

The Bandera PROPHEET

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Through the grapevine
Honoring fallen heroes

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Sunday, Jan. 19, is Texas Confederate Memorial Day, when those of us whose ancestors fought for the Confederacy honor our fallen soldiers. In 1973, the Texas Legislature officially recognized this day as a state holiday and called it Confederate Heroes Day, “To honor all who had served the Southern Cause.”

All 11 Southern states commemorate Confederate Memorial Day, each setting its own date. The national holiday, Memorial Day, was originally established to honor only the Northern soldiers who perished in the Civil War. Only after WWI did Congress officially establish the last Monday of May as the day to honor all fallen soldiers in all our wars, including the Civil War.

This writer honors her ancestors who bravely fought for states’ rights during the Civil War: Great-grandfather James King; great-great grandfather Attaway Davis and his two sons, one of whom became a POW and the other never returned; great-great grandfather Marshall Boswell, who died in battle.

LAKEHILLS AREA LIBRARY

The Lakehills Library Writers Group will meet Thursday, Jan. 16, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. All adult writers, of any genre, is welcome to come to share and critique and hone their craft.

Raffle tickets are now on sale for the annual Fundraiser Dinner and Auction to be held on Saturday, Feb. 8, at 5 p.m., in the Lakehills Civic Center. There are two prizes: The first is a \$500 Visa gift card; tickets are \$5 each or six for \$25. The second prize is a Howa Hogue Gameking Rifle/scope package in the caliber of your choice, donated by Boyle's True Value in Bandera/Lakehills; tickets are \$10 each or six for \$50. The tickets can be purchased at the library, located at 7200 FM 1283.

ALAMO RC&D

The Senior Social New Year Celebration is Friday, Jan. 17, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. It includes a free catered lunch for seniors and by donation to others. It is a time of games, fellowship, door prizes, and honoring January birthdays and anniversaries.

The next Senior Food Pantry is Friday, Jan. 24, from noon to 3 p.m. It is first come, first served, with a two bag limit per family.

All Alamo RC&D events are held in Faith Tabernacle at 7789 FM 1283.

AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion Post 410, 147 Legion Dr., Lakehills, Hall is open to the public Friday through Tuesday, from 3 p.m. On Tuesdays, hamburgers are served at 5 p.m. for \$5; on Fridays, at 5 p.m., dinner plates are served for \$8 and include entree, salad and dessert.

Darts, pool, TV and music are always available and Poker games are held Fridays at 7 p.m.

The funds from the meals go to the Legion and support the community events.

To learn more, contact Post 410 at 830-751-3711 or americanlegion410@att.net. Check out their website at alpost410.com or find them on Facebook under American Legion Post 410.

LAKE AND RIVER

On Tuesday, Jan. 14, Medina Lake is at 77.1 per cent capacity. The lake level is 1053.85 feet, which is down 10.35 feet.

The Medina River has a flow of 19.7 cfs in Bandera, running 3.83 feet deep at the gage.

Please send your Lakehills and Pipe Creek news to me by email at vicki.george329@hotmail.com or call me at 210-563-1186 and leave a message.

Until next time, “¡Vaya con Dios!”