

What's Happening

Valentine's Day at the College Street Market 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 14 at St. Stephen's Anglican Church, 2101 E. College St. in Athens. Crafts, collectibles, consumables, curios and everything legal, moral and fun to own. Seller's fee \$10, Shoppers come free. Hourly door prizes. 903-675-1639

Music Nite at Parkside Shores. Great Country, Gospel and 50's music with the ET Backroads Band. First and Third Mondays from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Free food, free music and Lots of Fun. Donations are appreciated. Call Nancy at 903-849-1965 or Gwen at 903-849-4180

Westlake Shores Church of Christ will celebrate their 10th Anniversary February 22. Sunday School service 9:30 a.m., Worship service 10:30 a.m. with lunch to follow. We will then have Evening worship service following lunch and dismiss for the day. We would love to see all our former members.

Chandler Community Center hosts the **Community Men's Prayer Breakfast every Tuesday at 7:00 a.m.** Prayers, devotional and music

The Brownsboro Softball League has begun registration for the spring season. Instructional T-Ball for 3-4 year olds and all age divisions through 15 years old. **Deadline for registration is February 28.** Forms are available at all BISD schools and will also be available during morning hours at the Junior High School Gym February 14, 21 and 28. **For more info call 903-286-8800 or 903-849-6005.**

Concord Baptist Church, of Chandler invites the community to attend our **Revival Services Sunday, March 1 through Wednesday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m.** Revival Speaker will be Brother David Cason of Abilene's Broadview Baptist Church. Music will be provided by The Praise Team from Tyler's Trinity Baptist Church. Everyone is invited. Call 903-852-7368 for more information.

Brian Free & Assurance from Tennessee along with Heaven's Harbor, Alley Fuller & Miles Pike will be in concert **Saturday, February 21 at the Texas Gospel Music Hall, 6513 Hwy 19 South in Athens.** Show begins at 6:00 p.m. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Get your tickets early. Call 903-677-2492

The Henderson County Historical Society and the Daniel McMahon Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution will co-sponsor a **Genealogy Workshop Saturday, February 21 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.** The workshop will be held at Henderson County's Historical Museum Annex, 207 N. Prairieville and is free to anyone interested in working on their family lines, however space is limited. Call 903-675-4222 or 903-677-9686 to reserve your seat.

Sunday evening March 1, Chandler's **Concord Baptist Church will be ordaining Clayton Oliver and Brad Osborne** to the office of Deacon. An invitation is extended to sister churches asking for help with an Ordaining Council. The council will meet at 6:00 p.m. for questioning. Refreshments will be served following the service. Call 903-852-7368

Kidds named Citizens of the Year

By Nathan Straus
Statesman News

A crowd filled the Chandler Community Center February 5 for the Chandler Brownsboro Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Banquet and Auction. Among the awards given to area citizens was the Citizen of the Year award, which went to Jerry and Alice Murl Kidd.

Seeing their handiwork in many parts of Chandler's development and community is easy, as there were few efforts the Kidds were not a part of. The pair owns Kidd-Jones Oil Company and several Citizens State Bank locations.

Jerry Kidd said, "This is special when your own citizens of your own town give you something. We'll treasure this plaque for the rest of our lives."

The two are members of Chandler First United Methodist Church, Alice is on the Citizens State Bank board and the Kidds' kids gave land for the Chandler library.

God's Open Hands in Chandler was awarded Business of the Year. God's Open Hands, started in 1994, operates a food pantry and a thrift store in close proximity.

The nonprofit grew



Above: Jeff Smiley presents a plaque to this year's CBACC Citizens of the Year Below: Jeff Smiley honors God's Open Hands, the chamber of commerce's business of the year. These occurred during the Chandler Brownsboro Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Banquet

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from an incident with roots in World War Two. All that was salvaged from a bombed out church in the war was a statue of Jesus Christ with his hands open and outstretched. The hands had been broken off and were being used as a symbol.

God's Open Hands was also the second food pantry in Henderson County.

Brownsboro Firefighter of the Year went to Rusty Quattlebaum, assistant fire chief at the volunteer department. Chandler Firefighter of the Year was awarded to Assistant Fire Chief Tom Rushing.

Policeman of the Year was Lonnie McKinney for Brownsboro and Tim Jones for Chandler.

Educator of the Year went to Rodney Boyd.

These awards weren't the only happenings at the banquet. Door prizes and a silent auction were events made so guests could walk away with treasures of their own.

Everyone present was treated to a barbeque dinner from Danny's Bar B Que in Athens.

A special feature to this year's banquet was a round of applause for all the area's emergency services personnel, in

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BISD prepares for trustee election

By Nathan Straus
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The Brownsboro Independent School District Board of Trustees called a trustee election Monday. The decision came as part of the board's regular monthly meeting.

As part of calling an election, the board had to designate voting and early voting sites, as well as election judges, an early vote clerk, an early vote ballot board and agents to represent the board secretary in fulfilling election duties.

Up for re-election this year are Board Members Joey Ridgle, Bobby Teague and Dusty Wise.

Board Member Ricky Wyatt made the motion to

call the trustee election and Wise seconded.

The motion made placed the election on Saturday, May 9, with a main early vote site for all precincts at the Brownsboro ISD tax office, a branch early vote site for all precincts at Chandler City Hall and several Election Day voting locations.

The Election Day sites are the Brownsboro Junior High School cafeteria for precincts 3B, 3M, 4LA and VZ, Chandler Community Center for 3C and 3WS and Moore Station Water Supply Company for 4MS and 4CC.

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A day at the bookstore



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Chandler resident and author Melody Stroud spent an afternoon at Barnes and Noble Booksellers in Tyler February 7. She was there to sign copies of her book, "In My Head: Living My Life with Bipolar". She will embark on another book signing in the afternoon on March 7 at the Tyler Hastings on 4015 S Broadway.

BISD students college bound



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Keith Johnson, left student, and Tristain Warren, right student, are off to college. Here they sign their letters of intent; Warren to Louisiana Monroe and Johnson to TVCC. Coaches, friends and family attended the signing February 4.

Court enacts burn ban

By Nathan Straus
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The Henderson County Commissioners' Court voted to authorize a temporary burn ban for the county. The decision was part of the court's regular Tuesday morning meeting.

Even though it rained the day before the meeting, which County Judge David Holstein noted happened the last time the court had to make a decision on a burn ban.

All but two of the county's fire department chiefs requested the ban.

Precinct Two Commissioner Wade McKinney made the motion to approve a 30-day burn ban to last through midnight, March 11. Precinct One Commissioner Joe Hall seconded. Violating the ban will be punishable

by a fine of up to \$500. Burning for agriculture and construction reasons is permitted, but a local fire department or the sheriff's department must be notified.

On a similar note, the court also approved the 2009 interlocal agreements between the county and the volunteer fire departments.

McKinney said, "There was an issue last year concerning Enchanted Oaks and their eligibility in this."

McKinney made the motion to approve the agreement with authorization for Judge David Holstein to sign necessary documents. Hall seconded.

This interlocal agreement will apply to all

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