

# THE LIBERTY GAZETTE

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## AGENDA

### FBC FOOD PANTRY

**DAYTON** - Dayton First Baptist Church Food Pantry will hold its next food distribution Tues., February 10, from 9-11:30 a.m. The pantry will only be able to serve those with a Dayton 77535 zip code; proof of residence will be required. This will be a walk-in pantry, so please park and come into the food pantry entrance on the north side of the Family Life Center on Nelton Street. Picking up for others will not be allowed except under dire circumstances. The food distribution will be available the second Tuesday of each month.

### MEDICARE ASSISTANCE

**LIBERTY** - On Thurs., Feb. 5, a service regarding Medicare eligibility and benefits comes to the Liberty Municipal Library. Zelda Earvin, a benefits counselor with the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Area Agency on Aging, will be at the library from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. She will explain the difference between traditional Medicare and Medicare Advantage Plans (Medicare Part C), and provide information Part D prescription plans available to beneficiaries. The service is offered at no cost to area seniors. The Liberty Municipal Library is located at 1710 Sam Houston Street. Call the library at 936-336-8901 for more information.

### LIBERTY STREET RALLY

**LIBERTY** - On Sat., Feb. 14, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. interesting cars, hot rods, classic, muscle, sports, exotic as well as motorcycles and other unique vehicles will be available for public viewing at the Liberty County Courthouse. All car enthusiasts are invited to this free event. For more Liberty Street Rally information, email: [libertystreetrally@gmail.com](mailto:libertystreetrally@gmail.com) or visit the Facebook page.



So many friends and family members joined in to support various candidates at the GOP's Candidate Meet & Greet and these are just three. From left are Carmen Pratka, Leah Hight and Charlene Railsback. A (partial) listing of candidates appearing on the Republican and Democrat ballots appears on Page A-3. Early voting begins Feb. 17 and continues through Feb. 27. Voting day will be on Tues., March 3. To find out where you should vote, this will be listed on the Liberty County Clerk's page of the courthouse website under Elections. Sample ballots for both parties are also available under this heading.

## Texas America250 exhibit comes to Liberty Municipal Library

**LIBERTY** - The Liberty Municipal Library in Liberty invites the public to view a new temporary exhibit, Texas America250, on loan from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) beginning, February 1 through February 28, 2026.

Highlighting historically significant Texas Treasures from TSLAC's collections, Texas Amer-

ica250 will be loaned to local public libraries, schools and other community organizations an effort which started in summer 2025 and will continue throughout the semiquincentennial year of 2026. Celebrate and learn our nation's history through your library!

The Texas America250 exhibit highlights historically significant Texas

Treasures from the State Archives, encouraging all Americans to explore the story of the Lone Star State over the past 250 years. From Spanish missions to the space race, the landscape, culture, economy and people of Texas have played essential roles in the development of the United States.

"The future looks to the past for inspiration.

We are proud to be able to share this traveling exhibit with our community," said Liberty Municipal Library Director, Amber Ursprung. "This is a great way for Texans of all ages to learn more about the state's role in U.S. history and explore some of our most treasured documents, photographs and artifacts."

TSLAC also invites Texans of all ages to join its statewide Texas America250 Reading Challenge in 2026. Additional resources from TSLAC's extensive library collections, the Talking Book Program and the Texas Center for the Book will be available later this year. Bookmark [www.tsl.texas.gov/amer-](http://www.tsl.texas.gov/amer-)

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### DAYTON ROTARY CLUB PREPARES FOR ANNUAL GUMBO LUNCHEON

**DAYTON** - The Dayton Rotary Club is currently organizing its annual All-You-Can-Eat Gumbo Luncheon, scheduled for Friday, February 20, in the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Proceeds from the event will support senior scholarships and various community projects. Tickets can be purchased through any Rotary member or at the door on the day of the event. The club will begin serving at 10:30 a.m. through 1:30 p.m. (or until they run out). During the luncheon, the club will also announce the winning name of the four-wheeler drawing via Facebook Live. A limited number of raffle tickets are still available, with only 250 tickets being sold to ensure better odds for participants.

President Dr. Luke Chachere shared, "We have many exciting events and projects lined up this spring. Our two fundraisers will continue to enable our club to serve and give back to the community. Additionally, we are preparing for our 100th Year Anniversary Celebration in April. We encourage everyone to join us for a day of fellowship and enjoy some delicious gumbo."

Part of the gumbo cooking team are pictured above: (l-r) John Gable, Dr. Travis Young, Brooks Hiller (gumbo organizer), Richard Brown (chief cook) and Dr. Luke Chachere.

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