



WEEKLY WRAP UP for Friday, April 19, 2019

A message from your Chamber

Blackland Prairie Days is sponsored by the Main Street Program, a program which focuses on downtown revitalization within the context of historical preservation. The Taylor Main Street Program supports the redevelopment of the downtown area through historical preservation, education, economic development and heritage tourism.

- Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019
- Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Place: Taylor's Historic Downtown District | Main Street

Live Entertainment all day on two stages!!

Starting at 10 a.m. with the opening ceremony at the Second Street stage.

Kid Fest

The festival features plenty of fun activities for the kids including the Heritage Square Splash Pad, train rides, pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, duck pond, and much more.

Arts & Crafts

Booths featuring arts and crafts, plants, baked goods and retail merchandise will all be available to provide a unique shopping experience for everyone.

Food

Look for a variety of food and drink so you can spend the day strolling through the festival. Funnel cakes, kettle corn, sausage wraps, snow cones, and local favorites will make you hungry for more! Take a moment to visit some of our downtown restaurants after the festival or on your next visit to Taylor.

Entertainment

Live entertainment will feature local and area talent to celebrate our community's diversity and live bands for the street dance. Cultural and heritage music and song will be showcased throughout the day and into the early evening. No better way to spend the weekend!

Attention Vendors

If you are interested in participating, need an application or just want information, contact Lucretia Alvarez at 512-309-6185. [VENDOR APPLICATION](#)

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

We welcome businesses and individuals who are interested in securing a sponsorship for the festival and encourage you to look through our Sponsorship Package to see what level fits your needs.

[SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION](#)

If you'd like more information, email Debbie Charbonneau at debbie.charbonneau@taylortx.gov

Cook off registration



We are gearing up for the 41st Taylor International BBQ Cookoff in Murphy Park on June 7-8!

IF you want to cook and complete please have your team registered by FRIDAY, MAY 31, to ensure we have time to do all the prep work.

SIGN UP TODAY using the forms [here](#).

And, of course, we need judges. We will be judging about 100 samples each of brisket, pork, chicken and "cook's choice" entries and about that many samples of beans and barbecue sauce. If you are over 21 and can help out by judging, one, two or even three categories, we will thank you with adult beverages, snacks to clear your pallet and lots and lots of fun. You can register to be a judge by clicking [this link](#).

It's going to be a GREAT time!

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Chamber News & Calendar

Ribbon cutting



The Chamber and its Ambassadors joined with the City of Taylor April 12 to celebrate the grand re-opening of Heritage Square Park.

Chamber Calendar

- Monday, April 22, noon -- **Communications and Marketing:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Monday, April 22, 2:30 p.m. -- **WilCo Expo committee:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Thursday, April 25, 7:30 a.m. -- **Funding committee:** Mariachis de Jalisco, 3100 N. Main
- Tuesday, April 30, 5 p.m. -- **Ribbon Cutting: Eye Associates of Central Texas** to celebrate their remodel, 600 Mallard Lane
- Thursday, May 2, 9:30 a.m. -- **Governance committee:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Thursday, May 2, 11:30 a.m. -- **Ribbon Cutting: Taylor'd Flowers for You**, 2210 W. 2nd St.
- Thursday, May 9, 8 a.m. -- **Finance committee:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Monday, May 13, 5:15 p.m. -- **Chamber board:** Sirloin Stockade, 3607 N. Main St.
- Tuesday, May 14, 4 p.m. -- **Tourism committee:** Chamber, 1519 N. Main St.
- Monday, May 20, noon -- **Monthly luncheon:** Visit with representatives from Valero, Sirloin Stockade, 3607 N. Main St.

Member News and Events

It's a free ride!

To celebrate Earth Day on Monday, April 22, CARTS is offering free rides. They service non-urbanized areas of Bastrop, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Travis and Williamson counties. For information email info@RideCARTS.com or call 512-478-7433



Cinco De Puppa

Adoption & Family Event

Camp Bow Wow
Anniversary Pawty

May 5, 2019 11am-1pm
600 Lemens Avenue
Hutto

FOOD TRUCK

PAWSOME BLOSSOMS

WILCO SHELTER

GIVEAWAYS

DR. GUDIPALEN

GAMES

DOG MASSAGE

GEORGETOWN ANIMAL SHELTER

RAFFLES

PUPOLOGY

GERMAN SHEPHERD RESCUE



Give your ideas about East Williamson County Transportation access

On Thursday, April 25 9-10 am at the Taylor ISD Literacy Center. 3101 N. Main Building C. You can also hear from the experts. For more information contact Tiffany Price at tiffany.price@bbtrail.org

St. Mary's Spring Fling

St. Mary's Catholic School will celebrate its Spring Gala: Black Tie and Blue Jeans 6-11 p.m. Saturday, April 27, in the Ramnasium at 304 Fifth St. Tickets are limited and are available for \$70 each at www.stmarystaylor.org. Click [here](#) for more information.

Get the Keys to Enhancing Benefits with your Social Security

The Taylor Austin Telco Federal Credit Union is holding a class on Wednesday April 24 at 4:30 pm. To reserve your spot please contact Joshua Lowy at 512-407-3197 or atfcu@atfcu.org. Located at 3705 N. Main in Taylor.

Lions golf tournament

Taylor Lions Club will host its annual 4-person select-shot golf tournament on Friday, April 26, at Mustang Creek Golf Course. The events begins with registration at noon and a shotgun start at 1 p.m. It costs \$75 per person and includes greens fee, golf cart, meal beverage tickets and prizes. Mulligans may be purchased for \$5 each. Awards will be given for the longest drive and closest to the pin. Sponsorships begin at \$100. Learn more and get registered using [this](#) form.

Get ready to celebrate WC United Way's 80th Birthday

Friday, November 1, 2019 at the Sheraton Georgetown Hotel. Dinner, dancing, games and live music. Tickets, tables and sponsorship info at unitedway-wc.org/BirthdayBash

Williamson County Expo Center

Click [here](#) to look at what's going on out at the Expo Center.

American Legion activities

[Click here](#) or [here](#) for upcoming events.

SPJST #29 Activities

Click for the April schedule [here](#).

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