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Thank YOU For A Great Festival!

By: Sandra Kerr Mills

The 44th Smackover Oil Town Festival has come and gone! Funny how things you spend months preparing for are over in a flash.

Thank YOU for coming and participating. It would not have been nearly as fun without you.

Thank You to our sponsors, without whom it just simply would not have happened.

We would like to recognize: **A V Beebe Oil Co.; Anonymous sponsor (one); Apex**

Redi-Mixed Concrete Co.; AR Rep. John Baine; ArklaTex Operating Co., LLC;

Thank You

Berg Laney & Brown Co.; Chad White (Revocable Trust); Chemtura; City of Smackover; Corley

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SMACKOVER STATE BANK

**A proud supporter of Smackover and
Host of the 5K OIL RUN**

Overall Winners

**Male: 1st-Morgan Smith; 2nd-Gary Wilson;
3rd-Josiah Perez**

**Female: 1st-Holly Walker; 2nd-Marissa Perez;
3rd-Angela Ramirez**

Masters Winners

**Male: Dwain McDuffie
Female: Shauna Perez**

PRAYER BREAKFAST

July 18, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church on

MLK Drive in Smackover

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***If my people, which are called by my name,
shall humble themselves, and pray, and
seek my face, and turn from their wicked
ways; then will I hear from heaven,
and I will forgive their sin,
and will heal their land.***

II Chronicles 7:14



In May, The Street Committee was asked to meet with Public Works Director, Benjy Hildebrand, to discuss which streets were in need of repair.

City Report

From the May 11, 2015 meeting minutes, which were approved at the June 11, 2015 City Council meeting, we would like to report that there was one bid received (in May) for the old city hall and adjacent building. Mayor Neal asked the council if they approved the proposed bid or would rather run the bid again in the paper. After discussion of some concerns, the council opted to re-run the bid and read the new bids at the June meeting.

Mayor Neal turned the proceedings to the Vicious Dog Ordinance and the Sewer Rate Ordinances which had been mailed to the council members. They had received, read, and

were satisfied with them. Mayor Neal advised the council that the amendments must be read three times before them before they could be approved. Rec./Treasurer East gave the first readings of proposed ordinance, "An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 405, "Ordinance for Regulation of Vicious Dogs", and No. 420, "Ordinance for Regulation of Dogs"", and of the proposed ordinance "An ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 497". Both ordinances were accepted.

Mayor Neal requested the Street Committee to meet with Director Hildebrand before the

next meeting (June 11) to decide which streets needed repair so that the city could begin advertising bids for the work.

Alderman Givens thanked members of the council and others who helped with the city wide clean up, held May 2nd. Mayor Neal said the eighteen people who showed up to help did a great job and were appreciated.

Police Chief, Michael Fife, Director of Public Works, Benjy Hildebrand, and Fire Chief, Rob Neal, all reported that everything was good with their departments.

(Adapted by SKM from minutes recorded by Rick East, Smackover Recorder/Treasurer)

Winrock International Visits Smackover

Annette Pagan, Director of Winrock International, led a group of Northern Louisiana VIPs on a tour of Magnolia, El Dorado, and Smackover.

The tour was organized by Regina Walker, Director of New Directions Consulting, with the aid of

Smackover's own Carolyn Willett. According to Mrs. Walker, the focus of the tour was "building rapport with border communities." She explained that visiting other small cities and towns is a good way to learn how to build up

your own small town.

Smackover Mayor, Bob Neal, addressed the group, who gathered for a delicious dinner at The Copper Pot.

SCOC President, Kyle Wimsett, shared the history of Oil Town, which was beginning the same evening.



...Thank YOU For A Great Festival

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Kenneth Clark Oil; Lee-Spears Operating, LLC; Mac's Tree Service; Martin Operating Partnerships; Multi-Craft, Inc.; Murphy Oil USA, Inc.; Newton Well Service; Oil Field Energy Services, LLC; Phillips' Well Service; Pro-Med Ambulance Service; R. McNeely Oil Co.; Red Oak Operating, LLC; Rutledge Properties, LTD; Sand Lake Farms Farmers' Mkt & Café; Sewell Drilling, LLC; Short Stroke Pump Repair; Shuler Drilling; Smackover Family Practice Clinic;

Smackover Pharmacy; Smackover Pump Co., Inc.; Smackover Motors, Inc.; South Ark Pump and Supply; Taylor Everett, DDS, PA; Traylor Equipment, LLC; Trio Production Co.; Triple N Oil Co.; Tucker Oil Co.; WCA; WTS Petroleum Services; Wayne Weathersby; and Weiser-Brown Operating Co., for their sponsorship of various events during Oil Town.

Thank you to **Smackover High School FBLA** and **Smackover State Bank** for the events they host and partly sponsor each year, which add to the festivities

of Oil Town. SSB hosts the 5K Oil Run, which is touted as one of the best runs in the state, and SHS FBLA hosts the Oil Town Pageant, which is also popular.

Our undying gratitude goes to the many, many **volunteers** who gave freely of their time to head and judge events and just lend a hand where they saw a need.

Because of all of you listed here, we had a successful festival, which was attended by around 5,000 folks.



Summer Reading Program held in June

The Smackover Public Library held its annual Reading Program June 22-26, 2015.

Librarian, Melba Bussell, said there was a good number of children which participated. They enjoyed crafting with Mrs. Sherry Franques, from the Arkansas Museum of Natural Resources; a visit from the Smackover Fire Dept., during which each child got to try on a fireman's jacket; a visit from Cory Sharp, who spoke

about the nursing profession; and discovering their favorite reading genres, such as fiction, non-fiction, biographies, etc.

The children were read stories each day and led in doing crafts by Mrs. Barbara Tarrant. She was aided by Melba Bussell, Relda Burton, and Charity Mills. Sack lunches were also furnished each day for the children.



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**Working and serving together
for a stronger community!**


Chamber Board Meeting

Third Tuesday of Every Month



The Buckaroo Blog

~Where you can
stay current on
school news.
Catch up on all of
the recent awards
students have
received by
logging on today!



Jessie Rice
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lots of fun things and repurposed goodies

601 Broadway
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Sat: 10 until 5

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SNSD Awarded A STEM Grant!

Submitted by Jennifer Lee, SNSD:

The Smackover-Norphlet School District was recently awarded a New Program Start-up Grant in the amount of \$40,056.23 from the Arkansas Department of Career Education to offer Project Lead the Way's (PLTW) Gateway Program at Norphlet Middle School. The grant will pay for approximately 85% of one of the two classrooms which will provide this STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) program for our sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students.

PLTW Gateway provides engineering, biomedical science, and computer science curriculum for middle school students that

challenges, inspires, and offers schools variety and flexibility. Students get rigorous and relevant experiences through activity-, project-, and problem-based learning. They use industry-leading technology to solve problems while gaining skills in communication, collaboration, critical-thinking, and creativity.

Through the PLTW Gateway Program, our middle school students will take two semester-long courses each year such as Automation and Robotics, Design and Modeling, Flight and Space, Computer Science, Science of Technology, and the Magic of

Electrons. These courses will help prepare our students for jobs which are available in South Arkansas, including jobs with chemical, engineering, and petroleum companies.

The Smackover-Norphlet School District is fully committed to providing engaging curricula and programs which will help students grow academically and obtain the skills needed to prepare for college or the workforce. We are excited about joining PLTW's network and look forward to expanding this program with the PLTW Engineering Program of Study in the 2016-2017 school year for our ninth through twelfth grade students.



TROPHIES ARE IN!

Dog Show Trophies and
Egg Toss "Biggest Splat"
Trophies ready to pick up at
the Chamber Office.

District Awarded Half Million Dollar Grant

Submitted by Jennifer Lee, SNSD:

The Smackover-Norphlet School District has been selected as a recipient of the 2015-2016 School Based Health Center Initiative Grant. The five-year grant provides funding each year for the District to create a School-Based Health Center.

As part of the grant, the old home economics building on the Smackover campus will be renovated into a School-Based Health Center over the summer.

What is a School-Based Health Center? School based health centers provide basic physical, mental, dental or other services as needed. The health center provides services beyond the scope of the school nurse practice and is not intended to replace the school nurse. The school based health center is required to maintain a working relationship with the physician of a

child's medical home, to ensure that individual patient health plans are executed effectively and efficiently. Students can apply for ARKids and local resources connected to the health center for students and family convenience. The intent is for the center to act as a resource center for wellness and prevention. Typical characteristics of a SBHC are as follows:

- Located in the school or on school grounds.
- Work cooperatively within the school to become an integral part of the school.
- Provide a comprehensive range of services that meet the specific physical and behavioral health needs of the young people in the community.
- Employ a multidisciplinary team of providers to care for the

students: nurse practitioners, registered nurses, physician assistants, social workers, physicians, alcohol and drug counselors, and other health professionals.

- Provide clinical services through a qualified health provider such as a hospital, health department, or medical practice.
- Require parents to sign written consents for their children to receive the full scope of services provided at the SBHC.
- Have an advisory board consisting of community representatives, parents, youth, and family organizations, to provide planning and oversight.

(~Jennifer Lee is the Curriculum Director for Smackover-Norphlet School District.)

TURTLE RACE WINNERS

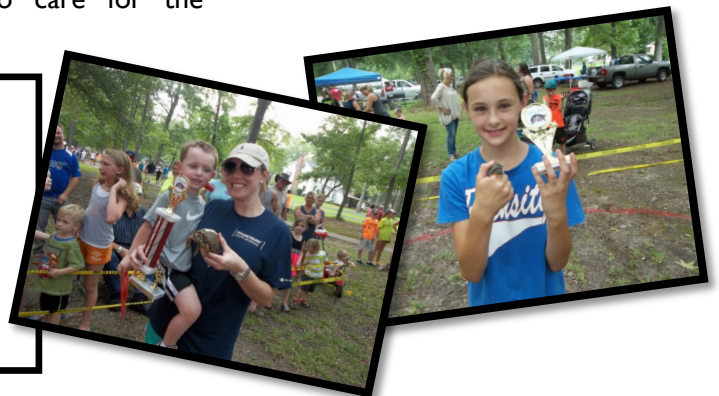
1st—Carson McDaniel

Smallest: Carlie Crawford

2nd —Harley Riddell

Largest: Walker Slater

3rd —Miles McDonald





DUCK RACE WINNERS

1st—Elita Tubbs, \$1,000
 2nd—Charity Mills, \$500
 3rd—Tasha Whisenhunt, \$250
 Last Duck—Mason McDaniel, \$100

WATERMELON EATING WINNERS

Ages 2-4—Ava Peterson
 Ages 5-7—Allana Thurman
 Ages 8-10—Adelaide Zargari
 Ages 11-13—Alec Gatewood
 Ages 14 & Up—Robert Hodges

EGG TOSS WINNERS

Ages 2-4: Aerial Smith & Gaberial Smith;
 James Purifoy & Tucker Jones
 Ages 5-7: Tripp Payne & Charley Jones
 Ages 8-10: Guner Zeek & Hunter Spradley
 Ages 11-13: Breanne Boyce & Kenley Brumley
 Ages 14 & Up: Kayla Green & Alex Holt
 Best Aim: Christina Launius & William Purifoy
 Biggest Splat: Dakotah Alexander



DOG SHOW WINNERS

Best Groomed: Hattie, Owner Kyle Jones
 Best Sitter: Linus, Owner Charli Neal
 Most Unusual: Doggy owned by John Crimm
 Best Costume: Google, Owner Jenna Smith
 Best Trick & Best in Show: Wooster, Owner Margaret Eubanks



SMACKOVER DAYS

Where: Tennyson Park
 When: Friday, July 3, 2015 —around 5 p.m.
 What: Family Fun! Dunking Booth, Water Slides, Domino Tournament w/trophies for winners, Fish Plates and BBQ
 Plates will be on sale or you can bring your own grill and drinks and cook for your family in the park.

PIPE TOTE WINNERS

1st—Joey Jackson & Josh Brown, 11.47
 2nd—Ryon Kaid, 13.67
 3rd—Joey Hodges & Doug Hodges, 14.30

TUG - O-WAR WINNERS

Walker Well Service Team





Oil Town Pageant Winners

Baby Miss Oil Town:

Winner-Tinleigh Sharp
1st Alternate-Emmalynn Poore
2nd Alternate-Kamery Shoffner
Photogenic Winner-Zyla Lee

Toddler Miss Oil Town:

Winner & Photogenic Winner-Addilyn Knight

Petite Miss Oil Town:

Winner-Britton Perry
1st Alternate-Sophie Hudson
2nd Alternate-Taylor Carter
Photogenic Winner-Sophie Hudson

Tiny Miss Oil Town:

Winner-Maci Hopper
1st Alternate-Saylor Greer
2nd Alternate-Eva Cook
Photogenic Winner-Maci Hopper

Little Miss Oil Town:

Winner-Ryleigh Hudson
1st Alternate-Grace Bolling
2nd Alternate-Allison Estridge
Photogenic Winner-Ryleigh Hudson

Jr Miss Oil Town:

Winner-Shara Parker
1st Alternate-Sara Gathright
Photogenic Winner-Shara Parker

Teen Miss Oil Town:

Winner-Emily Kellun

MISS OIL TOWN:

Winner-Rachell Ellis



Bunco Winners:

1st-Martha Neal
2nd-Nelda Blaylock
3rd-Elizabeth Barraza
Booby Prize-Melanie Price

OIL BALL 3 ON 3 TOURNAMENT WINNERS:

Jr Division-Boyz n the Hood

Rashard Boone, Wayna Frazier, Javan Modica, and Jaqueze Modica

Sr Division-Say No Mo

Jeff Savage, Donta Baker, Domique Reed, and Jordan Jones

Paul Givens Thanks: Jeff Savage, Tony Lockhart, Adrian Jones, Anthony Givens, and Tony Givens for their assistance.

Special Thanks to: Mr. Dave Wilcox, Smackover-Norphlet School District, Coach Poff, and Coach Moss.



ARM WRESTLING WINNERS

Due to space restrictions,
all of the
Arm Wrestling Winners
are being listed on our Website.

Go to
smackoverar.com
to view the list.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

Sand Lake Farm Farmers Market and Cafe
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DRILL BIT TOSS WINNERS

0-75 lbs.:

1st-Ethan Hodges, 2nd-Robert Cardin

76-125 lbs.:

1st-Breyton love, 2nd-Ben ____

126-150 lbs.:

1st-Nick Jennings, 2nd-Dawson Biggers

151-200 lbs.:

1st-Austin Jones, 2nd Steven Sullivan

201 lbs. & Up:

1st-Shawn Hodges, 2nd- Chris Hodges

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ROD WRENCHING CONTEST WINNERS

Men:

1st-Jeff Moore, 2nd-Michael Tipton, 3rd-Jeremy Bolling

Women:

1st-Mallory Pyron, 2nd-Karent Cunizales, 3rd-Kimberly Wilson

Senior:

1st-Doug Hodges

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Merchant Drawing Winners:

Pizza Pro-Gail Jackson	Insurance Center-Rita Smith
The Classic-Lacy Newman	Smackover Tanning Co.-Bianca Nolden
Shelter Insurance-Nick Jennings	Sharp's Hardware-Willie Lee
Taylor Tire-Shirley McAvoy	Smackover Motors-LaTasha Hayes
Antique Depot-Martha Neal	Broadway Printing-Joann Burns
Don's Food Mart-Mark Stratton	Tasty Donuts-Amy Bryant
Gilded Possum-Tina Phillips	Broadway Glamour-Rylie Darden
First Financial Bank-Cody Steed	Natalie's Cuts & Styles-Leland Watts
Smackover State Bank-Ricky Lewis	
Deborah's Mirror Image-Christy Lee	
Sand Lake Farms Farmers' Mkt & Café-Angie Lewis	

