

The Bandera PROPHEET

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Cruisin' the East End
Serving Pipe Creek, Lakehills and Mico

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As the man says, "The best laid plans of mice and men." Our Independence Day plans have changed here in the east end of our county.

The Boat Parade will still take place on the lake, starting at the Medina Dam at 10 a.m., on July 4. The route will take them near the shore around the lake and end at the county park.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 410, located at 147 Legion Dr. in Lakehills, has canceled their annual parade.

However, the barbecue meal will still be available to the public, beginning at noon on July 4. At \$12 a plate, it will be take-out only. The barbecue plate will consist of chicken and sausage with all the trimmings, packed to-go.

The canteen will be available only for members and their guests until further notice.

For more information, call the post at 830-751-3711, go to their website at alpost410.com, and follow on Facebook.

The day will end with a fireworks show on the lake at dark.

ALAMO RC&D will distribute fans at the food pantry on Friday, July 17, at Faith Tabernacle, 7789 FM 1283. The fans are for senior citizens who need them and are pre-registered at alamorcd.org.

The organization asks for donations to purchase the new 20-inch box fans to be distributed. You can donate the money to purchase the fans on the website: alamorcd.org.

In addition, Alamo RC&D will hold food distributions on Thursday, July 2 and Friday, July 17, both at Faith Tabernacle. It is by appointment only and seniors over 55 must pre-register online at the website, alamorcd.org or by calling or texting.

The organization needs volunteers to help with the picking up, the sorting, and the distributing of food and fans. To volunteer, or to sign up, email or text: alamorcd@gmail.com or 210-548-9248.

PIPE CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT has decided to postpone their Friday Night Bingo until August 7. They will follow all the required restrictions issued for Covid-19. The list is long and you can call the fire house for more information at 830-535-4511.

EARLY VOTING will begin on Monday, June 29, for the Democratic Party run-off only, until Friday, July 10. It will be weekdays only, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with extended hours on those Tuesdays, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Locations are Lakehills Area Library, 7200 FM 1283; Ray Mauer Annex, 403 12th St. in Bandera; and Medina Annex, 161 E. Parker in Medina.

There is no Republican Party run-off election.

Voting day is Tuesday, July 14, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

TRIVIA TIDBITS

The Fourth of July, or July Fourth, was the date in 1776 when the members of the Second Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence, whereby we broke our ties to the Kingdom of Great Britain, now known as the United Kingdom.

Celebrated since its first anniversary by the states, it was first called Independence Day in 1791. In 1870 Congress made it an unpaid holiday for federal workers and in 1938 changed that to a paid holiday for federal workers.

It is considered THE National Day of the United States.

MORE TRIVIA

America had no national anthem for much of her history, although the words were written by Francis Scott Key in 1814 and the poem was put to music by John Stafford Smith using the tune of the popular British drinking song, "To Anacreon in Heaven." It became so popular it was recognized by the Navy in 1889 and by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916. It was finally made the national anthem in 1931 by a congressional resolution, which was signed by President Herbert Hoover.

LAKE AND RIVER

On June 30, Medina Lake is at 64.6 per cent capacity. The lake level is 1047.37 feet, which is down 16.83 feet.

The Medina River has a flow of 11.6 cfs in Bandera, running 3.45 feet deep at the gage.

Please send your Lakehills, Pipe Creek and Mico 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!"