount of time he spent on his knees in prayer. He wrote, “The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much” (James 5:16).

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A LITTLE HUMOR: The fireman was telling a kindergarten class what to do in case of a fire. He said, “First, go to the door and feel to see if it's hot. Then,” he said, “fall to your knees. Does anyone know why you ought to fall to your knees?” One of the little tykes said, “Sure, to start praying to ask God to get us out of this mess!”

Copies of Dr. Reed's devotional books, *Reed All About It! Daily News From the Good News*, are available from First Baptist Church, Nacogdoches, Texas or Amazon.com.



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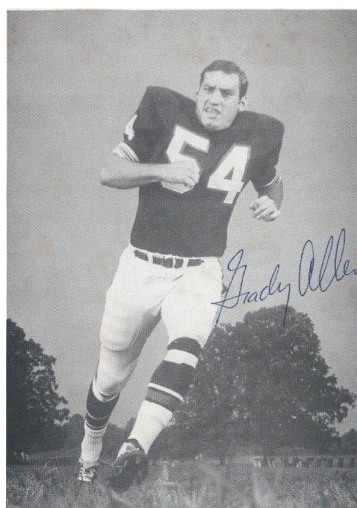
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Support Urged for Grady Allen Scholarship Fund



The Grady Allen Scholarship Fund has been established through the Nacogdoches High School Alumni Association. My cousin, Grady, was not only an amazing athlete, he was an amazing person. "Mr. NHS," All-District, All Southwest Conference at Texas A & M, Co-MVP of the 1968 Cotton Bowl and played 5-years with the Atlanta Falcons. He was inducted into the Texas A&M Hall of Fame in 1995 and served as president of the Texas A&M Lettermen's Association in 2006. Grady passed away on December 4, 2012, at the age of 66. I miss his friendship and especially our monthly visits when he would come through Nacogdoches on business. The total amount needed to fund the scholarship is \$25,000 and we have about \$3000 to date. I'd like to get this done as soon as possible...If you'd like to contribute any amount, you may do so by mailing check payable to NHSAA for "Grady Allen Scholarship Fund" to NHSAA- P. O. Box 632152 - Nacogdoches, TX 75963.

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Sheriff's Office Hosts ATV Rider Course

by Jason Bridges



The Nacogdoches Sheriff Office will be hosting an ATV Rider Safety Course on October 29th and 30th to be held at the Nacogdoches County Civic Center. Classes will run from 08:00 -12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm on both days. 8 students per class is the maximum number allowed. There will be two classes each day that are four hours long.

Required Equipment: **Must bring ATV machine** with following equipment:

- Helmet
- Gloves
- Long Pants
- Boots
- Eye Protection



Nacogdoches County has unfortunately had too many accidents over the last several years, where we have seen people killed or severely injured operating an ATV machine. Our goal of these classes is to help educate our youth on how to safely operate an ATV machine and to help prevent these accidents from occurring in our community. **Please contact Terry Smith at 936-560-7794 or email at [HYPERLINK "mailto:tsmith@nac-sheriff.com"](mailto:tsmith@nac-sheriff.com) tsmith@nac-sheriff.com to register for the class.**

For many people here in our community, ATV machines and the outdoors are a big part of their life. We unfortunately see teenagers far too often on ATV machines that have not had the proper training. Many of these tragic accidents can be prevented with proper training and education.

Michael Howarth who works for the U.S. Forest Service will be instructing the class. Mr. Howarth is a certified instructor for the ATV Safety Institute out of California.

There will be a 15 dollar charge per student to help cover cost associated with the class. Please make all payments to the NCSO. Bottled Water will be provided. The normal cost for this type of class is \$110.00 dollars.

Sincerely,

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Hiding Addison is an original comedy that takes place in an assisted living facility where a small group of residents find themselves responsible for a five-month old baby left in their care for two weeks. Since lengthy overnight stays are against the rules, the group must find ways to hide the baby's presence from staff and other residents until the father returns. Written and directed by Pat Harris, the cast includes Tim Hogle, Jody Ryan, Bill Small, Carrie Swann, LaChanda Maxie, Kelly Daniel, Les Balty, Sharon Buffalo and Justin Hughes, along with other Lamp-Lite favorites.

COMEDY MONOLOGUES will be presented before each show.

Rules of the Road

With cooler weather just around the corner, the holidays cannot be far behind. The Fall season signals changes and exciting events in Nacogdoches. From the Pineywoods Fair, the Lamp-Lite Theatre series to the Ghosts of Millard's Crossing on Halloween night, the streets of the oldest town in Texas are definitely gearing up to be busy right on through the holidays.

With local schools also back in full swing, I see many people throughout the area taking to two wheels instead of four to reach their destinations. Riding a bike today is a chosen mode of transportation for many adults in urban and metro areas. It is environmentally and community friendly, not to mention healthier. Cycling has become a great sport and a recreational choice for many athletes.

Whether you choose to ride a bicycle for sport, competition or as a means of transportation, it can be dangerous when motorists and cyclists do not work together to share the road. With no dedicated bike lanes in Nacogdoches, I see many college students riding bikes to school, motorists rushing around them to get to work and cyclists enjoying a morning ride to get the blood pumping. The danger is greater if any one of them becomes distracted.

The statutes within the Texas Transportation Code are considered the "rules of the road." The laws are designed to improve safety for everyone who travels Texas roadways. Cyclists and motorists, young and old, should be educated to cycling laws so that neither becomes an accident statistic.

The number one rule for cyclists and motorists is to use a signal to communicate with each other what your intentions are when you are planning to make a turn on the roadway.

As a reminder to all motorists and cyclists, the rules of the road that could save your life include:

- Bicyclists have the rights and duties as any other vehicle operators (Tx Trans. Code 551.101). That means we all must stop at signal lights and stop signs. A vehicle is required to yield right-of-way to a bicycle, just as it would to any other vehicle.
- Ride near the curb and go in the same direction as other traffic (Tx Trans. Code 551.103). This one was always hard for me. I always wanted to ride against the traffic, but that is incorrect.
- Keep one or both hands on the handlebars at all times (Tx Trans. Code 551.102c). Kids cannot help themselves. We have all wanted to feel the freedom.
- One rider per bike (Tx Trans. Code 551.102a).
- You must have a white light on the front and a red reflector or light on the rear (Tx Trans. Code 551.1104b).
- Brakes should be capable of making the braked wheel skid (Tx Trans. Code 551.104a).

I invite you to read the full list of requirements for cyclists located in the Texas Transportation Code, <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>. You will find information and laws for any mode of transportation included.

I cannot think of many things more fun on a Fall day than to get outdoors with family and friends. Walk, drive or ride a bike. Browse through the antique shops downtown, go to Stephen F. Austin State University and take in an art exhibit or make a trip out to Farmer's Market to enjoy some of the season's best.

Just remember - If you ride on these brick streets, whether on two wheels or four, share the road, respect everyone on the road, be safe and enjoy the ride.



Pat Harris, author



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Angela's Monthly Recipe
Creole Pork Chops

Angela Bradford is the owner/operator of Appleby Sand Mercantile Cafe' in Nacogdoches.

Ingredients for 6 servings:

- 6 (1-inch thick) pork loin chops (about 1-1/2 pounds)
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
- 1 (14-1/2 ounce) can whole tomatoes, undrained and chopped
- 1-1/2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- Hot cooked rice

Preparation:

Dredge pork chops in flour. Brown on both sides in oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Drain on paper towels. Remove drippings from skillet, reserving 1 tablespoon in skillet.

Sauté onion and green pepper in hot drippings until tender. Add tomatoes, Worcestershire sauce, salt, and pepper. Return pork chops to skillet. Cover and simmer 1 hour or until pork chops are tender.

The Matt Broadus Band Returns to Lugnutz Sports Bar and Grill on Saturday, October 22nd

About the time he that he learned to talk, he could sing. Matt Broadus, a native of Nacogdoches, Texas, was heavily influenced by his father, James. James was a singer and guitar player, teaching Matt to play at age-11. His first "major appearance was a 7th grade talent show. He began performing at weddings, parties and writing songs. Eventually, he was able to form his own band. Naturally, it was named The Matt Broadus Band with Matt as



lead vocalist and guitarist. He also worked with his cousin, Bobby King, in their band called Southbound. After Bobby retired from performing in the summer of 2009, Matt's new adventure began. With money saved from the years of performing with the former band, Matt was able to purchase his own sound equipment. He then contacted some fellow musicians to get his new band underway. He hired drummer Scotty Butler, who had previously worked with him in Southbound. On bass guitar, he sought out Larry Moreland, who also agreed to play. Joining on rhythm guitar/backup vocals, was Jeff Baxter. The band has changed a couple members here and there since that lineup, but some things never change. And that is the great sounding music Matt and his band continue to play for the crowds in venues all over East Texas. The current band consists of: Matt Broadus on lead guitar/vocals, Larry Wilson on bass guitar, Parr Bryant on steel guitar and Scotty Butler on drums.

Lugnutz Bar and Grill is located at 5287 South US Highway 59 in Nacogdoches. For more information, please phone 936.564.6889.

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Sam Rayburn Lake Report

by David Chandler
Shirley Creek Marina Bait Shop - 936.404.3997

Oh my, the summer of September is gone, but we are bringing in the fall of October. Football is in full swing and the World Series is coming soon. But, if one steps outside and feels the muggy temperatures still in the 90's, you know your still deep in the heart of East Texas.

We are excited to know that cooler temperatures are on their way. The water on Sam Rayburn is clearing up and down the lake. The Corps has stated that the lake is about to complete its turn over, which should lead to higher oxygen levels and better fishing.

Fishing has been up and down, but with cold fronts on the way, water and air temperatures decreasing means fishing activity will be increasing. The water temperature is constant between 84-89 degrees and the lake level is decreasing and is about 1.5' low. Black Bass have been great around the piers and boat docks. Just like what we have at Shirley Creek Marina. These docks hold a lot of bait fish during this time of year which in turn bring in all kinds of dominant predator fish. Crappie and Catfish hang around in good numbers in and around the shaded areas also. Black Bass are hitting plastics fished any style. I have had better luck on senko's fished short Carolina style around the boat stalls. Also, water poppers, watermelon buzz baits and dark crank baits in 10-15' around the grass line and points. Different types of darker colored plastics fished Texas Rig around brush early are bringing in limits. White Bass are fair on minnows and small jig spinners on creek and river and creek entrances. Crappie are still hit and miss, but are good on minnows and chartreuse with white jig heads over brush piles in 15'-25' of water when you find good structure. Some are still suspended in 1'-15'. Anchored brush piles in around 15' are bringing in the best numbers of crappie. Also some decent stringers are still coming in from under the Hwy 103 and 147 bridges along the creek and river channels. Bream are great on all kinds of worms and around the trees in deeper water. Channel Catfish seem to be caught more frequently on worms, shrimp and shad. Good size Blue Cats up to 20 lbs. are coming in on live Perch and cut bait but are slow. Different punch baits are also bringing in limits. Baiting holes with cattle range cubes will definitely increase your odds to get to that limit. Nice size flathead cats up to 30 lbs. are coming in off noodles, jugs and trot lines baited with live perch, cut bait and shad on channel drop offs but slow.

Remember to visit us at the Shirley Creek Marina Bait Shop. We have live Minnows, Goldfish, and now have live Perch. We are the only bait shop that sells native live Perch. As my Poppy always said; "The worst day fishing is still better than the best day at work." God Bless and Good Fish'n.

Jim Pate with a 4.5 lb Bass caught in boat stalls.



Tyson Spensor with a nice Blue.



Cole Jones with a nice mess of Cats.



Janet and Ben Milam with Jerry Deason and Tery Costlow.

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Nacogdoches, The Oldest Town in Texas . . . Rich in History and Texas Culture, Features *The Sterne-Hoya House Museum and Library*

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Editor's Note: In this space each month we hope to provide our readers with information regarding many of the unique historical features that make up our wonderful city.



The Sterne-Hoya House was built by Adolphus Sterne in 1830. Sterne was an immigrant from Cologne, Germany. During a sojourn through Tennessee, he became friends with Sam Houston. He moved to Nacogdoches in 1826. He was a financier of the Texas Revolution. When Texas became a state, Sterne served in both houses of the legislature. In 1830, he built the house at 211 S. Lanana Street. Davy Crockett was a guest in the house for two weeks of 1835. Sam Houston was baptized into the Catholic faith in the parlor of this house, thereby meeting the requirements of the Mexican government to settle in Coahuila y Tejas and own property.

The house is a 1-1/2 story wood frame construction on a brick pier foundation. A Victorian porch serves as the entrance. On the same lot, to the rear of the main house, is the servants quarters. Sterne also built a stable, smoke house, hen house and corn crib on the property, but they no longer exist. Sterne made

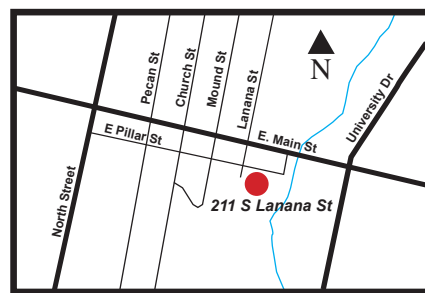


modifications and repairs in the two decades following the home's original construction.

Charles Hoya was a county surveyor in Nacogdoches, operating the Hoya Land Office Building on the downtown square. His father Joseph T. Von der Hoya was a Prussian immigrant. Hoya, his wife Frances, and his father lived in the house at 211 S. Lanana, which the Hoya family purchased in 1866.



The house remained in the von der Hoya family until it was donated to the City of Nacogdoches in 1958, to be used as a library. The house was listed on the National Register of Historic Places listings in Nacogdoches County in 1976, and became a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark in 1977. The museum and library house many local historic artifacts donated by the Hoyas.



Admission & Hours

Admission is free.

Museum is open Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-4 pm.

Tours are FREE, but donations are welcome. Tour groups and school groups need to book in advance by contacting the Historic Sites Department, City of Nacogdoches.

Contact

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Photo of the Month No. 2

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View of Downtown Nacogdoches from atop Hotel Fredonia. Photo courtesy of Wendy Floyd at Simply Pictures 936.615.3350.

