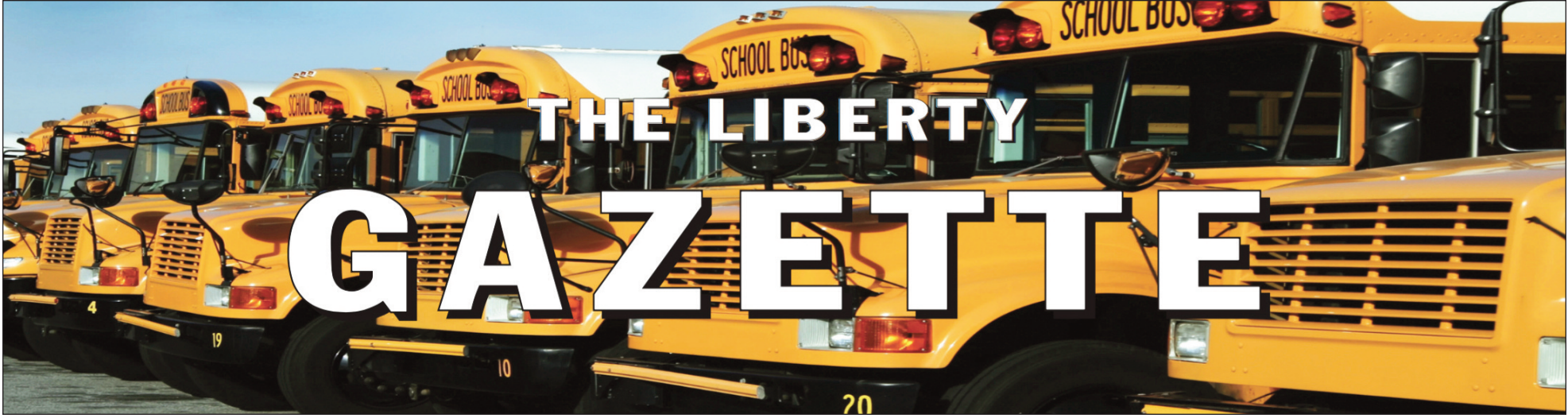




AGENDA

FUMC BLOOD DRIVE
LIBERTY - First United Methodist Church Liberty, along with Life-Share Blood Centers, will be hosting the third blood drive of the year, Thursday, August 20, from 3-7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, 539 Main Street, Liberty. Anyone who has not donated whole blood in the last 56 days or double red cells in the last 112 days is eligible. By donating blood, you are truly giving the gift of life. If you have any questions, contact Tom Richert at 936-346-4575.

RURAL RALLY FOR SETX
LIBERTY - Meet the Democratic candidates in the upcoming election at the Rural Rally for Southeast Texas taking place Sept. 5, at 1 p.m. at the A.J. "Jack" Hartel Building, 318 San Jacinto Street. Slated to appear are Gina Hinojosa, candidate for Texas Governor; Leticia Gutierrez, candidate for US Congress District 9; Valorie Barton, candidate for Texas House District 18; Bobby Tillman, candidate for Texas Senate District 3; Tiffany Perkinz, candidate for Texas State Board of Education District 7, along with others to be announced. This event is presented by the Liberty County Democratic Party.

HULL-DAISETTA GOLDEN OLDIES
HULL-DAISETTA - The Hull-Daisetta Golden Oldies will once again celebrate Homecoming in Bobcat fashion, Friday, September 4, at the new Hull-Daisetta Community Building. This year, the Class of 1976 will be honored on their fiftieth year of graduation. Brunch will be served at 11 a.m. with a meeting at noon, followed by refreshments at 1 p.m. That evening the Class of 1976 will be introduced at a 6:50 pre-game celebration. The homecoming game, against Arcadiana Christian Louise, will be at 7 p.m.

ADOPT, DON'T SHOP!
GIVE A DOG A SECOND CHANCE!
DAYTON - The dogs and puppies at Dayton Animal Control are waiting for their forever homes and they can't wait to meet you! From playful puppies to gentle adult dogs there's a perfect match for everyone. Each dog deserves a safe, loving home and you might just find your new best friend! Call 936-258-7621 for more information on available dogs and adoption details.



DELICIOUS DESSERTS AS FAR AS THE EYE CAN SEE!
Methodist women prepare to serve dessert at the annual salad luncheon for DISD educators. Pictured above from left are Mary Ellen Conner, Maureen Moore, Judy McGavic and Kathy Fry.

Dayton First Methodist ladies continue tradition of luncheon for DISD staff for over 50 years

DAYTON - For over 50 years, the First Methodist Church of Dayton has hosted a salad luncheon for the Dayton ISD. The initial luncheon welcomed around 80 DISD staff members and was a potluck luncheon, with a variety of salads contributed by the Methodist women of the church. This year, the Methodist women, along with many volunteers, youth, and sponsors, had the opportunity to serve over ten times the number of educators than in that first year. "It truly takes a village to pull off such a big luncheon event like this," stated organizer, Cindy Brawley-Scott. "First, we want to thank the women of our church who provide all the desserts and of course the Methodist men, who we could not do this without! We appreciate the City of Day-

ton's partnership with DISD and our church to host the luncheon as we have outgrown our Fellowship Hall's capacity to hold all the DISD's staff. "As the event has evolved, we have grown in the number of vendors and sponsors. They have been a blessing for us but are also a blessing to the DISD staff members as the educators receive lots of goodies, information, and supplies as they come into the luncheon. "Also, we have retired teachers who come back and help greet, meet, and work the luncheon with us. The retired teachers always enjoyed the Methodist Luncheon over the years and want to help us out. We really appreciate everyone's involvement. Our church is proud to host this every year. In fact, we have started planning for next year's Taco Salad

Luncheon and it will be even bigger and better." The sponsors include: Alan D. and Mary Ellen Conner (AConner Realty), Andy Conner (Merrill Lynch), Brookshire Brothers, Cattell Mortgage, Chambers Health, Dayton Farm and Ranch, Dusty Gatlin (Edward Jones Investments), Dwyer Pools and Outdoor Living, First Liberty Bank, Friendly Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, Hitchin Post, Kelsey Conner (JLA Realty), Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital, Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital, Lamar University, Leslie Herndon (Edward Jones Investments), Liberty Dayton Regional Medical Center, McKinley Homes, Noyer Agency (Allstate), One de Mayo Mexican Restaurant, Pace-Stancil Funeral Home, Pappy's Bar-B-Cue & Catering, Patient's ER,

PHYSIO, Prosperity Bank, Randal Arnold (State Farm), Rave Financial, Sherri Schmidt (JLA Realty), Steller Bank, Tara Brandt (Avon Ambassador) and Western Auto.

CONROE - Register now to participate in the upcoming Marksmanship Challenge sponsored by Multi-County Crime Stoppers. The Challenge will take place Sunday, August 23, at the Saddle River Range, 4280 FM 1488. Participation will be limited to a maximum of 30 team with novice and experienced competitors welcome. Check-in begins at 4:30 p.m. followed by the opening ceremony and safety briefing at 5:30 p.m. Competition gets underway at 6 p.m. The event will conclude with dinner and

awards at 8 p.m. Due to limited space, only registered competitors may attend. Entry is \$500 per two-person team or \$250 per individual.



ual. Ammo, gift bag, dinner and beverage are included. Competitors may provide their own pistols (center fire) or pistol rentals will be available at the Saddle River Range. Sponsorship levels ranging from \$250 to \$10,000 in support of the event can be found online along with competition registration. Visit multicounty-crimestoppers.org. Donations are tax-deductible. Multi-County Crime Stoppers is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.



Scan to learn more about Multi-County Crime Stoppers

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Dayton VFD golf tourney set for Sept. 12

DAYTON - Several years ago, members of the Dayton Volunteer Fire Department began planning a golf tournament fundraiser; however, due to inclement weather, the event was unfortunately unable to take place. This year, members have once again come together to plan and schedule the tournament to finally make it happen.

In honor of the 343 firefighters who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, this year's event will be called the DVFD/343 Memorial Golf Tournament. The tournament serves to honor the bravery and sacrifice of those fallen heroes. The tournament will be held

September 12, at Liberty Municipal Golf Course and will feature a four-man scramble format with a \$500 per team entry fee. Each player will receive three drink tickets, a goodie bag, breakfast and lunch. Players will tee off at 7



FIRST METHODIST WOMEN GET A GIFT FROM DAYTON ROTARIANS

Thanks to the gift from the Dayton Rotary Club, the women of Dayton First Methodist Church geared up once more to feed Dayton ISD staff. The church has been feeding the staff for 52 years, only missing the year of COVID. Cindy Brawley-Scott, organizer of the luncheon stated, "The lunch event has changed a lot over the years. It started as a simple potluck salad lunch, but now it's a taco salad luncheon where we serve over 800 staff members, vendors, and volunteers. It has really become a community event to show our appreciation to Dayton ISD staff for everything they do for our kids. "The Methodist women lead the planning, but many sponsors, volunteers, local businesses, and retired teachers who love this event also help out by serving the staff. A special thank you to the Dayton Rotary Club for providing the vegetable and fruit shredders! These will save our volunteers hours of chopping time before the event."



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